

COMMUNICATIONS

The British Association for Mycenaean Studies announces a colloquium in the University of Sheffield from 23rd to 26th March 1970 on the subject, "Bronze Age migrations in the Aegean Region." The objects of the colloquium are presentation of new archaeological and linguistic evidence about settlement patterns and movements of populations in the Aegean region, together with adjacent regions in South-East Europe and Anatolia, between c. 2300 and 1100 B.C., and discussion of problems raised by this and previously available evidence, including the question of how and when the Greek language was introduced into Greece. A principal aim will be to promote discussion between archaeologists and linguists. The programme will be arranged in four sessions on: 1. Aegean and Anatolian archaeology. 2. History and dialectology of Mycenaean and early Classical Greek. 3. Anatolian linguistic evidence for cultural contact or migration across the Aegean. 4. Pre-Greek linguistic substrata in Greece. The colloquium is open to all in Great Britain or elsewhere who are interested in its subject. Those who wish to attend or to have further information about it are asked to write as soon as possible to Professor R. A. Crossland, Department of Greek, University of Sheffield, Sheffield, S10 2TN, England.

CLIPPINGS

Ta Nea, 6 Aug. 1969. Six Mycenaean tombs are found in the square of Nea Ionia in Volos.

NYTimes, 24 Sep. 1969. In the Ionian sea a continent recently sunk (about 20 or 30 million years ago), and now discovered by German geologists, is not Atlantis.

Ta Nea, 3 Oct. 1969. Early and Middle Cycladic finds at Kea. Pithos burials, walls, and a staircase.

Ta Nea, 10 & 17 Oct. 1969. Excavations at Aigina at the temple of Apollo, under the direction of Hans Walter, uncovering a Cyclopean wall and prehistoric house walls.

Eleftheros Kosmos, 12 Oct. 1969, Miltis Paraskevaidis. Discovery of 14 larnakes in chamber tombs at Tanagra. One at least is handsomely decorated with a row of mourning women. From the same tombs come remarkable figurines compounded of a long-tailed, head-winged, hybrid animal perched on an omega-shaped large base, apparently an egg-like structure above the double-horns.

Vima, 12 Oct. 1969. Near Rethymno two schoolboys found by chance two Minoan pots, leading to the discovery of a Minoan cemetery.

Thiraika Nea, 20 Oct. 1969, M. Paraskevaidis. An account of the First International Congress of Volcanic Studies in Thera.

Times (London), 22 October 1969, Norman Hammond. Discussion of the interpretation of the great eruption of Thera.

United Press International (Atlanta), ca. 24 Oct. 1969. A retired scientist and rabbi combines the evidence of David Ben Solomon Gans, of the Brazilian

inscription, and of copper coins apparently cast more than 1,800 years ago found in Kentucky to show that Semitic sailors discovered America two millennia before Columbus.

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