

COMMUNICATIONS

Among the seminar lectures delivered at the Swedish School, Athens, were: T.W. Jacobsen, "Some Thoughts about the Beginning of Food Production in Greece: The Evidence from Franchthi Cave", January 23, 1981; N. Platon, "The Minoan Palaces as Centres of Social and Political Theocracy", February 12, 1981; In Washington, D.C. Alison Frantz delivered the Annual Joint Lecture of the Smithsonian Institution and the Archaeological Institute of American on "Paganism and Christianity on a Greek Island", on March 10, 1981.

Scheduled topics for the Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting at San Diego April 29 - May 2, 1981 are, among others: R. Evans and C. Renfrew, 'Excavations at Phylakopi and the Melos Project, British School at Athens 1974 - 1977'; L. Hordinsky and E. Wheeler, 'Prehistoric Archaeology in the Vasilikos Valley, Cyprus: Research Design and Methodology'; F. Winter, and A. Bankoff 'The Morava Project'; P. Bleed, 'Strategies for Accommodating Exploratory Research and Maintaining Flexibility in Multi-Year Foreign Archaeological Projects'.

FORUM

To the Editors:

I hope you will allow me to correct an unfortunate error which has crept into my article "The First Fortnight at Knossos" (SMEA 21, 1980, 273-301). In the course of an argument that Minos Kalokairinos in 1878 found the first Linear B tablet in an LM III B environment and that Arthur Evans confirmed this in 1901, it was necessary to evaluate the results of an unreported excavation in the "General Clay Area" in 1903. To show what was uncovered in that year, the relevant section of the plan of the palace (BSA 8, 1902; my Fig. 1) was compared with the corresponding detail from T. Fyfe's unpublished plan of 1903. This comparison shows that Mackenzie uncovered the south line of foundations of the "Megaron", consisting of fourteen blocks of limestone and one of gypsum at the west end. It was alongside these "Walls of Central Clay Area" that a test pit was sunk in 1903. Unfortunately, although the caption to my Fig. 2 reads "Detail from T. Fyfe's plan of 1903", in fact the whole plan has been reproduced on so small a scale that the relevant details carefully distinguished by Fyfe's conventions are illegible. The error will be corrected in a forthcoming issue of SMEA, but interested scholars can check the facts by comparing my Fig. 1 with my Penultimate Palace, Plan IA. The important point is that the walls of the little "bath room" are entered in the convention "Reoccupation/Late Mycenaean" and run over the south line of foundations of the "Megaron".

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Yours,

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