MARGINALIA

Asterix has a new adventure, in the year 1981 A.D. He fought the Romans to a draw, had an adventure with Cleopatra and even dropped in on the New World — though it was by mistake. In the process, he made his creators wealthy men, and now LES EDITIONS ALBERT RENE (the name is a contraction of Asterix's creators, Albert UDERZO and the late René GOSCINNY) wants to build a French answer to Disneyland to celebrate Asterix's triumphs, at BAZICOURT, a village 35 miles north of Paris. Regrettably, the 350 villagers are not Asterix fans.

According to reports, however, the villagers are divided. Some prefer violent resistance, using the local turnips and sugar beets for weapons. Others prefer negotiation and are preparing a petition to President MITTERAND. Moreover, the neighboring town of PONT-SAINTE-MAXENCE has gone over to the forces of Asterix, seduced by promises of employment for its workers. The unemployed at BAZICOURT number only four, however, and the villagers will not be seduced.

The fate of the 600-acre principality of Asterix hangs in the balance.

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Just before Christmas, a small parcel arrived on my desk, and I opened it to find a slim, beautifully-printed paperback titled THE GENNADIUS LIBRARY: A Survey of the Collection, by Francis R. WALTON, with the assistance of T. E. GREGORY and Sophie PAPAGEORGIOU (American School of Classical Studies, Athens, 1981). The GENNADIUS Library is familiar to all alumni of the American School of Classical Studies, at least as far as its existence is concerned. But I suspect that a good number of our AAH members consider its collections peripheral to the work of the ancient historian, and have not bothered to examine the GENNADEION'S holdings.

That is too bad, for the collection is a remarkable one. It was begun by Joannes GENNADIUS, the son of a Greek schoolmaster who had fought in the Greek War of Independence and died of cholera when young Joannes was only ten years old. Joannes, when he grew up, took a post in the London office of the firm of RALLI BROTHERS, and he was in England in 1870, at the time of the diplomatic incident that is described in the late Romilly JENKINS IN THE DILESSI MURDERS (London, 1961). GENNADIUS responded to the attacks on Greece that appeared in the British press by producing a pamphlet on the incident that he delivered personally to over 100 members of Parliament at Westminster. His zeal cost him his job with RALLI BROTHERS, but within a year, he had begun a new career as a diplomat. For four separate periods, totalling 20 years, the GENNADIUS headed the Legation of the Kingdom of the Hellenes in London.

He began collecting at an early age, and though at one point in his career, when he needed money, he undertook to sell his collection, he could not bear to part with it. In 1922, he offered it to the American School of Classical Studies. The Carnegie Corporation provided the building and the Greek government the site, and in 1926, the GENNADEION opened its doors.

GENNADIUS died in 1932. However, his library has continued to grow. It has a remarkable collection ranging from early Greek printed books to Byzantine and Turkish history, up to the modern period. It has the archives of Heinrich SCHLIEMANN, of Nobel laureate George SEFERIS and some of the papers of Odysseas ELYTIS. The little booklet, THE GENNADIUS LIBRARY, is lavishly illustrated and is an excellent introduction to the collection.

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J. A. S. Evans, Sec/Treas.

Directed Study Abroad

The Canadian Archaeological Institute at Athens would like to announce its first national summer programme in Greece from May 10 - June 9, 1982. Conducted by Dr. Susan Rotroff and Dr. Robert Lamberton of Mt. Allison University, N.B., the course will
concentrate on south and central Greece and Crete and, while aimed at undergraduates seriously interested in ancient Greece, is open to all students. Cost in Greece (including room, travel, tuition and some meals) is Can.$1,200.00 and application should be made to Dr. John Humphrey, Chairman, CAIA Summer Programme, Dept. of Classics, U. of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The office of secretary-treasurer will become vacant as of May, 1982, and the election for a new incumbent will take place at the annual meeting. The term of office is three years, with the possibility of reelection for one further term. The duties consist of receiving membership fees, acting as business officer of the Association, and editing and distributing a NEWSLETTER not less than three times a year.

Nominations for the office of Secretary-Treasurer must be signed by three members of the AHA in good standing, who do not belong to the same institution, and must be countersigned by the nominee, who will thus indicate his willingness to serve, if elected. Nominations must reach the secretary-treasurer two weeks before the first day of the Annual Meeting.

The president and secretary-treasurer must not come from the same university campus.

PERSONALIA

Professor William M. Calder-Jll organized and directed a Symposium at Bad Honnef 21-26 September 1981 to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the death of Ulrich von Wilamowitz-Moellendorff. 25 scholars from 11 countries, East and West, participated. The papers will be published by the Wissenschaftliche Buchgesellschaft in 1982 as "Wilamowitz nach 50 Jahren." Among the participants was Prof. M. H. Chambers who spoke on "Wilamowitz und die Alte Geschichte."

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Professor A. A. BARRETT, Classics, University of British Columbia, has been appointed editor of the NEWSLETTER of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada.

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Dr. Geoffrey CHAPMAN, University of Natal, Durban, SOUTH AFRICA, will be a visiting fellow at HARVARD UNIVERSITY (Classics Dept.) from February to early May, 1982. ... Mr. Kim KYUNG-HYUN, Dankook University, Seoul, KOREA, is a visiting fellow at HARVARD UNIVERSITY (History Dept.) for the spring semester, 1982, doing research on the Roman republic. ... Walter EDER, Free University, Berlin, is a fellow at the Center for Hellenic Studies, Washington, D.C., for 1981-82.

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Edward G. WILSON has been appointed a sessional lecturer at the University of ALBERTA.... The "Search for Alexander" is still very much with us. The Archaeological Institute of America and the American Philological Association sponsored a plenary session on December 29, 1981, on MACEDONIA IN THE TIME OF PHILIP AND ALEXANDER at San Francisco in connection with the annual meetings of both organizations. Papers were given by Peter GREEN, University of Texas at Austin, and Stella G. MILLER, Stanford University. At the University of British Columbia, the University Centre for Continuing Education and the local chapter of the Archaeological Institute sponsored a series of lectures Feb. 3 - March 10, on Alexander the Great. Participants were Phillip HARDING, Tim McIVEN, James RUSSELL, Robert TODD, Alian EVANS, and Elizabeth BONGIE..... And at the FRIENDS OF ANCIENT HISTORY meeting on December 30th, 1981, at the San Francisco Hilton, a panel was held on THE LEGACY OF ALEXANDER, with contributions from Wallemar HECKEL (University of Calgary); Thomas R. MARTIN (Center for Hellenic Studies, Washington, D.C.); Eugene BORZA (Penn State) and Peter GREEN (Texas at Austin).

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CLASSICAL ASSOCIATION OF CANADA
SOCIÉTÉ CANADIENNE DES ÉTUDES CLASSIQUES

The annual meeting of the Classical Association of Canada will be held at the University of Ottawa, June 2-5, 1982. The program chairman is Professor S. Van de Maele, Department of Classics, University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Ottawa, KIN 6NS.

For those who are aficionados of Vergil, June 5th will be devoted to Vergilian Studies. Among the speakers will be Sir Roger MYNORS, whose title is "The Georgics: Poetry and Fact," and Pierre GRIMAL, whose title is "Virgile en face des philosophes."

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American Historical Association

Unfortunately, the letter from the AMERICAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION reached me just after NEWSLETTER 25 had been consigned to the uncertain hands of the post office. The AHA is planning its 1982 annual meeting, and members of allied societies that want to contribute should contact Professor David HERLIN, Department of History, Robinson Hall, HARVARD UNIVERSITY, Cambridge, MA 02138, by February 15th. I am sorry that this NEWSLETTER will probably reach the majority of its readers only a few days before the deadline.

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New Books

M. I. FINLEY, ECONOMY AND SOCIETY OF ANCIENT GREECE.
Edited with an introduction by Brent D. Shaw and
New York, 625 Madison Ave., 10022, $20.00.

H. A. SHAPIRO, ART, MYTH AND CULTURES. GREEK VASES
FROM SOUTHERN COLLECTIONS. Franklin Printing Co.,
(This is a catalogue and commentary on a special
exhibition mounted jointly by the New Orleans
Museum of Art and Tulane University.)

THE COINS OF ALEXANDER THE GREAT. An Introduc-
tory Guide for the Historian, the Numismatist and the
Collector of Ancient Coins, ed. A. N. OIKONOMIDES,
using sections from the works of Ludwig MÜLLER,
Baron A. von PROKESCH-OSTEN and B. V. HEAD. Ares

J. A. S. EVANS and R. W. UNGER (eds.) STUDIES IN
MEDIEVAL AND RENAISSANCE HISTORY, IV (1981). De-
partment of History, University of British Columbia,
Vancouver, B.C., $17.00 (cloth).

Peter KUSSMAUL, PRAGMATICUM UND LEX. Formen spätrö-
mischer Gesetzgebung, 408-457. Hypomnemata, 67
Vandenhoeck u. Ruprecht in Göttingen, 1981

CARTHAGE V. CAHIERS DES ÉTUDES ANCIENNES,
XIII, ed. Prof. Pierre SENAY, 1981. Université du
Québec à Trois-Rivières, C.P. 500, Trois-Rivières,
Québec, 69A 5H7.

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New Delhi - 110024, INDIA.

Deaths

It is with great regret that we report the death of Professor John Langdon CASKEY on December 4,
1981. Born in Boston, Professor CASKEY received his
B.A. from Yale University in 1931 and his Ph.D. from
Cincinnati in 1939. He was professor of classical
archaeology at the University of Cincinnati from
1959 to 1979 and head of the classics department,
1969-72. From 1949 to 1959, he was director of the
American School of Classical Studies at Athens.

As an archaeologist he worked on numerous sites:
TROY (1932-38); LERNA (1952-8); the HERAION at ARGOS
(1949); KEDS (1960- ). He contributed chapters on
the Early and Middle Bronze Age to the third edition
of the CAMBRIDGE ANCIENT HISTORY, vol.s I-II. In
1980, he was awarded the 16th annual award for Dis-
tinguished Archaeological Achievement by the Ameri-
can Institute of Archaeology.

DISSERTATIONS

Angeliki Petropoulou. The Wonder Cures of
Epidaurus: Texts, translations, commentary, Uni-
versity of Colorado at Boulder. Principal Advisor
William M. Calder III.

Fellowships

The University of Missouri - Columbia announces
the establishment of a graduate fellowship in honor
of the memory of Thomas A. Brady. Brady was a
native of Missouri and graduated from its university;
he earned his Ph.D. at Harvard with W. F. Ferguson
and A. D. Nock, specializing in the acceptance of
Egyptian cults in the Greco-Roman World. A book of
his collected essays, Sarapis and Isis, was pub-

In Brief

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