

THE ASSOCIATION OF ANCIENT HISTORIANS

NEWSLETTER 15

March 1979

1. 1979 MEETING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, SEATTLE

REGISTRATION: Thursday evening, May 3rd, at the University Tower Hotel.

RECEPTION : Thursday, 8:30-11:00 P.M., at the Faculty Center, University of Washington.

FRIDAY, MAY 4

Morning session: The Mycenaean World Chairman: Carol Thomas

9:00 A.M. John Chadwick: "Social Organisation of Mycenaean Greece".

Commentators: William Wyatt and Douglas North

Afternoon session: Greek Navies Chairman: J.A.S. Evans

1:30 P.M. Thomas Kelly: "The Peloponnesian Navy".

Ronald Legon: "The Megarian Navy 700-400".

Commentators: Raphael Sealey and Hunter Rawlings III

4:30 P.M. BUSINESS MEETING

Evening: BANQUET (complimentary to members), at the University Tower Hotel.

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Sir Ronald Syme: "The Emperor Augustus: Forty Years Later".

SATURDAY, MAY 5

Morning session: Rome Chairman: F.M. Clover

John Eadie: "Frontier Politics in the Third Century".

Commentator: E.N. Luttwak

Kenneth Harl: "Propaganda and Political Attitudes among Eastern Provincials in the Third Century".

Commentator: H.A. Drake

Since it is difficult to return to the East Coast from Seattle in the evening, there will be no afternoon session on Saturday.

Hotel bills of full members will be heavily subsidised. It is too early to make a guarantee, but it is unlikely that members will be required to pay more than \$10 per day for hotel rooms. Double occupancy will normally be necessary: members are invited to inform Art Ferrill of their choice of room-make.

All enquiries about arrangements for the meeting should be directed to Professor Ferrill (office: 206-543-4797; home: 363-1032; Department of History, University of Washington, Seattle, 98195).

Members who have registered will be informed about further arrangements by the Organising Committee in Seattle. There is still time to register: please use the form attached to this Newsletter.

2. DECEMBER MEETINGS IN VANCOUVER

The A.A.H. panel on the Roman empire after 2000 years, organised by Ernst Badian and supported by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, was a pronounced success. The speakers were E. Badian, G.W. Bowersock and T.D. Barnes (who is still at Toronto and has not, as the A.P.A. Program claimed, been translated to Texas). Chr. Meier was unable to participate because of illness.

The ancient historical element was naturally strong at the A.I.A. meeting and more strikingly present at the A.P.A. Apart from the panel, there were two sessions entirely devoted to history, several individual papers and the meeting of the Friends of Ancient History - a total of, it appears, about thirty papers. It will be remembered that the papers admitted by the programme committee of the A.P.A. are a small proportion of those proposed and that the committee which selects them represents a range of philological interests, so the amount of historical content is greatly to the credit of the speakers.

3. FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Princeton University will be holding a conference on 'Literature and Society in the Ciceronian Age', April 20th and 21st 1979. The speakers are Elizabeth Rawson, David O. Ross, Thomas N. Mitchell, Jerzy Linderski, James E.G. Zetzel and D.R. Shackleton Bailey. Enquiries to the Department of Classics, 103 East Pyne, Princeton University, Princeton, N.J. 08544.

Cornell University will hold a symposium on 'The Origin and Transmission of the Alphabet - New Discoveries', April 1st to 3rd 1979. The participants are L.H. Jeffery, A. Demsky, L.L. Threatte, M.G. Bernal, P. Kyle McCarter, M.K. Langdon. Registration closed March 23rd.

The Classical Association of Canada/La Société Canadienne des Etudes Classiques will (like the other Canadian learned societies) meet in Saskatoon this year: the Association's dates are June 4 to 7. Events of especial interest to A.A.H. members are a lecture by Sir Moses Finley, "Slavery and the historians" and sessions on ancient science and technology, Greek and Roman history and archaeology (in particular, Canadian digs). (Anyone who wishes to join the Association should write to the Treasurer, Prof. J.M. Bell, Department of Languages, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario, N1G 2W1. The annual subscription is \$15, students \$6).

The VIIth congress of the International Federation of the Societies of Classical Studies takes place in Budapest September 3-8, 1979. Its areas of study are 1) Archaic Greece between 650 and 550 B.C., 2) The Mediterranean World in the Hellenistic Age, 3) The End of the Roman Empire. Enquiries to Professor J. Harmatta, H-1052 Budapest, Pesti Barnabás utca 1. III. 25, Hungary.

4. PERSONALIA

Charles Odahl is now Assistant Professor for Ancient and Medieval History at Boise State University.

5. RECENT BOOKS

Stanley M. Burstein, The Babyloniaca of Berossus (Sources from the Ancient Near East I.5, Malibu: Undena Press, 1978); W.V. Harris, War and Imperialism in Republican Rome 327-70 B.C. (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1979); Eleanor Goltz Huzar, Mark Antony. A biography (Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 1978); Constantine N. Tsirpanlis, Modern Greek Idiom and Phrasebook (New York: Barron), Mark Eugenicus and the Council of Florence (New York, 1979) and The Liturgical and Mystical Theology of Nicolas Cabasilas (New York, 1979).

6. POSITIONS

INDIANA UNIVERSITY. Ancient History, especially Greek, and Greek language. Assistant Professor, tenure track, joint appointment with Classics. Write to Professor Maurice Baxter, Department of History, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana 47405.

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY. Possible Assistant Professorship in Ancient History, from September 1979. Courses would include introductory courses in Western Civilization, survey in ancient history, and advanced classes. Candidates should have satisfied all requirements for Ph.D.; some publication and teaching experience desirable. They should preferably have a primary interest in the Roman Republic and a secondary interest in the Hellenistic world. Papyrology or Roman law would also be an advantage, but the department's overriding concern is with quality.

7. AMERICAN JOURNAL OF ANCIENT HISTORY

Vol. I (1976) :

Nos. 1 and 2 are out of print. No. 3 is still available at \$5, plus \$.50 postage. Nos. 1 and 2 are being reprinted and will be available soon. Single copies of these will also cost \$5, plus \$.50 postage (for one or both numbers). After reprinting, the entire volume I will also be available, at special AAH members' 1978 rate (\$10). Orders for any of the above can be entered now and will be filled as soon as the reprinting is complete.

Vol. II (1977) :

No. 1 is out of print, and therefore we can no longer accept orders for Vol. II entire. No. 2 is in page proof and should appear soon. This single copy will be available at \$6, plus \$.50 postage. We hope to reprint II.1 in due course. Anyone interested in a reprinted edition should contact the journal.

Vol. III (1978) :

No. 1 is in galley proof. It should appear shortly after II.2. We hope that III.2 and IV.1 (1979) will follow before the end of this year.

8. CALL FOR PAPERS

The Women's Classical Caucus will present a panel on "Women in Antiquity" at the 1979 meeting of the American Philological Association and Archaeological Institute of America in Boston.

Scholars in archeology, history, anthropology, comparative, literature, art history, history of religion, and related disciplines are invited to submit proposals of papers to be presented at the panel.

Proposals for discussions of methodologies for studying women in antiquity are also welcome.

The proposal may take the form of: 1) an abstract of approximately 800 words, or 2) a fairly complete paper. The time required for presentation should be indicated: the maximum allotment will be 30 minutes.

Six copies of each proposal should be submitted no later than September 15 to:

Professor Sarah B. POMEROY
 Department of Classics
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 Hunter College of the City University of New York
 695 Park Avenue
 NEW YORK, N.Y. 10021

No indication of the author's identity should appear on the proposal; authors should identify themselves in a covering letter.

9. STOP PRESS AND VALEDICTORY

The retiring secretary-treasurer would like to thank members for having made her years in office so pleasant and regrets that the Association's concordia (as well as several other historical features) makes it impossible for her to emulate the officers of the Joint Association of Classical Teachers who in reporting their res gestae adopt the persona of one or other of the Roman emperors (JACT Bulletin 48 (November 1978) 1).

The Augusta's ab epistulis reports that one member has so far been nominated for the secretary-treasurership and that he expects that another candidate will be nominated. In accordance with the spirit of our times, there will (if there is more than one candidate) be an election by secret ballot at the Business Meeting in Seattle. Only paid-up members present at the meeting may vote. Anyone who has not yet paid the subscription for 1979 and any arrears (or who wishes to enquire about his/her standing) is asked to contact M. Antonius Aug. 1. Pallas, a rationibus, in good time before the annual meeting.

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MEETING AT SEATTLE

May 4-5, 1979

APPLICATION TO ATTEND

ONLY for members who have not replied before

Please check in blank spaces as appropriate :

I expect to attend the Seattle meeting and shall
require accomodation for the night(s) of: May 3 ()
May 4 () and May 5 ().

I expect to attend the Seattle meeting but shall arrange
my own accomodation ().

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