# THE BRITISH SCHOOL OF ARCHAEOLOGY IN IRAQ (Gertrude Bell Memorial)

**REPORT** 

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE

1936

THE FOURTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SCHOOL WILL BE HELD IN THE HALL OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY, BURLINGTON HOUSE, ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3RD, 1936, AT 5 O'CLOCK, TO CONSIDER THE ACCOUNTS, BALANCE SHEET AND REPORTS OF THE COUNCIL AND AUDITOR; TO ELECT MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL; TO APPOINT AN AUDITOR; AND FOR ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHICH MAY PROPERLY BE TRANSACTED.

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lions, a demon's head and a scaraboid, and shell figures of goats and other animals. Further finds include a miniature copper lion and a number of grotesque figurines of men and women which may represent some local fertility cult.

- 8. Soundings at two neighbouring mounds, Germayir and Arbit, produced material of the period between 3500 and 2500 B.C., and the evidence indicated that the Assyrians had only made a superficial penetration of this remote region.
- 9. Of the rich collection of objects, the share allotted to the British Museum has just arrived in England, and the publication of the results will be made in a forthcoming number of *Iraq*.

#### FURTHER EXPEDITIONS TO SYRIA

10. Grants have been made of £500 to Mr. Mallowan and of £150 to Sir Leonard Woolley in aid of the expeditions to Northern Syria which they are undertaking at the end of the current winter. Mr. Mallowan will continue the excavations at Chagar Bazar and a special search will be made for more inscribed material. In addition he will excavate Tall Brak, the largest and probably the most important mound in the neighbourhood, lying about twenty-five miles south of Chagar Bazar. Sir Leonard Woolley will complete his excavation of Tal Sheikh Yusuf, near Antioch, and will begin the excavation of Tal Atchana in the same region.

#### THE IRAQI LAW OF ANTIQUITIES

11. The long-foreshadowed new Act was passed on 20th April, 1936. It prescribes, *inter alia*, the conditions on which excavation will be allowed. Each expedition is to comprise at least three specialists—an experienced archaeologist, an architect and an assistant for drawing and photography; and is to include an epigraphist also unless his presence is waived by

the Director of Antiquities. The cost of guards and the expenses of any representative of the Director of Antiquities are to be paid by the Expedition. Casts may be taken of all finds, and the Expedition may remove any objects which the Government releases owing to the existence of similar ones in the Baghdad Museum, and half of any objects which are duplicated. The Council trust that the Government, recognizing the difficulties which archaeological expeditions to Iraq find in raising the necessary funds, will administer the new law in a liberal spirit, and they hope that it may be possible to send an expedition to Iraq under the auspices of the School in the winter of 1937-8.

#### THE JOURNAL

- 12. The first part of the 1936 volume contains an exhaustive account, with many illustrations, by Mr. M. E. L. Mallowan of his excavations at Chagar Bazar described above, and of his general archaeological survey of the Habur region; a description by the same author of the magnificent bronze head of the Accadian period found at Nineveh in 1931; an account by Mr. C. J. Gadd and Dr. Campbell Thompson of a baked clay tablet found near Seleucia, containing the earliest known formulae for the making of glazes; and articles by M. Simone Corbiau on Sumerian dress lengths as chronological data and on an Indo-Sumerian Seal.
- 13. The second part is devoted entirely to an account by Sir Aurel Stein of his 1933-4 expedition, which was supported financially by the School, to the province of Fars (the ancient Persis) in Southern Iran.
- 14. The circulation of Iraq is increasing and now totals about 200.

#### FELLOWSHIP

15. The last Report recorded the appointment of Mr. P. L. O. Guy as Fellow of the School, to survey and make

excavations on a dolmen field in Transjordan. Unfortunately the disturbances in Palestine have made it impossible for him yet to begin work.

#### ACCOUNTS

- 16. The accounts for the year are annexed. The General Fund (in which the Journal Fund has now been merged) had an income of £1,271, including £311 from interest on the Gertrude and Hugh Bell bequests and £464 from interest and dividends on the School's own investments. The expenditure (including £175 provided for the Fellowship) totalled £979, leaving a surplus of £292. The thanks of the School are due to Mr. Mallowan, the British Academy, and the Royal Central Asian Society for grants towards the cost of Iraq.
- 17. The School is again indebted to Mr. Harold Lakeman for auditing the accounts without charge.
- 18. The Council appeals for donations and annual subscriptions (including subscriptions to "Iraq") to enable the School to continue and extend its work. Forms for subscription, donation and bequest will be found at pages 13-15.

By order of the Executive Committee, on behalf of the Council.

- E. BONHAM-CARTER, Chairman
- E. H. KEELING, Hon. Secretary

November, 1936.

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The price of single (half-yearly) copies of *Iraq* is eighteen shillings.

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#### BALANCE SHEET, 30th JUNE 1936

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(sd.) E. BONHAM-CARTER, Chairman. H. O. MANCE, Hon. Treasurer.

I have examined the above Balance Sheet and accompanying Income and Expenditure Accounts with the books and vouchers, and find them to be correct and in accordance therewith. I have also verified the cash at bank and the investments.

FARLEIGH HOUSE, 97-99 CHEAPSIDE, LONDON, E.C.2 .6th August 1936

(sd.) HAROLD LAKEMAN Chartered Accountant, Hon. Auditor.

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