

To Oriental Institute Members the year 1955-56 again brought a lecture series and newsletters from the field. Five lectures dealt with new archeological discoveries in the Near East. Four others, arranged jointly with the Archeological Institute of America, provided a diversified fare. The reception for Members, following Dr. Kraeling's lecture in October, has become an annual event much enjoyed and appreciated by the Institute staff. Three newsletters from Egypt, five from the Nippur excavations, one reporting on Syria-Jordan, and three from Libya were distributed. Copies of *La Peinture ancienne égyptienne* and of an article describing the new Hellenistic gold jewelry which was given to the Museum by Mr. Chester Tripp were distributed at intervals.

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CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE ORIENTAL INSTITUTE  
MEMBERSHIP INCOME FUND

BALANCE: July 1, 1956 . . . . .	\$20,046.84
INCOME: Dues from annual members . . . . .	2,301.00
Dues from sustaining members . . . . .	750.00
Dues from associate members . . . . .	1,800.00
Other gifts . . . . .	7,317.35
Fees, sales, royalties . . . . .	110.43
TOTAL INCOME . . . . .	<u>\$31,725.62</u>
EXPENDITURES:	
Newsletters, lectures, reception . . . . .	\$1,636.30
Color plates for articles on Palmyra tomb to be printed in <i>Syria</i> . . . . .	1,000.00
Underwriting of <i>Assyrian Dictionary</i> , Vol. VI . . . . .	7,320.00
Ziwiye gold plaque and cylinder seals . . . . .	3,250.00
New slide projector for lecture hall . . . . .	687.74
Faculty travel to learned societies . . . . .	360.05
Dead Sea Scroll fragment and 4 papyri . . . . .	150.00
Color plates for Hellenistic gold article in <i>Archaeology</i> Operation and maintenance of Libyan excavation . . . . .	7,110.18
Equipment for the building . . . . .	302.68
Miscellaneous . . . . .	256.74
Photographic services . . . . .	149.50
Extra expenses of Jarmo Expedition . . . . .	1,500.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES . . . . .	<u>\$24,073.19</u>
BALANCE: June 30, 1956 . . . . .	<u>\$ 7,652.43</u>

