

PUBLICATIONS OFFICE

Thomas A. Holland

The staff of the Publications Office for this year consisted of Thomas Holland and Thomas Urban in the Editorial Office and Robert Herbst in the Sales Office. We were also fortunate to have the assistance of graduate students Simrit Dhesi and Blane Conklin for the first half of the year, followed by Leslie Schramer, Dennis Campbell, and Thomas Dousa for the second half. Irv Diamond continued to volunteer on a number of projects, as did Catherine Dueñas and Emily Napolitano. Jean Grant and John Larson provided invaluable assistance as always.

Editorial Office

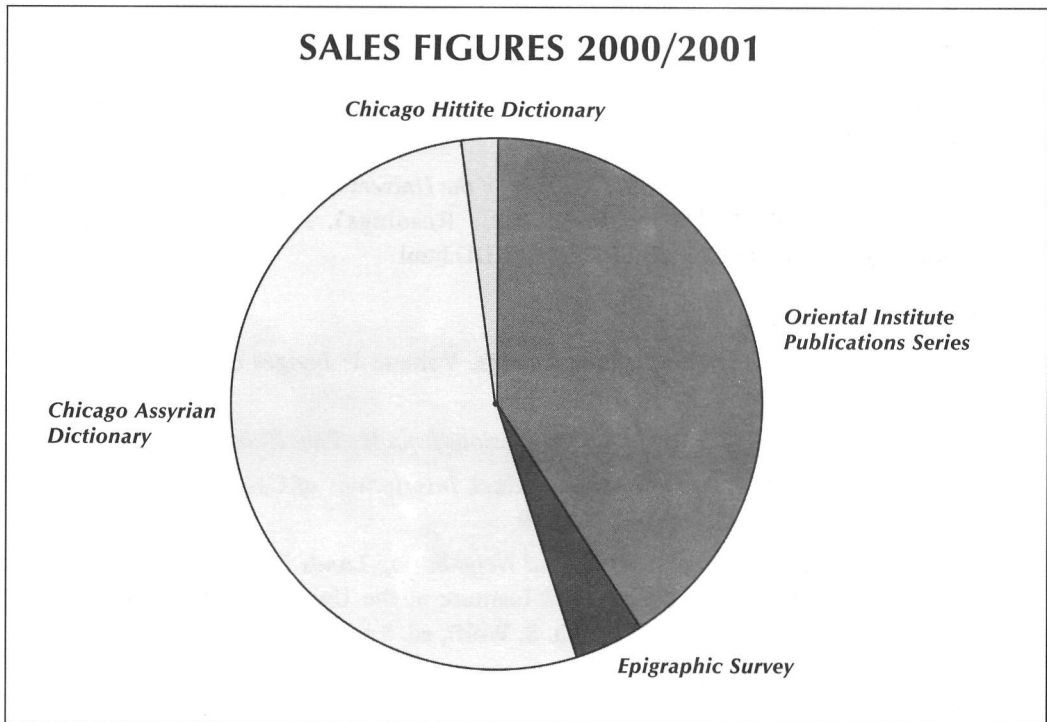
Aside from the indices, work is completed on the double volume *Seals on the Persepolis Fortification Tablets*, by Mark Garrison and Margaret Cool Root (OIP 117); and aside from the glossary, work is also completed on *Theban Desert Road Survey*, by J. C. Darnell. We continued preparing *News & Notes* and the *Annual Report* for press. We experimented with the electronic distribution of two of our titles (see below), one previously published and the other a new publication.

Sales Office

This last year our inventory has been consolidated from several different locations into one, which provides us with efficient inventory retrieval and accurate inventory counts. The online catalog has been rewritten and will be upgraded further in the coming year. Our shipping program has improved this last year. We now have a contract with United Parcel Service (UPS) to ship our books worldwide, alleviating the many problems we faced using the postal service for international orders. With an organized inventory and a reliable shipping service our orders are now being fulfilled quicker. Sales figures are up 29%. The heavy discounting of our older titles during the Members Sale, the sales of two new titles (SAOC 58 and OIC 28) published at the end of last year, and the retrieval (and subsequent sales) of seventeen Oriental Institute titles previously distributed by the University of Chicago Press (see below) have resulted in higher sales. With the anticipation of publishing at least three new titles, we anticipate even higher sales in the coming year.

Volumes Retrieved from University of Chicago Press

1. *Sumerological Studies in Honor of Thorkild Jacobsen on His Seventieth Birthday, June 7, 1974*. S. Lieberman, ed., 1976. AS 20
2. *Sargonic Texts in the Louvre Museum*. I. J. Gelb. 1970. MAD 4
3. *Sargonic Texts in the Ashmolean Museum, Oxford*. I. J. Gelb, 1970. MAD 5
4. *Excavations at Nippur: Eleventh Season*. McG. Gibson, 1976. OIC 22
5. *Ausgrabungen von Khor-Dehmit bis Bet El-Wali*. H. Ricke, 1967. OINE 2
6. *Persepolis, Volume 3: Royal Tombs and Other Monuments*. E. F. Schmidt, 1970. OIP 70
7. *Studies in Arabic Literary Papyri, Volume 3: Language and Literature*. N. Abbott, 1972. OIP 77



8. *Soundings at Tell Fakhariyah*. C. W. McEwan. L. S. Braidwood, H. Frankfort, H. G. Güterbock, R. C. Haines, H. J. Kantor, and C. H. Kraeling, 1957. OIP 79
9. *Ptolemais: City of the Libyan Pentapolis*. C. H. Kraeling, 1963. OIP 70
10. *Aramaic Ritual Texts from Persepolis*. R. A. Bowman, 1970. OIP 91
11. *Persepolis Fortification Tablets*. R. T. Hallock, 1969. OIP 92
12. *Medinet Habu, Volume 7: Temple Proper, Part 3: Third Hypostyle Hall and All Rooms Accessible from It with Friezes of Scenes from the Roof Terraces and Exterior Walls of the Temple*. Epigraphic Survey, 1964. OIP 93
13. *Medinet Habu, Volume 8: Eastern High Gate with Translations of Texts*. Epigraphic Survey, 1970. OIP 94
14. *Excavations in the Plain of Antioch, Volume 2: Structural Remains of the Later Phases: Chatal Hüyük, Tell Al-Judaidah, and Tell Ta 'yinat*. R. C. Haines, 1971. OIP 95
15. *Inscriptions from Tell Abū Ṣalābīkh*. R. D. Biggs, 1974. OIP 99
16. *Prehistoric Investigations in Iraqi Kurdistan*. R. J. Braidwood and B. Howe, 1960 (second printing 1966). SAOC 31
17. *Studies in Honor of John A. Wilson, September 12, 1969*. E. B. Hauser, ed., 1969. SAOC 35

RESEARCH

Volumes Printed Online

1. *Thus Wrote 'Onchsheshonqy: An Introductory Grammar of Demotic*. J. H. Johnson. Third edition. SAOC 45. <http://www-oi.uchicago.edu/OI/DEPT/PUB/SRC/SAOC/45/SAOC45.html>
2. *Demotic Dictionary of the Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago (Introduction, Y, F, L, R, H, H̅, K, T̅, D̅, and Problematic Readings)*. J. H. Johnson, ed. www-oi.uchicago.edu/OI/DEPT/PUB/SRC/CDD/CDD.html

Volumes in Preparation

1. *Seals on the Persepolis Fortification Tablets, Volume 1: Images of Heroic Encounter*. M. B. Garrison and M. C. Root. OIP 117
2. *Scarabs, Scaraboids, Seals, and Seal Impressions from Medinet Habu*. E. Teeter. OIP 118
3. *Theban Desert Road Survey, Volume 1: Rock Inscriptions of Gebel Tjauti, Part 1, and Wadi el-Ḥôl, Part 1*. J. C. Darnell. OIP 119
4. *Studies in the Archaeology of Israel and Neighboring Lands in Memory of Douglas L. Esse*. Joint Publication of the Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago and the American Schools of Oriental Research. S. Wolff, ed. SAOC 59
5. *Excavations at the Prehistoric Mound of Chogha Bonut, Khuzestan, Iran: Seasons of 1976–1978 and 1996*. A. Alizadeh. OIP 120
6. *Cuneiform Texts from the Ur III Period in the Oriental Institute, Volume 2: Drehem Administrative Documents from the Reign of Amar-Suena*. M. Hilgert. OIP 121

Manuscripts Accepted for Publication

1. *Neo-Babylonian Texts of the Oriental Institute Collection*. D. Weisberg
 2. *Early Urban Life in the Land of Anshan: Excavations at Tal-e Malyan in the Highlands of Iran*. Joint Publication with the University of Pennsylvania Museum. W. M. Sumner
 3. *Tell es-Sweyhat, Syria, Volume 1: Settlement and Land Use on the Margin of the Euphrates River and in the Upper Lake Tabqa Area*. T. J. Wilkinson
 4. *Tell es-Sweyhat, Syria, Volume 2: Archaeology of the Bronze Age, Hellenistic, and Roman Remains at an Ancient Town on the Euphrates River*. T. A. Holland
 5. *Taxes, Tax-Payers, and Tax-Receipts in Early Ptolemaic Thebes*. B. P. Muhs
 6. *Megiddo, Volume 3: Final Report of the Stratum VI Excavations*. T. P. Harrison
 7. *Origins of State Organizations in Prehistoric Fars, Southern Iran: Final Report on the Excavations at Tal-i Bakun*. A. A. Alizadeh
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