

I. J. GELB was invited as the only non-German scholar to participate in the celebration which the past and present students and colleagues of Wolfram von Soden organized in Münster in the beginning of June on the occasion of the completion of his *Akkadisches Handwörterbuch*. The topic of Mr. Gelb's presentation was the past, present, and future of Akkadian grammar and lexicography. As some of the old-timers will remember, as a result of the so-called "Marburg Agreement" of August 31, 1950, sanctioned officially by the Union Académique Internationale, American Council of Learned Societies, and three German academics, two Akkadian dictionaries were to be published: the multi-volume Chicago Assyrian Dictionary and the concise German undertaking.