



SCHOLARSHIP

Other Research Activities of Oriental Institute Faculty, Staff and Students

ROBERT MCC. ADAMS read a paper on "Early Urban Evolution" at a symposium on "Frontiers of the Social Sciences" at the Washington, D.C. meetings of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in January. In February he discussed the origins of Mesopotamian civilization with an inter-institutional colloquium of psychologists organized by Professor Leon Festinger at the New School

for Social Research in New York City. In March he participated in a week-long colloquium on the "Collapse of Ancient Civilizations" at the School of American Research in Santa Fe. Also to be published in a symposium volume is a lecture he delivered in May on "Mesopotamian social evolution: old outlooks, new goals" at the University of California in Los Angeles. Additionally during April and May, he served for

a month as a Visiting Professor in the department of Anthropology at the University of California, San Diego. In June the results of a two-year study that he had chaired, on behalf of the National Science Foundation and under the auspices of the National Research Council, were published under the title of *Behavioral and Social Science Research: A National Resource* (Washington, D.C.: National Academy Press, 2 vols.).