Individual Research

JOHN A. BRINKMAN has submitted a chapter "Babylonia in the Shadow of Assyria, 747-626 B.C." for the revised version of the Cambridge Ancient History, vol. 3, part 2. For the volume Assyriology and the Humanities: Essays in Honor of William L. Moran (to appear in the Harvard Semitic Series), he contributed an article "The Babylonian Chronicle Revisited," reevaluating the Neo-Babylonian chronicle tradition. A study of "Political Covenants, Treaties, and Loyalty Oaths in Babylonia and between Assyria and Babylonia" will appear in the volume I Trattati nel mondo antico: forma, ideologia, funzione edited by Mario Liverani; these are the updated proceedings of a conference held in Rome in March 1986. For the Oriental Institute publication of The Holmes Expedition to Luristan, edited by Maurits van Loon, Brinkman completed a chapter on "The Inscriptions," covering Middle and Neo-Babylonian texts found in the excavations by Erich Schmidt in the late 1930's. His study of the use of bronze in Babylonia in the early Iron Age has appeared in John E. Curtis, ed., Bronzeworking Centres of Western Asia c. 1000-539 B.C. (London: Kegan Paul, 1988). During June and July 1988, he directed a National Endowment for the Humanities summer seminar for college teachers on "The Assyrian and Babylonian Empires, 745-539 B.C."

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