

CAROL MEYER continues work on the excavated glass corpora from Aqaba, Jordan and Quseir al-Qadim, on the Egyptian Red Sea coast. Visits to Corning, New York and Texas A. & M. University enabled her to see the glass records from Siraf, Iran (c. A.D. 825-1000 or later) and the Serçe Limani shipwreck (c. A.D. 1025) off the coast of Turkey. Both sites are especially valuable comparisons for the Aqaba material, and many thanks are due to Dr. David Whitehouse and Dr. George Bass for their help. Fourteen glass sherds from Quseir al-Qadim and Aqaba were sent to Dr. Robert Brill of the Corning Museum of Glass for chemical analysis. The ratios of lead isotopes associated with cobalt coloring agents in dark blue glasses can be traced to areas of origin, and hence the coloring agent, if not the final glass, can be traced to a probable source. Work has begun on the final report on the Quseir al-

Qadim glass (Roman and Mamluk) from all three seasons and on assembling comparative material from east Africa and India, whose ports were goals of Red Sea traders. In addition, the *Chicago House Map and Mini Guide to Luxor*, text by Lanny Bell and maps by Carol Meyer, appeared in November and revisions have been made for a second printing in the fall of 1989.