

PUBLICATIONS OFFICE

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The 1989-90 fiscal year was very busy, as usual, for the staff of the Publications Office. Several changes occurred in the staff of both the editorial and sales offices. Joan Hives, our previous production coordinator, obtained employment elsewhere in the university. Thomas Urban, employed in the Publications Office since June 1987, is now our senior computer and editorial assistant and oversees the running of the sales office. In March 1990, Richard M. Schoen was employed as a computer and editorial assistant and becomes the third, full-time staff member of the editorial office. Prior to coming to The University of Chicago to study Syro-Palestinian archaeology at The Oriental Institute, Rick attended John Carroll University in Cleveland, Ohio, where he received a Bachelor of Arts degree in archaeology. Rick is a welcome addition to our staff. In the sales office, the excellent work of the part-time, student staff, Ariel Jolicoeur, Sophia Stergianis, and Carolyn Swain, is very much appreciated. Finally, I am pleased to announce that a fourth full-time staff position was created in the publications office at the end of the fiscal year. ▼ The editorial staff is happy to announce that four of the five volumes listed in last year's Annual Report as having been sent to press during 1988-89 are now

available for sale. The plate volume for *The Earliest Land Tenure Systems in the Ancient Near East: Ancient Kudurrus* (OIP 104) has been printed, but will not be sold until the text volume, which was sent to a typesetter in late 1989, is published in early 1991. The text volume of *The Holmes Expeditions to Luristan* (OIP 108) was also completed. *Old Babylonian Public Buildings in the Diyala Region* (OIP 98), the ninth of twelve volumes planned for presenting the work of The Oriental Institute's Expedition in the Diyala Region of Iraq, was published at the end of the fiscal year.

Four volumes on which work began at the end of the previous fiscal year also have been published. A revision of Michael Wise's doctoral dissertation (1988), *A Critical Study of the Temple Scroll from Qumran Cave 11*, was published as the forty-ninth volume of the series *Studies in Ancient Oriental Civilization*. *Twenty-Fifth Dynasty and Napatan Remains at Qustul: Cemeteries W and V* (OINE VII) was Bruce Williams' fourth entry into The Oriental Institute Nubian Expedition series. Vivian Broman Morales had her study, *Figurines and Other Clay Objects from Sarab and Çayönü*, published as the twenty-fifth issue of The Oriental Institute Communications series. *Uch Tepe II: Technical Reports*, the second volume in the series of the Iraq Hamrin Reports, edited by McGuire Gibson, was printed in Denmark.

The status of the other new volumes submitted during the year is as follows:

Town and Country in Southeastern Anatolia, Vol. I: Settlement and Land Use at Kurban Höyük and Other Sites in the Lower Karababa Basin. OIP 109. T. J. Wilkinson. The entire summer of 1990 was devoted to preparing this volume for press.

Town and Country in Southeastern Anatolia, Vol. II: The Stratigraphic Sequence at Kurban Höyük, Two Volumes, Text and Plates. OIP 110. G. Algaze, ed. The summer of 1990 also was spent preparing these volumes for press.

Egyptian Phyles in the Old Kingdom: The Evolution of a System of Social Organization. SAOC 48. Ann Macy Roth. Work continued by the author on this publication throughout the year, and it will be sent to press in late 1990.

The latest manuscripts received for publication are:

Meroitic Remains from Cemetery Q at Qustul and Cemetery B and a Settlement at Ballana. OINE VIII. Bruce Beyer Williams.

Nubadian X-Group Remains from Royal Complexes in Cemeteries Q and 219 and Private Cemeteries Q, R, V, W, B, J, and M at Qustul and Ballana. OINE IX. Bruce Beyer Williams.

The Hittite Instruction for the Royal Bodyguard. AS 24. H. G. Güterbock and Theo P. J. van den Hout.

The Road to Kadesh, 2nd ed. rev. SAOC 42. William J. Murnane.

Subsistence, Trade, and Social Change in Early Bronze Age Palestine (to be published in the SAOC series). Douglas Esse.

In order to make some of our publications more widely available to the general public, a selection of twelve titles from the fifty-six volumes now in print were introduced this year into the stock of books sold in the *Suq*, the Museum Gift Shop of The Oriental Institute. In addition to the *Suq*, other institutions and museums in the Chicago area sell some of our publications, including The Art Institute of Chicago Gift Shop and the Field Museum Gift Shop.

The editorial office purchased a new Mac IIcx computer with a full-page monitor. The second computer allows production to proceed simultaneously on two manuscripts. The full-page monitor with the new computer and the two-page monitor with the Mac II facilitate better editing and page design of the increasing number of manuscripts now being received for publication. A font, "CuneiformOr," was especially designed for our publications by Ecological Linguistics in Washington, D.C. This new font contains most of the diacritics and special characters that are needed to produce manuscripts of a Near Eastern genre, especially those that pertain to Anatolian and Mesopotamian topics. Additional fonts, one to produce Greek characters and another to produce Northwest Semitic characters, also have been purchased from Ecological Linguistics and will allow for the quality publication of an even greater range of manuscripts. These fonts allow our office to produce manuscripts that range from very detailed philological studies to manuscripts that contain only a few specialized diacritics with great accuracy and unsurpassed quality on our in-house laser printer. The ability to produce good quality diacritics and special characters goes hand in hand with our ability to produce good quality manuscripts in-house and at lower cost.

Table of Sales

<i>Series</i>	<i>Number of Volumes Sold</i>
Assyriological Studies	40
Chicago Assyrian Dictionary	254
Chicago Hittite Dictionary	66
Materials and Studies for Kassite History	20
Oriental Institute Communications	144
Oriental Institute Nubian Expedition	139
Oriental Institute Publications	176
Studies in Ancient Oriental Civilization	466
Miscellaneous Volumes ¹	30
	TOTAL 1335

¹Volumes published jointly with other institutions:

- Ancient Textiles from Nubia: Meroitic, X-Group, and Christian Fabrics from Ballana and Qustul*, by Christa C. Mayer Thurman and Bruce Williams.
- Quseir Al-Qadim 1978: Preliminary Report*, by Donald S. Whitcomb and Janet H. Johnson.

The Joint Istanbul-Chicago Universities' Prehistoric Research in Southeastern Anatolia, by Halet Çambel and Robert J. Braidwood.

Uch Tepe I: Tell Razuk, Tell Ahmed Al-Mughir, Tell Ajamat, edited by McGuire Gibson.

United with Eternity: A Concise Guide to the Monuments of Medinet Habu, by William J. Murnane.

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This year also was notable in that a separate office, room 207, was permanently established for publications sales; the previous office, room 206, was shared with the staff of the *Suq* and had become very overcrowded. Even though we had to suffice with intermittent part-time, student help, the total number of volumes sold (see table above) was good. The new computer in the editorial office allows the Mac SE, our very first computer, to be used in the sales office for the implementation of a database program (Double Helix) with applications for maintaining inventory, invoicing, and the effective use of direct marketing mailing lists. Additionally, the sales office will be able to take over the production of our book catalog, which has been updated quarterly during the past two years in order to record the many titles that have gone out of print and the many more that have been published.