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!!! WE ARE DIGGING !!! *****

This is it! Another dream come true! Dave and crew, and we hope plenty of volunteers, have begun operations at the famous KLEINE SITE. So far, we have no direct report, but understand that work to date consists of preliminary probing. Some extremely interesting points have been found, but no charcoal - and daily rains have hampered progress, like a 3" downpour on June 19. More and perhaps better news will appear in the next Newsletter.

Precise information regarding the site or sites being worked on any particular day can be obtained at the Colbert County High School in Leighton, Ala. The Mud Creek-Town Creek sites FR-1 thru FR-5 now being investigated, are located in the Northeast corner of Franklin County, and are roughly some 10 miles South of Leighton, and some 10 miles East and slightly North of Russellville. So sorry the location was mentioned in a news release as being in Lauderdale County!

The Kleine Site (FR-1) is a small knoll of midden material in a field some 50 yards from a small creek. Most of the artifacts from this site were picked up in a small area you could cover with 2 average houses. It was not hunted a great deal, as it involved quite a trip. Yet 5,609 projectile points and fragments were recovered - not to mention the many other lithic artifacts - which will give you an idea. Even after it had been collected a number of times, it amazed Steve Wimberly. A possible Sandia point, 1 Clovis (and others nearby), 30 Daltons, 1 Cumberland, 2 Quads, 24 Evas (Lewis & Lewis date the Eva site at 8,000 years), 4 Morrow Mountains, 11 Kirk Serrated, 2 Cypress Creeks, 9 Big Sandy I, 13 Big Sandy II, 13 Lecroy Bifurcated, 6 Kirk Corner Notched, (and the following types found in our Dalton midden last summer) 226 Benton Stemmed, 156 Provisional Type 11, 8 Eloras, 220 Provisional Type 2 and 1,326 Provisional Type 1. Now let's see what we have missed - 1 Angostura, 1 Fluted mid-section, 1 fluted distal end, 9 Round Base Morrow Mountain, 6 Pine Tree, 3 Pine Tree Variants, 13 Kirk Corner Notched Ground Base, 2 Elora Serrated, 2 Big Sloughs, 4 Crawford Creeks and 1 Beaver Lake.

Good heavens, did you ever hear of - did you ever dream of! - a pocket-handkerchief site with 2,096 points so old they are all in the "unexplored" category? Lewis & Lewis have an estimated date on the Eva. We shall get a good date on the Morrow Mountain when radio-carbon results come in on last year's Stanfield-Worley dig. We have a date of 9,640 years from charcoal taken at random in the Dalton midden at the Stanfield-Worley, but the 15 projectile point types recovered from this midden attest its complexity and probably considerable time covered. So most of the above points are floating unattached in the remote unknown of antiquity - without dates or cultural or skeletal associations. Small wonder that Steve Wimberly has insisted all along that "the Kleine Site MUST be excavated".

Steve supervised a test in 3 five-foot squares several years ago. But two of the squares encountered burials, and one a pit which must have gone down 6 feet. A classic Paleo flake scraper was recovered near the bottom of this pit, but the intrusive nature of the soil made it of no stratigraphic value. If a few five-foot areas can be found where there are no intrusions, and lithic types are stratified, and charcoal clearly associated, and possibly burials - well, this could become easily the most important excavation ever made

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in America. Or even if we could make only one lucky strike, get a date on one of the many above old points, we'd write another chapter in the book of Southeastern archaeology!

IF - of course. One never knows! But this is the big try. That, in itself, is a victory. Even 3 years ago we dared not even dream that it would ever come to pass. At last WE HAVE ARCHAEOLOGY, EARLY MAN ARCHAEOLOGY, GOING IN ALABAMA. All we have to do is to KEEP IT GOING to date all these old points, and the Lermas, Cumberlands, Greenbriers, Hardaways, Jeffs, Plainviews, Redstones, Stanfield Triangulars, Wheelers and other old points we may not yet have found, in this archaeologically incredible State of Alabama. So let us resolve to KEEP IT GOING - and let us remember we haven't all the money for this summer yet!

--- D. W. Josselyn

OUR HONOR ROLL - AND OUR BOAST !

The only - and we mean the ONLY - HONOR ROLL OF DONORS in the wide archaeological world! Nowhere else do we find an alerted and enlightened public chipping in to support basic research into the past of this too-little-understood creature who boasts himself Homo sapiens - and often fails to substantiate his boast. In fact, the anthropologists, who study man and face his defects squarely, didn't believe there were enough sapient people in the country to do this! We ourselves, we must admit, tackled 6 of the great institutions of the country to support our Early Man hunt in Alabama before we dared such a brash and unlikely thing as soliciting "the people". Just now we were trying to write adequate thanks to a very generous lady who wishes her donation to remain anonymous. We told her that, by golly, we were just awfully proud of the people who have shown more sense and vision than those several great institutions which failed us.

Frank E. Lankford (Harsh, Glasser & Lankford), a donor of last year, was our first donor this month. You have read of Frank in these pages before - a very broadly and conscientiously civic-minded man, the kind it is good to see in the legal profession. And you will recall the story in our July issue of a year ago about Frank Jr., who found the largest pot fragments the Park Service had ever seen in the Virgin Islands, and properly turned them over to the museum where they belong - a real triumph for science over our deep-rooted "collector instinct" which has so plagued archaeology. We can count it among our archaeological triumphs that we are reaching such people in the community. And remember that to do so is also our opportunity and obligation - so LET FOLKS KNOW - they just might want to know! (1208-11 Comer Bldg., Birmingham 3, Ala.)

Horace J. Holland - well! Maybe it isn't good soliciting, but we just had to write "Don't send any more!" - when he sent in his THIRD DONATION. We most certainly do not mean to over-solicit, or to strain anyone's resources. And Horace has been giving HIMSELF to archaeology - time, intelligence and money put into WORKING AT ARCHAEOLOGY - and doing a marvelous job. He and his remarkable students have been our main surface surveyors of the KLEINE SITE DRAINAGE AREA this year - upon which our work this summer is so dependent. We simply had to restrain him - but it is good to know there are such people! (Leighton, Ala.)

Terry W. Tarkington was next to send in his donation - a steady donor - and hasn't forgotten us in spite of very exciting events. He has been to Ireland, Scotland, England, Channel Islands and Iceland - was "overwhelmed with the historical and prehistorical sites", and feels "like a single bumblebee in a huge field of clover". It is interesting to note the international appreciation promoted by an archaeological background. Terry is being transferred to Ireland for a "couple (?) of years" by Chemstrand, and is "glad Rodger Schaefer sold me a Life membership" so he can be sure to follow our Alabama fortunes "with extreme interest in the Newsletter". And may we hope to hear yours too, Terry? (15 Larkhill Road, Portstewart, County Derry, Northern Ireland.)

William P. McClelland (Martin-McClelland Co., Inc., 33 Anastasia Drive, Fort Walton Beach, Fla.) is another of our cherished new donors - our encouraging proof that we have not reached our limits of expansion - and another of our highly prized recruits from the business community. No note accompanied Mr. McClelland's generous donation, and we've learned nothing about this new member announced in our April issue, but we are looking forward to the opportunity of learning something of his archaeological ambitions. (377 Shades Crest Road, Birmingham 16, Ala.)

G. B. Daniell (G. B. Daniell Realty Co.) carries us back, for we well remember that Mr. & Mrs. Daniell were on that small first list of Charter Donors - and have been with us ever since, and gave us a "raise" this year. There is so much interest, and archaeology, in the Anniston area that we hope those good folks get their own Chapter soon. Our members over there will know, too, where to take their real estate problems - which is one of the nice things about having our "business accounts". (Radio Bldg., Anniston, Ala.)

Bion Duncan, Secretary-Treasurer of the Madison-Huntsville Chapter, sent in the SECOND batch of checks - that Chapter is really on the ball. This included a CHAPTER DONATION, the first we have received, and it was a nice hunk of cash. We do worry about cash in transit, but it is thoroughly accounted here. It goes into the book as received, is itemized in our report to Treasurer Spencer, and he itemizes every donation on the deposit slips - carbons of which are returned to the Secretary. So there are multiple records of every donation - if you forget what you donated, come the time for income tax, just ask us to check our records. And thanks to the Madison-Huntsville Chapter, and the following members who included checks:

T. W. Cornell, Scout Master for many years, fossil collector, rock hound, and a fine member, seems to have the habit now, for he also donated last year. (2621 Bonita Circle, Huntsville, Ala.)

E. D. Burwell was also with us last year - and these steady folks we can depend on are mighty good news. If we get enough of them we won't have to expend so much promotional effort. (405 Holmes Ave., N.E., Huntsville, Ala.)

Georgia Dunn - now there's a Huntsville member we know from way back - Oh, we have a good memory for the girls! Georgia is back with us again this year, too - as you'd expect, as she is a devoted follower of the furrow. Georgia is Postmistress at Laceys Spring, Ala., so you don't need any further address.

John H. Friend, Jr., is another of those new donors who are proving every month that we haven't reached the saturation point - a big donation of encouragement, too. He is a member of our Mauvilla Chapter, his donation sent in by our good friend Nicholas H. Holmes of Holmes & Geer. Mr. Friend's address is 609 E. Barksdale Drive, Mobile, Ala.

Mrs. Helen McCary Ballard, sister of our own Henry McCary, joins us again this year, and apparently with approval of our record to date, for she doubled her donation! "Down from the hills of Habersham", we might quote, as this donation is all the way from 2867 Habersham Road, N.W., Atlanta 5, Ga.

Evelyn Ware, next on our day-to-day list of receipts, donates again this year and sends in a very good suggestion, that we might be able to use the very considerable existing aerial photography to hunt sites by this new method. And we know of at least one gravel company which discovers ancient meanders of rivers, now filled, which would be very likely places to look for Early Man sites. What we need is a "Jack Cambron" to specialize in air photography survey methods. There is much published material available, and the March 1962 Bulletin of the Arkansas Archaeological Society published an excellent article by Clyde D. Dollar on adapting survey methods to local conditions. You can subscribe to this unusually good Bulletin for only \$2.00 per year - Ark. Arch. Soc., Univ. of Ark., Fayetteville, Ark. (Miss Ware: 909 Euclid Ave., Birmingham 13, Ala.)

Mrs. Bestor Brown joins us as a new donor, and most pleasantly and encouragingly. She operates "The Book-Keeper", a bookshop in Mountain Brook Village. Remembering her very pleasantly from having bought books there, we sent her one of our "Missing Link" booklets and "wondered if you would cooperate to the extent of giving one of these booklets to each buyer of a book on archaeology" - the nerve of a solicitor! Her immediate and gracious reply actually thanked us "for thinking of me in connection with your booklet", said she would "be very glad" to have some copies to distribute - AND "I am enclosing my check for the 'cause'". Isn't that perfectly nice? And we are not just being nice in return in saying that her shop is a good place to buy your books. It is well stocked, you can get any book ordered you may want, Mrs. Brown has been a librarian and knows her books, and she is always eager to know what we consider good in the field of archaeology. The donation of such a nice and encouraging reaction is especially appreciated by the solicitor - who, in our experience, isn't quite as brash and nervy as sometimes reputed. (Shop address - 2408 Canterbury Rd., home address 2303 Chestnut Rd., Birmingham 9, Ala.)

Nicholas H. Holmes again - and what this time? Well, not to be outdone by the Madison-Huntsville Chapter, here is a MAUVILLA CHAPTER DONATION. And if we know anything about the treasuries of young Chapters, they robbed theirs. We hope one of these days to be hale and hearty enough to get around and meet the good people in all these new Chapters - an incredible TEN now. We can remember when we were lucky to have 10 people present at our meetings of the Birmingham Anthropological Society. (P. O. Box 864, Mobile, Ala.)

Rodger L. Schaefer, our long-suffering State Secretary-Treasurer, whose job grows bigger every month with the tremendous influx of new members, sends in his check again this year (1414 - 15th Ave., S.E., Decatur, Ala.) and checks from 2 other Decatur members:

Gerard O'Mahoney, 2310 Dogwood Lane, Decatur, Ala.

Brian K. Polk, P. O. Box 23, Decatur, Ala.

and Rodger thoughtfully includes a bit of information about these 2 gentlemen: "Gerry is our friend from Dublin, Ireland, who has taken to Alabama like boll weevils to cotton. We see him on the river every week end and he has picked up some beautiful points. B. K. Polk is an active spelunker in this area, but finds time to hunt artifacts on his way to and from the caves." Thanks, and a hearty welcome to these new addicts to the Early Man hunt - Gerry might lend us some of the famous "luck of the Irish", and Brian might find us a good cave site in his spelunking.

This next we might call "the Moundville meeting experiment". Soliciting for archaeology is new, and nobody knows anything about it. Most people pronounce "archaeology" with some difficulty, and identify it with the Greek Parthenon or Egyptian mummies - something far removed from Alabama - so we must begin at educational scratch. We should all be looking for ways to educate, interest and inspire:

Elizabeth Cline, our former Associate Editor of the Newsletter, took a miniature of a step-cut excavation to the Moundville meeting. It showed all the known Alabama cultures, at successive depths, and the tremendous addition to our knowledge made by our Stanfield-Worley excavation last summer. The model "dig" was constructed of plywood, and hollow. A convenient slot was cut into the face of the "excavation" (just below the "extended Middle Mississippian burial") with the more or less obvious hint: "HAVE YOU PUT A DONATION INTO THE DIG?". Of course, folks were not going to the meeting prepared to donate, and the miniature was primarily to make visible our own proud addition to Alabama archaeology, the slot just seeming like a rather cute reminder. But when we sawed a door in the back of the model (we hadn't been optimistic enough to prepare an entrance!) there were 4 donations from Gadsden members, 2 from Birmingham and 2 cash donations just pushed in without names attached. You never can tell what is worth a try - the TRY is the thing. The "slot" donors were:

Dr. E. M. Lindsey, the President of the Nockalula Chapter, about whom Floyd Anderson wrote us such nice things, dropped a good check into the "dig" even though the Lindseys donated just last month! (173 Azalea Drive, Gadsden, Ala.)

Mr. & Mrs. J. W. Hawkins, new members (March Newsletter), also became new donors, via the "slot". Seems they are neighbors of the Lindseys, living just up the street at 205 Azalea Drive, Gadsden, Ala.

W. J. Barkins, also a March new member (and we note we got the name "Barker" in that issue - apologies for the error), became a June donor - didn't have his check book and had to rob his wallet of cash - hope he had enough left to get home on! (1202 Randall, Gadsden, Ala.)

Jack Wynn we remember as an old friend, donating last year before the Gadsden folks had a Chapter of their own. Robbed his wallet too! (2514 Kyle Ave., A.C.S., Gadsden).

Martin Hullender, immediate Past President of the Birmingham Chapter, we remember from way, way back - and always in there pitching. And not forgetting Mrs. Hullender, long our Birmingham Secretary-Treasurer. And the Hullenders got our Newsletter together and mailed long before the "modern efficiency methods" of the Milt Harrises - though they have 3 times the number to get out now! Martin had to emaciate his wallet, too - but for a "cause" we know is close to his heart, the "lift" overcoming the "let-down". (1884 St. Charles Ave., S.W., Birmingham 11, Ala.)

E. S. Ginnane - his many, many fast friends will give us no argument in calling Mr. Ginnane "the Grand Old Man of Alabama archaeology". He is in his eighties - and still goes on his annual fishing trips to Canada, where with a guide he goes in beyond "tourist" territory where the "big ones" are. When we were still damp around the diapers, he was picking up artifacts such as we don't see any more. When Alabama interest was just a feeble spark, he fanned it and kept it from dying completely. Thousands of beginners, we have no doubt, have benefitted by his generously bestowed interest, encouragement and instruction. We well recall that when we began our first serious major surface survey, he and the late Mr. Horton visited some of our sites with us and gave the encouraging pat that makes the big difference. We take this opportunity to make our bow to the past, and to one of those who helped so greatly to tend the fragile seed of beginning - without which the plant would not be so blooming today. We know it must be heartening for one of the real "old-timers" to defy the four-score-and-ten and see Alabama archaeology really going places, and to be still in there pitching. (1513 S. 13 Pl., B'ham 5, Ala.)

These, with 2 anonymous cash donations, netted our fund, and our archaeology, a tidy sum at the Moundville meeting. Today, June 15, we have \$4,740.35 on hand, a healthy 68% of our needs this year.

--- D. W. Josselyn

COLBERT COUNTY HIGH

OUR BEST BOW TO THAT AMAZING SCHOOL

Colbert County High School at Leighton, Alabama, through the generous action of the School Board, Trustees, Superintendent and Principal, has most helpfully and intelligently been made available as headquarters for our famous people-financed, economically-managed and professionally supervised hunt for Early Man this summer. We have moved in - just bring your sleeping duffle and "camp out indoors" at no cost. Kitchen too. Laboratory for evening washing, marking and typing artifacts - in the midst of that most educational hubbub known as the "bull session". This is a priceless advantage in recruiting volunteer labor for stretching our slender finances entrusted to us by people all over Alabama and many other States. And this "low-cost housing" will indeed be a boon to the volunteers desiring a "summer field course", and the University students employed at something less than wages.

And we are most happy that this will also contribute greatly to the well-merited fame of this most unusual Colbert County High School. People from all over the State, and people of major importance, will partake of its generous hospitality and learn at first hand what an unusual school it is. Colbert County High will be much in the news - and we hope to interest a national magazine. And this opportunity for responsible adults to "go back to school", and see one functioning as an integral part of community affairs, and of scientific research, will bring them closer to the schools, and the school problem and potential. It could well have a beneficial effect on the schools throughout Alabama - where we are manufacturing our America of tomorrow!

This is a strikingly unusual occasion. We doubt seriously that "open house" for summer classes in archaeology is on the prescribed curriculum. But the remarkable thing about Colbert County High, if we pinpoint it, is that it is no slave to the inflexible rules of curriculum which are necessarily unadaptable to circumstances. The school authorities in Colbert County trust their intelligence to improve on that. And what a blessing this is in our increasingly bureaucratic world! For bureaucracy may be defined as rule by RULE - without exercise of intelligence!

This is one of the tragedies of our times. When Emma Lila Funderburk, with great enterprise and at great expense of time, effort and money, published her amazing SUN CIRCLES AND HUMAN HANDS, exciting raves from the reviewers - she actually could not GIVE copies to some of our public institutions of learning! Those RULES - they didn't cover the situation! Two of our local institutions, both of which should above all be devoted to public education and promotion of science, couldn't cooperate with our "people's movement" for archaeology - the most hopeful bit of public education and archaeological research that ever "fell on Alabama". The RULES again - we solicited! The bureaucratic RULES made a sin of what the archaeological world has applauded as a "milestone in the history of American archaeology"!!!!

We are terribly in need of another professional archaeologist to assist Dave DeJarnette in taking this new "tide in the affairs of archaeology at flood" to make the utmost of the growing public interest and support, and free amateur assistance. Dr. Albert C. Spaulding, Program Director for Anthropology, National Science Foundation, expressed himself as most appreciative of this. He was "much impressed by the vigor of your campaign for support of archaeology" and well understood this "providing the background conditions....which are needed to make the best basic research possible". But he lamented: "This is extremely important, but it is not the sort of work which the Foundation can support." He was completely circumscribed by bureaucratic rules laid down by Congress, which was without archaeological knowledge and totally unable to foresee any NEW contingency such as our magnificent "people's movement" for archaeology. Although Dr. Spaulding was Program Director for Anthropology, and was thoroughly informed and sympathetic, he was unable to follow his inclinations.

For 2 years now, we have observed the Colbert County High School intelligently surpassing the limitations of the sausage mill of curriculum. Instead of making education just a sort of make-believe world of classroom exercises, Colbert County High makes it a living, vital, functional element in community affairs. It has added to that "x minus y", which to many pupils equals exactly zero, actual SCIENTIFIC CONTRIBUTIONS BY PUPILS. Education to them is no longer divorced from reality, something they'll probably never use, and quickly forget - here is education woven into the fabric of life as it should be.

We point the finger at ourself, an ex-teacher looking back - looking back at our failure to take the school to the community, and our failure to bring the community to the school. The old "iron curtain" of education which puts it in another world. The plight of the schools today is payment for educational sins which we personally helped to perpetrate - ably assisted by RULES. It is therefore most inspiring and hopeful to see Colbert County High doing the wonderful extracurricular things to bring education alive, to make it pliable and adaptable and useful - which we failed to do.

We take this opportunity to publicly congratulate, and to thank, Colbert County High School, and all of the intelligent people who are responsible. Our thanks will flow across America in these pages, and into many great institutions. Editors please copy, and Harvard and the others, please note. --- D. W. Josselyn

U. S. AND WORLD ARCHAEOLOGY NOTES, HAPPENINGS AND ABSTRACTS

We are most happy to report receipt of the second issue of SCAS NEWSLETTER, official publication of the South Carolina Archaeological Society, newest member of the Eastern States Archaeological Federation. Our State Society is delighted to exchange Newsletters with them, and anyone interested may receive the SCAS Newsletter for \$1.00 per year by subscribing to the Secretary, Mr. James E. Livingston, 1461 Ilex St., Columbia, S.C.

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THIS IS THE BOOK YOU'VE WANTED! You know how beautifully and thoroughly detailed the books on pottery are, with all the descriptions, photographs of each type of pot and decoration, tables galore, graphs of stratigraphic distribution and all that. But we had never seen a study of a lithic site, where there was no pottery, which handled the stone work quite to our satisfaction. And a good lithic study is past due - we are now getting into the most important sites of all, which are thousands of years older than the oldest pottery. New techniques must be developed to wring the utmost information out of these purely lithic sites.

Look no further - the book of tomorrow is here, THE PATTERN FOR REPORTING LITHIC SITES. It is "EVA. AN ARCHAIC SITE", Lewis & Lewis (formerly Lewis & Kneberg, to orient you). It applies all of the studious detail accorded ceramic sites to this purely lithic site. You can almost pick up the beautiful photographs of the projectile points and other lithic artifacts. The associated bone and antler artifacts are also fully reported and photographed. Of the 180 human and 18 dog burials, many are photographed, and the physical anthropology is thorough. Of course, there are maps, site maps, vertical profiles, ground plans of the various cultural strata, and the amazing number of 40 tables, covering everything from "A" to "izzard". This is a book that everybody with the slightest interest in archaeology must have. While it is a study which will reward any professional, even the youngest beginner will want it for the many named projectile points illustrated. We don't know the size of the printing, so order yours immediately! (Univer-

sity of Tennessee Press, Knoxville, Tenn., price \$3.00). And congratulations on a splendid job to our long-time good friends, Tom and Madeline Kneberg Lewis, who over the years have done so much for Southeastern archaeology. You may want to congratulate them, too - Route 1, Box 343B, Winter Haven, Fla.

--- D. W. Josselyn

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In the hope that you, too, will find them interesting, we quote the following from "THE INTERAMERICAN", Newsletter of the Instituto Interamericano, Dr. Carl B. Compton, Director, Denton, Texas, issue of May, 1962:

"AIRE BULLETIN: American Indian Restoration Enterprises, Box 2003, Alexandria, Va., Noel B. Pratt, Ed. Over 40 pp. mimeo, on the American Indian, their treatment, activities and plans. Presumably free of charge. We have not seen it."

"NEW ARCHAEOLOGICAL TREASURES: The tombs at Zaachile, Oaxaca, Mexico, which we reported some time ago, have yielded 120 pieces of gold, jade, shell and ceramic. From photos we have seen this is of extraordinary quality. The 2 tombs are of Monte Alban IV and V age, or c.1100 A.D. Roberto Gallegos, a young archaeologist, was in charge of the expedition. Plans are to put the whole collection on exhibition shortly and one of the pieces, a zoomorphic pitcher, will be the "piece of the month" at the National Museum of Anthropology."

"PROJECTILE POINT TYPES: Dr. Marshall McKusick is working on a new handbook of point types of Iowa. He says that with all he has to do it may be a while until it is ready. The Texas Archaeological Society has just reissued their Handbook in loose-leaf form this time (\$6.00. Texas Memorial Museum, Austin 5). New York has a new handbook by Dr. William Ritchie. Alabama is working on one. It will not be long until there will have to be a national seminar to bring these all together to determine nomenclature on a wider basis and to publish a "handbook" or encyclopedia on a national or even international basis since Mexico is also working on a handbook for that republic. Maybe an O.A.S. project eventually?"

"ICE AGE MAN vs MAMMOTH IN WYOMING. Cynthia Irwin, Henry Irwin & George Agogino. National Geographic. V.121:6. June 1962. pp.828-837. A beautifully illustrated popular account of last summer's dig at the Union Pacific site near Rawlins, Wyoming. Some of the seamy side of archaeological expeditions is shown as well as the excitement. This should be read by all amateurs of archaeology."

"THE BROKEN SPEARS. Edited and with an introduction by Miguel Leon-Portilla, translated from Nahuatl by Angel Maria Garibay K., English translation by Lysander Kemp, illustrated by Alberto Beltran. An account of the arrival of the Spaniards in Mexico and the Conquest of Tenochtitlan by native eye-witnesses. Beacon Press, Boston, 1956. A fascinating book. \$5.00."

CHAPTER NEWS

The Birmingham Chapter meets on the 1st Friday of each month at the Birmingham Public Library. At the June meeting, Dr. L. Frazier Banks, presently Director of the Birmingham Area Educational TV Station, showed numerous beautiful slides illustrating the life and times of Pompeii. Many were new views on this wonderful, fascinating old subject, and the illustrated discourse was most appreciatively received. The Chapter will hold no more meetings until September.

The East Alabama Chapter meets on the 1st Friday of each month at Funchess Hall, Room 110, Auburn University. The June session comprised a business meeting, program planning, etc., including a 5:00 A.M. field trip on June 23 to a project area near the Tallapoosa River. The July session will be a joint meeting with the Montgomery Chapter, at Auburn, and the speaker will be Dr. Paul Nesbitt, archaeologist and author, of Montgomery.

The Madison-Huntsville Chapter meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at St. Thomas Church in Huntsville. No report received.

The Marshall County Chapter is to meet June 13 at the Water & Electric Bldg. in Albertville, at which definite plans will be made for field trips, Ed Mahan will show slides, and there will be a short report on the Moundville meeting.

The Mauvilla Chapter meets on the 3rd Monday of each month at the Mobile Public Library. At the last meeting, plans were made for a field trip on May 26 when members & families went to Mon Luis Island, excavated 2 mounds and had a most successful outing. At the June meeting, new Chapter officers will be elected, and there will be a report and discussion on the State Society meeting at Moundville.

The Montgomery Chapter meets on the 3rd Monday of each month at the Cloverdale Community Center. At the June meeting, there will be a formal report on last year's work at the Shine Plantation (Pakana). During the summer, the Chapter will work at the site of Atasi on property of O. G. Pinkston.

The Morgan-Limestone Chapter meets on the 1st Monday of each month at the City Hall, Decatur. No report received.

The Muscle Shoals Chapter meets on the 4th Monday of each month at Wesleyan Hall, Room 8, Florence State College. No report received.

The Noccoalula Chapter meets on the 1st Thursday of each month at the Etowah County Court House, Gadsden. At the June meeting, the "Noccoalula Legend" was presented by the author, Mrs. Mary Harrison Lister. Also shown were slides of a shelter found by Mr. Claude Jones. The Chapter plans to hold an extra "workshop" meeting each month during the rest of the summer.

The Tuscaloosa Chapter meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month in Comer Hall at the University of Alabama. No report received.

SPECIAL PLEA TO CHAPTER PRESIDENTS: Your Newsletter Editor is proud to list our fine 10 Chapters each month, and would be happier if Secretaries would mail in their reports at once upon receiving the report blanks. Please help us achieve our 100% goal!

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS - STATE NEWS

NEW MEMBERS FOR JUNE: A hearty welcome to each and every one!

George Paul Decker, 404½ W. Main St., Albertville, Ala.

Margaret A. Elkins, 1501 - 25th St., Sheffield, Ala.

Mr. & Mrs. John O. Harris, 3558 Narrow Lane Road, Montgomery, Ala.

W. T. Warren, Jr., 3 Rock Dell Lane, Birmingham 13, Ala.

Mrs. Amasa B. Windham, 2004 Royal St., Selma, Ala.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS:

Kyle Hardin, 213 Pinecrest Drive, Cullman, Ala.

Aaron H. Lewis, R.F.D. #1, Center, Ala.

BRIEFED MINUTES OF THE SUMMER ANNUAL MEETING AT MOUNDVILLE JUNE 9, 1962: A. W. Beinlich, President of the Alabama Archaeological Society, welcomed everyone present, noting that all 10 Chapters of the Society were represented, with the 4 newest Chapters having unusually fine delegations.

J. H. McCary Jr. reported on the Archaeological Research Association, stating that while we are still short of the amount required for a full summer's dig, he expects sufficient money will come in to cover the contract signed with the University. He also asked that we raise our sights from a one-year dig to a continuing project from now on.

Stanford E. Smith gave a report on the Fort Walton Museum in Florida, which was just opened and dedicated June 8, 1962 and is located near the mound there. Mr. Smith stated he would like to see this type of museum located in various places in Alabama.

Secretary Rodger L. Schaefer reported on the activities of the Society during 1961, and read excerpts from the minutes of the December meeting, and the first meeting of the Board of Directors this year.

E. M. Harris reported on the Newsletter, requesting that members keep the Secretary informed of address changes. He asked for comments from the floor concerning contents of the Newsletter and only received applause apparently indicating present satisfaction.

David L. DeJarnette, as Editor of our Journals, reported that Volume VII, Issue 1, dated June 1961, would be handed out to those members present and others mailed to 1961 members. Issue 2 for 1961 is at present in the Duplicating Department at the University and should be ready for mailing shortly. The first issue for 1962 has been drafted, and Issue 2 for 1962 should be ready by Fall, bringing the Society up to date.

David L. DeJarnette then reported on dig plans for this summer, stating the main problem to be the location of a proper site or sites. Starting with the Kleine site in the Town Creek-Mud Creek area South of Leighton, detailed surface surveys will also be made of other sites in that vicinity. These are all village sites rather than cliff shelters, requiring more digging and testing to find the place on which to concentrate efforts. Jewel Green will be in charge of the laboratory at Colbert County High School.

Ed Kurjack reported on the work he expects to do at the Chattahoochee site this year on the basis of which he hopes to obtain his Master's degree. (We hope so, too!)

Ross Morrell next reported on the Coosa River site where he will work this summer, and welcomed members to come, look, help, work in the laboratory, etc. (Why not do this?)

Dr. A. T. Hansen reported that Dr. Summersell, a member of the "Committee for Recognizing People or Organizations", of American Heritage, asked him for information regarding our Society. This has been furnished just recently, and it is possible our Society may receive recognition by American Heritage in some form.

Following the business session, the main program was an exceptionally well illustrated talk by David L. DeJarnette on a very recent trip to Yucatan, Mexico, where, after an 11 Kilometer hike over hills and through jungle, his party literally had to slide into the cave they were to explore. Unlike most American caves, this one was hot, but he brought back fine colored slides of a feathered serpent carved from rock in the cave, painted pictographs and much beautiful pottery all found in the cave.

BRIEFED MINUTES OF THE MOUNDVILLE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING JUNE 9, 1962: Following the regular Summer Annual Meeting, a Board of Directors meeting was called by A. W. Beinlich, President of the Alabama Archaeological Society, with all 10 Chapters represented, and the following subjects were discussed and decisions reached:

Date of 1962 Annual Meeting. John Cottier, representing the East Alabama Chapter which is to be host Chapter this year, suggested that since the Alabama-Auburn football game is to be played the first Saturday in December, the 2nd week would be better. It was voted the 1962 Annual meeting would be held at Auburn on Sunday, December 9, 1962.

Journals. Following a discussion on the distribution of 1961 & 1962 Journals, it was voted that all members who were members in 1961 would receive the 1961 Journals, and all members who are members in 1962 would receive the 1962 Journals. Those who joined the Society in 1962 are not to receive the 1961 Journals, but may purchase them as back issues at \$1.00 each. (See below).

Availability of Old Journals. The Editor of our Journals was instructed to furnish the Newsletter Editor a listing of approximate numbers of various issues of our Journals on hand, for publication in the Newsletter, along with the above stated policy of the Society on distribution of 1961 and 1962 Journals.

BACK ISSUES OF "JOURNAL OF ALABAMA ARCHAEOLOGY" on hand and which may be obtained by forwarding the sum of \$1.00 per copy to the Alabama Archaeological Society at Mound State Monument, Moundville, Alabama, are as follows:

<u>Volume</u>	<u>Issue</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Number</u>
I	No. 1	1955	17
II	No. 1	1956	(none)
III	No. 1	1957	(none)
III	No. 2	1957	38
IV	No. 1	1958	(none)
IV	No. 2	1958	142
V	No. 1	1959	51
V	No. 2	1959	107
V	No. 3	1959	126
VI	No. 1	1960	45
VI	No. 2	1960	(none)
VII	No. 1	1961	50
VII	No. 2	1961	(In Press)

ALABAMA PALEO ARCHAEOLOGISTS - Any "collectors" interested in acquiring copies of the old publication of the one-time Alabama Anthropological Society, titled ARROW POINTS? They are real museum pieces, a few available at 50¢ each. Mrs. Francis C. Smith will be glad to get them for you (only 15 or 20 left) - 717 Woodward Way, N.W., Atlanta 5, Ga.

RECOGNITION OF A DEVOTED FURROW FOLLOWER: On Page B-5 of "The Huntsville Times" for Sunday, June 3, 1962, in an article titled "Tired Blood? Try Hunting Arrowheads, Says Hobbyist" by Bob Ward, appears a splendid picture and a most engaging story on our longtime Madison-Huntsville Chapter member, Charley Brosemer, from whom lots of us could learn plenty if he and we could find the time to sit and visit with him, or attempt to keep up with him on one of his rewarding field trips. If you have access to that issue of the paper, get it and see what you miss by not finding more time to follow furrows.

LETTERS

This isn't exactly a letter, but your Editor did receive a copy of The Daily Corinthian published at Corinth, Miss., under date of Friday, June 15, 1962, and on the front page, under the heading "Talk of the Town" byline by Bill Simpson, appears the following:

"The Missing Link wasn't the only thing lost Wednesday. Mr. & Mrs. J. L. Borroum, "Buckshot" Burns and I set out Wednesday afternoon in search of Mud Creek in Lauderdale, Ala., where the Alabama Archaeological Society was digging for the remains of a prehistoric man who supposedly roamed this section of the country 10,000 years ago.

We drove from one end of Lauderdale County to the other for hours, followed a goodly number of false directions, and never did find Mud Creek.

The general consensus of opinion of the Lauderdale Countians we met could be summed up like this: "There is no such place as Mud Creek. Never heard of the Alabama Archaeological Society. Don't believe there was nobody living around here 10,000 years ago. You folks must be crazy.

And maybe we were!"

Since you seem to have friends in the newspaper game, Mr. Borroum (who joined our Society early this year), we do not exactly like to even remotely infer that you should ever do other than place complete confidence in such publications, but if you will refer back to the 2nd paragraph on the 1st page of this Newsletter, also to the last paragraph at the bottom of page 8, we hope your next trip to Alabama will be more direct.

The Francis C. Smiths. Francis and Margaret are excellent examples of how to have a whale of a lot of fun "playing" at archaeology, yet accomplish a whale of a lot of sound and valuable archaeology at the same time. They pile in the car, with Tammy the Scotty, destination often very uncertain, and adventure delightfully around the countryside. Local legends, country storekeepers, their own archaeological noses - whatever their compass, they just "poke around" and run into amazing things. Margaret's series on unreported Georgia petroglyphs, running in the Tennessee Archaeologist, is one of the very worthy results - Dr. Lewis rather hit the archaeological ceiling when he saw the photographs of those owl effigies.

In other ways, the Smiths cast offerings into the archaeological cenote - and one never knows. Francis (an editor, so somewhat allergic to the written word) sent us a clipping recently which resulted in one of our own "major contributions" (?) to archaeology. Margaret is the letter writer - and you know her style, which takes you right along on the trips, with fascinating disclosures:

"Last Saturday we took our safari up to North Ga....went by to take a look at Track Rock petroglyph site....someone had taken a pick axe to one stone!" Again: "I may get my favorite petroglyph moved to a safe site! A director of a fine museum is interested and I have hopes to get the old stone far from these fanatical treasure hunters." And: "Last Saturday we strolled up and down the once-famous plantation site of Chief Wm. McIntosh's houseplace where he was killed in 1825. I made many photographs and picked up a handful of history in the bits of old wine bottles, pottery, both historic and prehistoric, iron spikes, worked bits of quartz. I have a collection of numerous letters from McIntosh's great granddaughter, Harriet, to me, and someday I hope to get all the material together and tell a story."

The other day Margaret scotch-taped a small artifact to a letter - and we did a few archaeological somersaults. We hadn't seen anything like it from this area. If there are more of these from the site, they must be reported in our Journal - so we won't divulge the secret. But we did want to remind you that good, sound scientific archaeology can be the mostest fun- as witness our Atlanta members Francis and Margaret.

--- D. W. Josselyn

HAPPY HUNTING

A GLOSSARY OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL TERMS

This Glossary was originally published in Volume XIV, No. 1, of the Tennessee Archaeologist, by Prof. T. M. N. Lewis. Parts 1 & 2 appeared in the March & April 1962 Newsletters. This is Part 3, and others will follow:

- CONGLOMERATE - Conglomerate rock is composed of rounded pebbles and sand cemented together into solid rock.
- CORE - A stone, usually flint, from which flakes have been removed by percussion.
- CULTURE - The way of life of a group of people, comprising all their activities and beliefs. Archaeologically, a culture is represented by the material remains left by a group.
- DENDROCHRONOLOGY - A system of dating, utilizing annual growth ring patterns in trees.
- DENTATE STAMPING - A form of pottery decoration in which the notched edge of a shell or other thin material is pressed into the wall of a pottery vessel before firing.
- DEPOSIT - Any accumulation laid down by human occupational activities.
- DISKS, DISCOIDALS - Flat, circular objects of stone or pottery, having variable diameters, and believed to have been used in games.
- DISTAL - When applied to a bone it is the end farthest from the body.
- DOLICHOCEPHALIC - A term for describing the proportion of head breadth to length. When the breadth ranges from 70 to 75% of the length (long-headed), the head is said to be dolichocephalic.
- EAR-SPOOL - A pulley-shaped object inserted in a hole in the ear lobe as an ornament.
- EXTENDED BURIAL - A burial in which the body is lying at full length, usually on the back, rarely prone (on the face).
- FILLET - A narrow band of clay encircling a pottery vessel.
- FLAKE KNIFE - A flint cutting tool of which an edge has been chipped on only one face.
- FLAKING TOOL - An implement used for pressure flaking of chipped stone tools; It is often made from an antler tine.
- FLAT FLAKING - The method of removing flakes from a flint core by directing the blow parallel to the face of the core. An accurate blow produces a flake with parallel faces.
- FLEXED BURIAL - A burial in which the legs are bent, and frequently the arms as well. A fully flexed burial is one in which both legs and arms are drawn up against the torso; a partly flexed burial is one in which the legs are loosely bent.
- GORGET - A flat ornament perforated for suspension from the neck; it is larger than a bead.
- GRAVER - A chipped stone tool having one or two small, sharp spurs on its edge, and used for engraving lines in bone, shell, etc.

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