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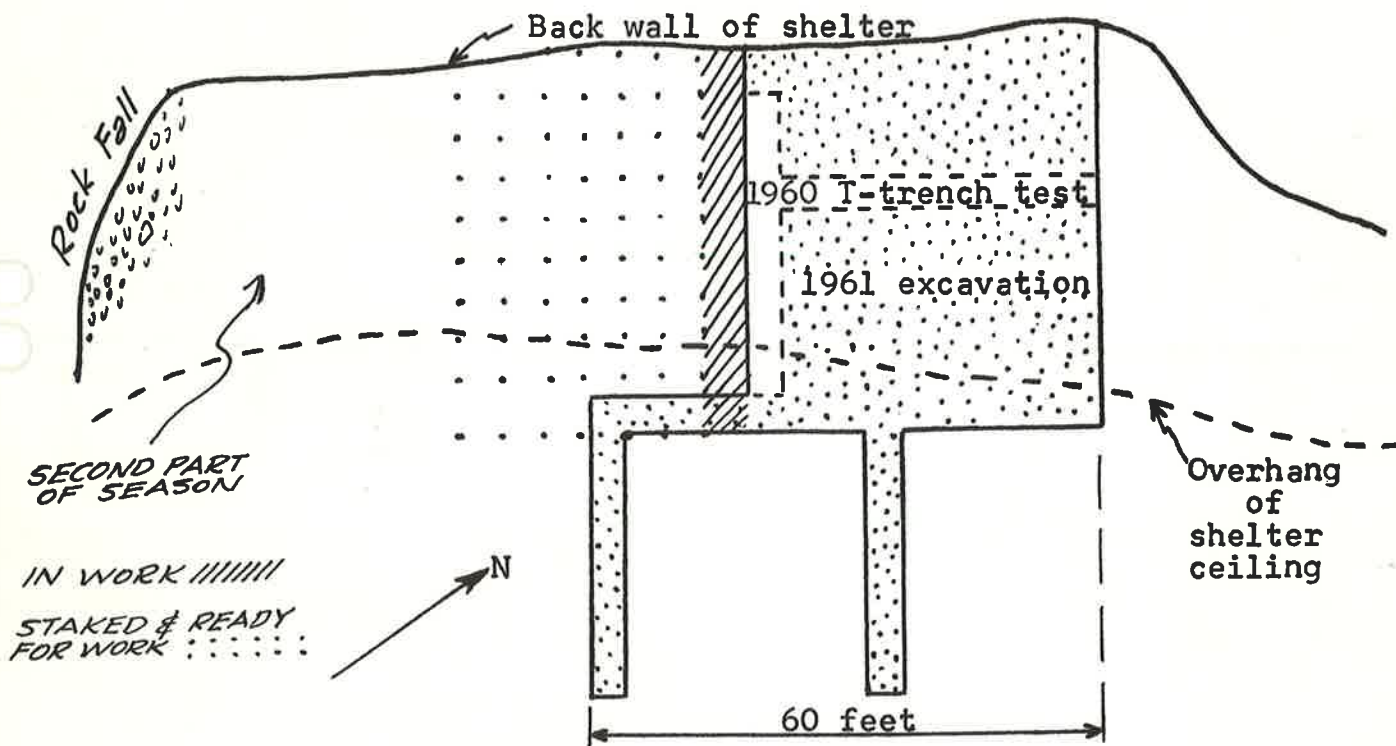
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PROGRESS MAP, STANFIELD-WORLEY DIG, 1963

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Ground Plan of Shelter



THIS IS IT....our big 1963 objective....a big job to finish the entire shelter....but all we need is....DOLLARS AND DIGGERS.....For those who are unable to join in the fun, excitement, and goodfellowship we shall try to share the great adventure by keeping a progress map up to date.

PROGRESS REPORT

With the arrival of part of the crew and equipment on Sunday afternoon, June 9th, headquarters were set up in the Cardiff Hotel in Tuscumbia. On Monday, June 10th, the remainder of the equipment was brought in and transported to the shelter and arranged for commencing operations. The next day was spent in doing a bit of manicuring on the access road and clearing the shelter of leaves and debris which accumulated during the past two years. During the rest of the week, the dirt which had been piled up to protect the profile ending the 1961 dig, as well as the dirt which covered the rocks at the bottom of that dig, was removed so that the left portion of the 1961 excavation again looked as it did upon completion of work at that time. In the meantime, stakes

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were set out and checked in the section to be worked this year, covering an area 35 feet (toward the left, facing the shelter, and commencing from the profile mentioned above) by 50 feet (measuring from the back of the shelter).

Starting the week of June 17th, the first block from the dripline to the back is being excavated completely so as to establish a new profile more easily discernible, and then the trench along the dripline will also be excavated. After these are completed, the final plan of procedure will be worked out. It appears probable that 5' instead of 10' blocks will be used, making the dig show up as a checkerboard and enabling a closer observation of stratigraphy in the site.

At the same time, work is being done in the left portion of the 1961 dig, in the way of removing some of the rocks which halted digging previously, by breaking them up partly or completely and determining what might be underneath them. Already, several Dalton points have been recovered.

Some work has been done on the removal of blasted rock at the extreme left of the shelter, but a big job remains to be done in clearing away the remaining rubble.

NOT SLIDES!!!

WORKSHOP - SUMMER MEETING

ACTUALITY!!!

As previously announced, instead of the State Society's Annual Summer Meeting at Moundville, this year a Workshop will be held at the Stanfield-Worley Dig on Saturday, July 13th, and Sunday, July 14th. Make your plans to be on hand and see the dig your contributions are financing, and at the same time get a thorough understanding of how the job is done. The tentative schedule for the two days is as follows:

July 13th - 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon - Registration (at the Shelter)

12:00 noon - Basket lunch picnic (bring your lunch AND WATER, or beverage)

1:30 p.m. - Official tour of excavations, with explanation of plans

6:00 p.m. (or later) - Dutch supper either at Barber's Cafeteria in Florence, or at the Holiday Inn in Florence, followed by an informal meeting with messages from the Presidents of the State Society and the Research Assn.

July 14th - 8:00 a.m. - Regular digging starts at the Shelter

9:00 a.m. - Workshop session, including discussion of artifact classification, and methods and techniques in field archaeology

12:00 noon - Basket lunch picnic (again bring your food AND LIQUIDS). This will end the formal session, but all who wish may stay and contribute needed labor for the balance of the working day.

For the benefit of those traveling to the Workshop Meeting from Birmingham and south of there, State Road 157 is open from Cullman (heading diagonally northwest) to within a mile of the 4-Way Stop shown on the map which appeared in the June Newsletter. It is approximately 140 miles from Birmingham to the dig. Alternate US 72 (Alabama 20) from Decatur is being resurfaced between Town Creek and Leighton.

A sign has been placed on the road at the Tennant House pointing to the gate (please close on passing through) leading to the dig. Six-tenths of a mile from the gate, another sign marks the parking area. There is then about a half mile of pleasant, slightly up-hill strolling through beautiful woods up to the shelter. Dry weather at the time will make the trip from the gate much more enjoyable, as you can imagine.

No meeting headquarters are being established away from the dig, but there are numerous fine Motels along US 72 from the 4-Way Stop north toward Florence. The Holiday Inn is across the Tennessee River bridge in Florence, and the Howard Johnson Motor Lodge is north of Florence after passing through town on the highway.

ALL who can possibly do so should take advantage of this fine opportunity to personally view and understand the operation at the dig. You will miss a really worthwhile event if you do not attend. This is NOT a presentation of black & white or colored slides, but a chance to get dirt under your fingernails, dust in your eyes and all the physical exercise you can take, in pleasantly cool surroundings. Join your friends there!!! Meet Dave's hard-laboring student crew who are on the job every day!!! Make it possible for you to brag in future years that "I was there" and personally saw and participated in the outstanding archaeological dig in the Southeast!!! COME, won't you?

Terry W. Tarkington, 15 Larkhill Road, Portstewart, NORTHERN IRELAND - !!! Terry's donation, posted May 8, air mail, should have made the last Newsletter but was passed around for oohs and ahs. He sends his "cheque for the '63 dig at the Stanfield-Worley Site. I'm sorry that I won't be able to participate in person this year as I certainly enjoyed the several days I spent there in '61. Incidentally, I was disappointed in the 'Stones & Bones' listing of states and countries from which contributions were received to the 1962 dig, not to see Ireland listed. Somehow this was missed in making up the list, as I know that you had at least one contribution from there last year." (Terry had been transferred to Ireland, but was back home preparing for his "couple (?) of years" abroad when he mailed his donation - see July 1962 Newsletter, p. 2.).

His letter continues: "If you remember the bit about Victor Adams, Birmingham, England, in the April '63 Stones & Bones, there seemed to be some speculation about how news of the AAS reached Birmingham, England...I met Mr. Adams on a trip through Greece and Crete, where he had lived for a time...He had a very detailed grasp of the archaeology of the Hellenic and Minoan cultures and proved to be considerably more knowledgeable than the guides that we encountered. We spent some time discussing the Stanfield-Worley dig and I sent in his 1962 dues so that he would receive the report ...Could you pass the information along to make sure that he receives a copy?...

I am not doing much caving here in Ireland but have been able to spend a fair amount of time on archaeology - much of it the tourist variety but extremely interesting. When I get back, I'll certainly know how to spot any 'Ulster Horned Cairns' that might be around."

Greece, Crete, Birmingham England, Horned Cairns, IRELAND - we shall certainly brag our Shamrock internationalism this year!

Rev. Randolph F. Blackford, bless his heart, sends his donation from St. Petersburg, Fla., for what he calls "a wonderful work". Since we grow no younger, we were beginning to worry about our dear friend of "the good old days". Knowing Dr. Blackford's devotion to all good things, necessarily including man's study of himself, we doubted not that he would want to contribute again - despite retirement, Mrs. Blackford's long illness with a broken hip, inflation and the rest. Members of the B'ham Anthro. Soc. will recall "the good old ways" of Dr. Blackford, always at meetings despite living in Talladega, always ready to give a program, always studiously writing books. It is indeed good to hear from this dear friend, and friend of man!

Mr. & Mrs. David L. DeJarnette, whom we know so affectionately as Dave & Elizabeth, despite all the work they have done in our behalf, again come to our financial aid. Remember the Jan. '61 Newsletter when we were beginning our first full fund drive and knew we couldn't do it? Then Dave donated a spine-bracing whopper. A "North Carolina member", whom we now have permission to identify as Chick Craig, wrote that if Dave did that "on a professor's salary, I am sure that many of the rest of us should at least equal it" - which Chick did. So we were in business, with a fine nest egg. It is people, not pelf, and wonderful people, who are making history and digging prehistory.

William P. McClellan, a fine "mystery donor" last year, relieves some of our suspense. His letterhead identifies him as Sec.-Treas. of Martin-McClellan Co. Inc., Builders-Contractors, 141 N. Bay Drive, Fort Walton Beach, Fla. His letter quite won us: "I am very happy to have the privilege of participating...I like the inquisitive attitude you display, in your Newsletter comments, toward the people making donations...And in that spirit would like to tell you that my interest is that of a rank amateur whose 'digging' is done in reading and re-reading the pages of the monthly Newsletter. My congratulations to the wonderful people who are giving their time and talent to produce this interesting and informative publication."

Sir, flattery like that will get you anything! Mr. McClellan even made us believe it by doubling his fine check of last year! Imagine such a nasty old thing as a "fund drive" discovering such nice people! We hope we may have the opportunity to meet Mr. McClellan at the dig this summer, and that he can find time to participate in the really "interesting and informative" business of archaeology itself.

Chris (Mrs. L. Warren) Johnson, Sec.-Treas., East Alabama Chapter, sends along a bale of individual checks and one from the Chapter as a whole. Well, these good folks want

to give all the credit to their EAST ALABAMA CHAPTER..."money from many sources, children included". How nice! We believe they also have the distinction of being our only Chapter to produce a professional archaeologist, John Cottier. Let us never forget that promotion of cultural interest has many valuable ramifications!

Steve Wimberly has begun soliciting! Now there's a potential - with his professional knowledge. But he gives the credit to Frances Spotswood's inspired, and inspiring, article in the BIRMINGHAM NEWS which has "generated much interest". Steve adds, "If David can obtain charcoal samples from the 'A-zone' to use in dating the pottery 'levels' I shall feel that the dig this year will be as important as the Dalton and Morrow Mountain finds proved to be 2 years ago." We forget that we have the entire range of this later archaeology, with its own unsolved problems.

John McKenzie Young, T.C.I. Tin Mill Foreman, sends the donation via Steve. We certainly thank Mr. Young, and invite him up to the "dig of the century".

Britt Thompson sends another two-stamp envelop full of solicited checks - despite all his work as our Editor, etc., etc. But we think Britt has a point. He remarked recently that he feels he has got more out of all the work he has done for our Society than he has put in. When we all learn the profound truth of this - well, we have it made! Investing our "talents" by using them is certainly rewarding. Britt sends more donations from that fine group known as:

HAYES INTERNATIONAL FOR ARCHAEOLOGY

Drennen Smoot

C. L. Miller

Samuel T. Williamson

William A. Seadler

Charles E. Hammer

William Orders

bringing our "Hayes Chapter" up to 29 members! Thanks indeed to these fine folks, and solicitor Britt.

The American Association of University Women, B'ham Branch, Mrs. David W. Kreutz, Treas, do not work at Hayes. Their donation is the result of Britt in another of his archaeological roles - public speaking. And he reports that these University Women do not have to rely on their lofty academic standing, for they are "a real nice bunch of gals".

Norman C. Davis, also via Britt, now of Talladega, used to be a member of the B'ham Chapter. We have no further information, but be assured our "alumni" are nice folks.

Dear Rodger L. Schaefer, your fine support, year after year, serves, among other things to remind that we have come to "take for granted" the truly immense donation you have made in serving as State Secretary, year after year - so quietly and efficiently that we forget the tremendous amount of work involved. You sent in 22 new members for our March Newsletter, for example - 22 membership cards to mail, 22 dues to handle, Newsletter and Journal editors to notify, addresses to record systematically in the membership list. In March there were also 12 changed addresses to keep straight and notify all concerned. Chapter Secretaries can guess at the problems involved with a mailing list of some 500, and all the other secretarial work. And you with a full-time job, a full-time family, and a few years ago you were obliged to take a year off from work because of your health. How do you manage?

In acknowledging his donation, we take this occasion to remark our tremendous indebtedness to Rodger, and to express the thanks of all. Let us resolve to make his work as easy as we can by paying dues promptly, notifying of change of address, printing or typing plainly. Organization is necessary to get things done, and as we grow, the bookkeeping of organization becomes an enormous task. Thanks indeed to Rodger L. Schaefer - Secretary extraordinary!

Jewel C. Green will know what we mean, above, as Jewel is Secretary of our Tuscaloosa Chapter which, she writes, "voted to contribute a donation". This is, of course, our "University of Alabama Chapter" too. Their donation, as with our "Auburn Chapter" above, constitutes a sort of "academic endorsement". Jewel dug with us both in 1961 & 1962. It is nice to have "archaeology and girls too" - the notable example of Dr. H. M. Wormington may well make us wonder how much we have lost in the past by making this so largely a "man's world". Thanks to Jewel and all the gems in our Tuscaloosa Chapter.

Marjorie (Mrs. Robert W.) Gay, as if in approval of our welcome of her sex to archaeology, sends a donation from Standing Rock, Ala. Marjorie is one of our we-love-you new

donors, and we have no information. In fact, we had to resort to the map to learn that Standing Rock (delightful monolithic name) is in Chambers County, between Roanoke, Ala. and LaGrange, Ga. A warm welcome to Marjorie.

Annual Anonymous \$100.00, our "masked marvel mystery donor" deepens the mystery again this year in the usual very generous way. We are reminded of the chivalrous knights of old who did noble deeds, then galloped away on their great white chargers without lifting the visors of their helmets to claim credit. Our Annual Anonymous adds a colorful dash of paprika to the romance of archaeology.

W. N. Culp (and get a load of this!), Chairman of the Board, SOUTHERN LIFE & HEALTH INSURANCE CO., oldest Ins. Co. in Ala., second oldest in the southeast, sends in his fine donation for the THIRD consecutive year. Certainly we may boast donors of this caliber, and count as "testimonials" the support of such sound and conservative business men. As we have remarked before, Southern Life & Health, and its executives, have also played a major role in "insuring" that Alabama WILL have some archaeology.

Lt. Col. & Mrs. (Mickey) Richard A. Plumley, Wiesbaden, Germany, our very first trans-atlantic donors last year, have not forgotten us in spite of all the fascinations which must divert them. But no note from "Dick & Mickey" as we ran in our June issue last year. We had hoped some "Neanderthal adventures", with them so near Heidelberg where for 20 years Dr. Otto Schoetensack constantly visited a sand-pit operation in Pleistocene strata, to be rewarded in 1907 with a large human jaw some 78 feet below ground surface, perhaps over 300,000 years old. Since Mickey won't be able to help us dig again this year, she might write us a newsy letter instead!

Mr. & Mrs. Clarence F. "Pop" Smith - we first met "call me Pop" in 1960, at the Worley test trench, CHARTER donor and CHARTER digger. He had no respect at all for his years. Mrs. Smith, not to be outdone, joined in. It is our sincere hope that they are still disrespectful of Father Time so we may enjoy their delightful company and busy trowels again this year, completing a 4-year record of service and support for Alabama archaeology - quite a record, but then the Smiths are quite some folks!

C. P. Scarborough, the generous Anniston friend of archaeology, inadvertently made us feel pretty thoughtless this year. Having omitted such outstanding members, and workers, as the Beinlichs and Waters from the list in the Stanfield-Worley report, we are checking everyone - and, heavens to Betsy, Mr. Scarborough was not listed either! It can't be our gratitude so it must be our grey matter! Yet he offered no complaint - sent in his generous donation as usual. To our apologies we must add our admiration. And he writes encouragingly: "This summer I hope 'we' find what we are looking for. We have done mighty good so far and all prospects for a brighter future. Just wish I could be with you all this summer. Thanks lots." Well, thanks lots for people like Mr. Scarborough - with such devotion to archaeology our prospects are indeed bright.

OUR OTHER HORRIBLE MISTAKES: Our strange oversights caused us to spend the rest of the day "digging" old records. To our horror we found TWO MORE omissions! First we found Richard D. Radford, one of our real working members who moved to North Carolina. We can still see Dick and his pipe at those delightful Cullman meetings we used to have. Then we found H. Ray Cox, of Gadsden - and with the Alabama City Bank! Pure insanity, you will agree, to forget a banker!

At last we found a clue to these sad mishaps. In December of '61 our fund Secretary was suddenly ambulated off to the hospital with his 2nd coronary attack. His financial report to our Treasurer, dated Jan. 8, '62, offers the apology: "home from the hospital since Jan. 5, and feeling pretty well but for weakness, and hasten to get this report to you." The poor guy had been worrying about maybe dying without the last of the '61 money turned in, then in convalescence forgot to post all the names in all the records. Mr. Scarborough was in this group too. The circumstances were thus a bit extenuating - but we'll sure talk to our Secretary about these heart attacks!

Horace J. Holland is one for whom we have no excuse at all - and a wonderful guy, too. Following "Colbert County High School Science Classes" in our Stanfield-Worley report list there should be "H. J. Holland, Science Teacher extraordinary". It is plainly so listed in our "Big Dig" issue of Aug.-Sept. '61, and how we missed it we do not know - but alas, we suspect the toll of age (though, honest, we didn't begin smok-

ing, drinking and chasing women until we were 14!). Please list all overlooked names in your copy of the report - these good folks helped to make it possible!

A. J. Powers - we heave a sigh of relief, for he is "in the book" - as he should be. Mr. Powers is our steady Sylacauga customer who keeps up his enthusiasm without benefit of Chapter meetings - year after year! And it was he who ferreted out how all the pots got busted - the peach seeds, the likely brandy, Big Chief drunkernell, Mrs. Chief mad-dernell, so we just pick up the fragmentary results of the pot barrage!

George E. Russell, for the 3rd year continues to give both of time and money. George is working hard in more directions than a cowlick points. He is our strongest ambassador to & with the Florida State Society, having just returned from a week down there among the pots & points. Our nomenclature for points (via Jack Cambron) has been given another boost which will help (until Dan Josselyn's classification & terminology gets worldwide acceptance as we believe it will). George is also working hard on the museum exhibits, & best of all, is getting more "book larnin'" so he can teach the rest of us.

M. H. Floyd Jr., our so-generous member, was one of our CHARTER DONORS way back in '60 when we were timidly trying to finance a little test dig. In '61 Mr. Floyd was doing graduate work at the Univ. of Michigan (and hobnobbing with Dr. James B. Griffin!) But he didn't forget us, writing: "I am sure that with everyone's interest and enthusiasm behind the drive, the full amount can be raised...Dr. Griffin says he is keeping up with developments..." (April '61 Newsletter). This year, Mr. Floyd writes briefly: "Glad to see the return to S-W shelter" - and proves it by putting a very fine evaluation on the worth of our work.

Well, here is a cute one! The Noccalula Chapter, Gladia Hawkins, Treas., sends in a donation "in honor of Mr. A. W. Beinlich Jr." And what do you know about that! Mr. Beinlich has the honor of being our first "in honor of". How thoughtful and generous of those nice Gadsden folks!

Dan Josselyn again redeems his monthly pledge until we get our fund - robbing, he says, another bone from the skeleton of his checkbook. Let's get this over with and leave him at least one femur to stand on - we might need him next year! Amen!

1963 DONOR LIST: Albert Fisher, M.D.; L. H. Hull; Mrs. Robert R. Reid Jr.; Mrs. G. Donnell Axford; Dan Josselyn; Chas. H. Worley; Verne H. Reckmeyer; Mr. & Mrs. B. Bart Henson; Orville H. Peets; CATHEDRAL CAVERNS (Helen Gurley, Pres.); Lawrence D. Maples Jr; Miss Evelyn Ware; Mrs. Robert (Worley) Wickham; Nollon Boone; THE DECATUR DAILY (B.C.Shelton, Publisher); FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS, Decatur (Paul Hutto, Public Relations); Dr. H. M. Wormington; J. Andrew Douglas; THE VALLEY STUDY CLUB, Home wood; Horace J. Holland; Dr. & Mrs. Asael T. Hansen; Sigfus Olafson; Bea & Milt Harris; Mary E. Stimecz Mahan; Kathryn Y. Stimecz; Elizabeth Stimecz Swafford; Dr. Walter J. Alves; Dr. A. G. Long Jr.; Ed R. Neely; LIBERTY NATIONAL LIFE INS. CO. (Jack McSpadden, Exec.V.P.); Mrs. Jack McSpadden; W. B. LEEDY & CO INC., (Henry Beach, Pres.); SOUTHERN LIFE & HEALTH INS. CO. (W.R.Lathrop Jr., Pres.); Philip C. Jackson Jr.; CHUCALISSA MUSEUM, Memphis State Univ., Dr. Charles H. Nash, Director; Tom Cornell; Francis C. Smith; Dr. C. J. Maginel; Miss Alice DeLamar; Leon J. Salter; Marilyn Hahn; Elizabeth Cline; Dick Humbard; Hal Kleine; Bill Warren; Bobby Breed; Harry Breed; William C. Bibb; B.C. Shever; John W. Carroll; BIRMINGHAM ANTHROPOLOGICAL SOCIETY; Steve & Christine Wimberly; Arthur B. Dunning; Dr. & Mrs. E.M.Lindsey; James W. Fuller; HAYES INTERNATIONAL FOR ARCHAEOLOGY: P.R.Coulson, Jack Lyle, O.K.Green, Walter G. Gayle, Roderick C. Reed, Wm.D. Sulzby, Robert I. Norman, Robert Willey, Wm.H.Blake, E. Winston Matthews, Charles D. Brown, Marion D. Heath, W.C.Trombly, Mrs.A.A.Walker, R.L.Wilson, C.B.Reymann, Penelope Cunningham, Charles Davidson, Eugene Lucas, A.P.Neja, B.D.Helms, C.M.Ellis, Dutch Williamson, Drennen Smoot, C.L.Miller, Samuel T. Williamson, William A. Seadler, Charles E. Hammer, William Orders - bringing our fine Hayes "Chapter" up to 29 members!; Terry W. Tarkington, IRELAND; Rev. Randolph F. Blackford, and bless him; Mr. & Mrs. David L. DeJarnette, our professional leadership; William P. McClellan, flatterer!; EAST ALABAMA CHAPTER, Auburn; John McKenzie Young, solicited by Frances Spotswood and Steve Wimberly. THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN, Britt soliciting; Norman C. Davis, Britt soliciting; Rodger L. Schaefer, Secretary extraordinary of the State Society; TUSCALOOS ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY, our Univ. of Ala. Chapter; Marjorie (Mrs. Robert W.) Gay, puts Standing Rock on the map; ANNUAL ANONYMOUS \$100; W. N. Culp, Chairman of the Board,

SOUTHERN LIFE & HEALTH INS. CO.; Lt.Col. & Mrs. (Mickey) Richard A. Plumley, GERMANY; Mr. & Mrs. Clarence F. "Pop" Smith, perfect record!; C. P. Scarborough, "forgotten man" who didn't forget; George E. Russell, our amazing local goodwill ambassador; A. J. Powers, Chief Broken Pot; M. H. Floyd Jr., we hope he can donate some dig too; NOCCALULA CHAPTER, "in honor of Mr. A. W. Beinlich Jr." Up to now, these are the rarest people in the world, contributors to the ONLY ANNUAL FUND DRIVE IN ARCHAEOLOGY!

DONATION STATISTICS: We agree with Mr. Scarborough that it is nice to meet our donors in these pages. Wouldn't it be nice to meet ALL of our members here? And we agree with Mr. Floyd that "with everyone's interest and enthusiasm" we CAN raise our fund, and year after year. But we are a long way from hearing from all members - that is our worst weakness to date. And we shall finish the amazing shelter which C. H. Worley donated to us - this will be your LAST year, your LAST chance, to be a part of this very famous dig. PLEASE let us meet you in these "names of fame".

We were figuring the other day that if only ONE PERCENT of our 180,000,000 U.S. population gave only ONE DOLLAR A YEAR to archaeology, every one of our 50 States would have \$36,000 a year - enough for FIVE Stanfield-Worley digs! As if that were not discouraging enough, we heard a man from the State Dept. of Fisheries estimate that Ala. fishermen put FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS A YEAR into their hobby - 7,142 times as much as we are trying to raise for archaeology!!!!

That really got us down. Poor little old archaeology! Illegitimate stepchild of a beggar! Let us rise to this challenge by digging our way out of our obligated indebtedness this month, winding up our fund drive for this year with at least 200 more members on our list....the prideful ONLY annual fund drive in archaeology!

EASTERN STATES ARCHEOLOGICAL FEDERATION ANNUAL MEETING

The ESAF reminds us that one of the basic principles of an archaeologist is to report on his work and exchange ideas so that all may benefit, and that the Federation's main purpose is to serve its members by providing the means for presenting papers and exchanging information and ideas. The 1963 annual meeting will be held on Saturday & Sunday, November 9 & 10 in Philadelphia, Pa. Papers will be accepted for this meeting in all of the fields covered by the Federation, including archaeology, ethnology, anthropology and Indian history.

To ensure consideration by the Program Committee, each potential contributor should submit by Sunday, September 1, to the Program Chairman, T. Latimer Ford, 1906 Ruxton Road, Ruxton 4, Maryland, the following information regarding papers to be submitted:

- a. Title of paper and author.
- b. Illustrated or not (35 mm. slides will be assumed unless otherwise stated).
- c. Type of site, its context and cultural period.
- d. Any important or unusual pertinent facts which are known at this time - i.e., sufficient information to enable the Program Committee to analyze the proposed paper for its inclusion in the program.
- e. Is exhibit space desired, and if so, how much?
- f. Papers will be accepted with the understanding that abstracts, no longer than 2 double-spaced typewritten pages, suitable for publication in the ESAF Bulletin, shall be sent to the Program Chairman by OCTOBER 25, 1963.

As members of the ESAF, your State Society is hopeful that Alabama will be well represented at the Philadelphia meeting, by papers as well as persons. Those of you who are planning to submit papers should commence action at once to supply the above data.

CHAPTER NEWS

The Birmingham Chapter has suspended meetings for the summer, but on June 9th held a "pow-wow" at Lane Park, surface collecting a site there and finding many chips and fragments of points. On June 23rd, Chapter members are assembling for a field trip to the Coosa River area in St. Clair County, and other activities are planned for later dates.

The East Alabama Chapter meets on the 1st Friday of each month at Funchess Hall, Room 247, Auburn University. At the June meeting, Mrs. John D. French of the A.U. Dept. of Sociology, a cultural anthropologist, spoke on Indian art in the Southeast. Her talk was illustrated with colored slides. Also, Prof. Jude Robinson of the A.U. faculty,

spoke on his experiences while site hunting near Auburn during the past 20 years or more. He displayed part of his collection of artifacts. The next regular meeting of the chapter will be held Oct. 4, 1963, but during the summer, there will be numerous individually planned field trips by chapter members. Mrs. Anton Heyn, formerly of Auburn and now of Hattiesburg, Miss., continues as a member of the chapter & State Society. She is missed at the monthly meetings. Another member, John Cottier, is busy digging in Mayan Ruins in Mexico with an expedition from Tulane Univ., along with Ed Kerjack and others. John is greatly missed at meetings and on field trips.

The Madison-Huntsville Chapter meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at St. Thomas Church in Huntsville. At the June meeting, Prof. D. L. DeJarnette is to come over from the summer dig, and talk to the chapter members on the subject "The Stanfield-Worley Revisited". His discourse will be illustrated with slides of the '61 dig there.

The Marshall County Chapter meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at Reid's Restaurant in Guntersville. At the June meeting, A. B. Hooper III reported on the work already done in the Paint Rock River area during '63. There were several lead questions and proposals given seeking an outline for future work there, a possible completion date of the survey and a possible report for future publication. The Chapter will continue its regular monthly meetings during the summer. In place of a field trip planned for July, chapter members decided to attend the State Society Workshop Meeting at the Stanfield-Worley Dig July 13-14. A committee was appointed to supervise the Albertville Public Library Archaeological exhibits. Several plan to visit Huntsville meeting on June 18th.

The Mauvilla Chapter meets on the 3rd Monday of each month at the Mobile Public Library. At the May meeting, Pres. Van Mizzell spoke to the chapter on "What to look for and where to look when on a field trip". At the June meeting, Mr. John Marston will speak on "Pre-Columbian Zapotec Civilization of Middle America". He resided in Mexico for 8 years, and his talk will touch on the highlights of the Zapotec civilization covering the period from 1,500 B.C. to 1,500 A.D.

The Montgomery Chapter submitted no report.

The Morgan-Limestone Chapter meets on the 1st Monday of each month at the Electric Auditorium, Decatur. At the June meeting, Mr. Rodger L. Schaefer will show slides taken on his recent trip to Japan.

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

The Nocalula Chapter meets on the 1st Thursday of each month at the Etowah County Court House, Gadsden. At the June meeting, Mr. A. W. Beinlich Jr. of the Muscle Shoals Chapter, spoke on "Re-assembling & Reconstruction of Pottery". He displayed a beautiful collection of pots he had reconstructed, and explained the methods used to do the job, emphasizing the great quantities of patience required. Chapter members are continuing field salvage work along the Coosa, several additional burials have been unearthed. Members are trying earnestly to beat the bulldozers to other finds.

The Tuscaloosa Chapter meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month in Room 100, Comer Hall, University of Alabama. At the May meeting, Prof. James R. Jaquith spoke on the "History of Acculturation in Mexico". The next regular chapter meeting will be in October.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - STATE NEWS

NEW MEMBERS FOR JUNE: We hope each of you will join in our local and state activities.

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Jonny L. DuBose, Crestwood Drive, Fayette, Ala.

Mr. & Mrs. Noland N. Galtney, 3150 Cahaba Road, Birmingham, Ala.

Col. W. J. Given, 336 South Way Field, Orange, Calif.

Floyd J. Guthrie, Route 1, Townley, Ala.

A. Sidney Johnson, 213 E. State St., Jackson, Ala.

John Marston, 4703 Old Shell Road, Mobile, Ala.

Mr. & Mrs. J. T. Robison, 205 Chilton Ave., Gadsden, Ala.

Prof. Wm. B. Roosa, Museum of Anthropology, Univ. Museums Bldg., Ann Arbor, Mich.

George Starcher, P. O. Box 1113, Columbiana, Ala.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS:

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Ernie A. Heckler, Route 4, Decatur, Ala.
Victor K. Overman, 451 Tyler St., Corvallis, Oregon
D. H. White, Route 2 Box 132B, Athens, Ala.

STILL LOST: Can anyone furnish us a new address?

Alice L. Wright, formerly 3700 Holmes Ave. N.W., Huntsville, Ala.

DIG VOLUNTEER LABOR NOTES: Verne Reckmeyer reports as follows: "Just a few notes about volunteers for the Newsletter. The number of local (Huntsville) inquiries has far exceeded my expectations. Apparently some folks clipped the article from the paper some weeks ago, because they have been calling me 2, 3 & 4 a week since then.

So far, I've scheduled 2 Birmingham families for this past week, and a party of 7 from Huntsville this weekend. A local doctor is sending his teen-age boys up for 2 weeks in July. Have had one inquiry from the master of an Explorer Scout Troop, who wants to take as many of his boys up as can go. No schedule yet, tho. Add to the above several casual inquiries at home and at work, and it makes for a lot of interest. Most of the folks have scheduled well in advance. Not all will do this, tho, and a word of mention might be made."

Soooo, as soon as you have your plans made to visit the dig for "working" purposes notify Verne at 2318 Poincianna St. S.W., Huntsville, Ala., so he can put you on his schedule and Dave DeJarnette can have some idea of the number of extra workers to plan work for at various times through the week and during the month. And to complete the job by the end of August, there is PLENTY to be done by all who volunteer. WRITE!!!

HOW IT WAS DONE: Back on pages 3 & 4, acknowledgment is made of the fine contribution toward the dig made by the East Alabama Chapter. This appears to be the result of a fine letter written early in May to chapter members by the chapter President, Al Smith, and we are pleased to quote one paragraph of his letter: "The opportunity for us to contribute labor or even visit the site is difficult in view of the distance. However, we can give financial assistance. At the Friday evening meeting we will pass the hat and urge all to contribute something. Those who prefer to write checks and get the tax deduction should make the check to: The Archaeological Research Association of Alabama Inc. Also, consider the question of giving half of the present funds in our treasury. This will be put to a vote. Let us all remember that this dig will be under the supervision of Dave DeJarnette, our own illustrious archaeologist." Nice going - eh? - Ed.

MOONSHINERS BEWARE: Mrs. Guy Johnson, one of our B'ham Chapter members, offers the following warning: "All three of us (my uncle, E. D. Johnson, a future member, we hope, Inez Johnson and myself) were engaged in one of our usual weekend treks in a neighboring county when we finally realized we were being harassed by rifle bullets whistling through nearby trees each time we ventured beyond the crest of a certain hill. We had permission from none other than the landowner himself, as was our usual custom, was very careful to close gates opened, etc., and were naturally unaware of our true position when the first array of rifle fire came. You know how it is when hunting for arrowheads, walking in a "head-down" position, you are somewhat oblivious to one's surroundings. After the second episode, however, we ran (did not walk) to the nearest car. We vowed then and there to hunt elsewhere in the future - even with a total of 30 arrowheads to add to our collections. A fellow just cannot be too careful working in the realm of archaeology." (Editor's Note: Re-read that last sentence!).

John "Buck" Mitchell, member of our Decatur Chapter, worker at the '61 Stanfield-Worley dig, co-author of several articles in our Journal, has completed his training as a volunteer in the Peace Corps and left this country for a tour in Liberia, where he will teach for 2 years. He hopes to do a little digging in Liberia and will keep us posted on his findings. Incidentally, he paid his dues through '65 before leaving so as to keep in touch with what is going on in Alabama. Our best wishes to Buck in his new work! And we will look forward to the privilege of including his reports in future issues of the Newsletter!

Bill Spencer informs us Dr. Griffin writes Dave DeJarnette: "Your level 10 and level 1 specimens have been prepared, but they have not yet been run." Lower Dalton and Morrow Mountain? And maybe sometime soon?

Bill and Mrs. Spencer left for Cambridge, Mass., June 11th to attend the 50th Anniversary of the graduation of Bill's Law School class. From there they will fly to London, returning about July 23rd - to see our dig!

Dave DeJarnette receives from Darrell J. Richards, Editor of TOTEM POLE of the Aboriginal Research Club, Michigan (a live organization!): "Have just received the Club copy of your report on the Stanfield-Worley dig. Great stuff. After partly reading it, realize that I could never turn it over to anybody else, so am enclosing check for \$3.00 to buy them another." (SO BETTER ORDER YOUR COPY BEFORE THEY ARE ALL GONE!)

Dave also sends a device for remembering projectile point types, by Margaret Searcy (Mrs. Joe), graduate student in sociology, also taking Dave's Southeastern Archaeology course (smart girl!): "On Morrow Mountain LeCroy bifurcated Eva so she went to De catur through the greenbriers to get Kirk to serrate her Plevna. By then it was late (Archaic) and as she passed a big slough she saw a little bear with a buzzard roosting nearby. She picked a wick but it had a benton stem. She fell in the mud and had to wade in Mulberry Creek. She took the path that led better into the woodlands." (Bifurcating Eva & serrating her plevna - let's watch our thoughts!)

Bob Elton, our good friend of Educational TV, we see by the papers, has been nominated for the second annual Red Cross Public Information Award.

Robert E. Garst, Assistant Managing Editor, NEW YORK TIMES, thanks us nicely for correcting their misinformation that Russell Cave is oldest date for human habitation in the Southeast. He adds: "We would be glad to hear from you again if the excavations this summer produce any news which might be of interest to our readers."

Bob Work's "family of concentric curves" (Journal of Ala. Arch., Dec. '61) to check excurvate blades greatly interested Tom Lee, Editor, ANTHROPOLOGICAL JOURNAL OF CANADA, - asked if Bob originated the idea. Bob said "the idea is new with me only inasfar as I had not read the literature in even the most casual manner as background for the article....Frankly, it is impossible for me to believe that it is new. It would seem that anybody faced with the same problem would solve it in the same way." Let's hope modest Dr. Bob invented it - we liked it too!

Madge (Mrs. Richard N.) Hahn, with us several years, never had a site to hunt! So she went "site hunting", located 3, new and unreported. Has topo maps, sites located, artifacts marked, will send to Jack Cambron for typing. AND,...she found a DALTON POINT in an unreported area - a fine addition to Jack's map of State distribution. This is good amateur archaeology!

Bob Brock, one of Dave's graduate students, is doing his thesis on transition from Paleo to Archaic. Timely, and Bob has "dug into his subject" deeper than library shelves. If he has no other arrangements, why wouldn't this make an excellent journal issue for our State Society?

Horace J. Holland received nice, and merited, recognition by Dr. Alfred K. Guthe, March April TAS Newsletter. (And the Tennessee Society, despite seasoned maturity, is growing like an adolescent!)

Orville H. Peets, our one Delaware member, and donor, known for his atlatl experiments (and we do need experimentation), we learn has been managing editor of the "ARCHAEOLOG" for 15 years. Our sympathies!

Charles H. Worley (famous name!) has built a new museum to house his remarkable collection. DON'T MISS IT when visiting the dig this summer.

Francis C. Smith writes from Atlanta about a "site with lots of microliths and no pottery". M'gosh!

"KILLED BY INDIANS" - Dr. Vernon Leslie writes us from Pennsylvania that 2 of his ancestors were. But he hasn't let it sour him - as Director of the Pennsylvania Institute of Anthropology he is trying to rescue the archaeological history of the Indians. Has an excellent article on Archaic in the Upper Delaware Valley in the current NEW WORLD

ANTIQUITY, of which he is the American Editor (\$3.00 a year, R.D. 1, Honesdale, Pa). This is a new English Journal looking our way with the advantage of oceanic perspective, refreshingly doesn't mind excavating those hot-potato "controversial questions". It is startling to come up short, barking your shins on something you were sure you knew - and wonder if you really do! In getting shook up, you might get shook open.

Sigfus Olafson is particularly interested in the sterile zone which separates the Dalton midden from those above, in the Stanfield-Worley shelter. He considers this an "outstanding feature of this site" and that we shall have to understand it "if the site is to yield its full potential".

Milt Harris finally bedeviled Dan Josselyn into re-excavating his basement for projectile points properly surface collected 20-30 years ago in Shades Valley, an unreported area and now largely destroyed archaeologically. Milt runs a free artifact-trucking service up to Jack Cambron for his free typing service. HAVE YOU SENT UP YOUR POINTS FOR TYPING, AND LISTING ON JACK'S MAP OF STATE DISTRIBUTIONS?

Philip & Barbara Jackson, as we go to press, send an exciting card from Guatemala. They are pleased to exercise their archaeological education in recognition of artifacts, particularly "obsidian blades and cores" which they have "seen in many places". (They are quite striking - some of the cores we have seen looked like thumb-size sections of fluted columns.) And their eyes are "out on stems" apparently, with the artifactual magnificence down there. "The museum in Guatemala City has some magnificent artifacts including so many ceremonials of flint and obsidian that they don't even display them!" (Barbara refrains from bragging that there wasn't a Quad in the lot - her own prize find.)

BEHIND BEFORE: When asked for a sentence containing both "behind" and "before", for once the troublesome pupil had a ready answer: "I was never so sore behind before". He has our sympathies - we are getting complaints about being behind in our Journal publishing, so that current members do not get current publications - i.e., the Stanfield-Worley 1962 Journal paid for by 1962 members but published in 1963. Yes, we regret this, and would give the expensive issue away free if we could afford it. Our Journal was badly in arrears when Dave accepted the task of editing it - get in plenty of papers so he can bring out two 1963 issues for 1963 members in 1963, so we won't be so sore - etc.

HOW MUCH ARCHAEOLOGY IS UPSIDE-DOWN...in the first place? Francis C. Smith, Atlanta, writes about one of those grand "amiable difference" big powwows, with such big chiefs in attendance as Drs. Kelly, Larson, Waring, et al. In the "nutting stone" (pitted stone) discussion, Francis says "the Margaret", his better half, stood a few of them on their heads by mentioning those controversial "pits" in vertical rock faces, and even on the undersides of overhangs - upside down! How much of our archaeology is?

HIPPOPOTAMI-MUSES...(the Latins said "mi" and we say "muses"- the hippopotam just say "usses") remind of the complicated interlocking of ecology. As these big beasties near extinction in Africa, fish grow scarce in rivers, and people grow hungry. Mi, or muses, belong to the pig order, Artiodactyls, but like to spend most of their time bathing - and nibbling succulent aquatic shoots. They also copiously fertilize the rivers, feeding algae, which feed the next rung on the ecological ladder, and so on up to fish, and even men. We don't perceive these intricate interdependencies of nature until we "do a Rodo" - it took even nature millions of years to figure them out and balance them up. In historic times we've exterminated more than 200 species, with 250 more tetering on the brink. How many ecological applecarts are we upsetting? And what will you bet we can't exterminate man?

"FREEWAY" - Sorry, but we do not mean the four-lane kind - but if you had seen the "road" from the Tennant House to the "dig" a month ago, you would never believe it was possible to do with it what ~~has~~ COME TO THE DIG has been done. And we are most appreciative of ~~the~~ the cooperation of Colbert County Road Commissioner John G. Burns and his crews, also Bob Lacks and Al Beinlich of the Muscle Shoals Chapter, in getting this remarkable job accomplished. If we could use machines like Commissioner Burns supplied for the road-building job, our "dig" would require days instead of months for smooth completion. Thanks again, Mr. Burns!

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