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The Effect of the City

During Ward-Perkins saw military service in the British in North Africa. The grid was inherently more egalitarian than monarchical cities of previous eras. He maintained a scholarly interest in North Africa, largely because excavation work in Italy remained impossible.

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However, the grid led to a more equal distribution of land and encouraged more diverse and equitable communities. Before this era, physical settlements and cities, astu, had existed. He was awarded the Craven travelling fellowship at , which he used to study archaeology in Great Britain and France.

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. He remained at the British School in Rome until his retirement in 1974. There he gained an intimate knowledge of and its Roman ruins.

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Snodgrass wrote that this more equitable mode of fighting paved the way for the rise of the polis, the democratic Classical Greek city-state 103. Eleans planted two other colonies in the same part of Epirus, Elatria and Pandosia.

John Bryan Ward

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In addition, the idea of the polis was itself a very new model. In 1970 he wrote the Roman section of the prestigious Pelican History of Art volume on Etruscan and Roman architecture, co-authored with. Many of the planning theories and planning developments from Hippodamian times are still in practice today, demonstrating the prolonged importance, influence, and practicality of democracy, the polis, and other elements of Greek culture on city building and related technologies.

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