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To the Council of the Archaeological Institute of America

GENTLEMEN:

I have the pleasure of submitting to you herewith the Annual Report of the Managing Committee of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens to the Trustees of the School, for printing with the Annual Reports of the Institute.

Respectfully yours,
EDWARD CAPPS,
Chairman of the Managing Committee.

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To the Trustees of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens Gentlemen:

I beg to submit to you herewith my report upon the affairs of the School for the year ending August 31, 1921.

The actual direction of the work of the Managing Committee again devolved, for the greater part of the year under review, upon Professor Perry as Acting Chairman, owing to the absence of the Chairman in Greece. Upon my return to America in June, I resumed, at the request of Professor Perry, my interrupted duties and finished the work of the year.

The membership of the Managing Committee has lost by death during the year three members, all of whom by a remarkable coincidence were graduates of Yale, as were also Professors Clapp and Goodell, who died the year before. These three were Professor Bernadotte Perrin (d. August 31, 1920), Professor John H. Hewitt (d. October 6, 1920), and Professor Frank Bigelow Tarbell (d. December 3, 1920). Professor Perrinbecame a member of the Committee in 1889—at first, for four years, as the representative of Adelbert

College, and afterwards of Yale University. For some years he served as Chairman of the Publication Committee, at the time when the Papers of the School were published separately. From the time of his retirement from active teaching, in 1909, he gave up attending the Annual Meetings of the Committee, but never ceased to follow the affairs of the School with interest. He fortunately lived to finish his monumental translation of Plutarch's Lives in eleven volumes, for the Loeb Classical Library, a work which was bravely undertaken and with rare persistence carried to completion after he had supposed that his active work was finished. Professor Hewitt became a member of the Committee in 1903, representing Williams College, and served one year on the Executive Committee; but he was not often in attendance upon the Annual Meetings. He retired from active service at Williams in 1909. Professor Tarbell's connection with the School dates from the year 1888, when he became the Annual Director, Dr. Waldstein at that time taking the position of Permanent Director. Since Dr. Waldstein stipulated that he should spend only a small portion of each year in Athens, the actual management of the School, though with incomplete authority, fell upon the Annual Director—a system which fortunately lasted only four years. When it was abandoned, Professor Tarbell was elected to the position of chief executive of the School, with the title of Secretary, for a term of five years. He entered upon his duties in October, 1892, but after one year resigned to accept a professorship in the newly-established University of Chicago. He became a regular member of the Committee, as a representative of this institution, in 1891. He was rarely able to attend its meetings, though for some years he represented the School on the Editorial Board of the American Journal of Archaeology.

To fill the vacancies caused by the death of Professor Perrin and Professor Hewitt, the Committee has elected to membership Professor Austin Morris Harmon of Yale University and Professor Sherwood O. Dickerman of Williams College. Professor Dickerman was a pupil at the School from 1897 to 1899, being in the second year the incumbent of the Soldiers' Memorial Fellowship of Yale; and Professor Harmon, though never a regular student of the School, visited Greece while a student of the Roman School. Professor La Rue Van Hook of Columbia University was also elected to membership on the Committee; and in order that the increasing burdens of the Secretary's office might be divided, the Committee, at Professor Perry's suggestion, has created the office of Assistant Secretary and

made Professor Van Hook its first incumbent. Professor Van Hook was a pupil of the School in 1901–1902 as a Fellow of the University of Chicago.

The number of Supporting Institutions has received a welcome addition during the year by the accession of Whitman College and Bowdoin College, to which invitations were extended by the Committee. Professor Louis F. Anderson has been elected to represent Whitman College on the Committee. He was a student in the School in 1900 and again in 1906. Professor Frank E. Woodruff, who was a student at the School in 1882–1883, the first year of its existence, has been elected by the Executive Committee to represent Bowdoin College and his election will be confirmed at the next Annual Meeting.*

Not only is the number of the Supporting Institutions now the largest in the history of the School (twenty-nine, including Drake and Northwestern), but during the past year, for the first time since 1917, all the subscriptions were paid.† Only one institution is in arrears-for its subscription of the preceding year. The subscription of Vassar College, which has been irregularly and only partially paid since the death of Professor Leach, whose devotion to the School was as unflagging as was her zeal in collecting each year the amount of Vassar's subscription, was generously paid this year by Miss Elizabeth D. Pierce, who, in company with several colleagues of the Vassar faculty, visited the School in the summer of 1921 and returned full of enthusiasm for its work. There is some reason to hope that the Vassar subscription will be funded in the near future and that Vassar's connection with the School, which has been maintained since 1888 and has vitally influenced the development and management of the School, will not be allowed to lapse. Through the efforts of Professor Harold North Fowler and Professor James Turney Allen progress has been made toward the funding of the Adelbert College and University of California subscriptions, which it is believed will be completed during the course of 1921-1922; and Dr. T. Leslie

* After the close of the school year an invitation was also extended to Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa, and to Northwestern University; both invitations have been accepted. The names of Dean F. O. Norton, of Drake University, and of Professor John Adams Scott, of Northwestern University, will be presented at the Annual Meeting as the representatives of these institutions on the Committee.

† The Treasurer's report does not, however, show this, since a considerable number of institutions did not make their remittances until after the end of the School's fiscal year. The Treasurer's report for the year 1921–1922 will show a corresponding increase.

The Auxiliary Fund has had a remarkably successful year under the able management of Dr. T. Leslie Shear as Chairman of its Board of Directors. A little over \$10,000 was received from 225 subscribers, bringing the principal of the Fund up to \$19,603.71. This gratifying result, by which the receipts of the fifth year alone more than equalled those of the preceding four years, would not have been possible but for the generosity of the Chairman himself, who in addition to his regular annual subscription turned over Liberty bonds in the amount of \$5000, with the current coupons attached. At the same time Dr. Shear's experience demonstrated the possibilities of the Auxiliary Fund as an invaluable resource for the future, not only in providing an emergency fund against the time of need (the accumulations of the first four years can legally be used for this purpose, if necessary), but also in building up an endowment fund out of a large number of comparatively small subscriptions annually renewed; and Dr. Shear is convinced that, with genuine cooperation on all sides, it will be possible so to increase the membership as to bring in \$10,000 every year. It is significant, in this connection, that forty-four of the fifty-nine members of the Managing Committee and all but one of the Trustees suscribe to the Auxiliary Fund, and that considerably over one-third of all the living students of the School are also members.

Dr. Shear was obliged to retire from the Chairmanship of the Auxiliary Fund at the end of the year because of his duties in Asia Minor in connection with the excavation of Sardis. Professor Clarence W. Mendell of Yale University has kindly consented to take his place. The other three Directors appointed for the term ending in May, 1924, are Professor William Nickerson Bates, Dr. Joseph Clark Hoppin, and Professor George Edwin Howes, the last named becoming Treasurer in succession to Professor Bates. Professor Mendell will bring to his new duties a wide and successful experience as an administrator, and his activities will undoubtedly advance the Auxiliary Fund to a new level. We shall be especially glad to see the interest of a larger number of Yale men enlisted in the cause of the School.

I cannot too strongly urge the members of the Managing Com-

mittee to give Professor Mendell whatever support they can, during the coming year, in extending the membership of the Auxiliary Fund Association. For several years to come the subscriptions received through the Fund will be more necessary than ever in financing the School; but if it is brought to the maximum of usefulness at the present time, we can begin to foresee the day when we shall no longer need to call upon our friends for these annual contributions. It is well for us to remember, however, that but for the increased income derived from this source during the past five years the School would have been seriously crippled.

The work of the School was renewed in full vigor in the year under review, after an interruption of practically five years. There was but one student in residence in 1915–1916, and he for only a portion of the year; and until 1920–1921 it was impossible to send either students or the Annual Professor to Athens. Last year, however, there were nine regular students in residence: the Fellow in Architecture, one Fellow of the School (appointed in 1916), three Fellows of the Institute (appointed in 1915, 1917, and 1920), two Charles Eliot Norton Fellows of Harvard University, a Procter Fellow of Princeton University, and a Locke Fellow in Greek of Hamilton College. Not formally registered as students, or indeed eligible, but in effect associate members, were Priscilla Capps, a member of the class of 1922 at Smith College, and Edward Capps, Jr., a member of the class of 1923 at Princeton University.

No fewer than six members of the Managing Committee were in Athens for longer or shorter periods during the year. These were: the Annual Professor, Charles Forster Smith of the University of Wisconsin; Professor Clarence H. Young of Columbia University, who with Mrs. Young spent the whole year in Greece; Dr. Edward Robinson of the Metropolitan Museum, who with Mrs. Robinson spent several weeks in Greece during the late winter and early spring; Dr. Lacey D. Caskey of the Boston Museum of Fine Arts and formerly Secretary of the School, who was in residence throughout the winter engaged upon his study of the Erechtheum inscriptions; Professor Wilmer Cave Wright of Bryn Mawr College, who visited Greece in the Easter vacation; and the Chairman of the Managing Committee. The last named, however, consistently refrained from acting in an official capacity during his connection with the American Legation. The presence of all these members, most of whom have been in close touch with the work of the Committee for many years, and the opportunity which they enjoyed of

seeing the work of the School at the close range and coming into immediate contact with the problems of staff and students, will undoubtedly prove of the greatest value to the Committee in solving the problems of the future.

Miss Alice Leslie Walker also spent the year in Greece, diligently carrying on her researches in connection with the pottery excavated at Corinth and with the prehistoric remains in the region of Corinth of which she first discovered the traces in the excavations about the temple of Apollo. Miss Walker's work was interrupted during the war, but she returned to Greece in 1920 and has established herself there while she finishes her investigations. In a letter to the Chairman written from Old Corinth on April 8, 1921, Miss Walker outlines in a most interesting manner the problems of Prehistoric Greece on which she is engaged, and takes occasion to acknowledge the unfailing courtesy and generosity with which her studies have always been furthered by the Director; and she also formulates some excellent general recommendations, which will in due time be submitted to the Committee.

Dr. Richard B. Seager also paid a flying visit to Athens on his way to Crete, and took occasion to inspect in company with Mr. Wace and Dr. Blegen the interesting excavations which Mr. Wace had conducted the previous year for the British School at Mycenae, and also the prehistoric site of Zygouries, near Mycenae, which will again be referred to below. Other visitors of note were Colonel and Mrs. George B. McClellan of Princeton University, and Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Calvocoressi of New York. Mr. Calvocoressi is one of the Directors of the Auxiliary Fund Association and, even before this visit, had become interested in the School. Mention should also be made of Mr. William Whitlock, head of the American Young Men's Christian Association in Greece; Mr. John C. Erhardt, of Hamilton College, the American Consul in Athens, and Mrs. Erhardt, of Mount Holyoke College; and Mr. John Skelton Williams, Jr., of the University of Virginia, the American Vice-Consul, all of whom attended many of the exercises of the School and participated in excursions. In the spring the members of the American School in Rome, some twenty strong, led by Professor R. V. D. Magoffin of Johns Hopkins University and Professor W. B. McDaniel of the University of Pennsylvania, spent some weeks in Greece, and by the use of the School camion extended the scope of their travels beyond what is usually possible for the time at their disposal.

The Fiat camion and the Ford car belonging to the School

were given their first trial as a part of the School's equipment for travel, with results that were at times disappointing to the travellers and expensive for the Director. The chief lessons taught by the all too frequent break-downs, with their resulting inconvenience and expense, are that for the rough roads of Greece and the almost total lack of facilities for repair and replacement outside of Athens, it is indispensable that these cars should be kept constantly in first-rate condition, should carry an abundant supply of tires, and should be driven and maintained by skilful mechanics. In the present state of the School budget it is impossible to provide such care for them at the School's expense; but if the cars are properly kept up, their use by the School for the regular excursions should not lay too heavy a burden upon the participants in these excursions. My belief is that, if these cars are used for excursions only when a sufficient number engage passage upon them to pay for the trip, and if, when used, all who engage places are obliged to pay even if they fail to take the trip, they can be made a most valuable accessory in the School's equipment. At last accounts the camion has been out of commission since April, 1920, on account of injuries undergone in the Peloponnesus trip.

Director Hill reports that the trips made by the School this year were unusually numerous and extensive, owing to the speed of the camion. Early in October came the visit to Corinth, Sicyon, Nauplia, Epidaurus, Tiryns, Argos, the Heraeum, Mycenae, and Nemea, participated in by eight persons. Ten persons took part in the trip which had Delphi as its chief objective, visiting on the way Thebes, Thespiae, Plataea, Lebadeia, Orchomenos and Chaeroneia, one group taking in the Odos Schiste and Osios Leukas on the return. During the winter the camion was used for one-day trips to Marathon and Rhamnous, Vari and Liopesi, the Amphiaraum, Sunium, and Phyle, and the Ford car for a number of special expeditions. A second party of ten took the camion in March for a trip to Delphi, returning by way of Thermopylae, Atalante, Gla, Chalcis, and Eretria. It may be recorded, by way of illustration, that this party produced a profit of some 2000 drachmas to the "camion fund;" all the others resulted in a loss. The camion was again in use for an ambitious trip through the Peloponnesus in April. The plan was for the members of the Roman School to travel by camion through Argolis and Laconia while the Athenian School were taking in Elis, Arcadia and Messenia by train and mule; the Athenians were to meet the camion at Sparta and then take the eastern trip in reverse direction, while

the Romans were to proceed from Tripolis by train and animals through central and western Peloponnesus. Unfortunately the camion could not be put into condition for the Romans until they reached Nauplia by train, and broke down completely near Monemvasia with the Athenians on the return trip.

The School is under great obligations to the Government of Greece for granting one-half fare to regular members of the School on all the Government railroads, and for extending this courtesy to the regular members of the Roman School who visited Greece in the spring. We have also received a similar courtesy from the management of the Greek Line of steamers plying between New York and Piraeus: a discount of fifty per cent is granted to regular members of the School, properly certified to by the Chairman, and up to the number of fifteen, for the voyage either way. This concession may prove to be a gift of considerable value, and it is to be hoped that many will take advantage of it.

The regular exercises of the School began in the third week of November, when the rainy season made the longer excursions impracticable. Director Hill lectured weekly on the monuments of the Acropolis, Dr. Blegen on Prehellenic Antiquities, and Professor Smith on Greek Literature, besides conducting a class in Thucydides. Later in the year Dr. Hill lectured on various sites in the lower town, and began a course in Epigraphy. Messrs. Wace and Casson of the British School gave several lectures on the sculptures in the National Museum and the Acropolis Museum, to the great benefit of our students, for whom their lectures were chiefly designed. Professor Studniczka of the German Institute generously gave of his time and exceptional knowledge of the monuments in furtherance of the special work of Mr. Kennedy, and also showed much courtesy to Messrs. Holland and Harland in connection with their special problems. An opening meeting of the School was held in March—the first one in several years—at which Dr. Hill spoke on the excavations at Corinth and Mr. Blegen on Korakou, the prehistoric site near Corinth which he had excavated some years before.

The School is most fortunate in having secured as the Fellow in Architecture last year Dr. Leicester B. Holland. He entered upon his duties with admirable zest and the trained scholar's insight. His earlier studies have been an excellent preparation for profitable work among the monuments of Greece. During his travels he outlined a number of problems in connection with buildings of various types and epochs, and has made progress upon papers on three topics in par-

ticular—the influence of the terra cotta antefixes alternately male and female found at Thermon, the origin of the palmette-lotus pattern found consistently on Greek and Etruscan architectural terracottas, and the roof-construction of the Erechtheum. Dr. Holland has accepted reappointment for the coming year, with the title of Architect of the School.

Concerning the work of the Fellows of the School and Institute, the reports which the Chairman has received from the Director and from the Committee on Fellowships are not sufficiently explicit to enable me to draw up a satisfactory statement in this report. Two of the four Fellows completed their special studies as Fellows and their papers are in the hands of the Director, on the way, it is to be hoped, to publication. Dr. Harland devoted much of his time during the year to Aegina, whose history had occupied him for some time previously. He has gathered materials for an article on the prehistoric pottery from the island. For his School paper he has submitted a study of civilization of Peloponnesus in the Bronze Age, in which he advances evidence for a new dating of the Dorian invasion. Dr. Harland also gave valuable assistance in the excavation which the School conducted at Zygouries. Under the guidance of Dr. Holland, Miss Wildes completed her study of coördination between Doric cella-buildings and peristyles. Dr. Rambo took as her special field of study the prehistoric material from the excavations carried out at Naxos some years ago by the late Dr. Stephanos. Dr. Blegen directed her work. Difficulties arose, however, which, with illness, prevented the completion of this larger study, and Dr. Blegen agreed to accept as a substitute a paper on the perhistoric marble figurines found at Naxos. At last accounts this had not been completed. Miss MacDonald began work on the sculpture of the Period of Transition, particularly the draped female figures. Her School paper was to have been based upon a fragment from a marble group from Sunium, now in the National Museum. It was not finished when Miss Mac-Donald sailed for home.

It is our experience that investigations undertaken for School papers by our Fellows, if left unfinished when the Fellow returns to America, are frequently never brought to completion. Only such subjects should be chosen as can, with the facilities at hand in Greece, be in all probability disposed of and prepared for publication within the year. Recommendations will be laid before the Committee at its next meeting on the general subject of our Fellowships and their administration, with the purpose of defining more clearly, for the

benefit both of the incumbents of our Fellowships and of our staff in Athens, the duties and obligations of the Fellows and of securing a more consistent policy in connection with the special studies which our Fellows undertake as a part of their official work. We must consider the prosecution of research on the part of our Fellows and the ultimate publication of their School papers as a necessary and important part of the work of the School.

The members of the School who were not our own Fellows, but held Fellowships from Harvard, Princeton and Hamilton, were all actively and intelligently occupied with special problems of their own. They participated fully in the life of the School and in its exercises, and set a high standard to the School and Institute Fellows. These were: Clarence Kennedy, Charles Eliot Norton Fellow of Harvard University, Lester Marsh Prindle, also Charles Eliot Norton Fellow, James Donald Young, Procter Fellow of Princeton University, and Benjamin Dean Meritt, Locke Fellow of Hamilton College.

The only excavation conducted by the School was at a site near Agios Vasileios known in the neighborhood as "Zygouries," in the Cleonae valley about midway between Corinth and Mycenae. The undertaking of this excavation was the result of a series of happy accidents. Dr. Blegen had noticed the mound from the railroad some time before, and conjectured that it was a prehistoric mound; but until October of last year had not had an opportunity to examine it. His inspection showed many potsherds of the Early, Middle and Late Helladic period—to use the Wace-Blegen terminology—, a bit of the wall of the settlement, and a marble idol, picked up by Mr. Prindle, of a type hitherto found only in the islands. Dr. Richard B. Seager, who accompanied Dr. Blegen, generously subscribed £500 for a trial excavation, to which Dr. Hill added \$100 which Mrs. Edward Robinson had given him the preceding summer "for excavation." In March Dr. and Mrs. Robinson, travelling in Argolis, visited the site in person with Dr. Blegen, and were so impressed by the promise of a profitable excavation that Dr. Robinson offered to supplement the available sum by a gift of whatever might be needed, up to \$500, to bring the campaign to a successful conclusion, in case the site proved to be worth while. Accordingly a force of men was assembled and set to work in April, under the direction of Dr. Blegen. Mr. Wace of the British School assisted Dr. Blegen in return for the latter's assistance at the British excavation at Mycenae later in the season—an undertaking, we may note in passing,