

EDITORIAL

THE thirty-third Annual General Meeting of the British School of Archaeology in Iraq will be held on Wednesday, September 28th 1966 at the Royal Geographical Society, Kensington Gore, London. The President, Sir John Troutbeck, will be in the Chair and Mr. David Oates, Director of the School's current Expedition will give an illustrated lecture on the work conducted during 1966 at Tell Rimah.

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The University Museum, Philadelphia once again cooperated with the School in mounting the third season of excavation at Rimah. Important additions were made to the plan of the Old Assyrian Temple and ziggurat. Further clearance of the facade and eastern doorway revealed some reused sculpture. At a new site (C), close to the northern wall, private houses with early neo-Assyrian burials were cleared. Within the temple courtyard an additional forty Middle Assyrian economic and administrative texts were found, near the place where a small archive was discovered last year.

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By invitation of the Department of Antiquities in Baghdad the School inaugurated a series of illustrated lectures in the New Iraq Museum. On February 21st the Director lectured on Assyria in Geography and History. Professor D. J. Wiseman, Vice-Chairman of the School, who was doing research in Baghdad on the Nabu Temple texts from Nimrud, gave a lecture on March 7th, on "Some Assyrian Public Documents". Later in the same month Miss Barbara Parker of the Institute of Archaeology, the University of London, and formerly Secretary-Librarian of the School in Baghdad, chose as her subject "Assyrian Seals". This first series was concluded by the Assistant Director, Mr. J. J. Orchard, who lectured on "Assyrian Ivories".