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PINDAR'S ELEVENTH NEMEAN ODE: A COMMENTARY*)

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Performance

The ode was intended to be performed at the inauguration of Aristagoras as prytanis (cf. K.P. IV, 1206.44ff.) at Tenedos. As we do not know the programme of such inaugurations (είσιτήρια), the time of the performance cannot be determined. There will probably have been a banquet, but the view expressed by Dionysius of Phaselis and Didymus that the song belonged to the genre of paroinia (similarly Bury, 217) seems to be a mere deduction from vv. 6-10 (cf. Puech, 141-2). That it was performed in the Prytaneum appears from the beginning of the poem.

Date

It is by no means certain that N.11 is a work of Pindar's old age, as is commonly assumed. A connection with fr. 123 cannot be established (see the commentary on 11 'Αρκεσίλαν), and even if Aristagoras was a brother of Theoxenus, no chronological conclusion can be drawn from fr. 123: cf. Farnell, II, 325, B. A. van Groningen, Pindare au banquet (Leiden 1960), 79, de Vries, 153-4. Similarities between N.11 and other odes do not prove anything: H. A. Pohlsander, "The Dating of Pindaric Odes by Comparison", GRBS 4 (1963), 131-40, has pointed out that "Pindaric odes widely separated by time can show considerable similarities of thought or diction. Thus we must reject the comparison of parallels within Pindar not only as a means of dating N.3 and N.11 but as an approach to Pindaric chronology generally" (139; cf. also Fogelmark, 84-5).

Metre

The metre (dactyloepitrite) does not present special difficulties. It may be noted that at 5 etc. choriambi appear between epitrites, a fact which supports the view of those who accept the correspondence of these metres.

Commentary

- 1: Παῖ 'Pέας. Cf. Hes. Th. 453-4 and West ad loc.
- 1: $\mbox{\tt \"a}$ TE. For survivals of epic TE cf. Denn., 523-4; not all his examples of a use "in general statements" in Pindar are equally convincing: here (and e.g. at 0.2, 35, 0.14, 2) the function is more likely to be emphatic with a slightly causal nuance (Denn., ibid.). See also C. J. Ruijgh, Autour de TE épique (Amsterdam 1971), 981ff., who thinks that the relative sentence is digressive and denotes a permanent fact.
- 1: πρυτανεῖα. Cf. S. G. Miller, *The Prytaneion* (Berkeley-Los Angeles-London 1978). The Prytaneum contained the hearth of the city. For Hestia Prytaneia or Prytanitis cf. K.P. II, 1119.31ff.
- 1: $\lambda \dot{\epsilon} \lambda o \gamma \chi a \varsigma$. Properly 'have obtained as your portion', when the parts of the world were distributed among the gods (cf. Hom. Il. 15, 190, Hes. Th. 393-6, Pind. 0. 7, 55-9, A. Pr. 229-31), but the perfect often means 'to have under one's care' and is especially used of tutelary deities (e.g. 0. 9, 15, H.Hom. 19, 6, Hdt. VII 53, 2, Pl. Iim. 23d 7).
- 2: ὑψίστου. A traditional epithet of Zeus (LSJ 2) based on the Homeric ὕπατος, ἤμενος ὕψι, ὑψιβρεμέτης, ὑψίζυγος, etc. Similarly, N. 1, 60, O. 4, 1. See further Bowra, Pindar, 45, Fogelmark, 49ff., H. Schwabl, Zeus, R.E. Suppl. XV (1978), 1275.28ff.
- 2: $\delta\mu o \partial\rho \delta vo u$. Although gods are represented as sitting on the same throne (e.g. Hades and Persephone), the element $-\partial\rho ovo g$ refers to rulership rather than to a concrete seat: cf. A. Ag. 43, 109, Cho. 975, S. O.R. 237, O.C. 425.
 - 3: εὖ. Equivalent to εὐνόως (cf. LSJ I 2).
- 3: $\delta \dot{\epsilon} \xi \alpha \iota$. H. Meyer, Hymnische Stilelemente in der frühgriechischen Dichtung (Würzburg 1933), 64, points out that this forms the connection between the hymnic beginning and the theme of the song, just as 0.5, 3 $\delta \dot{\epsilon} \kappa \epsilon \nu$, 0.13, 29 $\delta \dot{\epsilon} \xi \alpha \iota$, P.8, 5 $\delta \dot{\epsilon} \kappa \epsilon \nu$.
- 3: $\vartheta \acute{a}\lambda \alpha \mu o \nu$. Not necessarily a shrine within the Prytaneum: at \mathcal{O} . 6, 1 $\vartheta \acute{a}\lambda \alpha \mu o c$ is the whole house (cf. LSJ I 3 and the similar use of $\mu \acute{e} \gamma \alpha \rho o \nu$ \mathcal{O} . 6, 2, \mathcal{P} . 3, 134). Miller, o p. cit. (above on 1 $\pi \rho o \tau a \nu c \tau a c$) writes: "One should expect with some probability a prytaneion to have two

main rooms (the dining room and the room of the hearth)". Farnell is more explicit: "we do not hear of separate chapels within the Town-Hall, though there may have been a barrier round the sacred fire; if so, this spot would be in a special sense her 'thalamos'". I doubt this last conclusion: $\delta \dot{\varepsilon}$ - $\xi \alpha \iota$ obviously refers not only to the installation, but also to the tenure of office, and this was performed in the whole building (cf. schol. $\epsilon \dot{\iota} \varsigma$

- 4: $\epsilon \delta$. The anaphora (similarly 6-7 $\pi o \lambda \lambda \dot{\alpha}$) is characteristic of the hymnic style: cf. Norden, *Agnostos Theos*, 149ff., H. S. Versnel, *Mnemos*. IV 27 (1974), 368ff. Pindar, however, mostly uses it for the sake of emphasis: cf. Bowra, *Pindar*, 206-7. See also D. Fehling, *Die Wiederholungsfiguren und ihr Gebrauch bei den Griechen vor Gorgias* (Berlin 1969), 206-7.
- 4: σκάπτφ. Not of Aristagoras (Fränkel, 572), but of Hestia. Farnell suggests that this is an imaginary picture, because statues of Hestia were comparatively rare. Cf. Wilamowitz, Glaube d.Hell., I, 156: "ein Bild der Göttin neben den Herd zu stellen, der sie ist, würde widersinnig sein". But Pausanias (I 18, 3) mentions a statue of Hestia in the Prytaneum at Athens, and if we assume the performance of the song to have taken place in the town-hall, as the invocation of Hestia seems to imply, a reference to an invisible sceptre would have been rather confusing.
- 5: Υεραίροντες. The force of the participle (their rule is accompanied by their worship) is lost in such translations as 'They honour you and keep Tenedos upright' (Bowra), 'who guard the glory of Tenedos and often honor you' (Nisetich). In a Greek sentence the main idea is often expressed by the participle: cf. K.G. II, 98-9, Schw. II, 389, and my note on Men. Epitr. 219-20, Mnemos. IV 27 (1974), 27. This is well rendered by Lattimore: 'who honor you as they keep Tenedos upright'.
- 5: ὁρθάν. 'Upright', hence 'safe', 'prosperous' (LSJ III 1). Cf. N. 1, 15 Σικελίαν πίειραν όρθώσειν, I. 6, 65 όρθώσαντες οἴκον. Lefkowitz (51) wrongly translates 'on a straight path'. Péron (119 n. 1, 283-4) thinks that ὁρθάν refers either to the direction or to the position of a ship, because φυλάττειν is sometimes used of a steersman (116 n. 7). But in connection with a town the verb most probably means 'to guard' (cf. e.g. A. Sept. 135-6 πόλιν... φύλαξον κήδεσαί τε) and in connection with a predicate 'to maintain', 'to preserve' (cf. LSJ B 3). The predicate is used in a resultative sense: cf. O. 10, 95 τρέφοντι δ΄ εὐρὺ κλέος, K.G. I, 276, Bruhn, §9, Schw. II, 181 (who wrongly call this use 'proleptic').
 - 6: $\pi \circ \lambda \lambda \dot{\alpha}$. Equivalent to $\pi \circ \lambda \lambda \dot{\alpha} \kappa \iota \varsigma$ (LSJ III la).

- 6: άγαζόμενοι. An unusual word, perhaps chosen because it sounds more subdued (or austere) than άγαλλόμενοι.
- 6: πρώταν. Not 'the first of the gods' (Bury) or 'the first of goddesses' (Bowra), but 'before the other gods' and to be connected with άγαζόμενοι: cf. schol. άπ΄ αὐτῆς ῆρχόντο and H.Hom. 29, 4-6 οὐ γὰρ ἄτερ σοῦ / είλαπίναι θνητοῖσιν ἴν΄ οὐ πρώτη πυμάτη τε / Ἑστίη άρχόμενος σπένδει μελιηδέα οἶνον (see also Allen ad loc.), s. fr. 726 πρῷρα λοιβῆς Ἑστία (and Pearson ad loc.).
- 7: χνίσα. Lefkowitz (51) suggests that men who worship a deity with burnt offerings are 'celebrating death and the gods' gift to them of life', but her references to Vernant (Mythe et pensée, 142) and Burkert (Homo necans, 158-9) do not prove anything.
- 7: $\lambda\dot{\nu}\rho\alpha$. Musicality is a topos in the praise of cities and rulers: cf. 0. 1, 17, 0. 11, 18-9, G. van N. Viljoen, Pindaros se tiende en elfde Olympiese odes (Leiden 1955), 24-5.
- 7: σφι. Usually taken to be a dative of interest, but more probably a dativus auctoris (βρέμεται being equivalent to 'is played'): cf. S. Ai. 970 θεοῖς τέθνημεν, K.G. I, 423, Bruhn, §47, and my note on Men. Epitr. 534, Mnemos. IV 27 (1974), 37. A possessive dative seems to me less likely in this connection, and is to be generally suspected (although it is assumed by Schw. II, 189: but see K.G. I, 429-30).
- 7: $\beta \rho \dot{\epsilon} \mu \epsilon \tau \alpha \iota$. This verb seems to be more appropriate to the sound of a stringed instrument (cf. N. 9, 8 $\beta \rho o \mu \dot{\iota} \alpha \nu \phi \dot{o} \rho \mu \iota \gamma \gamma \alpha$) and the *aulos* (cf. Cat. 64, 264 *stridebat tibia*) than to songs. De Vries (152) speaks of a *zeugma*, but the word could apparently refer to resounding voices (cf. 'to peal'). Slater's translation 'murmur' is correct at P. 11, 30, but absurd in the present passage.
- 8: ξενίου. Hospitality is a *topos* in the praise of cities and rulers: cf. 0. 1, 16, 0. 2, 6 and 93-4, 0. 3, 40, N. 5, 8, I. 2, 39, Viljoen, op. cit. (above on 7 $\lambda \acute{v}\rho \alpha$), 23 n. 31.
- 8: Διός. Themis is a wife of Zeus (fr. 30, 5, Hes. Th. 901) and his paredros (0. 8, 22). In the present passage, just as at E. Med. 208 τὰν Ζηνὸς ὁρκίαν Θέμιν, their relationship is not specified, but the genitive certainly has possessive force (as in Il. 6, 460 Έκτορος ἤδε γυνή) and should not be connected with τραπέζαις (as is done by Sandys, who refers to Athen. IV 143f., and Bowra).
- 8: Θέμις. Most editors do not print this word with a capital, because άσκεῖται cannot mean 'is worshipped' but only 'is cultivated', 'is practised': cf. Hdt. I 96, 2 δικαιοσύνην ήσκεε, LSJ II 2 (Slater's

translation 'honour' is misleading). In that case the word may be translated by 'order' or 'law'. But at 0. 8, 21-2 Σώτειρα Διὸς ξενίου / πάρεδρος άσκεῖται Θέμις she is both a personal deity and an abstraction. This is considered by Farnell to be "one of the signs of a hurried composition", but he has overlooked the fact that a similar ambiguity is to be found at P. 3, 108-9 τὸν δ΄άμφέποντ' αίεἰ φρασίν /δαίμον' άσκήσω, N. 7, 4 τεὰν άδελφεὰν έλάχομεν άγλαόγυιον "Ηβαν, Hes. Op. 222-4 ἢ (Dike) δ΄ἔπεται κλαίουσα πόλιν καὶ ἦθεα λαῶν, / ἡέρα έσσαμένη, κακόν άνθρώποισι φέρουσα, / οἴ τέ μιν έξελάσωσι καὶ ούκ ίθεῖαν ἕνειμαν, 763-4 φήμη δ΄οὔ τις πάμπαν άπόλλυται, ἤντινα πολλοί / λαοί φημίξωσι· θεός νύ τίς έστι καὶ αὐτή, Τh. 231-2 Όρκον θ΄, ὂς δὴ πλεῖστον έπιχθονίους άνθρώπους / πημαίνει, ὅτε κέν τις ἐκὼν ἐπίορκον όμόσση (similarly Hdt. VI 86 γ, 2, Aesch. Ctes. 233). The law of hospitality, just as $\delta\iota\varkappa\dot{\eta}$, is a principle, but this principle is so fundamental that it is considered to be a divine power, and as soon as a divine power becomes operative in a striking way it is imagined as a divine person. Cf. Wilamowitz, 202: "Was lebt und wirkt, wird als persönlich gefühlt: darum ist es pervers, von Personifikation zu reden". See also F. Dornseiff, Pindars Stil (Berlin 1921), 50ff., Farnell, II, 467ff., Duchemin, 125ff., W. Pötscher, "Das Person-Bereichdenken in der frühgriechischen Periode", WS 72 (1959), 5-25. For the association of hospitality with righteousness (i.e. giving others their due) cf. 0. 2, 6 ὄπι δίκαιον ξένων ('strict in his consideration of strangers'), N. 4, 12 δίκα ξεναρκέϊ.

- 8: ἀενάοις. In my commentary on 0. 14, 12, Mnemos. IV 32 (1979), 24, I have argued (1) that it is wrong to restore the Doric form αίέναος, (2) that there and in the present passage the word is simply the adjective belonging to ἀεί, so that we should not look for some association with 'flowing' (Bury 'never running dry', Farnell 'tables of ever-flowing cheer').
- 9: ἐν τραπέζαις. Bury writes: "Mr Fennell takes ἐν here in the sense of with, but I agree with Rumpel that it has the more literal meaning of place. The tables are not only the instrument, they are also the place of the ἄσκησις". However, hospitality is not practised on the tables, but at table. For έν denoting an occasion of. 0. 2, 43-4 έν άξθλοις / έν μάχαις τε, 0. 9, 112 έν δαιτί, Il. 4, 259 έν δαίδ΄, od. 11, 603 έν θαλίης, A. Suppl. 174 έν λιταῖσιν, Thuo. VII 73, 2 έν τῆ ἐορτῆ, LSJ II l. For τράπεζα 'meal' of. LSJ I 2.
- 9: $\dot{\alpha}\lambda\lambda\dot{\alpha}$. In wishes and prayers $\dot{\alpha}\lambda\lambda\dot{\alpha}$ usually means either the transition from the present to the (unknown) future, or from introductory

arguments to the wish proper (Denn., 15-6). In the present case these conditions do not apply, but 9-10 forms the continuation of the wish expressed at 3-4. For progressive $\dot{\alpha}\lambda\lambda\dot{\alpha}$ cf. Denn., 21-2.

9: σύν δόξα. Equivalent to an adverb: cf. P. 9, 96 σύν δίκα, S. El. 872 σύν τάχει, LSJ A 6.

9-10: τέλος... περᾶσαι. The translation 'reach the end' (de Vries, 151, Nisetich) is misleading, because (1) τέλος properly means 'fulfilment', hence 'performance of a task', 'office' (LSJ I 3), and (2) περάω properly means 'to traverse' and so refers to the whole term of office (LSJ I 3 seem to me wrong in classing the present passage with S. O.R. 1530 τέρμα τοῦ βίου περάση and E. Andr. 101-2 τὴν τελευταίαν... περάσας ἡμέραν). Cf. schol. τὴν πρυτανείαν.

10: $\pi \epsilon \rho \tilde{\alpha} \sigma \alpha \iota$. For infinitives in prayers cf. P. 1, 68, K.G. II, 22-3. Some editors read $\pi \epsilon \rho \dot{\alpha} \sigma \alpha \iota$ (opt.), but the subject is more likely to be the whole Council: ll $\tilde{\alpha} \nu \delta \rho \alpha$ marks the point where the attention is focussed on Aristagoras.

10: σύν. Not to be altered into νιν, for (1) the subject αὐτούς is easily supplied from the preceding lines, and (2) repetition of words is avoided by Pindar only in the case of proper names and important apellatives (Schmid, Gesch.d.gr.Lit., I, 610 and n. 5): cf. P. 9, 112-4 γά-μον... γάμον, N. 3, 28-30 φέρειν... φέρειν, N. 8, 41-2 άνδρῶν... ἀνδρῶν, Schroeder, Prolegomena, 43-4. For the resultative use of σύν cf. Hes. Op. 119 σὺν ἐσθλοῖσιν, Theogn. 50 κέρδεα δημοσίφ σὺν κα-κῷ ἑρχόμενα, S. Ant. 172 ὥλοντο σὺν μιάσματι, LSJ A 6.

10: ἀτρώτφ. 'Without annoy' (Fennell; similarly Puech 'dans la paix du coeur') is too weak: Τιτρώσκω originally means 'to damage' (LSJ 2, e.g. Hdt. VIII 18 αὶ ἡμίσεαι τῶν νεῶν τετρωμέναι ἦσαν), and here the meaning is 'not injured by misfortunes or sharp criticisms': cf. I. 3, 18 αίων δὲ κυλινδομέναις ἀμέραις ἄλλ΄ ἄλλοτ΄ ἑξάλλαξεν· ἄτρωτοί γε μὰν παῖδες θεῶν (I doubt whether Bowra, Pindar, 116, is right in concluding that "the truly noble", just as Aristagoras, "do not take injuries to heart"). It is not correct to say that ἀτρώτφ repeats the idea of σὺν δόξφ in a negative form (Mezger, followed by Fennell and Bury).

11: $\tilde{\alpha}\nu\delta\rho\alpha$. Equivalent to $\alpha\dot{\upsilon}\dot{\upsilon}\dot{\upsilon}$: cf. P. 1, 69, P. 2, 29, and my note on Pl. Prot. 309 a 3 in Studia Platonica: Festschrift H. Gundert (Amsterdam 1974), 41. The word must refer to Aristagoras, as appears from the identity of 12 $\delta\dot{\epsilon}\mu\alpha\varsigma$ and 13 $\mu\rho\rho\phi\tilde{\alpha}$. The accusative is not an acc. of respect ('As for the man...'), for we can hardly supply 'as contrasted

with the goddess' (as is suggested by Mezger, who is followed by Bury and Frankel, 572-3), but we have to assume a σχήμα καθ΄ όλον καὶ μέρος (cf. K.G. II, 289-90, Schw. II, 81; rightly explained as a form of 'parathesis' by B. A. van Groningen, Mnemos. III 9, 1941, 275; Lefkowitz, 52 n. 19, wrongly calls πατέρα, δέμας, and άτρεμίαν accusatives of respect). For the father as μέρος cf. Wilamowitz, 431 n. l: 'der Vatersname ist kurz für die Abstammung gesetzt, die sozusagen ein Teil des Mannes ist'. For μακαρίζω with double accusative Ar. Vesp. 588 is the only exact parallel (if Reiske's emendation is accepted; Bury wrongly thinks that τουτί is a cognate object equivalent to τοῦτον τὸν μακαρισμόν). But at 30-1 μέμφομαι (which is the reverse of μακαρίζω) has the same construction. Lefkowitz (loc. cit.) compares A. Pr. 340 τὰ μέν σ΄ έπαινῶ, but there τὰ μέν is adverbial ('on the one hand'). S. Ai. 1381 πάντ΄ ἕχω σ΄ έπαινέσαι and Pl. Symp. 222a 7 α έγω Σωμράτη έπαινῶ are no convincing parallels either, for $\pi \dot{lpha} au au pprox$ and \ddot{lpha} are more obviously accusatives of respect.

Fennell writes: "I cannot see the point of congratulating the son upon his father, who kept him from winning the Olympian and Pythian games (v. 22)" (similarly de Vries, 152). But praise of the father is a topos in the victory ode: cf. e.g. O. 7, 17, P. 11, 43, N. 4, 13, I. 1, 34; see further Thummer, I, 49ff. Besides the father's hesitation with regard to his son's athletic chances hardly detracts from his general laudability.

11: μακαρίζω. C. de Heer, Μάκαρ – εύδαίμων – ὅλβιος – εύττυχής (Amsterdam 1968), 31-2, points out that μάκαρ usually implies the idea of divinity or at least of a status resembling that of the gods, and that such a suggestion is ruled out by vv. 13-6. He therefore concludes that the verb may be connected with μακάριος, a word which is less heavily loaded, as appears from P. 5, 46.

11: $\mu \acute{\epsilon} \nu$. Not to be connected with 12 $\kappa \alpha \grave{\iota} \ldots \tau \epsilon$ (Mezger), but with 13 $\delta \acute{\epsilon} \ldots$

11: Άρκεσίλαν. Some editors read 'Αγησίλαν (B) or (for metrical reasons) 'Αγεσίλαν, but the fact that Pindar's beloved Theoxenus of Tenedos was a son of Hagesilas (fr. 123, 15) has been used to satisfy sentimental romanticism (a handsome boy son of a handsome father, and 48 έρώτων as a personal confession: cf. Fränkel, 575: "Obwohl allgemein formuliert, klingt die Schlusswendung wie ein Ausbruch persönlichen Gefühls") rather than to build up a solid argument. Turyn rightly observes: "cum in scholiis p. 187, 8 et 187, 9 bis nomen in utroque codice BD casu accusativo ἀρκεσίλαν legatur, dubium non est, quin v. 11 'Αρκεσίλαν (non

`Αγεσίλαν) sit legendum".

12: θαητόν. Bury (216) writes: "The island of Tenedos, noted for the beauty of its women (Athen. XIII, 609e), was perhaps a land of handsome men also" (similarly Mezger, 481). But cases of individual beauty were thought worth mentioning, and not only by Pindar (e.g. 0. 8, 19, 0. 9, 65): cf. the epigram from the first half of the 5th cent. quoted by Lefkowitz (52 n. 19): παῖδα... κάλλιστον μὲν ἰδεῖν, ἀθλεῖν δ΄ οὐ χείρονα μορφῆς. The Greek admiration for physical beauty is strikingly illustrated by an extreme case mentioned by Herodotus (V 47, 2): a citizen from Croton was worshipped as a hero after his death at Segesta διὰ ἐωυτοῦ κάλλος. See further my note on Tyrt. 6-7 D., 9, Mnemos. IV 22 (1969), 342-3. Physical beauty was considered important for a magistrate: cf. Xen. Symp. 8, 40.

12: ἀτρεμίαν. Usually translated by 'fearlessness', but 'calmness', 'composure' is more correct and better suits his function.

12: $\sigma\dot{\upsilon}\gamma\gamma\sigma\nu\sigma\nu$. For the value attached by Pindar to inherited capacities (cf. P. 10, 12, N. 6, 8 $\tau\dot{\sigma}$ $\sigma\upsilon\gamma\gamma\epsilon\nu\dot{\epsilon}\varsigma$) see below on 33 $\pi\dot{\alpha}\lambda\alpha\iota$.

13: $\delta \dot{\epsilon}$. Lefkowitz (51) wrongly translates 'If then...': $\delta \dot{\epsilon}$ has adversative (restrictive) force and answers 11 $\mu \dot{\epsilon} \nu$.

13: ὅλβον. Pindar often emphasizes the importance of wealth, but adds that it should be used to realize $\dot{\alpha}\rho\epsilon\tau\dot{\eta}$: cf. Gundert, 14, 28, 86-7, P. R. Colace, "Considerazioni sul concetto di πλοῦτος in Pindaro", Studi in onore di A. Ardizzoni, II (Rome 1978), 737-45.

13: $\mu o \rho \phi \tilde{\alpha}$. Dative of limitation rather than of instrument: cf. K.G. I, 317, 437-8, 440, and my note on Men. *Epitr*. 590, *Mnemos*. IV 27 (1974), 39. See also F. Egermann on Thuc. I 22, 2 $\dot{\alpha} \kappa \rho \iota \beta \epsilon \iota \dot{\alpha}$, *Hist*. 21 (1972), 594-5. The difference between the two kinds of dative (confused by K.G.) clearly appears from N. 5, 39 $\sigma \partial \dot{\epsilon} \nu \epsilon \iota$ (instrum.) $\gamma \upsilon \iota \dot{\omega} \nu \dot{\epsilon} \rho \iota \zeta o \nu \tau \iota \partial \rho \alpha - \sigma \epsilon \iota$ (limit.).

13: παραμεύσεται. Doric for παραμείβομαι (cf. R 1, 45 and fr. 23). Not a gnomic future (cf. K.G. I, 171-2), but rather a subjunctive of the aorist: cf. O. 6, 11, O. 7, 3, P. 4, 266 and 274, K.G. II, 474. The shift to the indicative $\dot{\epsilon}\pi\dot{\epsilon}\delta\epsilon\iota\xi\epsilon\nu$ cannot be explained by the assumption that the poet lost sight of the relative beginning of his sentence (as at O. 7, 6 and P. 4, 268), but may imply that ν . 14 indicates a more firmly established fact than ν . 13. B. Breyer's emendation $\dot{\epsilon}\pi\iota\delta\epsilon\dot{\iota}\xi\eta$ (Analecta Pindarica, Vratislava 1880, 26-7; similarly B. L. Gildersleeve, AJP 3, 1882, 440-1) is unnecessary.

13: $\tilde{\alpha}\lambda\lambda\omega\nu$. Not to be altered into $\tilde{\alpha}\lambda\lambda\omega\nu$ or $\tilde{\alpha}\lambda\lambda\nu$ the genitive

is used on the analogy of $\delta\iota\alpha\phi\dot{\epsilon}\rho\epsilon\sigma\partial\alpha\dot{\iota}$ $\tau\iota\nu\circ\varsigma$. Similarly $\dot{\upsilon}\pi\epsilon\rho\beta\dot{\alpha}\lambda\lambda\epsilon\iota\nu$ and $\iota\alpha\dot{\iota}\nu\upsilon\sigma\partial\alpha\iota$ with genitive (K.G. I, 393).

14: βίαν. Used in a favourable sense ('strength'). The original meaning is 'natural or vital power': cf. LSJ I 1 and F. Stoessl, *Die Sprache* 6 (1959), 67-74.

15: $\vartheta \vee \alpha \tau \dot{\alpha}$. Pindar points out man's mortality at P. 3, 59, I. 3, 23, I. 5, 16, etc., and it cannot be maintained that the emphasis is stronger here than elsewhere. Lefkowitz (52) argues that the tone of the famous beginning of N. 6 is more optimistic than that of N. 11, 13-6, but the two passages are hardly comparable: (1) N. 6, 6-7 does not refer to death, but to the unpredictability of the outcome of any human undertaking (as has been pointed out by Frankel, Wege u. Formen, 30 n. 2), and (2) the point of N. 11, 15-6 is closely connected with 17-8, as appears from 17 $\delta \dot{\epsilon}$ (omitted in Lefkowitz's quotation of the Greek text!). The force of $\delta \dot{\epsilon}$ has been either neglected (e.g. by Fränkel, 574, who calls 15-6 "einen harten Umschlag" and simply remarks: "Die neue Triade hebt von frischem mit Festesklängen an") or taken to be (a) adversative, (b) explanatory (motivating), (c) consecutive. (a) Mezger assumes a contrast between 15 μεμνάσθω and 17 λόγοις, which is inept. Nisetich translates 'yet', which he explains (287) by "But death is no reason not to celebrate when the opportunity arises" (similarly de Vries, 151, 155). This idea seems to me too flat and trivial for Pindar. (b) Thummer (I, 76) translates μεμνά- $\sigma \partial \omega$ by 'der mag sich getrost vor Augen halten', but the intention of the Greek cannot be to ease our mind. (c) is considered by Thummer in n. 53, but he again overstates his case (the importance of praise in a poem of celebration) by suggesting that the sadness of death is outshined by the joy of future fame. The train of thought seems to me to be as follows: 'Man's physical being is doomed to perish, and therefore his achievements have to be recorded', (so that he may still obtain some degree of immortality). The idea that immortality is to be secured by fame, and most effectively by a laudatory poem, is a topos in Pindar: cf. 0. 7, 11 (where ζωθάλμιος has a causative sense), O. 10, 91-6, N. 6, 30, N. 7, 12, N. 8, 40, Duchemin, 283-4. For the consecutive force of $\delta \dot{\epsilon}$ cf. Denn., 170, and my notes on O. 12, 10, Zetesis: Album Amicorum E. de Strycker (Antwerp-Utrecht 1973), 337, and Men. Epitr. 332, Mnemos. IV 27 (1974), 31. Bowra (Pindar, 319) points out that in most poems the metrical division "corresponds neither with the grammatical structure of sentences nor with the flow of the sense" (though he is wrong in taking $N.\ 11$ to be an exception).

15: περιστέλλων. In spite of Emp. B 126 σαρμῶν άλλογνῶτι περιστέλλουσα (sc. τὰς ψυχὰς) χιτῶνι, the phrase περιστέλλων μέλη cannot mean 'sterblicher Glieder Umhüllung tragend' (Werner; similarly Nisetich 'that he wears a mortal set of limbs'). The word probably refers to his robes of office worn at the installation (Mezger) and need not imply that "Aristagoras was a 'glass of fashion' as well as a 'mould of form', somewhat of an 'exquisite' perhaps in personal adornment, or studious at least to compose the folds of his tunic and mantle for displaying most becomingly the graces of his limbs" (Bury, 217). The fact that π εριστέλλω "can denote decking out a corpse" (Lefkowitz, 52) is irrelevant in this connection, for there is no evidence for the assumption that the word was especially used in this sense (Lefkowitz refers to 0d. 24, 293 and S. Ant. 903, Ai. 821, 1170, but the passages from Sophocles do not, or not exlusively, refer to dressing).

16: τελευτάν. Usually explained as quasi-adverbial, but more naturally to be taken as an apposition to γᾶν. Pindar may have had Xenophanes B 27 έμ γαίης γὰρ πάντα μαὶ είς γῆν πάντα τελευτῷ in mind. For reminiscences of the Presocratics in his poetry cf. Gundert, 55-7, Strohm, 20-3. The apposition is put at the beginning of the sentence for the sake of emphasis: cf. I. 3, 7 εύκλέων δ΄ ἔργων ἄποινα χρῆ μὲν ὑμνῆσαι τὸν ἐσλόν. Lefkowitz (52) creates a structural phantom by assuming a connection between 9 τέλος and 16 τελευτάν.

16: ἐπιεσσόμενος. The metaphor is based on II. 3, 57 λάϊνον ἔσσο χιτῶνα and is first found in Alcaeus 129, 17. See further I. Waern, Γῆς ὁστέα: The Kenning in Pre-Christian Greek Poetry (Upsala 1951), 19-22.

17: έν. Quasi-instrumental, "indem das Mittel als der Gegenstand aufgefasst wird, in dessen Bereich eine Handlung oder ein Zustand fällt" (K.G. I, 464). Similarly \mathcal{O} . 1, 15 άγλα $\ddot{\mathbf{u}}$ ζεσθαι μουσικάς έν ά $\dot{\mathbf{u}}$ τ $\dot{\mathbf{u}}$, $\dot{\mathbf{u}}$. 5, 19, P. 5, 98, I. 5, 27. See further K.G. I, 465-6, LSJ A III.

17: ἀγαθοῖς. No enallage (Mezger and Bury with schol. ὑπὸ τῶν ἀστῶν τῶν ἀγαθῶν), but 'favourable': cf. θ . 7, 10 φᾶμαι ἀγαθαί, I. 1, 46 ἔπος ἀγαθόν, I. 3, 3 ἄξιος εύλογίαις ἀστῶν μεμῖχθαι. Pindar probably suggests that the name Aristagoras may be understood as 'very well spoken about'. This seems to me more likely than the etymology 'mächtig im Rath' (Pape-Benseler) adopted by Barkhuizen, 86 (who may be right, however, in taking 14 ἀριστεύων to be another allusion to the name).

17: μ IV. This or VIV (Puech) is a plausible emendation of μ ÉV (defended by Bury as emphatic): $\delta\alpha$ I $\delta\alpha\lambda$ δ ÉVT α sc. μ É $\lambda\eta$ (suggested by

LSJ) cannot serve as the object of $\mu\epsilon\lambda\iota\zeta\dot{\epsilon}\mu\epsilon\nu$. It is true that the object has sometimes to be supplied from the context (cf. K.G. II, 561-2), but this is easier if a related word (in this case the same word, but as a subject) precedes.

17: $\dot{\epsilon}\pi\alpha\iota\nu\epsilon\tilde{\iota}\sigma\vartheta\alpha\iota$. A certain emendation of $\alpha\dot{\iota}\nu\epsilon\tilde{\iota}\sigma\vartheta\alpha\iota$: at P. 5, 107 the MSS. have the same mistake.

17: $\chi \rho \epsilon \acute{\omega} \nu$. Contains an ambiguity: fame is necessary to obtain immortality (see above on 15 $\vartheta \nu \alpha \tau \acute{\alpha}$), but it is also due to the victor: cf. 0. 1, 103, 0. 3, 7, 0. 8, 74, P. 8, 33, P. 9, 104, I. 1, 43, I. 3, 8, Gundert, 43.

18: μελιγδούποισι. The original meaning of δοῦπος, 'thud', 'roar', 'clash' is widened into 'booming sound' (see above on 7 βρέμεται). Cf. Dith. 2, 12 έρίγδουποι στοναχαί. Pindar likes to characterize the beauty of songs as 'sweet': cf. μελίγαρυς, μελίκομπος, μελίφθογγος and the frequent use of γλυκύς. See also M. Kaimio, Characterization of Sound in Early Greek Literature (Helsinki 1977), 158.

18: $\delta\alpha\iota\delta\alpha\lambda\vartheta\dot{\epsilon}\nu\tau\alpha$. 'Glorified': similarly 0. 1, 105, 0. 5, 21 Parth. 2, 32. The word does not imply 'skilfully' (Fränkel, 572 'mit kunstvollem Gesang').

18: μελιζέμεν. Not to be altered into μελίζεν or μέλειν έν (Bury, Lefkowitz, 52): for the synizesis in ἀσιδαῖς cf. I. 3, 17 τετραοριᾶν, Schroeder, Proleg., 25-6, 39. There is a pun in the juxtaposition of μελιγδούποισι and μελιζέμεν: cf. P. 1, 12 μῆλα... Θέλγει and Barkhuizen, 104ff.

19: ἐκ περικτιόνων. A brachylogy for 'gained from places inhabited by π.' or 'from games organized by π.' (cf. N. 2, 19 ἑξ ἀέθλων νίκας ἑκόμιξαν). Fennell wrongly connects the phrase with ἑστεφάνωσαν and translates 'on the authority of'.

19: δέ. Has explanatory (motivating) force: cf. Denn., 169.

20: πάτραν. 'Clan' or (more probably) 'native land': cf. 0. 8, 20 έξένεπε μρατέων πάλα δολιχήρετμον Αἴγιναν πάτραν, P. 1, 32, P. 9, 73, N. 9, 12, I. 3, 12. See further W. Keuffel, Der Vaterlandsbegriff in der frühgriechischen Dichtung (Würzburg 1942), 32ff.

20: εύώνυμον. Probably a resultative predicate (see above on 5 όρθάν), for Tenedos could hardly be considered famous in itself like Athens (N. 4, 19) and Aegina (N. 7, 85). Bury and Barkhuizen (89) take the word to allude to 33 Πεισάνδρου, which name forms a good omen for Aristagoras' function as prytanis, but apart from the question whether πάτραν refers to the clan, Pindar now concentrates on Aristagoras'

athletic, not his magisterial, qualities.

- 21: $\pi \dot{\alpha} \lambda \alpha$. 'On the occasion of...'. For this use of the dative cf. 0. 1, 50 tpanéζαισι. 0. 10, 76 $\vartheta \alpha \lambda i \alpha \iota \varsigma$, P. 1, 47 $\mu \dot{\alpha} \chi \alpha \iota \varsigma$, K.G. I, 445 (who do not clearly distinguish this use from the dative denoting attendant circumstances).
- 21: μεγαυχεῖ. 'Glorious' (similarly A. Pers. 642). At P. 8, 15 μεγάλαυχος means 'vainglorious': αύχέω often means 'to boast', but the original meaning is 'to declare proudly or confidently' (whether or not rightly), so that at S. O.C. 713 αύχημα has a favourable sense.
- 22: έλπίδες. The original meaning of έλπίς is 'supposition' (cf. έλπομαι at Il. 9, 40; 16, 281; 18, 194), of which 'expectation' is a specialization (Plato, Leg. 644c 9 defines it as δόξα μελλόντων). See further O. Lachnit, Elpis (Tübingen 1965), 3ff.
- 22: ὁκνηρότεραι. 'Too hesitant': for this use of the comparative cf. K.G. II, 305, Schw. II, 184-5. Lefkowitz (53) observes that "this apology for non-accomplishment of deeds never attempted is unique", but does not explain why Pindar included it. A possible answer has been suggested by Gundert, lll n. 40: "Fragt man, warum Pindar den Fall, der zumindest für die Eltern peinlich war, überhaupt erwähnt und so weit führt, so ist ein Hauptmotiv die Aufgabe des Dichters, verkannte Areta zur Geltung zu bringen". This is a more plausible explanation than that given in Mnemosynon (5-6), where he maintains that 'fast zwei Drittel des Festlieds gelten dem Versäumnis der Eltern" and suggests that "es ist, als ob er [Pindar] den Anlass, dass er keine grösseren Siege hatte, geradezu gesucht hätte, um den Abgrund aufzureissen zwischen der lichten Welt des Adels und der Gottverlassenheit der Menschen". E. L. Bundy, Studia Pindarica (Berkeley-Los Angeles 1962), 48ff., has rightly pointed out that past misfortunes in the family are used as dark foils for present glory (although his view that the victory ode "is dedicated to the single purpose of eulogizing men and communities", 35, is untenable).
 - 22: β i α v. See above on 14 β i α v.
- 23: πειρᾶσθαι. One might expect the addition of $\mu\eta$, but this may be omitted if the infinitive is felt as an object: cf. E. Or. 263 σχήσω σε πηδᾶν, K.G. II, 214-5, Schw. II, 598 (who compares Thuc. VII 33, 3 έπέσχον τὸ εύθέως τοῖς 'Αθηναίοις έπιχειρεῖν).
- 24: γάρ. Explains ὁκνηρότεραι (Bury) or (rather) the unexpressed idea of 'wrongly' (Fennell 'for else'): cf. Denn., 62-3, Bruhn, §114. Another possibility is to take γάρ as emphatic (γε + ἄρα): as such it often introduces emotional questions (Denn., 82-5) and it also occurs in

exclamations, usually preceded by $\tilde{\eta}$ (Denn., 284); in the present passage $\nu\alpha$ ι $\mu\dot{\alpha}$ may be considered equivalent to $\tilde{\eta}$.

24: $^{\circ}$ Ορκον. Conceived as a divine power: cf. Hes. Th . 231, Op . 219, Hdt. VI 86, 2, and above on 8 Θέμις.

24: έμἀν δόξαν. Cf. Ar. Vesp. 983, Pax 232 γνώμην έμήν. Fennell thinks that "these are accusatives of 'extent, range, sphere', like τὸ έμὸν μέρος", Bury and K.G. I, 317, call the accusative 'adverbial', Farnell calls it 'absolute', Sch. II, 86, suggests that it originated from a 'prosthetic' nominative. These explanations are unsatisfactory. I am inclined to take the phrase as an apposition to the unexpressed internal object of the sentence: cf. 0. 7, 17 αίνέσω πυγμᾶς ἄποινα, K.G. I, 284-5, Bruhn, §11, Wilamowitz on E. H.F. 59 ἕλεγχον, Barrett on E. Hipp. 757 ὄνασιν.

24: παρά Κασταλία. The phrase 'if he had participated in the contests' has to be supplied from the context: cf. K.G. II, 565, Bruhn, §199.

25: εύδένδρφ. Cf. 0. 3, 18, 23, 32-4.

25: μολών. Sc. 'tither': cf. N. 5, 45 ἄλικας δ΄ έλθόντας οἴ-κοι τ΄ έκράτει, S. Ai. 854 νῦν μ΄ έπίσκεψαι μολών, K.G. II, 87.

26: δηριώντων. The active form is not to be found elsewhere in the classical period. The participle may have concessive force: cf. Schw. II, 389. It is certainly wrong to assume that the vanquished adversaries function "nicht mehr nur als Folie, sondern zugleich als Beispiel für die κενυεόφρονες αὐχαι der Sterblichen", as is suggested by H. Schmitz, Hypsos und Bios (Bern 1970), 49.

27: ἐορτάν. Apposition to the internal object of κωμάσαις (see above on 24 έμὰν δόξαν).

27: 'Ηρακλέος. A genitivus auctoris: cf. 0. 12, 15 τιμά ποδῶν, K.G. I, 332-3, Schw. II, 119, and my note on E. Ba. 8, Mnemos. IV 33 (1980), 2. For Heracles as founder of the Olympian games cf. 0. 3, 11ff. For Pindar's special regard for him cf. Bowra, Pindar, 45ff.

27: τέθμιον. 'Established', 'organized according to fixed rules' (cf. \mathcal{O} . 6, 69 τεθμός ἀέθλων), hence 'solemn'. The translation 'nach der Satzung des Herakles' (Mezger), 'founded by Herakles' (Bowra; similarly Lattimore, Nisetich) is misleading.

28: άνδησάμενος κόμαν. 'Having his hair wreathed': similarly *I*.

1, 28 άνδησάμενοι, *I*. 2, 16, 0. 7, 15 στεφανωσάμενον, 0. 12, 17, *N*.

6, 21. For this use of the middle cf. διδάσκεσθαι 'to have oneself instructed', K.G. I, 113, 116, Schw. II, 232 (who in I, 757 wrongly assumes a passive sense in στεφανωσάμενος), and my notes on Men. *Epitr*.

44 and 205, Mnemos. IV 27 (1974), 20 and 26. The force of $\dot{\alpha}\nu\alpha$ - may be explained from the fact that a wreath or a head-band (Il. 22, 469 $\dot{\alpha}\nu\alpha$ - $\delta\dot{\epsilon}\sigma\mu\eta$) makes the hair enclosed by it appear partly to rise above it.

28: $\acute{\epsilon}\nu$. Bury rightly observes: "The expression loses its strength if we take $\acute{\epsilon}\nu$ as merely instrumental; the victor's locks are conceived as actually in the wreath of olive leaves". Cf. Il. 5, 386 $\delta \tilde{\eta} \sigma \alpha \nu \kappa \rho \alpha \tau \epsilon - \rho \tilde{\phi} \ \dot{\epsilon}\nu \dot{\iota} \ \delta \epsilon \sigma \mu \tilde{\phi}$, and above on 17 $\dot{\epsilon}\nu$.

28: πορφυρέοις. Not 'bound by purple fillets' (Slater, Lefkowitz, 53, following P. von der Mühll, Kl. Schriften, 194-6), but 'glittering', 'brilliant': cf. H. Gipper, Gl. 42 (1964), 39ff., O. J. Schrier, Mnemos. IV 32 (1979), 316ff. Similarly P. 2, 6 τηλαυγέσιν... στεφάνοις. Duchemin (198ff.) rightly points out that φοινικοπέζα said of Demeter and Hecate (0. 6, 94, Pae. 2, 77) does not refer to colour but to brilliance (cf. Homeric άργυρόπεζα). For the Greek tendency to subordinate colour to shine cf. Fogelmark, 17ff., who is wrong, however, in concluding (23) that πορφύρεος "denotes colour in Pindar but not in Homer". His interpretation of the present passage as giving "an impression of beautiful colour" (26) is rather arbitrary. It is true that we find at 0. 6, 55 ἴων ξανθαῖσι καὶ παμπορφύροις ἀκτῖσι, but the addition of άχτῖσι is significant. Olive and laurel are called χρύσεος (0.8, 1, 0. 11, 13, P. 10, 40, N. 1, 17), but this refers to their value rather than to their visual appearance: cf. P. 3, 73 ὑγίειαν ἄγων χρυσέαν, LSJ III 1 (Duchemin, 226, thinks that "il s'agit d'un feuillage divin aux reflets lumineux, aux promesses d'immortalité"). Mezger suggests that πορφυρέοις, too, is intended "um seinen hohen Wert zu bezeichnen" (similarly Bury: "Regal 'purple' might be considered the queen of colours and used as a metaphor for supreme excellence", and Bowra, Pindar, 245-6), but there is no parallel for such a figurative use.

29: $\dot{\alpha}\lambda\lambda\dot{\alpha}$. Lefkowitz (53) thinks that "the reference to binding... leads into a statement of human limitations" (!). The function of $\dot{\alpha}\lambda\lambda\dot{\alpha}$ obviously is to explain why the possibility indicated in the preceding lines was not realized: it is equivalent to $\dot{\alpha}\lambda\lambda\dot{\alpha}$ $\gamma\dot{\alpha}\rho$ marking the nonfulfilment of a condition (Denn., 104).

29: μενεόφρονες. cf. Il. 8, 230 μενεαυχέες.

29: $\alpha \tilde{\mathbf{U}} \chi \alpha \iota$. See above on 21 $\mu \epsilon \gamma \alpha \cup \chi \epsilon \tilde{\iota}$. Wilamowitz (432) writes: "ihm wird in einem Atem gesagt, dass er ihn [the victory] hätte erreichen können, und angedeutet, es wäre wohl eher Selbstüberhebung gewesen". Similarly Lefkowitz, 53: "the contest is in the athlete's mind... the opponents are emotions, 'empty-minded boasts' ... and an 'unadventurous heart'".

- But 32 θυμός ἄτολμος obviously refers to his parents' hesitations, and the first part of the sentence (τὸν μὲν...) serves as a foil to the second part (Gundert, 24 and 117 n. 95). It is well-known that the Greeks often use antithetical expressions to emphasize only one idea: cf. Fehling, Wiederholungsfiguren, 84-6, 274-9, and my notes on Semon. 7, 9, Mnemos. IV 21 (1968), 135-6, and A. Pr. 106, Miscellanea Kamerbeek (Amsterdam 1976), 453-4.
- 30: έξ άγαθῶν ἕβαλον. Cf. S. Ai. 808 χάριτος ἑκβεβλημένη, El. 648-9 με πλούτου... ἑκβαλεῖν, Xen. An. VII 5, 6 μὴ ἐκ τῆς Σεύθου φιλίας ἑκβληθείη. The translation 'cast down from' (Fennell and others) is perhaps too strong, for βάλλω may also mean 'to place' (LSJ A I 6).
- 30: ματαμεμφθέντα. The parallelism of the two parts of the sentence suggests that the sense is active (like Hdt. I 77, l μεμφθείς, etc.). There seems to lie a difficulty in the fact that θυμός refers to the parents and ίσχύν to the son, but the parents may have regarded their son's abilities as part of their own: cf. P. 8, 44-5 φυ $\tilde{\mathbf{q}}$... έκ πατέρων, Gundert, 15ff.
 - 31: $i\sigma\chi\dot{\nu}$. For the accusative see above on 11 $\ddot{\alpha}\nu\delta\rho\alpha$.
- 31: $0i\pi\epsilon i\omega v$. 'Within his reach' (Fennell). For the topos of $\tau \delta$ $\pi \alpha \rho \kappa \epsilon i \mu \epsilon v o v$ (N. 3, 75) cf. Strohm, 72-5.
- 31: $\pi\alpha\rho\dot{\epsilon}\sigma\phi\alpha\lambda\epsilon\nu$. 32 $\dot{\sigma}\pi\dot{\epsilon}\sigma\sigma\omega$ shows that $\pi\alpha\rho\dot{\epsilon}\sigma\phi\alpha\lambda\epsilon\nu$ cannot mean 'lässt vorbeistraucheln' (Fränkel, 573). The local force of $\pi\alpha\rho\alpha$ ('to the side') has apparently been widened to the idea of 'missing' and 'failing'. For the genitive cf. LSJ $\sigma\phi\dot{\alpha}\lambda\lambda\omega$ III 2.
- 32: ἄτολμος. Another topos: one has to take risks (0. 6, 9-11 άκίνδυνοι δ΄ άρεταὶ ού... τίμιαι, P. 4, 185-7), but τόλμα should be combined with σύνεσις (\mathbb{N} . 7, 59, I. 3-4, 63-5, fr. 231).
- 33: $\sigma \nu \mu \beta \alpha \lambda \epsilon \tilde{\iota} \nu$. 'To conjecture' (cf. LSJ III 3), sc. the presence of ... in their son.
- 33: $\mu \dot{\alpha} \nu$. Denn. (330, 337) hesitates between an emphatic and a progressive sense, but the meaning is more likely to be adversative (Denn., 334-5, Slater, 311).
- 33: πάλαι. Not to be connected with άπο Σπάρτας (Fennell, Farnell, Puech), but with αἷμα: cf. *I*. 2, l οἱ πάλαι φῶτες, LSJ I 2. B. A. van Groningen, *In the Grip of the Past* (Leiden 1953), 50, rightly observes: "The quality of the primogenitor determines the quality of the whole lineage and every member of it shines with the reflected light of his ancestral glory". Cf. also 12, 52, 54, and Gundert, 15, Bowra, *Pindar*, 101-2,

171-2.

34: Αμύκλαθεν. "Because in Pindar's opinion Amyklai had been the place where king Agamemnon was murdered on his return home from Troy...

Not until Orestes had killed his mother did he set the Aeolians on their way towards Tenedos" (G. Huxley, Pindar's Vision of the Past, Belfast 1975, 34). I doubt whether Pindar alludes to the capture of Amyclae mentioned at P. 1, 65, as is suggested by Lefkowitz, 54.

35: ἀνάγων. 'Leading over sea': cf. Il. 9, 338 λαὸν ἀνήγαγεν ένθάδε, LSJ I 2. Orestes as a leader of Aeolian colonists is also mentioned by Hellanicus (FGrH 4, F. 32).

36: $\dot{\rho}o\tilde{\alpha}\nu$. Puech reads $\dot{\rho}o\dot{\alpha}\nu$ with MSS. and scholia, but Pindar always uses the plural $\dot{\rho}o\alpha\dot{\iota}$, and $\pi\alpha\rho\dot{\alpha}$ $\dot{\rho}o\tilde{\alpha}\nu$ is obviously parallel to $\dot{\alpha}\pi\dot{\alpha}$ $\Sigma\pi\dot{\alpha}\rho$ – $\tau\alpha\varsigma$, so that we have mentally to supply $\tau\dot{\alpha}$ $\alpha\iota_{\mu\alpha}$ (as is rightly observed by Bury, who spoils the construction, however, by translating 'mingled near the stream of Ismenus with the blood of...'; similarly Werner 'an Ismenos' Fluten beigemischt').

36 κεκραμένον. Sc. with the blood on the father's side.

37 Melavinnoio. Famous opponent of the Seven against Thebes: cf. K.P. III, 1164.16ff.

37: $\delta \dot{\epsilon}$. Has explanatory (motivating) force: see above on 19 $\delta \dot{\epsilon}$.

38: ἀμφέροντι. Mezger translates 'sie bringen mit sich', but this is φέρομαι (e.g. P. 7, 21). Fennell translates 'return' (similarly Farnell 'revive', 'renew'; cf. schol. ἀποφέρονται), but the comparison with cornfields shows that the meaning is 'raise up', 'give forth': cf. ἀναδίδωμι (LSJ II 1), and A. Cho. 447-8 ἀνέφερον... γόον. The capacities (ἀρεταί) inherent in the γένος are like the fertile soil from which shoot up the achievements (ἀρεταί) of the individual members as flourishing plants (I. 5, 17 θάλλοισ' ἀρετά; cf. O. 9, 16, N. 4, 88, N. 10, 42), which may be kept alive by the water of the victory ode (N. 8, 40-1). See further my note on O. 14, 15 Θαλία, Mnemos. IV 32 (1979), 27-8. Although the middle ἀμφέρονται is defended by Fennell by comparing P. 7, 21 φέρεσθαι, the active seems to be preferable because it is the regular form of φέρω when said of the earth or of trees: cf. 41 φέρευν and LSJ A V.

38: άλλασσόμεναι. Schol.: τοῦ μεταξύ γένους ήμαυρωμένου.

38: YEVECIG. A dative of interest ('in the case of ...'): cf. K.G. I, 429, Schw. II, 189.

38: $\dot{\alpha}$ νδρῶν. Not to be connected with $\sigma \vartheta \dot{\epsilon}$ νος (Sandys, Werner, Lefkowitz, 54), but with γενεαῖς: cf. Il. 6, 149 $\dot{\omega}$ ς $\dot{\alpha}$ νδρῶν γενεἡ ἡ

μέν φύει, ἡ δ΄ ἀπολήγει. I do not believe that the assonance Π εισ- ἀνδρου (33)- ἀνδρῶν is intentional, as is suggested by Barkhuizen 147.

38: $\sigma\vartheta\acute{\epsilon}vog$. May imply the idea of profusion: cf. 0. 9, 51 σ . $\mathring{\upsilon}\delta\alpha\tauog$, I. 3, 2 σ . $\pi\lambdao\acute{\upsilon}\tauou$, Pae. 9, 14 σ . $\nu\iota\phi\epsilon\tauo\~{\upsilon}$, LSJ II 2.

39: ἐνσχερώ. 'Without interruption'. Most editors read ἐν σχερῷ, but Turyn rightly prints ἐνσχερώ: the MSS. do not have a iota here nor at N. 1, 69 and I. 6, 21. Cf. Ap. Rh. I 912 ἐνσχερώ, Homeric ἑπισχερώ (cf. Schw. II, 469 and n. 1), and Hsch. ἱσχερώ ἑξῆς. Fränkel's translation 'auf der Erdenfeste' (573) is unintelligible.

39: $\delta \dot{\epsilon}$. Has explanatory (motivating) force: see above on 19 $\delta \dot{\epsilon}$.

39: $\tilde{\omega}\nu$. Cf. Denn., 419-20: " $\tilde{o}\tilde{v}\nu$ emphasizes the duality, or plurality, of the ideas negativated". Similarly $\tilde{\epsilon}\tilde{\iota}\tau'$ $\tilde{o}\tilde{v}\nu$ (Den.., 418-9).

39: $\mu \dot{\epsilon} \lambda \alpha \iota \nu \alpha \iota$. Bury thinks that this word "is chosen with the purpose of pointing the illustration by a play on $M \dot{\epsilon} \lambda \dot{\alpha} \nu \iota \pi \pi \sigma \varsigma$ " (similarly Barkhuizen, 147), but $\mu \dot{\epsilon} \lambda \dot{\alpha} \iota \nu \alpha$ is a conventional epithet of $\gamma \tilde{\eta}$ and $\chi \partial \dot{\omega} \nu$ (e.g. Il. 2, 699, Hes. Th. 69, Alcm. 58, 3, Archil. 58 D. = 130 W., 2 Sa. 1, 10). I also doubt whether A. Kober, The Use of Colour Terms in the Greek Poets (New York 1932), 32-3, is right in suggesting that $\mu \dot{\epsilon} \lambda \alpha \iota \nu \alpha \iota$ $\ddot{\alpha} \rho \sigma \nu \alpha \iota$ implies the idea of fertility: Fogelmark (30) observes that at 0. 9, 50 $\mu \dot{\epsilon} \lambda \alpha \iota \nu \alpha \chi \partial \dot{\omega} \nu$ "any thought of black fertile soil is out of the question, as it is merely a variation on a conventional phrase bequeathed by epic poetry".

39: α poupar. The same comparison is found at N. 6, 8-11. The differences between the two passages suggested by Lefkowitz (54-5) seem to me fanciful.

40: $\delta \dot{\epsilon} \nu \delta \rho \epsilon \alpha$. Lefkowitz (54) maintains that a "natural connection is drawn between the crowning of the victor (... $\ddot{\epsilon} \rho \nu \epsilon \sigma \iota \nu$, rather than $\sigma \iota \epsilon - \phi \dot{\alpha} \nu \iota \iota \varsigma$, 29) and the flowering of the trees". I fail to see where the connection is drawn except in the reader's imagination. For $\ddot{\epsilon} \rho \nu \epsilon \sigma \iota \nu$ cf. N. 6, 18, I. 1, 29 and 66.

40: ούκ ἐθέλει. Fennell rightly translates 'are not wont': cf. 0. 11, 9, P. 1, 62, N. 7, 10, LSJ II 2, and my note on Pl. Meno 95b 1, Mnemos. IV 10 (1957), 297. There may be an implication of 'are unable': cf. Il. 21, 366, Od. 3, 121, Sol. 3, 27. Lefkowitz (54) thinks that "there is a special emphasis on intention" in the simile; she admits (n. 29) that $\dot{\epsilon}$ - $9\dot{\epsilon}\lambda\omega$ "can denote customary behaviour", but argues that "English 'tend' does not adequately convey the verb's sense of volition". But the point is that in such cases the verb has lost its sense of volition. Nisetich (62) argues that the poem contains "repeated instances of negative volition"

and that therefore "the literal connotation, secondary from the point of view of the immediate context, is primary from the point of view of the ode as a whole". But the only evident instances of negative volition are 22-3 and 31-2, both referring to the same fact.

- 40: $\pi \epsilon \rho \delta \delta \delta \epsilon$. One may think of the fact that the trees are in flower at different times during the year, but Pindar probably wished only to avoid such prosaic expressions as $\kappa \alpha \tau \dot{\alpha}$ $\tilde{\epsilon} \tau o \varsigma$.
- 41: $\pi\lambda$ ούτφ. For the limitative force of the dative see above on 13 μορφ $\tilde{\mathbf{q}}$. Wilamowitz (431) wrongly takes $\pi\lambda$ ούτ ϕ to refer to the fruits ("nicht jedes Jahr entspricht die Ernte der Blütenpracht"): Schroeder points out that in that case the text would have $\pi\lambda$ οῦτον ἄνθει ἴσον. For $\pi\lambda$ οῦτος 'abundance' cf. LSJ I 2.
- 42: ἐναμείβοντι. Some editors read ἐν ἀμείβοντι (cf. ἐναλλάξ), bur the verb (which further occurs at Lyd. Mag. 3, 39) seems to have been modelled after ἐναλλάττω. Pindar might have written ἑπαμείβοντι (cf. Il. 6, 339 νίκη δ΄ ἐπαμείβεται ἄνδρας), but ἐν- more strongly suggests alternation. For the plural after ἐθέλει cf. Il. 2, 135 δοῦρα σέσηπε νεῶν καὶ σπάρτα λέλυνται and K.G. I, 65-6. For a plural verb after a plural neutre in Pindar cf. O. 8, 12, O. 10, 85, P. 1, 13.
- 42: ἔθνος. A certain emendation: cf. \mathcal{O} . 1, 66 ἀνέρων ἔθνος, \mathbb{N} . 3, 74 βρότεον ἔθνος.
- 42: ἄγει. Bury thinks that this means "'drive', like wind". One might compare A. Pers. 602 τον αύτον αίεὶ δαίμον' ούριεῖν τύχης, but Moira is a more stable power than Tyche: cf. Strohm, 51ff., especially 52: "Sie stellt den ein für allemal festgelegten Grundriss dar". Accordingly, the meaning is 'guides', 'governs' (cf. LSJ A II 2-3, Slater, 8).

a political office, gives special emphasis to the topics of the limits of achievement, ignorance of the future, mortality, and change". On the contrary, the comparatively short duration of the office (10 $\delta\omega\delta\varepsilon\kappa\dot{\alpha}\mu\eta\nu\sigma\nu$) implies that these topics are not especially relevant to the occasion.

43: σαφές. 'Reliable' rather than 'clear': cf. 0. 6, 20, 0. 7, 91, 0. 10, 55, Il. 5, 177, S. 0.R. 390, Thuc. I 22, 4, and W. Luther, Wahrheit und Lüge im ältesten Griechentum (Borna-Leipzig 1935), 61ff. See also my notes on Men. Epitr. 25 Mnemos. IV 27 (1974), 19, Pl. Phdr. 275c 6, Mnemos. IV 28 (1975), 79, and A. Pr. 641, Miscellanea Kamerbeek, 465.

43: ἔπεται. 'Falls to': cf. P. 10, 17 ἔποιτο μοῖρα, Il. 4, 415 τούτ φ κῦδος ἄμ΄ ἔψεται, LSJ II 2.

44: τέκμαρ. Cf. P. 10, 63 τὰ δ΄ είς ένιαυτὸν ἀτέκμαρτον προνοῆσαι. This parallel shows that Pindar's outlook upon the limits of human power did not change very much in the course of his life. Cf. also O. 2, 30-3, O. 12, 8, Strohm, 64ff. For Pindar's view of the future see also C. G. Starr, Essays on Ancient History (Leiden 1979), 177-8. Bury (followed by Péron, 42 and n. 1) thinks that τέκμαρ "suggests a guiding star". He compares H.Hom. 32, 13, where the moon is called τέκμωρ βροτοῖσι, but even E. Hec. 1273 κυνὸς ταλαίνης σῆμα, ναυτίλοις τέκμαρ does not warrant such a conclusion. Pindar is more likely to have had Il. I, 525-6 in mind, where Zeus calls his nod μετ΄ άθανάτοισι μέ-γιστον / τέκμαρ.

44: μεγαλανορίαις. 'Self-confident ambitions': cf. P. 8, 90-1 έξ έλπίδος πέταται / ὑποπτέροις άνορέαις, N. 3, 20 άνορέαις ὑπερτάταις έπέβα. The translation 'hochmütig' (Werner) is misleading, and Strohm's paraphrase "verblendetes Menschentum" (78) is certainly wrong.

44: $\dot{\epsilon}\mu\beta\alpha\dot{\iota}\nu o\mu\epsilon\nu$. For the nautical metaphor cf. N. 3, 20 quoted above, Pl. Phdr. 252e 5, and Péron, 39ff.

45: τε. Mezger wrongly reads ἕργ' ἄτε (Mommsen). For τε introducing a participial clause Denn. (502) quotes two examples, Lys. 13, 40 άφικνεῖται, μέλαν τε ἰμάτιον ἡμφιεσμένη and Pind. P. 6, 45-6 πατρφάν μάλιστα πρὸς στάθμαν ἕβα, /πάτρφ τ' ἐπερχόμενος άγλα- ταῦτα, but wrongly thinks that from ἕβα we have to supply βαίνων (similarly Fennell and Bury): just as ἡμφιεσμένη, ἐπερχόμενος supplies an additional information closely connected with the first part of the sentence. Similarly P. 1, 70 υἰῷ τ' ἐπιτελλόμενος, N. 8, 19 άμπνέων τε (cf. Slater, 489: "almost καὶ ταῦτα"). Schroeder (on P. 1, 75-80) wrongly equates these cases with O. 7, 81 and I. 2, 38, where the parti-

ciple is used instead of a finite verb ("Variation des Ausdrucks"; cf. Bowra, *Pindar*, 207). In the present passage the additional information has an explanatory (specifying) character: for this use of TE cf. Denn., 502 (e), and my notes on Men. *Epitr.* 338, *Mnemos.* IV 27 (1974), 31-2, A. *Pr.* 152, *Miscellanea Kamerbeek*, 455, and E. *Ba.* 54, *Mnemos.* IV 33 (1980), 13-4.

45: δέδεται. According to Fennell, "perhaps a metaphor from a slave chained to the oar", a view adopted by Bury, but rightly rejected as anachronistic by Péron, 41-2 n. 5. Strohm (78) wrongly sees a paradox in the phrase δέδεται έλπίδι γυῖα: the verb does not imply paralysis, as is assumed by Strohm, but only inescapable compulsion, and it may refer to a holding as well as to a moving force (as is observed by Fränkel, 575 n. 22): cf. P. 3, 54 κέρδει καί σοφία δέδεται, P. 4, 71 κίνδυνος... δῆσεν, and the phrase 'to be bound to'. Lefkowitz (55) thinks that the metaphor has been prepared by 15 περιστέλλειν, 16 έπιεσσόμενος, 23 ἔσχον, 28 ἀνδησάμενος, 39-40 οὕτ΄ ἔδωκαν... ούκ έθλει, and concludes that "Pindar has elaborated the traditional connotation of binding, which in Homer regularly describes the effect of death and delusion, into a characterization of mental action". Such a hunt for hidden meanings and implicit connections seems to me a serious danger to a sound development of Pindaric scholarship.

45: άναιδεῖ. Not 'unconscionable' (Fennell). 'importunate' (Bury), 'insolent' (Farnell), 'wanton' (Bowra), 'shameless' (Gundert, 144 n. 393, Lattimore, Nisetich, Lefkowitz, 55), 'frech' (Werner, Frankel, 573), 'effrontée' (Puech), 'insensée' (Péron, 256), but 'knowing no αίδώς', i.e. 'shrinking from nothing': cf. 0. 10, 105 άναιδέα θάνατον, Il. 4, 521 λᾶας άναιδής, 5, 593 Κυδοιμὸν άναιδέα, Ε. H.F. 165-6, where άναίδεια is contrasted with εύλάβεια, and the λίθος άναιδείας in the Areopagus. In such contexts αίδώς has its original meaning of keeping oneself at a respectful distance (cf. my remarks in Mnemos. III 12, 1944, 48ff. and Lampas 5, 1972, 114) and does not have a specifically moral connotation, as is suggested by Mezger ("schamlos - weil das gebührende Mass überschreitend") and is assumed by Lefkowitz (55), who defines it as "the ability to respect one's own person or another's rights". She refers to F. J. Nisetich, TAPA 107 (1977), 246-7, who more rightly, however, explains άναιδής at 0. 10, 105 by: "What is shameless about death is that it makes no distinctions; it overtakes mortals without exception, when it pleases, with no regard to their wishes", and N. 11, 45 by: "Here it is men who are 'shameless', because their hopes will countenance anything".

It appears from these definitions that 'shameless' is not a happy translation.

46: έλπίδι. See above on 22 έλπίδες. Strohm (78) maintains that έλπίς is depreciated ("abgewertet") here and at P. 8, 90 more than elsewhere (P. 3, 23, N. 1, 33, N. 8, 45, I. 2, 43), and that a positive appreciation is to be found at 0. 13, 103, P. 3, 111, I. 8, 15, fr. 214. ilarly Péron, 42: "l'homme, laissé par les dieux dans une ignorance complète de ce qui l'attend (v. 43), contribue aussi à son propre aveuglement, en se laissant entraîner par l'espérance, puissance d'illusion et d'égarement, à poursuivre des ambitions démesurées, sans rapport avec sa nature, par essence limitée; έλπίς a donc une valeur purement 'négative' (v. 46: άναιδεῖ)". I have already pointed out that άναιδεῖ does not imply criticism: Pindar does not blame man for cherishing far-reaching expectations, but he states the objective fact that $\dot{\epsilon}\lambda\pi\dot{\iota}\varsigma$ does not have a natural limit, because man does not know the future. The result is that in some cases $\dot{\epsilon}\lambda\pi\dot{\iota}$ C is too weak (22 ὁμνηρότεραι), in other cases too strong (cf. Bury, 218: "undue diffidence and undue confidence"). The question whether there occurred a change in Pindar's appreciation of $\dot{f \epsilon}\lambda\pi\dot{\iota}$ S is wrongly put: Pindar did not evaluate έλπίς as such (as is rightly observed by J. J. A. Schrijen, Elpis, Groningen 1965, 60), but he observed its failures (for its connection with τύχα cf. Nisetich, op. cit. [above on 45 $\dot{\alpha}$ val $\delta \epsilon \tilde{\iota}$], 247ff.) and preached moderation (47). It can only be said that man's ignorance of the future, already signalized in his earliest work (see above on 44 τέμμαρ) is more strongly emphasized in P. 8 (93-5) and N. 11 (43-4, 46). The difference, however, is not very great: cf. B. L. Gildersleeve, Selections from the Brief Mention (Baltimore-London-Oxford 1930), 59: "For my part, I have not been able to recognize the symptoms of aging in Pindar, which Leopold Schmidt has dwelt upon in such detail. P. VIII is bitter, or, if you choose, austere, but the melancholy of the latest piece is matched by the melancholy of the earliest". Gundert (Mnemosynon, 5) and Lefkowitz (52, 56) make much of the fact that αΐγλα διόσδοτος (P. 8, 96) does not appear in N. 11, and that there is no trace of a similarity between men and gods (N. 6, 3), but faith in divine help is implicitly expressed at 5 and 8.

I doubt whether Pindar's view of human weakness should be called 'tragic', as is done by Strohm (79): "Der Mensch kann ja wesensgemäss gar nicht anders als gegen das ebenso wesensgemässe Gesetz seiner Bedingtheit verstossen" (similarly Fränkel, 575). But 47 $\chi\rho\dot{\eta}$ implies that man can try to observe this law by aiming at moderation (as is implicitly admitted

by Strohm, ibid.). Foreknowledge is difficult, but possible to some extent: see below on 46 $\acute{a}\pi\acute{o}$ \varkappa εινται. Consequently, Péron (130 and 257) is wrong in thinking that N. 11 is concluded by "un véritable aveu d'impuissance". That the term 'pessimism' is equally inappropriate has been pointed out by de Vries, 156-7 and Mnemos. IV 10 (1957), 8-15, who rightly observes that I. 7, 37 is counterbalanced by 38, and P. 95 by 96-7. Even the phrase 'resigned pessimism' (Bury, 218) is misleading, for it may induce us to underestimate Pindar's faith in man's power to crown his life with lasting values.

46: YUTa. Nisetich, op. cit. (above on 45 ἀναιδεῖ), 247, suggests that this implies the idea of mortality, but elsewhere in Pindar the word more often refers to athletics than to death. In the present passage it seems to continue the image of 44 ἑμβαίνομεν.

46: προμαθείας. Not 'precaution' (Werner 'Vorsicht', Fränkel, 574 'sorglicher Voraussicht'), but 'foreknowledge'. Cf. \mathcal{O} . 7, 44, where αί-δώς ('restraint': see above on 45 άναιδεῖ) is said to be characteristic of the προμαθής.

46: $\delta \dot{\epsilon}$. Has explanatory (motivating) force (see above on 19 $\delta \dot{\epsilon}$): $\dot{\epsilon}\lambda\pi\dot{\iota}$ g does not know limits, because it does not know the future. Schrijen, op. cit. (above on 46 $\dot{\epsilon}\lambda\pi\dot{\iota}\delta\iota$), 56, wrongly explains the connection as adversative: "hope is shameless, but one should try to avoid shamelessness by bearing in mind that the human power of foresight is very weak".

46: ἀπόμεινται. Not 'sind verborgen' (Mezger) or 'are beyond our reach' (Puech: 'se dérobent à nous'; Péron, 257: 'être à l'écart'), but 'are far away', 'are difficult to reach'. A small degree of foreknowledge is not denied to man: cf. I. 1, 40 ὁ πονήσαις δὲ νόφ καὶ προμάθειαν φέρει.

46: ροαί. Not 'the tides of events lie beyond our foresight' (LSJI), but to be connected with προμαθείας. The image of streams or waves is often used of destiny (cf. Péron, 25lff.), but its connection with fore-knowledge is not immediately clear. Fennell's observation that "no doubt the mariners of Tenedos were familiar with and often grateful to the strong Hellespontine current" seems to me irrelevant. Péron (256-7), who rightly rejects the translation 'sources' (Werner, Fränkel, 574), argues that the phrase "ne constitue en effet que le dernier élément d'un tableau dominé par la présence de la mer"; he compares 0. 12, 5-6, but there human expectations are compared with ships, not with waves. If we translate the word by 'rivers' (Bury, Romagnoli, Wolde), we may compare I. 2, 41-2, where the Phasis and the Nile are mentioned as symbols for remote parts of the world

(cf. Péron, 85-7).

- 47: μερδέων. 'Desires of gain': cf. P. 3, 54 μέρδει μαὶ σοφία δέδεται, N. 9, 33 αίδὼς γὰρ ὑπὸ μρύφα μέρδει μλέπτεται, LSJ I, 2. Warning against μέρδος is a *topos* in Pindar: cf. P. 1, 92, P. 2, 78, P. 4, 139-40, and Péron, 210-1.
- 47: $\delta \dot{\epsilon}$. Strongly adversative (neglected in almost all translations): human aspirations and expectations tend to overstep all limits, but all the same they ($\kappa\epsilon\rho\delta\dot{\epsilon}\omega\nu$ is a specification of $\mu\epsilon\nu$ or ν $\omega\nu$ and $\dot{\epsilon}\lambda\pi\dot{\iota}\delta\iota$), have to keep within bounds, for else they lead nowhere (48 $\dot{\alpha}\pi\rho\sigma\sigma\dot{\iota}\kappa\tau\omega\nu$).
- 47: μέτρον. Cf. 0. 13, 47-8 ἔπεται δ΄ εν ἐκάστφ / μέτρον, P. 2, 34 χρὴ δὲ κατ΄ αὐτὸν αίεὶ παντὸς ὁρᾶν μέτρον. Pindar more often uses καιρός: Gundert, 63, 66ff., Strohm, 67-8, M. Riemschneider, Ztschr.f.Ästh. u.allg. Kunstw. 36 (1942), 105-9. These parallels show that the end of the poem is a topos, and it is wrong to assume that this must have a special application, as is done by Farnell (234), who supposes "that the kinsmen of Aristagoras being aware of his weaknesses had suggested to Pindar to convey this to him", and by Mezger, who thinks that the warning is addressed to "den Teil der Bürgerschaft, der überstürzenden Neuerungen zugethan ist", and that the praise of Aristagoras serves the purpose "die Warnung an die Unruhestifter recht eindringlich zu machen".
- 47: θηρευέμεν. To be contrasted with P. 3, 23 μεταμώνια θηρεύων άκράντοις έλπίσιν. On Pindar's use of metaphors of hunting cf. C. J. Classen, Untersuchungen zu Platons Jagdbildern (Berlin 1960), 6-7.
- 48: ἀπροσίκτων. Not 'ad quem accedere non licet, inexpugnabilis' (Rumpel with schol.; cf. ἄπλατος), nor 'unattainable' (Bury, LSJ, who wrongly take ἐρώτων to be 'objects of desire', Slater), nor depending on ἐρώτων (Christ), but 'not reaching their end', 'achieving nothing'. For the verbal adjective used with active force cf. Kühner-Blass, II, 289, Bruhn, §101, Wackernagel, Vorl. ü. Synt. I, 136, 288, Pearson on S. fr. 534, 4, Barrett on E. Hipp. 678.
- 48: έρώτων. Used in its general sense of 'desires', but especially 'desires of gain' (cf. 47 κερδέων). The genitive has been explained in various ways, none of which seems to me convincing: (1) gen. of object: 'aber die Gier nach unerfullbaren Wünschen brennt allzuheiss' (Wilamowitz, 431). But (a) according to LSJ μανία with objective genitive does not occur before Hermesianax; (b) 'allzu' apparently means that μανία always prevents the attainment of μέτρον, a conclusion which makes χρή a sarcastic paradox and which attributes to Pindar an unparalleled negativism.

The suggestion put forward by Gundert (Mnemosynon, 5), that the poet was "in innerem Kampf", does not solve this difficulty. (2) gen. of subject: 'schlimm ist das wahnsinnige Begehren unerreichbarer Wünsche' (Mezger), 'Unerreichbares Sehnen ist der schneidenste Wahn' (Dornseiff), 'vom unerreichbaren Begehr aber ist heftiger der Wahnsinn' (Gundert, Mnemosynon, 4), 'Unerschöpflich Begehren heisst mir der bitterste Wahn', 'Doch unerfüllbares Begehren tobt in umso heftigerem Wahn' (Fränkel, 574, explained, 575, by "Wir sollen uns bescheiden, und doch brennt kein Sehnen so heiss wie der Wahnwunsch nach dem Unerreichbaren"), 'Too sharp is the madness of unattainable desires' (Nisetich; similarly Lefkowitz, 56), 'qui se laisse aller à des ambitions irréalisables s'expose à une démence éperdue' (Puech), 'Immers, de razernij van het verlangen naar het onbereikbare schrijnt (de Vries, 156). But (a) some of these translations suggest that the μέτρον is never attained (cf. Gundert's explanation, Mnemosynon, 5: "Die kurze Mahnung zum Mass geht unter in dem Schluss"): see above on lb; (b) others (such as 'schlimm', 'der bitterste', 'too sharp', 'éperdue') may imply a condemnation of $\mu\alpha\nu i\alpha\iota$ and a causal connection with the preceding sentence. De Vries explicitly defends this view: he explains \dot{O} E \dot{U} τεραι as 'extra sharp', which he takes to be equivalent to 'smarting', but although $\delta \xi \dot{\upsilon} \varsigma$ may be said of pains (e.g. N. 1, 53 $\delta \xi \varepsilon \dot{\iota} \alpha \iota \varsigma$ $\dot{\alpha} \dot{\upsilon} \dot{\iota} \alpha \iota \sigma \iota$, Il. 11, 268 όξεῖαι ὁδύναι), I do not know instances of όξύς in itself meaning 'painful'. (3) gen. of origin: 'Sharp are the fits of madness wrought by unattainable longings' (Bury), 'From longings unachievable cometh madness passing fell' (Fennell), 'Too bitter are the pangs of madness after loves that are past attainment' (Lattimore), 'Loves beyond reach sting too sharply to madness' (Bowra), 'Unerfullbare Gier ruft heftigeren Wahn nur hervor' (Werner). But (a) these translations, like most of the ones classed under 2, neglect $\delta \dot{\epsilon}$, so that they leave us in the dark about the question whether the connection is adversative or explanatory. If it is adversative, see on lb, if explanatory (motivating), it may be doubted whether the prospect of increasing insanity would be a sufficient incentive to aim at moderation; (b) for Lattimore's 'too bitter' see above on 2b.

The above difficulties may be avoided by taking ὁξύτεραι in the sense of 'too violent' (see above on 22 ὁκνηρότεραι), and ἐρώτων as a partitive genitive: 'For mad passions whose violence exceeds the measure (advocated in the preceding sentence) belong to the domain of unrealizable desires'. For μανία as disregarding measure cf. 0.9, 38-9 τὸ καυχᾶσσοι παρὰ καιρὸν / μανίαισιν ὑποκρέκει. For the genitive express-

ing the idea of 'belonging to' cf. e.g. Pl. Euthyd. 277 c 5 τῶν λαμβανόντων ἄρ΄ είσὶν οἱ μανθάνοντες, άλλ΄ οὐ τῶν ἑχόντων; see further K.G. I, 372, Schw. II, 122-3. For δέ having explanatory (motivating) force see above on 19 δέ.

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