

EDITORIAL

THE financial position of the Far-Eastern Prehistory Association has changed little since the writing of the previous *Editorial* approximately four months ago, with one exception. The hope that I had then for almost immediate assistance from UNESCO has been postponed for at least two years. My hope was apparently based on a misunderstanding. In the meantime, the FEPA has been accepted as a member of the International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences. Any requests for funds from UNESCO will be channeled through this organization. My hope is now that we will be included in the UNESCO budget for 1963-1964, the 1961-1962 budget having already been allocated. Until that time the struggle will continue. If anyone has any concrete suggestions they will be welcomed. Just one thing; I do not feel that the dues should be raised. They are already high for our members not receiving United States level salaries.

In my last Editorial I promised a more complete account than that presented at the time. That which follows presents our account with the Hong Kong University Press as of the 31st of December, 1960. As payments of the dues for 1960 were only then starting to come in I am presenting the non-publication accounts as of this writing, the 15th of February 1961. I stated in the last Editorial that the money on hand with our publisher 'should more than cover the cost of Vol. III. 1, leaving a small net balance'. This did not work out this way. The issue cost considerably more than I had expected and I had not taken various expenses into consideration. Therefore, instead of having funds left over, an additional deposit of U.S.\$500 had to be made and there is only a little remaining from that.

From the Bursar of the University of Hong Kong:

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1960

Income

1.	Receipts from Dr W. G. Solheim	HK\$12,818.40	
2.	Receipts from sales by H.K. University Press	3,486.29	16,304.69

Payments

1.	Printing costs of Vol. II (ii)	6,854.85	
2.	Registration fee—Library of Congress ..	23.20	
3.	Printing costs of Vol. III (i)	4,146.00	
4.	Photo copies supplied to Dr Solheim ..	.42.00	
5.	Commission (10%) on printing costs (1 and 3)	1,100.08	
6.	Commission (25%) on sales	871.57	
7.	Handling charges, postage and insurance, copies of journal dispatched	1,871.70	14,909.40
	Balance in favour of Association ..		HK\$ 1,395.29
		@ 5.80	US\$ 240.57

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS AS OF 15TH FEBRUARY 1961
(not including balance in Hong Kong)

	<i>Credit</i>	<i>Debit</i>
Cash on hand as of 20th October 1960 (last report) ..	US\$436.03	
Money received (dues, subscriptions)	605.30	
Postage		US\$21.88
Printing (dues, notices, etc.)		9.70
Deposit to Bursar, University of Hong Kong		500.00
	1,041.33	531.58
 Assets in the United States as of February 1961:		
Deposits in FEPA account	476.45	
Dues checks not yet deposited	33.30	
Accounts receivable (on invoice)	98.50	
Indebtedness on Vol. II (ii)		800.00
	Total US\$608.25	US\$800.00

Paid membership for 1960 as of 15th February 1961 is 107 (both student and regular members). No individual dues have yet been paid for 1961. Paid institutional subscriptions for 1960 are 75, with 19 of these having paid for 1961 and 1 for 1962. Second notices for 1960 dues and subscriptions have not yet been sent out. Of those whose membership was paid for 1959, 47 have not yet paid their dues for 1960 while there are 18 of the 1959 institutional subscribers that have not yet paid for 1960. *If* none of these drop we will have had a gain of five members and nine institutional subscribers since the 20th of October 1960.

The actual printing costs for the two issues of *Asian Perspectives* published before this goes to press are as follows:

Vol. II (ii)—1,000 copies, 136 pages	HK\$4,725.00
Vol. III (i)—1,000 copies, 110 pages	3,816.00

This comes to HK\$34.74 per page (US\$5.99) for the first issue and \$34.69 per page (US\$5.98) for the second issue. The cost of blocks and reprints brings these costs up to those indicated in the Bursar's statement.

Our expenses are somewhat less than they would otherwise have been thanks to the Department of Anthropology and Archæology of Florida State University and to the University as a whole. Postage for all FEPA mail not having to do specifically with *Asian Perspectives* business has been paid by the Department or the University. This has amounted to considerably more than the postage charge in the above account. For this I thank them very much.

Special winter issues of ASIAN PERSPECTIVES are in preparation on the history of Southeast Asian archæology, on the archæology of Formosa, and one issue made up of papers presented in the archæology symposia and Contributed Papers' sections of the 10th Pacific Science Congress.

It has been decided to make this issue the complete volume, i.e. this is Vol. IV, No. 1 and 2. This is being done for two reasons. First, with the addition of the several original articles and the increase in the Japanese and the Chinese sections, this issue comes to 230 pages and 21 plates, the total desired for each volume under the present financial circumstances. Secondly, Professor Dr Heine-Geldern on doctor's orders had to keep his work load down and informed me that he would be unable to handle the special issue on the history of Southeast Asian archæology. Regretfully, because of other pressing commitments, he felt he would have to remove himself from the editorship.

W. G. S.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Barn House,
Houghton Green
RYE, Sussex

16 January, 1961

Dear Dr Solheim,

I was very pleased to receive Vol. III, No. 1 of *Asian Perspectives*: it is very pleasant to have this regular contact with Far Eastern prehistory. There is one point in it on which I should like to comment:

At the top of p. 33, in the chapter on Malaya, Mr Lamb makes the statement: 'Peacock (Mr B. A. V. Peacock) reports that there is much evidence to support the thesis that Gua Cha must be dated in the Christian era and not 2,500-1,500 B.C. as has generally been thought following Heine-Geldern'.

This seems to me to indicate a serious misunderstanding of Dr Heine-Geldern's theory of the migration of the Austro-Asiatic Peoples southward into Malaysia from Continental Asia. It is this migration of the neolithic bearers of the quadrangular adze culture that he dates to 2,500-1,500 B.C. I can see no reason why the neolithic people should not have inhabited the Malay Peninsula for well over a thousand or even two thousand years; if this possibility is admitted the dating of the Gua Cha Industry to the Christian era is quite consistent with Heine-Geldern's hypothesis, if this industry is regarded as an advanced and late phase of the Neolithic.

In the statement I have quoted there is the suggestion that Heine-Geldern has been proved wrong: I consider this suggestion unjustified.

Yours sincerely,

M. W. F. TWEEDIE.

ABBREVIATIONS

- AA* *American Anthropologist.*
AE *Australian Encyclopædia.*
AJD *Australian Journal of Dentistry.*
AJS *Australian Journal of Science.*
AR *University of California, Anthropological Records.*
BAE *Bureau of American Ethnology.*
BEFEO *Bulletin de l'École Française d'Extrême Orient.*
BDAA *Bulletin of the Department of Archæology and Anthropology, Taipei, Formosa.*
BIEAS *Bulletin of the Institute of Ethnology, Academia Sinica, Taipei.*
BSEI *Bulletin de la Société des Études Indochinoises.*
BTLV *Bijdragen tot de Taal-, Land- en Volkenkunde.*
FEQ *Far Eastern Quarterly.*
FMJ *Federation Museums Journal, Malaya.*
GR *Geographical Review.*
IB *Information Bulletin, Pacific Science Association.*
ILN *Illustrated London News.*
JAOS *Journal of the American Oriental Society.*
JEAS *Journal of East Asiatic Studies, Manila.*
JMBRAS *Journal of the Malayan Branch, Royal Asiatic Society.*
JPS *Journal of the Polynesian Society.*
JRAI *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute of Great Britain and Ireland.*
JSO *Journal de la Société des Océanistes.*
M *Man.*
MH *Malaya in History.*
MJTG *The Malayan Journal of Tropical Geography.*
MNMV *Memoirs of the National Museum of Victoria.*
NAM *North Australian Monthly, Townsville, Queensland.*
NGS *Nieuw Guinea Studiën.*
O *Oceania.*
PEFEO *Publications de l'École Française d'Extrême Orient.*
PPFEPC *Proceedings of the Fourth Far-Eastern Prehistory and the Anthropology Division of the Eighth Pacific Congresses Combined, Quezon City, Philippines.*
PIM *Pacific Islands Monthly, Sydney.*
PJS *Philippine Journal of Science.*
PKNAW *Proceedings Koninklijk Nederlandsch Akademie Wetenschappen.*
SA *Scientific American.*
SJA *Southwestern Journal of Anthropology.*
SMJ *Sarawak Museum Journal.*
TBG *Tijdschrift Bataviaasch Genootschap.*
VKNAW *Verhandelingen Koninklijk Nederlandsch Akademie Wetenschappen.*
VTLV *Verhandelingen tot de Taal-, Land- en Volkenkunde.*
W *Walkabout, Melbourne, Australia.*
ZMRNH *Zoologische Mededelingen Rijksmuseum van Natuurlijke Historie.*
ZFE *Zeitschrift für Ethnologie.*
ZVRNH *Zoologische Verhandelingen Rijksmuseum van Natuurlijke Historie.*