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Among the foreign archaeologists who have been staying at the School recently in addition to the Petries are Mr. D. Bellerby, architect of the British School of Archaeology in Palestine, Dr. and Mrs. R.A. Bowman of the Oriental Institute, University of Chicago, Dr. E. Mackay of the British School of Archaeology in Egypt, Mr. C. Pape, architect of the British School of Archaeology in Egypt, and Mr. E. Sjöqvist, of the Swedish-Cyprus Expedition.

In addition, the following archaeologists have called at the School within the last few weeks: Mr. Avi-Yonah, of the Palestine Museum, Mr. Colin Baly, of the British School of Archaeology, Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Braidwood of the Tell Tainat expedition, Prof. Kurt Galling, Mr. Carl Haynes (?), of the Persepolis expedition, Mr. J.H. Iliffe, of the Palestine Museum, Father R. Koeppel, Prof. L.A. Mayer, of the Hebrew University, Dr. A. Reifenberg, Père Savignac, M. Daniel Schlumberger of the Service des Antiquités, Lebanon, Mr. J.L. Starkey and Père Vincent.

Also resident at the School within recent weeks were Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Gross, Junior, of Baltimore, and Prof. and Mrs. Wilbur M. Smith of the Moody Bible Institute, Chicago, Ill.

Among other visitors at the School in recent weeks have been M. Jacques Fagard, the architect of the Dura expedition, Mr. C.A. Herrick, Trustee of the University of Pennsylvania, Prof. and Mrs. Frederic K. Morris, of the Mass. Institute of Technology, Rabbi Irving F. Reichert of San Francisco, and Prof. Eugen Täubler of Berlin.

A large gathering was present at the School for Christmas and New Year celebrations. A small evergreen tree was set up in the students' livingroom, decorated with electric lights. The tree will now be planted in the garden.

A number of teas has been given to introduce Prof. and Mrs. McCasland to the Jerusalem public.

The Palestine Association of University Women is meeting here on Jan. 11th. Their first meeting here had to be called off because of curfew regulations.

Sheikh Yakub Bukhari and his son were entertained here at tea on Christmas day. He is the librarian at the Mosque.

On Dec. 29th, the Director lectured to the Jewish Palestine Exploration Society on the subject of the Arabah. On Dec. 30th, the Director and Mrs. Glueck were at the High Commissioner's dinner. The High Commissioner had just returned from visiting the excavations at Khirbet et-Tannur, accompanied by Mr. Harding, and expressed the desire to see the objects found when they are displayed at the American School. It is planned to hold an exhibition of the Khirbet et-Tannur sculptures at the American School.

February.

Between Nov. 29th and Dec. 12th 1937 a second, concluding campaign of excavations was undertaken at Khirbet et-Tannur. The temple-complex has now been completely exposed. Among the finds may be mentioned in particular another Zeus-Hadad head, showing Hellenistic and Parthian influences. Mr. Jacob Gross, Jnr. donated \$ 20 to be used at the Director's discretion. The Director is using the gift to pay for photographs of Kh. et-Tannur objects. The concluding excavations at Kh. et-Tannur were made possible by the gift of \$ 250.00 made by Mr. Henry J. Patten, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Schools.

The livingroom of the School has been renovated at a cost of some LE 45.

The ^{monthly} January Hostel statement after the payment of all large outstanding bills is LE 690.173.

About 65 fruit and evergreen trees are being planted in the garden.

Miss Frances J. Clcott, New York City, has registered for the Jan.-March term.

The Museum has presented us with a complete copy of its Library Catalogue.

The political situation remains in a state of chronic disturbances.