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THE 3rd INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF COPTIC STUDIES

The 3rd International Congress of Coptic Studies was successfully held in Warsaw, 20-25 August 1984. It was promoted by our Association, as one of its statutory tasks; it was organized by the Research Centre for Mediterra Warsaw, the Warsaw University, the Academy of Catholic Theology.

An Honorary Committee was formed, including Prof. Jan Karol KOSTRZEWSKI, President of the Polish Academy of Sciences; Prof. Juliusz BURSZE, Director of the National Museum in Warsaw; Prof. Kazimierz DOBROWOLSKI, Rector of the Warsaw University; Prof. Stanislaw LORENTZ, Prof. em. of the Warsaw University, and former Director of the National Museum; Prof. Jerzy LANOWSKI, President of the Committee for Antique Studies of the Polish Academy of Sciences.

The Organizing Committee, whose efficient work was admired and appreciated by all participants, was directed by our Congress Secretary, and member of the staff of the National Museum in Warsaw, Dr. Wlodzimierz GODLEWSKI. He was assisted by: Prof. Tito OKLANDI (only for the diffusion of documents before the Congress itself), Dr. Karol MISLIWIEC, Dr. Stefan JAKOBIELSKI, Miss Bozena ROSTKOWSKA, Prof. Zofia SZTETYLLO, Dr. Ewa WIPSZYCKA, Mrs.

Krystyna POLACZEK, Dr. Wincenty MYSZOR.

The participants were 114, and the papers read 88. On Monday, 20 August, the Congress was opened with a brief ceremony, followed by the Presidential Address of our President, Prof. Bentley LAYTON, and by the lecture of the President Elect, Prof. Rodolphe KASSER (Caracteristiques lexicales des dialectes coptes dans les textes bibliques). After a visit in Wilanow Palace, a reception was offered in the same palace.

The schedule was arranged mainly in the following way: a general session opened the morning, with three lecture (9-10,30); then the works were divided in 3 parallel sessions, both in the

morning (11-13) and in the afternoon (17-19).

Moreover, a visit in the National Museum, and especially in the Faras Gallery and Coptic art in Polish Collections, was organized for the afternoon of Tuesday, 21 August. A visit in Lazienki Palace war organized on Wednesday, 22 August, and a visit in the Royal Castle on Thursday, 23 August. The afternoon of Friday, 24 August, was dedicated to the excursion to Zelazowa Wola (birthplace of Frederic Chopin), while at 14.30 a Coffe was offered in the Golden Room of the University, by the Rector.

As to the official meetings of the Association (Board meetings, Business meeting), the reader will find all information

in the minutes published below.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD

OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR COPTIC STUDIES,

Warsaw, August 19, 1984.

(Redaction by Tito Orlandi).

PRESENT: Bentley LAYTON (President), Rodolphe KASSER, Tito ORLANDI, Peter NAGEL, Peter GROSSMANN, Wlodzimierz GODLEWSKI. Absent: Antoine GUILLAUMONT, Julien RIES.

The meeting convened at 3.00 p.m.

I. CAIRO CENTER. The resignation of the Director, Lealie MacCOULL (cp. letter of Feb. 1984 to Orlandi), was noted. The President took charge to schedule a meeting with Dr. Mirrit Boutros Ghali, President of the Société d'Archeologie Copte, to discuss this and related problems.

II. FINANCES. The report made by Tito ORLANDI (as Treasurer) was approved (see the text in the minutes of the BUSINESS MEETING). The exact amount of indebtedness to SAC could not be stated, because the SAC records are not yet clear to Orlandi.

III. PAYMENT FROM EAST-EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, Peter NAGEL was appointed "associate treasurer" with delegate powers from Orlandi (Treasurer) to receive membership fees from those countries. The "associate treasurer" is NOT a member of the Board, so no change of Statutes is necessary, and he can succeed himself. He will open a Bank Account in Halle. The funds accumulated will be used when I.A.C.S. Congress meets in Eastern Europe.

Members in arrears will be notified by Tito Orlandi. In case they are able to pay back debts, they will receive the stamps for the whole period; otherwise they are to pay from 1985, and will be

considered members from that year.

Peter Nagel will establish equivalents for Dollars in the Eastern European currencies.

IV. PUBLICATION OF THE 2nd CONGRESS. Tito ORLANDI's report was approved (see the text in the minutes of the BUSINESS MEETING, 111.3).

V. MEMBERS. Tito ORLANDI's report was approved:

22 Members were excluded between 1980 and 1984 for non payment or resignation.

It was decided that excluded members have the right to re-

apply on same basis as any other person.

The Business Meeting will be requested to approve the list of the new members, as obtainable from the general list of the

Newsletter 15; and also another list, which could not yet be approved by the Board members, because of postal delays: Culianu, Farmer, Brunsch, Blanchard, Detobel, Mina Abdel Malek, British Library, De Chaves, Veilleux, Good, Brill.

Future applications should be sent to Tito Orlandi, who will circulate them to the Board with memo: "if I do not hear from you

in 4 months, I shall assume that you approve".

VI. IMPLEMENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS.

- 1. Information on Museum and Collections (cp. Newsletter 1, p. 11, Resolution 2). The new Board will nominate a responsible to publish the information collected.
- UNESCO membership, Guillaumont will be asked to contact again the UNESCO officials. Krause will send copy of the answer to his previous steps.
- VII. NEXT CONCRESS (1988). GODLEWSKI and ORLANDI were charged to contact Prof. RIES, to ascertain the availability of Louvain-la-Neuve. Otherwise Washington was to proposed, according to contacts intercoursed between Bentley Layton and David Johnson of Catholic University.
- VIII. NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE was formed, as in the previous occasion, by the outgoing members: Layton, Ries, Nagel, Godlewski. They will report to the Business Meeting.
- IX. ORGANIZATION AND PUBLICATION OF THE 3rd CONGRESS. W. GODLEWSKI's Report was approved:
- The publication will be done in Warsaw by the Polish Academy; preferably as a separate volume. The volume should be ready before the next Congress.

There were some proposals for the dedication. The decision was delayed to the supplementary meeting.

- X. LIST OF THE PRESIDENTS OF THE SESSIONS. W. GODLEWSKI's Report was approved.
- XI. HONORARY PRESIDENT. Alla I. Elanskaja will be proposed to the Business Meeting as Honorary President.
- XII. REPORT ON EXCAVATIONS IN EGYPT. Peter GROSSMANN presented a Report on the activity of various archaeological expeditions.
- XIII. ANIMATION. The following activities were recommended for consideration by the next Board:
- To begin a series of publications of the I.A.C.S.
 To form a committee on standardization for the computer (proposed by Tito ORLANDI).
- Need for publication of Arabic texts on liturgy and history of the Coptic church (proposed by Peter GROSSMANN).
- At 6.00 p.m. the meeting was adjourned until August 24.

PROSECUTION OF THE MEETING, August 24 at 6.00 p.m.

- I. CAIRO CENTER. Bentley LAYTON reported that Dr. Mirrit Boutros Ghali and Peter Grossmann agreed that Peter Grossmann will become Director of the Cairo Center. Grossmann will resign from the Board, and will be proposed for nomination of Director of Cairo Center.
- II. 4th CONGRESS. After contacts made by Godlewski and Orlandi, a telegram was received from Julien Ries, and a letter from Jacques Grand'Henry (President of the Institut Orientaliste of Louvain-la-Neuve) that Louvain accepted to organize the 1988 Congress.
- III. PROCEEDINGS OF THE WARSAW CONGRESS. Godlewski confirmed the possibility to publish the Proceedings in Warsaw. All papers will be published, if submitted in final redaction before November 30, 1984. The Proceedings will be dedicated to the memory of Prof. Kasimierz Michalowski.
- IV. JOURNAL. Layton reported on negotiations between Dr. Mirrit Boutros Ghali and Gerald M. Browne to do some changements in the organization of the Bulletin de la Société d'Archéologie copte, which will become a Journal of Coptic Studies, under the auspices of the I.A.C.S.
- Browne will send, as soon as possible, an announcement to Orlandi, to be published in the Newsletter.
- The first issue of the new series will be headed "hommage to Alla E. Elanskaja".
 Some recommendations of the Board were conveyed to Browne.

V. The schedule of the BUSINESS MEETING was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 7.00 p.m.

BUSINESS MEETING

OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR COPTIC STUDIES

Warsaw, August 25, 1984.

(Redaction by Tito Orlandi)

The meeting convened at $11.00 \ \mathrm{a.m.}$ Only members of the IACS were admitted.

I. The members of the IACS deceased after the 2nd Congress were commemorated: Ilona BORSAI, Oswald BURMESTER, Maria CRAMER, Erich DINKLER, Karl M. FISCHER, Labib HABASHI, E. R. HARDY, IBRAHIM Amin Ghali, Angelicus KROPP, Bishop SAMUEL, Arthur SCHILLER.

II. The new members, approved by the Board after the last Business Meeting, were confirmed, as listed in the Newsletter 15, besides those approved in the Board meeting of August 19.

III. OFFICERS REPORTS.

1. The Treasurer (Tito ORLANDI):

BALANCE FOR THE YEARS 1980-1983

	Expenditures	Income	Balance
1980. Quote associative Interessi postali Saldo attivo Congresso		1.147.950 6.640 614.500	
Spese NL 7 Cancelleria Segreteria Spese notarili Spese postali e altro	440.200 331.210 115.000 250.000 239.635		
	1.376.045	1.769.090	393.045

Quote associative Interessi bancari		1.347.209	
Spese NL 8 e 9 Segreteria Piccole spese	580.000 150.000 224.870		
	954.870	1.381.627	426.757
1982. Quote associative Interessi postali		2.549.421 9.808	
Spese NL 10 e 11 Posta e piccole spese Segreteria	912.000 230.000 357.000		
	1.499.560	2.559.229	1,059.669
1983. Quote associative Interessi bancari Interessi postali		3.293.363 48.266 13.113	
Spese NL 12, 13, 14 Segreteria Posta e piccole spese Correzione errori Banca	1.363.000 350.000 203.000 229.378		
	2.145.378	3.354.742	1.209.364

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The Report is unanimously approved.

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The President announces the new way of payment for the members of Eastern European countries (cp. Board meeting, III).

3. The President invites Orlandi to report on the publication of the Proceedings of the Rome Congress.

The volume is now in advanced stage of preparation, and most of the contributors have corrected the first proves. It will contain the contribution by: GROSSMANN, KRAUSE, KASSER, SELL, PAINCHAUD, FRICKEL, MULLER C.D.C., SCHENKE, NAGEL, DU BOURGUET, BAUMEISTER, VAN MOORSEL, MENARD, KUNER, QUECKE, MEYER, SATISIGER, PAPINI, RUTSCHOVSKAIA, SEVRIN, RASSART, MACCOULL, SCHOLZ, DIEBNER, PFISTER, PARTYKA, JANSSENS, BROWN K., DEL FRANCIA, MESSIRA, ORLANDI. It will be edited under the names of Frederik Wilsse and Tito Orlandi; Martin Krause, as President at the time, will provide an introductory foreword.

It will be published by C.I.M. in Rome, and distributed by Harrassowitz and other important booksellers. It will be offered to the members of I.A.C.S. at a substantially reduced price.

The President reports about the need for publication of Copto-Arabic texts (cp. Board meeting, XI,3).

IV. PLACE AND DATE OF THE NEXT CONGRESS.

The meeting unanimously approved Louvain-la-Neuve as place of the next Congress, and August as suggested date for the organizers.

Pearson stressed the opportunity to avoid collision with the S.N.T.S. Congress, Mac Coull the same for the Syriac and Christian-Arab Congresses, Horn the same for the Egyptological Congress.

V. REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE AND ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS.

The meeting unanimously approved the proposals of the Nominating Committee for the new Board:

Rodolphe KASSER was elected President
Peter NAGEL was elected President-elect

Tito ORLANDI was confirmed as Editor-Treasurer

Peter GROSSMANN was elected Director of Cairo Center (after resignation as Board member at large)

Julien RIES was elected Congress Secretary Soren GIVERSEN was elected Board member at large, to serve

until 1988.

Marguerite RASSART DEBERGH was elected Board member at large, to serve until 1992.

Stephen EMMEL was elected Board member at large, to serve until 1992.

(N.B.: the other Board member at large, Antoine GUILLAUMONT, was elected in 1980 to serve until 1988).

VI. PROPOSAL OF A NEW HONORARY PRESIDENT.

The meeting unanimously approved the nomination of Prof. Alla E. ELANSKAJA as Honorary President, in view of the exceptional value of her contribution to the Coptic studies.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS.

1. The following resolution was unanimously approved:

"We the members of the International Association for Coptic Studies wish to express our thanks to the Egyptian Antiquities Organization, and in particular to its Chairman, His Excellency Dr. Ahmed Kadry, for their extremely important contribution to Coptic Studies, both scientific and financial, in renovating the Coptic Museum in Cairo, in saving the Hanging Church beside the

Coptic Museum, in undertaking scientific conservation and salvage of Coptic and Islamic sites allower Egypt, in developing the scientific techniques of conservation in Egypt, in founding new museums, and elaborating a visionary new national philosophy of cultural consciousness and preservation.

We express our deep interest in cooperation and collaboration, and we note with great interest Dr. Kadry's expression of the need for a new plan to excavate and preserve Coptic sites, and his foundation of a scientific center of Coptic Studies at the Coptic Museum, to be directed by Dr. Gawada Gabra. We are especially grateful to His Excellency Dr. Ahmed Kadry for his personal interest in our Association and for his willingmess to develop an ever closer personal link in the future between the I.A.C.S. and the Egyptian Antiquities Organization. We look forward to this development:

It was unanimously decided that in future (as in fact was done informally in the past) the NONINATION COMMITTE be formed by the retiring members of the Board, viz. the President, the Congress Secretary and two of the Board members at large.

3. "At the lst International Congress of Coptic Studies, held at Cairo in 1976, the members expressed their unanimous wish that a SECTION POR COPTIC STUDIES be created at an Egyptian university. A further resolution to this effect was taken at the 2nd Congress, held at Rome in 1980.

Now, at this 3rd Congress, held at Warsaw from the 20th to 25th August 1984, the Congress members reiterate their hope that an Egyptian university Will establish a complete section for the

several branches of Coptic Studies.

The Congress members reiterate this resolution in order that Coptic Studies should be adequately provided for in Egypt, which is the origin of the studies to which the International Association for Coptic Studies devotes its efforts and its activity".

- 4. Prof. Van Moorsel wished to express thanks to the Polish authorities and those providing for the organization of the Congress. He also expressed thanks to Tito Orlandi for his work for the Association. He suggested that in future the abstracts of the communications be distributed at the beginning of the Congress; and that the Newsletter publish more information about archaeological discoveries.
- 5. Prof. Robinson communicated that Dr. Patrician Donlon, curator of Western manuscripts at the CHESTER BEATTY LIBRARY, 20, Shrewsbury Road, Dublin 4, Ireland, would welcome scholars competent in the study of Greek and/or Coptic papyri and/or parchaent. There is material to be sorted through, perhaps to be conserved, and there is not a staff position assigned to do this work. A person coming for a summer or a sabbatic or the like would have to have one's own financing. The Director and Librarian of the Library, Mr. Wilfred Lockwood, would need to approve of a proposed stay for such purposes.

The meeting expressed its thanks to the President, Bentley LAYTON, and to the retiring members of the Board, for their work during the past 4 years.

The meeting also approved the following MOTION OF THANKS:

"We the members of the International Association for Coptic Studies wish to express our profound gratitude to our hosts at the 3rd International Congress of Coptic Studies:

the Polish Academy of Sciences and the Research Center for Mediterranean Archeology, and its acting Director Karol Mysliviec, the members of the Organizing Committee, led by Dr. Wlodzimierz Godlewski, our Congress Sccretary.

the National Museum in Warsaw,

the Warsaw University, and its Rector, Prof. Kazimierz Dobrovolski,

the Academy of Catholic Theology,

and all the other Institutions, scholars and administrators who have worked to organize this Congress.

We wish our Polish colleagues success and continued activity in their important contribution to the area of Coptic Studies, and to our Association".

At 1.00 p.m. the President, Bentley LAYTON, adjourned the meeting, cordially inviting all present, to the next International Congress in Louvain-la-Neuver

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD

OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR COPTIC STUDIES

Warsaw, August 25, 1984

(Redaction by Stephen Emmel).

PRESENT: Rodolphe KASSER (President), Peter NAGEL, Tito ORLANDI, Soron GIVERSEN, Stephen EMMEL, Absent: Peter GROSSMANN, Antoine GUILLAUMONT, Marquerite RASSART-DEBERGH, Julien RIES.

The meeting convened at 15.30.

- I. THE SURVEY OF COLLECTIONS OF COPTIC ANTIQUITIES.
- Large parts of the survey have been completed but now need to be up-dated. Plans were made both to up-date the information already in hand and to complete it with information from countries not yet surveyed.
- Emmel agreed to undertake the editing of the information during 1985.
- Plans for the publication off a Catalogue of Collections of Coptic Antiquities as the first volume of an IACS Monograph Series were discussed preliminarily, pending further investigation of procedures and costs.
- II. THE 1988 IACS CONGRESS IN LOUVAIN.
- 1. Twelve eminent scholars will be invited to prepare 4-year progress reports, in specific fields of Coptic Studies, ffor presentation during plenary sessions of the next Congress. The fields delimited are: Art; Archaeology; Monasticism; Linguistics; Arabia-slamic Period; Coptic Literature; Documentary Texts, Geography, and Toponymy; Ecclesiastical History; Biblical Textual Criticism; Manichaeism; Gnosticism; Liturgy. Arrangements will be made to publish these reports immediately after the Congress.
- At the next Congress the schedule will be strictly adhered to, enforcing the time limit off 1/2 hour for each paper, so that participants can know exactly when and where a given paper is being read.
- Cultural excursions during the next Congress are to be limited so that the Congress can be concentrated in fewer days.
- 4. The Congress Secretary will take into consideration the desireability of scheduling the next Congress so that it does not conflict with any other international congresses in areas related to Contic Studies

There will be three announcements of the next Congress in the IACS Newsletter, in 1986, 1987, and early in 1988.

III. COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY AND COPTIC STUDIES.

 Within the next several months Orlandi will circulate to all members of the IACS his proposals for the standardization of procedures for encoding Coptic texts into a computer data base, together with an invitation for detailed responses to these proposals.

 A small committee will be formed to discuss the proposals and responses in detail and to prepare a report. It will be desireable to coordinate, if possible, related interests among art historians and archaeologists.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS.

 Kasser is to inform Elanskaja of her election as an Honorary President of the IACS.

Kasser is to inform Louvain that their offer to host the next Congress has been accepted.

 Rasser is to inform Rassart-Debergh of her election as Board Member at Large, and Ries of his election as Congress Secretary.
 Orlandi will prepare a leaflet for publication containing the

4. Orlandi will prepare a leaflet for publication containing the statutes of the IACS and a description of the IACS's structure and membership procedures. Eventually the leaflet will be trilingual, in English, French, and German.

V. NEW MEMBERS.

 Orlandi requested that henceforward all applications for membership be sent to him. He will then circulate the applications among the other Board members, who must respond to Orlandi within four months [cp. also Meeting Aug. 19, V].

 The following new members were accepted: Depuydt, Inst. f. Neutest. Textforschung, Behlmer, Nauerth, Beaux, Treu, Hermansen, Sadek, Gawdat G., Wisniewska, Gianotto, Innemee, D'Amicone, Lacaze, Klepper, Schenke G., Van der Vliet.

The meeting adjourned at 17.30.

NEWS ON PUBLICATIONS FORTHCOMING OR IN PREPARATION

The items have been memorized and will keep appearing until they are published. Once their publication is announced (under the corresponding title) they will be cancelled.

We remind the reader that this is not meant to be a bibliography, but an opportunity for the Members to announce their works in progress and to know their colleagues' ones. This is especially useful for those who work on unpublished material.

Members are requested to keep sending their announcements.

Bible, Apocrypha

- R. Kasser, L'attestation H d'un bref passage de l'Evangile de Jean (Mél. V. van Berchem).
- P. Nagel, Kritische Edition der sahidischen Version der Septuaginta, anschliessend Konkordanz (in preparation).
- Studien zur Textüberlieferung des sahidischen Alten Testaments. Teil li Der Stand der Wiederherstellung der alttestamentlichen Kodizes der Sammlung Borgia (ZAS).
 R. McL. Wilson, Edition of Fragments of New Testament in Faynumic.

Gnosticism, Hermetica, Manichaelsm

- S. Arai, Japanese transl. with introd. and comment. of CG 11,13-13 (Episteme).
- Japanese transl. with introd. and comment. of Corpus Hermeticum (Asahi, Tokyo, in prepar.).
- H. W. Attridge, Edition of the Tripartite Tractate, CG 1, 4 (in prepar.).
- Th. Baumeister, The Letter of Peter to Philip, CG 8, 2 (together with M. Krause and G. Luttikhuizen).
- H. G. Bethge, Der Brief des Petrus an Philippus, CG 8, 2 (Theol. Lit. Zeit.).
 CG 2, 5, Einleitung und Uebersetzung.
- Vom Ursprungs der Welt, CG 2, 5 hrsg. und komment. (Theol. Diss. Berlin 1975, veröffentl. geplant).
- P. Borgen, Philo of Alexandria. A Critical and Synthetical Survey of Research since World War II (in: Aufstieg und Niedergang der römischen Welt.).
- R. Cameron, Sayings Traditions in the Apocryphon of James (Diss. Harward 1983), in the press).
- F. Daumas, Etude sur l'Asclépius copte, CG VI 8.
- J. D. Dubois, Intrd. Text. Commentary: Apocalypse of Peter (Nag. Ham. CG. VII 3).
 S. Emmel, Edition and Translation of NHC III 5 (The Dialogue of the Savior) with an
- Emmel, Edition and Translation of NHC III 5 (The Dialogue of the Savior) with ar introduction by Helmut Koester and Elaine Pagels. Nag Hammadi Studies.
- C. W. Griggs, Apocalypticism and Apocalypses in the Cologne Mani Codex (New Test. St. 1978).

- J. Helderman, Die "Anapausis" im Evangelium Veritatis. Eine vergleichende Untersuchung des valentinianisch-gnostischen Helisgutes der Ruhe im Evangelium Veritatis und in anderen Schriften der Nag Hammadi Bibliothek - in the: Nag Hammadi Studies, vol. (?). Will probably appear in nov. '83.
- Y. Janssens, Les leçons de Silvanos, CG 8 (in prepar.).
- B. Layton, Edition of CG 2, 2-7 etc. (in prepar.).
- A. H. B. Logan, The Development of Gnostic Tradition as evidenced by some Nag Hammadi Texts. Dissertation.
- J. E. Ménard, Cura dei volumi della Bibl. Copte de Nag Ham. (Univ. Laval).
- M. Meyer, The Secret Teachings of the Savior, New York: Random House, in press. (Fresh translations, with notes, for the Apocryphon of James, Gospel of Thomas, Book of Thomas, and Apocryphon of John).
- " Making Mary Male: the Categories 'Male' and 'Female' in the Gospel of Thomas ".
- New Testament Studies, in press.
- Translations and notes for the Coptic sections of Papyri Graecae Magicae, to appear in The Greek Magical Papyri in Translation, ed. Hans Dieter Betz (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, in press).
- P. Nagel, Die Passion Jesu in der manichäischen Ueberlieferung. In: Hellkon, hrsg. von A. Mazzarino und J. Irmscher (in the press).
- W. B. Oerter, Die Thomaspsalmen des Manichäischen Psalters als genuiner Bestandteil der Manichäischen Literatur (Diss. Leipzig 1976) (Veröffentl. geplant).
- Rez. von: V. Arnold-Doben, Die Bildersprache des Manichäismus, Koln 1978 ('ZRGG', in Druck).
- Die koptischen Ostraka des Naprstek Museums Prag (in Vorbereitung).
- Ze zivota Maniho (Aus dem Leben Manis) ('Novy Orient').
- Z koptske poesie (Aus koptischer Poesie) ('Novy Orient').
- D. M. Parrott, Coptic-gnostic tractates Eugnostos (NHC III, 3 and V, 1) and The Sophia of Jesus Christ (NHC III, 4 and BG, 3, and the the fragment P. Oxy. 1081). They will be published in parallel columns. The volume will be published in the Coptic Gnostic Library series by E. J. Brill. It is now in press.
- B. A. Pearson, Philo and Gnosticism, in "Aufstieg und Niedergand der römischen Welt", Part II.
- Some Observations on Gnostic Hermetics, in a volume edited by W. O'Flaherty and L. Lancaster (series: Berkeley Comparative Studies).
- P. H. Poirier, L'hymne de la perle et les Actes de Thomas ("Or. Chr. Per.").
- G. Quispel Gnosticism (article in preparation for: M. ELIADE, Encyclopedia of Religion, Free Press, New York).
- G. Schenke, Anthropologische Implikationen der Erlösungs-Vorstellung im NH C XIII, in: Schenke-Fischer, Einleitung in die Schriften des Nt, Berlin. Published, Menschenbild und Gnosis..., Halle 1979.
- Diss.: Die dreigestaltige Protennola (NH C XIII) in the press.
- J. J. Sell, Johannine Traditions in Logion 77 of the Gospel of Thomas.
- The Blameless, Pure One (CG II: 2, 15).
- Y. Shibata, Non docetic Character of Evangelium Veritatis, (Annual of the Japanese Biblical Institute Tokyo).

- Shinri no Fukuin niokern Shinri nitsuite (Truth in the Gospel of Truth), Shilkyö Kenkyü (Journal of Religious Studies, 224 Tokyo).
- La cosmologie et la gnose hermétiques (thèse de doctorat à l'Université de Strasbourg).
 K. W. Tröger, Die Passion Jesu Christi in der Gnosis (Dissertation B/Habilitation, in prepar.).
- M. A. Williams, The Immovable Race: A Gnostic Designation and the Theme of Stability in late Antiquity (Nag Hammadi Studies). This monograph manuscript is based on some of my earlier research in the Harvard dissertation, but actually represents a complete revision and an expansion. The monograph will appear (according to the present schedule) in the NHS series in 1984.
- F. Wisse, Ethics in the Nag Ham. Codices (book in prepar.).
- J. Zandee, Transl. and Introd. to the Teaching of Sylvanus and Text (Nag Ham. Studies).

Literature

- W. Beltz, Die Koptische Zauberpergamente der Papyrussammlung der Staatlichen Museen zu Berlin.
- G. M. Browne, Papiri laurenziani copti ("Papyrologica Florentina", in prepar.).
- A. Campagnano, Edizione di tre omelle attribuite ad Evodio di Roma, dai codd. M 393 (t. 28-51); M 598 (f. 1-8); M 596 (f. 19-26) e dai frammenti del Monastero Bianco (in preparazione).
- R. G. Coguin, Les Martyrs d'Esna (book in prepar.).
- Les Canons de Basil, Chester Beatty Ms 819 and Turin Cod, XII (in prepar.).
- Etudes sur le synaxaire des Coptes (book in prepar.).
- Vie de Paul de Tamma: Version arabe et Fragments coptes (Cahiers d'Orientalisme, announced).
- P. Devos, Edition de textes rélatif à S. Jean de Lycopolis ("Anal. Boll.").
- Edition d'une homélie sur le Chant de la Vigne et Joseph le Patriarche ("Anal. Boll.").
- J. Goehring, Edition of: Life of Abraham the Archimdrite, (from White Mon. Codices).
- C. W. Griggs (with K. Brown), Selected Texts from Coptic Sources (book in prepar.).
 A. Guillaumont, Compléments à l'Ascéticon copte de l'abbé Isale (Cahiers d'Orientalisme, announced).
- J. Horn, Untersuchungen zur Frommigkeit und Literatur des christlichen Agypten: das Martyrium des Viktor, Sohnes des Romanos. - Dissertation. Comprises and introduction to the martyrdom and a commentary on the first half of it. The treatment of the other part of the work is in preparation.
- D. W. Johnson, Edition of: Life of apa Zenobios, from White Mon. Codices.
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