

1 Cold Spring Drive
Pittsburgh, PA 15237
March 15, 1978

Dear *Kary*,

After much discussion and deliberation, the 1965-67 Bab edh-Dhra Ad hoc Committee has made the decisions concerning the tomb groups available. The response from institutions exceeded by quite a number what we had to offer, and we are sorry to have to disappoint you. We do not have a group available for your institution at this time.

We are grateful for the interest in the groups, but at the same time it is difficult to turn anyone away. Many of you we know personally; we are certain all of you meet the qualifications and would take full advantage of having tomb groups. In most cases there should be one available to you in a near location, and we hope you can work out an arrangement with other institutions for study, and perhaps loan.

Our hope is that more such material may become available in the future. We will keep your name on file in case similar groups should be offered through the American Schools sometime hence, and you will get first consideration.

Please do not hesitate to write if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Nancy

Ad hoc 1965-67 Bab edh-Dhra' Committee
Nancy L. Lapp, chr.
E. F. Campbell
T. T. Schaub
J. A. Sauer

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I'm really sorry you could not get one, but I'm sure you'll understand. The Garrie Museum is getting a Charnel House, & I am sure they would be most cooperative in loaning arrangements, etc. By the way, I've adapted

December 26, 1977

Dear ASOR Corporation Representatives:

We feel that an opportunity has come up which will be of great interest to many ASOR member schools. Please give this letter serious consideration right away, because we must act within the next 60 days for the sake of all concerned.

The Jordanian Department of Antiquities has recently agreed to release Early Bronze Age tomb groups from Bab edh-Dhra^c, excavated in 1965 and 1967, for purposes of permanent display in the United States; the idea is to increase interest in Jordanian archaeology and in cooperative archaeological efforts between the two countries. We are therefore able to offer groups of pottery constituting the contents of 2 shaft tomb chambers and 3 charnel houses at a cost basis to ASOR corporation institutions. They become that institution's permanent possession.

All chambers and charnel houses will be kept intact, and no further division of groups is to be made. That is, assemblages are to stay together. To become an owner, an institution agrees to three things:

- 1) That the pots (or a significant proportion of them) be displayed publically, with indication that they are from Bab edh-Dhra^c and were made available through the courtesy of the Department of Antiquities of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan;
- 2) that they be available for study by those responsible for the Bab edh-Dhra^c publication, and that they are not to be published in any form until their appearance in the final Bab edh-Dhra^c publication; and
- 3) that a charge we think is strikingly reasonable for this kind of collection be paid. The charge is on a per displayable pot basis, at \$19.00 per pot; that includes the costs of preserving, packing, and shipping, with an overhead factor for administrative costs and a factor for publication. Some of the groups have a stone vase included, for each of which the cost is \$25.00.

We should note that none of the groups is in perfect condition; some "displayable pots" are whole form fragments, or pots that are more than 50% preserved. If an institution is not satisfied with the purchase on receiving it, a 90% refund will be made within a three-month period.

All orders received by February 28, 1978 will be considered. Orders placed after that time will require additional shipping charges and thus a higher cost. The Committee will seek a wide geographical distribution, and extensive exposure to the public and educational communities. Decisions we make will have to be final.

Please direct all requests and correspondence to Mrs. Nancy L. Lapp at the address below, and do so as soon as possible. Indicate from the attached list a first, second, and third choice. Payment will be due when verification of your assignment of a group has been received by you.

Sincerely,

Nancy L. Lapp, chairperson
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Ad hoc 1965-67 Bab edh-Dhra' Committee

Groups:

- ② A 67 E -- 10 pots = \$190.00
- A 67 N -- 10 pots, one stone vase = \$190.00 + \$25.00 = \$215.00
- A 65 N -- 12 pots = \$228.00
- ③ A 65 W -- 13 pots, one stone vase = \$247.00 + \$25.00 = \$272.00
- A 7 S -- 13 pots = \$247.00
- ① A 5 S -- 13 pots, two stone vases = \$247. + \$50. = \$297.00
- A 12 -- 14 pots = \$266.00
- A 70, A 73, C 3 and C 7 -- 14 pots, 1 vase = \$266. + \$²⁵50. = \$291.00
- A 82 W -- 15 pots = \$285.00
- A 68 S -- 19 pots + one stone vase = \$361 + \$25 = \$386.00
- ① ② A 82 SE -- 19 pots, one stone vase = \$361 + \$25 = \$386.00
- A 45 -- 21 pots = \$399.00
- ③ A 66 -- 23 pots, one stone vase = \$437 + \$25 = \$462.00
- A 11 -- 23 pots = \$437.00
- A 68 N -- 23 pots, one stone vase = \$437 + \$25 = \$462.00
- A 72 NE -- 24 pots, one stone vase = \$456 + \$25 = \$481.00
- A 75 -- 28 pots, plus one stone vase = \$532 + \$25 = \$557.00
- A 10 -- 29 pots = \$551.00
- A 72 S -- 45 pots = \$855.00
- A 71 S -- 46 pots = \$874.00
- A 72 NW -- 58 pots, one stone vase = \$1,102 + \$25 = \$1,127.00

Charnel houses (charges based on displayable pots only):

- A 8 -- 60 displayable, 126 pots total -- \$19 x 60 = \$1,140.00
- A 44 -- 64 displayable, 144 pots total - \$19 x 64 = \$1,216.00
- A 21 -- 86 displayable, 500 pots total -- \$19 x 86 = \$1,634.00

members in red are second list of preferences, chosen after hearing from F.S. Fulco

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THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN

Kay Schellhase, Curator
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اسم المرسل وعنوانه: Sender's name and address:

WM. J. FULCO, S.J. - ACOR
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Kay Schellhase, Curator
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Friday 20 January 1978

Dear Kay,

I received your letter of 4 January yesterday. Despite Nancy Lapp's reservation that there will be a heavy demand for the Bab Edh-Dhra' material and that they would like to spread the material around as far as possible, I still think there is a very good chance of Bade acquiring a group, and I think that you should put a bid into Nancy as soon as possible. (The Jordanians are leaving the whole matter of distribution to ASDR.) All the groups have something to be said for them, but I would recommend asking for A82SE, an outstanding group, 19 pieces plus a stone jar, \$386, or A67E, excellent pieces and variety, 10 pieces, \$190. A66, 23 pieces plus a stone jar, has several repaired pieces, but the ware is beautiful, and I almost took it myself, \$462. ~~A67XWXK~~ A45 has some broken pieces, but also some very unusual ones, 21 pieces, \$399.

As for cooperation between JSTB and PSR--always a good thing, esp. in archaeological matters--I'd be glad to help in any way possible. I must admit this, however, that having spent months of my time and energy toward the acquisition of a group and working on the material, I would be emotionally very much against seeing it housed outside JSTB, since getting it precisely for JSTB was the whole *raison d'etre*. For a similar reason, a joint purchase would not give a clear title (something PSR has been extraordinarily sensitive^{to} in other matters) and this would, in my opinion, lead to future difficulties re publication, display, use, and about everything else imaginable.


Incidentally, re title, the JSTB group will be specifically under the title of the JSTB Numismatic Collection through whose budget it is being acquired.

Despite my reservations above, you can be sure that we can work something out about trades, periodic displays, etc. I will be home in the mid-summer and we can chat about it. I just want to emphasize that my main intention in working for JSTB's acquisition of a set was and is to have JSTB display such a set itself as one of its academic assets.

At any rate, by all means put in a word to Nancy soon, and emphasize the special nature of the Bade Institute. I suspect that this will work out well. Let me know what happens. I'm in a position--I think!--to help.

All best to you! Greet Herb Utwell for me. I hope that 1978 will be a most wonderful year for you.

Sincerely,



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