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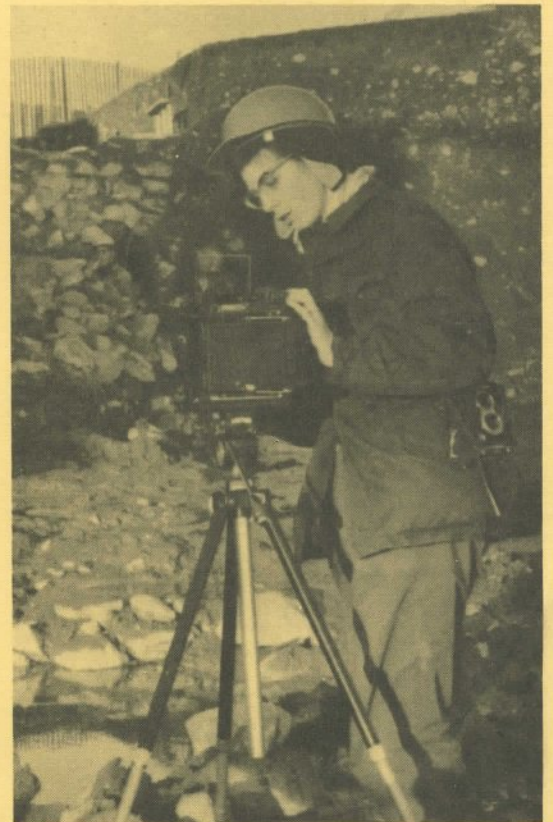
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## FEBRUARY MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, February 17, 1965  
TIME: 8:00 p.m.  
PLACE: Room 251, Education Centre  
155 College St., Toronto 2B  
SPEAKER: MISS LYN SOUCY  
TOPIC: 'Fortress of Louisbourg'

We have been looking forward for some time now to hearing Miss Lyn Soucy tell us about her field work in Louisbourg, Nova Scotia. Back at the University of Toronto now continuing her studies, Miss Soucy spent last year supervising part of the archaeological excavations at this famous 18th century French fortress on Cape Breton Island. She is shown in our photograph at work on one of the casemates within the walls of the fortress. Miss Soucy did all her own photography work on this job and she will be supplementing her talk with a showing of some of the slides and photographs she took. Don't miss the opportunity to hear this first hand report on one of the most interesting historical sites in Canada.



The first meeting with our new Executive will take place in our luxurious new headquarters in the Education Centre building on College Street. For those of you coming to the meeting by public transportation, take the College car west to McCaul Street (one block west of University Avenue) and the building is on the south-east corner. Parking space is readily available in the area for those driving.

#### INTRODUCING YOUR NEW EXECUTIVE...

MR. BILL GRANGER, your new President, has been an active member of the Society for the past two years. Employed as an editor with Maclean-Hunter Publications, Bill has maintained a steady interest in archaeology since his graduation from the Ancient History course at Oxford University. He has visited many sites in the Old World, such as the Valley of the Kings in Egypt. He is keenly aware of the possibilities of our Society as his message at the end of Arch Notes indicates.

DR. ROBERT DAILEY, Vice-President, has been a supporter and most helpful consultant of the Society in the past few years. Associate professor of anthropology at the University of Toronto, Bob specializes in physical and medical anthropology as well as North American ethnology. In the summer of 1958 he and his wife worked among a group of Eskimos in the North West Territories. The results of their investigations have been published in a highly interesting report put out by the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources entitled "The Eskimos of Rankin Inlet: a preliminary report".

MRS. CECILIA FINNIGAN, Corresponding Secretary, has served the Society well and faithfully for the past two years as Recording Secretary. Cecilia, who has been taking some anthropology courses at the University of Toronto, can tell many fascinating tales about her childhood in Chile and her life in other parts of South America.

MISS CAROL SPIVACK, Recording Secretary, comes to us from Manitoba where she worked and studied under Dr. William Mayer-Oakes both in the field and in the lab. Among her digging experiences was the excavation of some burial mounds in the Red River floodway. Besides working with Canadian material, Carol has also handled several Mexican collections.

MISS LORNA PROCTOR, Treasurer, has served in this capacity for three years now and deserves a hearty vote of thanks for her continuing services in this exacting position. Lorna, a librarian in the Reference Department of the Toronto Public Library, has been a member of the Society for the past nine years and is also a valued member of the Canadian Women's Historical Society.

MR. JOSEPH DE RYCK, Librarian, came to Canada from his native Belgium seven years ago. Long interested in archaeology, he joined our Society last March and participated in the spring dig at Barrie. He is eager to develop the resources of our library and make its publications known and available to members.

MR. BILL DONALDSON continues to serve us in his post as Research Chairman of the Society. Bill has served the Society for many years as field director, lab instructor and surveyor. He has written a number of site reports and also a research guide to pottery sequences in Ontario. This latter publication is unfortunately out of print. However, we hope that we can put out a new edition of this invaluable work sometime in the near future. Bill will have two articles in our forthcoming publication.

DR. RUFUS CHURCHER, Publications Chairman, continues in this position for the second year. Associate professor with the Department of Zoology at the University of Toronto, Rufus is also a research associate with the Department of Palaeontology at the Royal Ontario Museum. His long interest in archaeology developed in his home country of Kenya. In Canada he has worked with Walter Kenyon on the Rainy River excavations. Another project was the Tabor Hill ossuary which was the subject of a paper written jointly with Walter Kenyon and published in Human Biology, vol. 32, no. 3, 1960.

MISS PHYLLIS BOWLAND, Past President, has served the Society long and faithfully in various executive positions. For three years she was our able President and she has participated in all the Society digs. A world traveller, Phyllis has also had the opportunity to visit many famous archaeological sites. Among her more interesting experiences was joining in the excavations at Verulaneum and working in the museum at the Agora in Athens under Dr. Homer Thompson.

#### LOOKING FORWARD...

FEBRUARY 18 Archaeological Institute of America, Toronto Society.  
"The Parthenon: Present and Past" by Professor Matthew Wienacke,  
Dartmouth College, Museum Theatre. 4:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY 27 Royal Canadian Institute. "New Light on the Stone Age of Egypt"  
by Dr. Philip E. L. Smith, Department of Anthropology, University  
of Toronto. Convocation Hall. 8:15 p.m.

MARCH 17 is the probable date of our March meeting when we plan to have Mrs. Ethel Monture of the Indian-Eskimo Association speak to us about the Iroquois. Mrs. Monture is an Iroquois herself and has devoted much of her life to the study of her race with particular reference to the Six Nations Reserve.

This might be a good opportunity for us to brush up on Iroquoian history. Here is a brief list of sources for those who are not familiar with these basic references:

HALE, HORATIO The Iroquois Book of Rites. Philadelphia, D. G. Brinton, 1883.  
(Repr. 1963 by the University of Toronto Press with an intro-  
duction by William N. Fenton. \$7.50)

HUNT, G. T. The Wars of the Iroquois: A Study in Intertribal Trade Relations.  
Madison, University of Wisconsin Press, 1940.

MORGAN, L. H. League of the Ho-De-No-Sau-Nee or Iroquois. New York, Dodd, Mead,  
1904; rev. ed. New York, 1922.

A NEW PUBLICATION on the history of the Six Nations has recently been published by the Champlain Society...

JOHNSTON, C. M. (ed.) The Valley of the Six Nations: a collection of Documents  
on the Indian Lands of the Grand River. Toronto, Champlain Soci-  
ety, University of Toronto Press, 1964. \$5.00

Professor Charles M. Johnston, Associate Professor of History at McMaster University, has done an excellent job of selecting the documents which are most illuminating to this confused chapter of Indian history. His introduction outlines the history of the

Six Nations from the time of their arrival in Canada after the American War of Independence up to the middle of the nineteenth century when the final purchase was made by white settlers of the land that was originally granted to the Indians in 1784.

One section of documents is of particular interest as it describes the customs and manner of living of the Indians as seen by the early Jesuit missionaries, such as Father Lafitau's description of the architecture of a longhouse. Later observers, such as John Norton, a close friend of the famous Mohawk leader Joseph Brant, describe other interesting customs such as the prominent role played by women in the Mohawk society.

A recent article in the magazine Ontario History also discusses the history of the Six Nations. Entitled "The Six Nations and the American Revolution", the article is by George F. G. Stanley and it appeared in the December 1964 issue of this journal. Originally this paper was read before the third annual meeting of the Institute of Iroquoian Studies at Renison College in November 1964.

Pennsylvania Archaeologist, the excellent bulletin of the Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology, devoted its July 1963 issue to Iroquoian studies. Ontario Iroquois sites are discussed by Dr. Marian E. White of the University of Buffalo, the late Douglas Bell of Waterford, and Dr. John Warnica of Owen Sound. This issue would make a valuable contribution to our library. Members interested in purchasing their own copies should write to Mr. Vincent R. Mrozowski, Secretary-Treasurer, P.O. Box 368, Aliquippa, Pennsylvania. Price - \$3.00 (U.S.).

Other recent articles of interest include one by Mr. Thomas E. Lee of our Society who has published an article entitled "A Point Peninsula Site, Manitoulin Island, Lake Huron" in the January issue of the Bulletin of the Massachusetts Archaeological Society.

For those interested in the Viking occupation of North America, an article by Professor Gwyn Jones of the University of Wales appeared in the winter issue of The Beaver. This quarterly publication of the Hudson's Bay Society frequently contains many articles of interest such as this and it is available for the very modest annual subscription price of \$2.00 from Hudson's Bay House, Winnipeg 1, Manitoba.

Maritime archaeology has been in the news recently and there is an interesting article on a Nova Scotia site in the Fall 1964 issue of Expedition. The author is Robert Stuckenrath of the University of Pennsylvania and he writes about the Debert site near Nova Scotia's Minas Basin. This is a palaeo-Indian site and has proved to be perhaps the earliest in this north-east area. Expedition is the bulletin of the University Museum of the University of Pennsylvania and contains articles on both New and Old World archaeology. It is published quarterly and the annual subscription is \$3.50 (U.S.).

#### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT...

We have started the new year with a new Executive and high hopes that this year will see us on the first step to new and more vigorous endeavours.

In a society such as ours, the membership varies from the highly qualified professional to the ambitious amateur, among which I count myself. And the strength of a society like ours must depend on the happy co-operation of the two - the professionals leading and guiding the willing amateurs.

This means a firmer devotion to the OAS by both sides. The professional must give of his time and effort. The amateur must show his enthusiasm not only by attending meetings, but in giving his undivided attention. Both sides must make a stronger effort. And if each does, it will encourage the other and the result will be a society holding the worthy place that I believe the Ontario Archaeological Society should hold.

Many new plans are in the making to assist you all in more active participation. But these plans will wither unless there are better and more active attendances at all our functions.

I know that I can count on you to make this year the first in a series which will raise the OAS to the level of importance it should have.

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