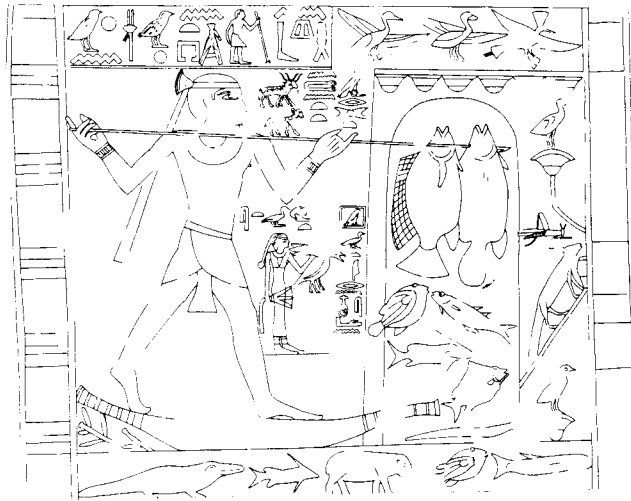


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Spear-fishing scene from the tomb of Khewen-wekh at Quseir
Quseir el Amarna

Two tombs dated to Dynasty VI were discovered at Quseir el Amarna around the turn of the century, published in a very preliminary form and then forgotten.

Recent work by the Egyptian Antiquities Organisation in the area drew attention to the necessity of recording the tombs. Their chapels and burial shafts were cleared and metal doors and locks provided.

The Macquarie team was officially invited to record the tombs and publish them in conjunction with Dr Ali El-Khouli, the Director-General of the Department of Antiquities Organisation.

With no suitable accommodation available in the area, some members of the team worked for two weeks recording, travelling 150 kms. each way, daily. While one of the tombs retained only fragments of its scenes and inscriptions, the second tomb is in an astonishingly good state of preservation.

Although small, the tomb was conceived almost as a miniature of a large tomb. A variety of scenes are included, all on a small scale, and statues of the tomb owner and his wife are cut in the naked rock.

The tombs will be published later this year by Macquarie University.

The Activities Committee

As 9 nominations have been received for the Activities Committee, there will be no ballot. We thank those members for giving their time to assist the Foundation and we look forward to a greater variety of functions.

Joan Beck	Josie Brown
Leonie Donovan	Valerie Hutchinson
Ann McFarlane	Joan Pollett
Sue Paul	Chebby Valkenberg
Licia Ranucci	

The Committee will elect two of its members to represent the committee on the Board of the Foundation.

Discussion Group

The Discussion Group has had a very interesting series of talks and discussions during February. Joan Beck gave a tour of the Teaching Collection; Brian Burns presented a paper "Prehistoric Egypt"; Dianne Herbert presented a paper and modelled "Ancient Egyptian Fashions"; John Twyford discussed "Ancient Egyptian Law" and Michael Pollett "Ancient Egyptian Trade". As the Introduction to Hieroglyphs Course commenced on Friday 10 March, Discussion Groups will be held over until time becomes available.

The Gold of the Pharaohs Exhibition

172 members and friends of the Foundation joined with members of the Australian Museum Society for an evening at the N.S.W. Art Gallery. The Exhibition was well presented and very interesting, and although there were 670 people present, everyone had an opportunity to view the objects and admire their beauty.

A Mountain Speaks

The launching of "A Mountain Speaks" was held in the Macquarie Theatre, Macquarie University on Monday 20 March, 1989 when nearly 700 persons filled the theatre. The Chancellor of the University, The Honourable Justice Michael Kirby CMG launched the book and Professor Kanawati spoke on the work at the excavations in Egypt. Mr Reece Seannell's photographic exhibition in the foyer of the theatre was greatly admired by all who attended. Signed copies of the book were on sale and members can still purchase copies from Joan Beck (\$20 plus \$2.50 postage).

**PAHERY, THE SUPERVISOR OF WORKS IN THE TOMB OF
AHMOSE SON OF IBANA**



Sheila Whale

"By the son of his daughter, who supervised the works in this tomb in causing to live the name of the father of his mother, the Outline Draughtsman of Amun, Pahery."

By far the most important aspect of the tomb of Ahmose son of Ibana at El Kab (Tomb No.5) is the long autobiography inscribed on its walls, which provides us with the only contemporary account of the expulsion of the Hyksos and is therefore a valuable historical document. However, the above words of Pahery place the tomb of his maternal grandfather among the small number of tombs, such as the tombs of Ptah-hotep (Dynasty V), Kah-hep/Tjeti-iker (Dynasty VI), his son Kheni (Dynasty VI) and Amenemhat (Dynasty XVIII), whose decorators are known by name.

Despite the words of Pahery, confusion reigns as to the identity of the decorator of the tomb of Ahmose. Ahmose had two grandsons named Pahery; the Outline Draughtsman Pahery (henceforth referred to as the Scribe Pahery), son of Itruri and his wife Sitamun and the Mayor of El Kab Pahery (henceforth referred to as the Mayor Pahery), son of Itruri and his wife Kem. As the inscription does not name the mother of Pahery, we can not be absolutely certain whether it was the son of Sitamun or Kem who was responsible for the work on the tomb of their grandfather. Unfortunately the tomb of Ahmose has never been comprehensively published, only the chief inscriptions and a few scenes being published by Lepsius in the middle of the last century (Lepsius, C.R., 1849-1859, *Denkmaler aus Aegypten und Aethiopien*, III.12 and Text IV.50-51). Lieblein published a genealogy in which he names both Sitamun and Kem as wives of Itruri (Lieblein, J. *Dictionaire de Noms Hieroglyphiques*, 1871, No.558) but confuses the issue by bestowing the differing titles of the Scribe Pahery and the Mayor Pahery on one man h3ty-c Nhb imy-r hmw-ntr hrp k3wt ss kdwt n Imn P3-hry - Mayor of El Kab, Overseer of Priests, Controller of Works and Outline Draughtsman of Amun. The first two titles belong to the Mayor Pahery and the last two to the Scribe Pahery. Lieblein obviously only acknowledged the existence of a single Pahery, the Mayor of El Kab and owner of tomb No.3 at El Kab. Tylor and Griffith who published the tomb of the Mayor Pahery (Tylor, J.J. Griffith, F.Ll. *The Tomb of Pahery at El Kab, in Ahnas El Medineh* by Edward Naville, London, 1984, Eleventh Memoir of the Egypt Exploration Society), while acknowledging the existence of both Pahery, the mayor and his brother the scribe and that either of them might have supervised the construction of their grandfather's tomb, later assumed, without further explanation, that it was the Mayor Pahery who was the grandson represented in the tomb of Ahmose and who described himself as the son of his daughter.

"We know from his own tomb that Ahmose son of Ibana was Pahery's maternal grandfather and from this tomb that Itruri was his father". (ibid. 24)

However, this was not the case. The Mayor Pahery was not represented in the tomb of Ahmose.

By a careful analysis of the family relationships in the tomb of Ahmose and the tomb of the Mayor Pahery, I hope to show that it was the Scribe Pahery and not his half-brother the Mayor Pahery who supervised the work on the tomb of their grandfather Ahmose.

In the tomb of Ahmose two men, other than the owner, played prominent roles. They were Heri-iry and Pahery, who both held the title 'Outline Draughtsmen of Amun'. The most prominent of the two was Pahery, due no doubt, to the fact, we are told, that he supervised the construction of the tomb. He claimed to be the son of the daughter of Ahmose and referred to Ahmose as "the father of his mother", whom unfortunately he did not name. On the back wall of the tomb, directly opposite the entrance, Pahery is represented in two registers. In the upper register, he is depicted offering to Ahmose and his wife Ipu and once more refers to himself as "the son of his daughter". In the lower register, he is depicted offering to his parents Itruri and his wife. Unfortunately, the name of Itruri's wife, Pahery's mother, is missing. However on the left wall, Pahery's brother Heri-iry is represented offering to his father Itruri and his mother, Sitamun. Sitamun, the wife of Itruri, was probably the mother of Pahery and therefore the daughter of Ahmose. Itruri, thus, being the son-in-law of Ahmose. Nowhere in the tomb of Ahmose is any female referred to as 'his daughter'.

It would appear that only one branch of the family of Ahmose was represented in his tomb. Apart from Ahmose and his wife Ipu, the other members of his family depicted in the tomb were his parents Baba and Ibana, his grandsons the scribes Pahery and Heri-iry and their parents Itruri and Sitamun. As the Scribe Pahery was 'the son of his daughter', Sitamun must have been the daughter of Ahmose, though nowhere is she called 'his daughter'. Apart from Sitamun, no sons or daughters of Ahmose are depicted in the tomb although three sons and daughters of Pahery are represented.

In the tomb of the Mayor Pahery, three statues are located on the back wall of the niche (ibid, Pl.IX). They are those of Pahery, his wife and his mother Kem. In the long inscription surrounding the statues, Pahery names his father Itruri and his mother Kem. Nowhere in the tomb is Kem called the daughter of Ahmose son of Ibana or is any relationship of Kem or Pahery expressed to Ahmose or his wife Ipu.

In a banquet scene on the east wall two couples are represented, one above the other, facing the Mayor Pahery and his wife (ibid, Pl.VII). Ahmose and his wife Ipu are represented on the upper register and Itruri and his wife Kem on the lower one. In neither case is any relationship stated to the tomb owner or to each other. From a scene on the west wall (ibid, Pl.IV), we know the names of the parents of Pahery's wife - here the relationship was specified - so we know that Ahmose and Ipu were not Pahery's in-laws. It is probable that in the banquet scene the relationships were considered self-evident at the time and so were not stated. We know from the inscription in the niche, that Itruri and Kem were the parents of Pahery and from the tomb of Ahmose, that he and Ipu were not the parents of Itruri, therefore they must

have been the parents of Kem. However, Kem is not referred to as the daughter of Ahmose in her son's tomb and is not represented in the tomb of Ahmose.

Among the minor figures depicted in the banquet scene in the tomb of the Mayor Pahery is that of the scribe Heri-iry, described as 'his brother'. As befitted the senior grandson of Ahmose, he was seated directly behind him in the banquet scene. The scribe Pahery is not represented among the relations at the banquet, appearing only in his professional capacity as a scribe leading the 'followers'. He is called "his brother whom he loves ..." (ibid, P1.VI). He is also represented four times in the agricultural scenes (ibid, P1.III) always being referred to in the same manner. He obviously occupied a position of trust in the household of his step-brother. It is significant that neither Heri-iry nor Pahery are represented among the brothers of the Mayor Pahery depicted on the east side of the niche (ibid, P1.X). In this scene the Mayor Pahery offers to the king's sons Wadjmose and Amenmose and to his parents Itruri and Kem. Under these figures are depicted the sons and daughters of Itruri and Kem who are all described as 's3.s' and 's3t.s' - 'her son' and 'her daughter' rather than the customary 's3.f' and 's3t.f' - his son' and 'his daughter'. The purpose of this was probably to distinguish them from the children of Itruri by his first wife Sitamun. Among the relations of the Mayor Pahery in the banquet scene are two men each referred to as 'the brother of his mother'. If, as we assume, Kem was the daughter of Ahmose then these men must have been the sons of Ahmose. Why then were they not represented in his tomb?

I would like to suggest the following hypothesis, which would seem to be well founded when the evidence from both tombs is considered.

The decoration of the tomb of Ahmose was supervised by his grandson the Scribe and Outline Draughtsman of Amun Pahery, son of the Royal Tutor Itruri and Sitamun, daughter of Ahmose. By Sitamun, Itruri had two sons, the elder probably being Heri-iry the younger and Pahery. I make this assumption because although both Heri-iry and Pahery refer to Itruri and Sitamun as 'my father and my mother' and call themselves 'their son', Pahery also in one scene refers to Heri-iry and his wife as 'my father and my mother'. After the death of his mother Sitamun, he probably lived with them as a son, as did the younger brother with his elder brother and his wife in the Tale of the Two Brothers (Lichtheim, M., Ancient Egyptian Literature, II, 203). On the death of Sitamun, Itruri married her sister Kem. This was common practice in Egypt in the Eighteenth Dynasty and probably at other periods too. Itruri and Kem had a number of children, among whom was Pahery, who eventually became Mayor of El Kab.

The most significant fact in determining the identity of Pahery, who supervised the work in the tomb of Ahmose, is that the only people represented in the tomb were his parents, Baba and Ibana and the family of the Scribe Pahery. Neither the sons nor any other daughter of Ahmose, other than Sitamun, were represented in the tomb. If the Mayor Pahery had supervised the work in the tomb, or if the Scribe Pahery and the Mayor Pahery were one and the same person, one would expect some members of the family of the Mayor Pahery to be represented in the tomb of Ahmose. As they are not, we must assume that the Mayor Pahery was not involved in the work and it was the Scribe Pahery who supervised the work in the tomb of his maternal grandfather Ahmose son of Ibana.

Program for the Foundation's Visiting Fellow

Activities in MELBOURNE

Professor K.A. Kitchen (Liverpool University) will commence his Australian visit in Melbourne:

- Monday 8 May
- a Seminar, "Interrelations: Egypt, Old Testament & Near East in Antiquity", 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the University.
 - a Public Lecture, "Egypt's Silver Age (1100-650 BC)"
- Tuesday 9 May
- a Public Lecture, "Aspects of Ancient Egypt and the Old Testament", 1 p.m.-2 p.m. at Ancient Times House.
 - Professor Kitchen will deliver the Culican Memorial Lecture, "Cultural Interrelations, Egypt and Levant in Profile", at the University.

The Melbourne activities are being organised by Mr Piers Crocker, The Australian Institute of Archaeology, 174 Collins St., Melbourne, 605.3477.

Activities in SYDNEY

- Wednesday 10 May
- a lecture to The Australian Museum Society, "Ancient Egypt in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil"
- Saturday 13 May
- Two lectures at the Conference, "Egypt & Ancient Israel" in W5A T2, Macquarie University, from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. FEE: \$20 adults
\$10 students
- Professor Kitchen's topics: "Aspects of Ancient Egypt & the Old Testament" at the morning session and "The Exodus" at the afternoon session.
- Wednesday 17 May
- a Public Lecture, "Egypt's Silver Age" (1100-650 BC) in W5A T2 at Macquarie University. FEE \$5 (members \$3)
- Friday 19 May
- Professor Kitchen will be guest Speaker at the eighth Annual Dinner of the Foundation. His subject will be: "Far Horizons in Egyptology". Tickets: \$25.

In Sydney activities are being organised by Miss Joan Beck, School of History, Macquarie University 2109, 805 8848 (9 a.m. - 3 p.m.)

Activities in NEWCASTLE

- Saturday 20 May
- Professor Kitchen will visit Newcastle University where he will give two lectures at the conference "Egypt & Ancient Israel: Aspects of Ancient Egypt & the Old Testament" and "The Exodus".

In Newcastle activities are being organised by Mrs. Esther Kilkelly, 32 Collinson st., Tenambit, (049) 33.2528 (after 4 p.m.)

The Sixth Study Tour

Dr Oekinga led a tour of Egypt in January. 23 persons accompanied him and although there were problems in the accommodation (which will be avoided in future tours), the trip was a very successful one and members praised Dr Oekinga's handling of the tour and his vast knowledge and interest in the history of Egypt.

The Seventh Egyptian Tour

Mrs Esther Kilkelly led a second group on a tour of Egypt also in January. Many of the members were from Newcastle and enjoyed their trip to Egypt and Greece

The Eighth Annual Dinner

The Eighth Annual Dinner will be held on Friday 19 May, 1989. Professor K.A. Kitchen will be the guest speaker, his subject: "Far Horizons in Egyptology". Tickets \$25.

News from Macquarie Ancient History Association

Wednesday 5 April - Dr P. Garnsey (Cambridge) Public Lecture: "Child-rearing in the Ancient World: ideology and practice" W5A T2 at 8.15 p.m. \$4 (members \$2)

Saturday 8 April - Conference: "Food & Health in the Ancient World". Dr P. Garnsey; Prof. G. Tanner; Dr D.H. Kelly; Dr D. Phillips & Dr J. Walker.

Subjects: "The Prevalence of Malnutrition in the Ancient World"
 "The Healing Profession in Ancient Egypt"
 "The Athenian Corn Supply"
 "Sparta: Diet & Discipline"
 "Water & Disease in the Ancient World"

\$15 (members \$10)

Dr Jim Walker a member of the Foundation, will speak on "The Healing Profession in Ancient Egypt".

Members of the Rundle Foundation are admitted to M.A.H.A. Lectures/Conferences at the reduced rates.

Ancient Egypt: The El-Amarna Age

This course being conducted by Mrs Juliette Bentley has attracted over 30 persons and will prove helpful to teachers and students sitting for the H.S.C.

Ancient Egyptian Religion

Dr Boyo Oekinga will conduct a 10 week course, Ancient Egyptian Religion, in E7B T4, each Wednesday night, commencing on Wednesday 26 July, 1989 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. FEE: \$75 (members \$65). Enquiries: Joan Beck 805.8848.



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