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PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

As you may have noticed by now, it has been a while since you received the third issue of Volume 1 of DAN. There has been much activity in the DAA, but we were not able to get this information to you because our editor, Dr. Ray Costa, has just turned in his resignation. While we will miss the enthusiasm that Dr. Costa showed during the initiation of the DAA we were left with a serious delay in putting together this issue. In order to maintain the continuity of this publication, I have appointed Susan R. Loth as the interim editor of Volume 2. As many of you know, I have worked with her on many joint projects in the area of skeletal biology, including the publication of numerous scientific papers and book chapters. As those of you who know her will agree, she is conscientious, hardworking and energetic, so I know that the DAN editorship will be in capable hands for now. In the meantime, I have contacted the board members to search for a new editor and would appreciate the names of any individuals you might want to suggest for the position. It is a job that requires time, energy, enthusiasm, competence, familiarity with the field, and professional accomplishment. Mehmet Yasar Iscan, Ph.D.

A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Following the sudden and unenexpected resignation of Ray Costa last week, DAA President M.Y. Iscan recruited me to fill in as interim editor until a permanent replacement could be appointed by the executive board at the 1988 meeting. Unfortunately, by the time we learned that Ray could nor longer work on DAN, the deadlines for both the summer and fall issues had passed. Thus, in order to keep from getting further behind, we have combined Nos. 1 and 2 of Volume 2.

Now it is already time to start collecting new material for issue 3. For this, I will need your help. Please send me any pertinent news, information about scholarly activity, papers, reviews or anything else that would be of benefit to the membership. The DAA is rapidly growing and becoming an important organization with worldwide influence in the field, so we all must pitch in to constantly improve the quality of our Newsletter. If you have any suggestions or contributions, I would certainly appreciate hearing from you.

WILTON MARION KROGMAN: 1903-1987

Wilton Marion Krogman was one of the founding fathers of biological, forensic, and dental anthropology. The work of this multitalented, intellectual giant spanned almost every aspect of our discipline. His passing marks the loss of one of the most respected and prolific scientists of our time.

I was very fortunate to have had the opportunity to get to know Dr. Krogman while assisting him and Dr. Iscan with the second edition of the classic "The Skeleton in Forensic Medicine." The depth and breadth of his knowledge was astounding. Although he was over 80 at the time, he could instantly recall a particular article or expert for almost any aspect of the field. Even more impressive was the fact that he himself had laid much of the foundation from which physical anthropology has evolved. He published nearly 200 books, chapters, and articles in the most prestigious journals in the fields of anthropology, dentistry, and anatomy. Excelling in all areas of skeletal biology, Dr. Krogman was particularly noted for his work in child growth and development, dentition, and cleft palate research.

Dr. Krogman graduated (Phi Beta Kappa) with a Ph.D. from the University of Chicago in 1929 where he also taught physical anthropology for a year. Following a fellowship at the Royal College of Surgeons in London, he became a professor of physical anthropology and anatomy at Western Reserve University, the University of Chicago, and the University of Pennsylvania, respectively. In 1947, he founded what is now known as the W.M. Krogman Center for Research in Child Growth and served as its director until 1971. Dr. Krogman went on to become director of research at the H.K. Cooper Clinic in Lancaster, PA, adjunct Professor of Pediatrics, Hershey Medical Center, and Anthropologist Emeritus at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.

Dr. Krogman has received numerous awards, grants, fellowships, and honorary degrees from several disciplines. Interestingly, the first major award of his illustrious career was the 1925 M. L. Chaim Prize for the Outstanding Research Article in the Field of Dentistry. Other highlights include the 1950 Viking Medal in Physical Anthropology, the Drexel Institute Award for Contributions to Child Growth and Development (1958), the 1967 Callahan Award and Medal from the Ohio State Dental Association, the 1969 Ketchum Award from the American Association of Orthodontics, the American Association of Arthodontists Annual Award (1982), and the 1983 American Cleft Palate Association Honors Award. Besides his many professional affiliations in anthropological and dental associations, Dr. Krogman was inducted into the National Academy of Sciences in 1966. He has been awarded honorary degrees from Baylor University (LL.D., 1955), the University of Michigan (D.Sc., 1969), and the University of Pennsylvania (D.Sc., 1979).

The world has lost a most honorable, eminent scholar. Those of us who knew him have lost a friend and mentor.

Susan R. Loth Florida Atlantic University

1988 DAA ANNUAL MEETING

Executive board member Gloria y'Edynak, our meeting facilitator, wants to pass along the following information about the 1988 meetings. We would also like to pass along our congratulations and best wishes to Gloria on the recent birth of her son.

The next meeting of the Dental Anthropological Association will take place at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Kansas City, Missouri. The DAA symposium will be part of the American Association of Physical Anthropologists (AAPA) meetings on March 24-26. The DAA symposium and business meeting will probably take place on Thursday or Friday, but the date has not been established. For those of you who are interested, the Paleopathology Association (March 22-23) and the Human Biology Council (March 23) meet immediately prior to the start of the AAPA meeting.

All DAA members must register for the AAPA meeting in order to attend the Dental Anthropology sessions. Registration for AAPA members is \$25.00, for student members \$15.00, and for non-members \$80.00.

If a non-AAPA member or European member wishes to attend the Dental Anthropology meetings without presenting a paper, please send the pre-registration fee, made out to AAPA, to either member of the Local Arrangements Committee members: Dr. David W. Frayer or Dr. James H. Mielke, Dept. of Anthropology, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS 66045, (913) 864-4103. The cost of double occupancy at the Hyatt Regency, Kansas City, is \$75.00; single, \$65.00; plus tax. The hotel address is Hyatt Regency/Kansas City at Crown Center, 2345 McGee Street, Kansas City, MI 64108, phone-(816) 421-1234. Reservations should be made at least one month in advance.

One of our members, Tony Comuzzie, a graduate student at the University of Kansas, has volunteered to serve as the local contact for the DAA at the AAPA meeting. If you need help or have any questions concerning the local aspects of the meetings, contact Tony at the Department of Anthropology, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KA 66045, tel. (916) 864-4172.

1988 DENTAL ANTHROPOLOGY SESSIONS AND SYMPOSIA

We are pleased to announce that three excellent dental anthropology symposia and a workshop have been arranged for the 1988 AAPA meeting. Program Chairman Marc Kelley of the University of Rhode Island has organized a symposium entitled "Horizon of Dental Anthropology" with the aim of bringing together diverse perspectives and approaches into one session. He intends this interaction to promote a better appreciation of the breadth and scope of this field. Alan Goodman of Hampshire College and Michael Blakey of Howard University have organized a symposium entitled "Dental Enamel Defects: New Vistas in Method, Theory, and Application." Their purpose is to stimulate the exchange of knowledge on a variety of current problems and potentials in this area. Goodman and Blakey have also obtained

approval to present a roundtable workshop dealing with issues in identification and quantification of dental defects. The third symposium, dealing with dental reduction, was organized by James Calcagno of Loyola University of Chicago.

Further details of the sessions will follow in the next issue of DAN. The abstracts, of course, will appear in the February 1988 issue of the AJPA.

COMMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Stanley Garn wrote to offer some ideas and encouragement. He states that dental anthropology has "come a long way since Al Dahlberg and I were among the few members of the AAPA who were involved in odontometry and nobody quite accepted what Steggerda had found on tooth emergence in blacks and whites and native American Indians."

"The question then, and now, is how much and to what extent crown size and proportions, root length and formation and emergence can be affected by prenatal and postnatal nutrition and by chewing stresses. I trust that some of your members will be able to show, in two generational family line studies of adequate size whether there is or is not a secular trend in crown size, proportions or the timing and sequence of developmental events-perhaps in Japan (where body size has gained so much)."

Ms. Mona M. Abou El-Fotouh is interested in the study of lip prints as analyzed by scanning electron microscopy of the vermilion border, the shape and size, race and sex differences for use in forensic anthropology and odontology. Please respond If you can be of assistance please write to her at 9 Mammalek Street, Flat No. 1, Cairo, Roda, Egypt.

As a number of you already know, Bill Stini, editor of the AJPA, asked Yasar Iscan to collect the papers presented at the 1987 Dental Anthropology Session (which he organized) for publication in a special edition of the journal. Dr. Iscan is pleased to announce that the manuscripts from the participants have been submitted and are currently under review.

Gloria y'Edynak has informed us that the Armed forces Medical Museum will offer a Forensic Anthropology course on February 22-25, 1988. For further information, contact Dr. y'Edynak at the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, Armed Forces Medical Museum, Washington DC 20306-6000.

Marc Kelley and Arthur Aufderheide (University of Minnesota-Duluth) were awarded an NSF Undergraduate Training Grant this summer and took nine students to Arica, Chile to study techniques in dietary reconstruction.

DAA BUSINESS

With elections scheduled for this spring, we would like your input on qualified candidates for the offices of President, secretary/treasurer, and executive board member. Please submit your suggestions to Nominations and Elections Committee Chairman Dr. Richard Koritzer, 7367 Furnace Branch Rd., Glen Burnie, MD 21027, Tel. (301) 761-3119.

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The last edition of DAN erroneously called for 1988 instead

of 1987 dues. The 1987 dues should be submitted now if you haven't already done so. Rates will remain at \$10.00 for regular members and \$5.00 for students. Also, we would like to continue our policy of sponsoring foreign members. We salute those of you have generously proffered you financial support in the past and encourage every member who can to do so.

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