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## SURVEY OF SOVIET PAPYROLOGY AND RELATED DISCIPLINES II<sup>1</sup>

Aleksandriya. Roman ob Aleksandre Makedonskom po russkoi rukopisi XV veka (Alexandria. The Romance on Alexander of Macedonia after a Russian Manuscript from the 15th cent.). Moscow, 1965, 269 pp.

The book consists of the publication of the text by Ya. S. Lurie and O. V. Tvorogov, a translation into modern Russian and the appendices, among which a fundamental position is held by the articles: The Medieval Romance on Alexander of Macedonia in the Russian Literature of the 15th cent. (Ya. S. Lurie), The Stylistic Peculiarities of the Romance on Alexander of Macedonia (O. V. Tvorogov), A Paleographical Survey (Ya. S. Lurie) and by an ample commentary (M. N. Botvinnik and Ya. S. Lurie). The book is provided with indexes.

I.D. Amusin, M.N. Botvinnik, L.M. Gluskina. Pamyati uchitelya (In memoriam magistri). VDI, 1965, no. 1, pp. 228—230.

An obituary of an outstanding Soviet investigator of antiquity, Ya. S. Lurie (1891—1964). This scholar, whose scientific interests were very wide, left over two hundred works on the most varied problems, including studies in papyrology and epigraphy. The obituary is provided with a complete bibliography of the works of Ya. S. Lurie compiled by I. D. Amusin. Many of these works are written in foreign languages or have been translated.

I. B. Brashinskii. Afiny i Severnoye Prichernomor'e v VI—II vv. do n.e. (Athens and the Northern Black Sea Coast in the 6th to 2nd cent. B.C.) Moscow, 1963, 176 pp.

On pp. 161—163 the author deals with the problem of commercial competition between Bosporus and Egypt as well as with the letter of Apollonius to Zenon on the occasion of an embassy of Pairisades II.

Apollonii Rodosskii. Argonavtika (Apollonius Rhodius, Argonautica). A translation, introduction and notes by G. Ph. Zereteli.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cf. JJP XV, pp. 417-427.

Academy of Sciences of Georgian S.S.R. Institute of Oriental Studies. Tbilisi, 1964, 350 pp. *Apollonii Rhodii Argonautica*. Recognovit versibusque rossicis convertit Gregorius C e r e t h e l i, Thbilisiis, 1964).

A posthumous edition compiled by a committee appointed for the edition of the works of G. F.A. Zereteli. Besides the part written by G. Ph. Zereteli himself (the introduction, text, Russian translation and notes) there are: Postscript and an essay entitled G. Ph. Zereteli and his translation of the works of ancient poets by F. A. Petrovskii. The book is provided with illustrations among which there is a portrait of G. Ph. Zereteli and a photograph of the manuscript of the translation.

- V. N. Dyakov, S. I. Kovalev (ed.) Istoriya drevnego mira (The History of the Ancient World), 2nd edition, Moscow, 1962. The chapter entitled The Kingdom of the Ptolemies pp. 395—403.
- I. F. Fikhman. Remeslenniki pozdnerimskogo Egipta po dannym grecheskikh papirusov (The Craftsman of Late Roman Egypt after the Data of the Greek Papyri). The Conference on the Study of the Problems of Antiquity, 9—14 April 1964, Leningrad. The Theses of Reports, Moscow, 1964.

A concise presentation of the main conclusions of chapter one of the author's work (cf. infra).

- I. F. Fikhman. K voprosu o korporativnoi vzaimopomoshchi v vizantiiskom Egipte (A Contribution to the Problem of Mutual Assistance in the Guilds of Byzantine Egypt). JJP, XV (1965), pp. 91—97.
- I. F. Fikhman, Survey of Soviet Papyrology. JJP, XV (1965), pp. 417-427.
- I. F. Fikhman. Nekotoryye voprosy khozyaistvennoi deyatelnosti remeslennykh korporacii pozdnerimskogo Egipta. (Some Problems of the Economic Activities of Guilds in Late Roman Egypt). VDI, 1965, no. 3, pp. 146—153.

The independence of economic activities prevailing among craftsmen did not exclude production relations between the craftsmen members of the same guild. The economic interdependence appeared especially vividly when the guild performed the work in common, but we have no evidence that the guilds used common stocks of raw materials, as is asserted by some scholars basing their argument on the text of P. Oxy. I, 85 (338 A.D.). The membership of the guild undoubtedly contributed to the development of the consciousness of solidarity, and united and consolidated the craftsmen in the struggle for their interests, perhaps as well as in the struggle for the increase of salaries and the