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H. Gilliam, *The Archives of the Temple of Soknobraisis at Bacchias* (Reprinted from *Yale Classical Studies* vol. X [1947] 181—281).

The twenty-five papyri, which are the subject of this study, are divided among three collections. Four of them (VIII, XIV, XXII and XXIV) are in the Egyptian Museum in Cairo and were first published by A. Bataille in *Etudes de Papyrologie* IV (1938) pp. 197—205 and republished a year later by him in *Papyrus Fouad I* (nos 11—14). Eight of them (III—VI, X, XII, XVII, XXI) are in the University of Lund and were published by K. Hanell, *Bull. de la Société royale des Lettres de Lund* 1937—1938 No. 5 pp. 119—137. The remaining thirteen papyri and a fragment of XXI are in the Yale collection and are published here for the first time. These papyri belong with the exception of VII to the archives of the temple of the crocodile god Soknobraisis in Bacchias, a village in the northeastern part of the Fayûm. The texts are closely related in content and date. Nine of them are temple reports and related documents. Ten are receipts for temple reports which had been submitted to various officials. Four are concerned with the attempt of the priests to gain privileges in respect to labour in the dikes and the remaining two texts are of uncertain content. The reports and petitions addressed to various officials by the priests must be copies of the original documents which were actually sent.

These papyri furnish considerable evidence about the gods and their temples at Bacchias, the organization of the priesthood, the temple reports submitted to government officials, and the liturgies and taxation of the priests. They reveal much about the economic position of a small Egyptian temple in the second and early third centuries A.D. and the Roman government's policy of strict supervision of temples and curtailment of the power and privileges of priests.

S. Eitrem—L. Amundsen, *Complaint of an Assault, with Petition to the Police* (*J.E.A.* 40 [1954] 30—33).

This is P. Osl. inv. No. 1482. Complaints of this kind were sent either to the strategus, epistrategus, *praepositus pagi*, or to the local police authorities, or simultaneously to both (cf. *Law*<sup>2</sup> 537). The complaint requests (v. 29) ἀχθῆ[ναι αὐτὴν ἐπὶ] σε κτλ. A similar complaint of ὕβρις was published as P. Osl. 22. The authors give a reedition of the document.