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the gems thrown in you have a lot of cold cash in any man's language. The archaeologists had found something but what happened? They were put out and the army moved in. It is now "excavating" a la steam shovel method. Beautiful mummies go by the board, and the gold goes into Bullion."

Fretty bad, is it not? Most of the collections in the overcrowded museums have been purchased from "haqueros" or pot hunters some of whom make their living by "outraging ruins" as Bill so clearly puts it. The wanderer does not seem any too enthusiastic about the region: "Well, to generalize: I might say that the region is a most fertile field, if anyone is particularly interested in it, and the ruins I have seen to date are huge and delapidated."

We can all look forward to seeing Bill next year and to hearing more of Peru. His address in Massachusetts is 188 High Street, Dalton.

DEPARTMENTAL PROGRAM FOR 1937-38

Due to absence during 1937-38 of Dr. Florence Hawley and Mr. Frank Hibben, several changes in teaching staff and course offerings will be made. Dr. Willard W. Hill (Ph. D. in Anthropology, Yale 1933 -- dissertation on "Agricultural and Hunting Methods of the Navajo Indians") will substitute as assistant professor of Anthropology for Dr. Hawley. Dr. Hill has studied at the University of California, University of Washington and Yale University under such men as Kroeber, Lowie, Gifford, Olson, Spier, Sapir, Osgood and Wissler. He has been a fellow of the National Research Council in the Navajo country, and for the past several years has directed Anthropological field parties of the Indian Office and Soil Conservation Service in New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, and California. Dr. Hill has specialized in work pertaining to the nomadic and semi-nomadic Indians of the West, and also is an authority on Indian warfare, land titles and tenure, and woodwork, and upon the Indians of Northwestern America. A number of his publications will be found in the Yale Anthropological Series and in "El Palacio." Mrs. Elizabeth Williamson, artist and expert in museum habitat groups for the National Park Service, will offer one course each semester in museum methods. She will be assisted in the museum by Robert Lister and J. Charles Kelley. Section work in General Anthropology will be handled by Mr. Charles Shope, graduate student with honors from Cambridge University, England, under Dr. A. C. Haddon. Research work, off the campus, will be carried on by Wesley Bliss and Frank Hibben. In summary, the actual instructors for 1937-38 will be Brand, Miller, Hill, Fisher, Williamson and Shope.

During the fall semester of 1937-38, Hill will offer Anthropology 1a, 81, 105, and 193; Miller will give 101, 111, 143 and a sociology course; Fisher will instruct in 7 and 183; Williamson 39L; and Brand 3a, 5, 119, 205. The staff will offer, as usual, 251a and thesis 300. This means that only 97, 103, 171, and 191a (scheduled in the catalog) will not be offered. It should be noticed that 108L and 191ab will be offered only in 1938-39 and alternate years thereafter.

Tentative plans for the spring semester call for offering all scheduled courses with the exceptions of 104L, 108L, 110, 162, 172, 174L, 191b, and 198. Probably a new course on North-western America and Northeastern Asia will be introduced. The net result for the year 1937-38 will be the elimination of courses on physical anthropology, linguistics, dendrochronology, Pueblo sociology, Old World classical archaeology, and ceramics. This should give the students in the department an enforced opportunity to acquire a broad anthropologic background, rather than a too-limited and specialized knowledge of certain aspects of Southwestern archaeology. Such a broader background is absolutely necessary for graduate work in the leading American departments of Anthropology.

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