

JOHN CARSWELL continued his excavations at Mantai, a trading site in Sri Lanka, and established that the lowest levels are prehistoric, containing microliths comparable with material from other sites in the area dated to as early as the 8th millennium B.C. Work was financed by The Ford Foundation, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, and The British Museum. He contributed to the memorial volume for Roger Saideh, *Archéologie au Levant*, and has written a chapter on the history of Ottoman ceramics in *Tulips, Arabesques and Turbans*. He lectured on his excavations at Mantai to The British Museum and The Oriental Ceramic Society in London. During the course of the year he also lectured at the Art Institute of Chicago; the David and Alfred Smart Gallery; at Anuradhapura and in Colombo, Sri Lanka; and at Benoit, Wisconsin. He was the recipient of a grant from Mobil (Hellas) to write a catalogue of Turkish ceramics in the Benaki Museum, Athens.