
Douglas Esse has spent most of the 1990-91 academic year working on the unpublished material from Megiddo (see "Megiddo Revisited" elsewhere in this report). He also presented a paper at the ASOR annual convention at New Orleans in November, 1990. The presentation was part of symposium on the origins of early Israel. The paper presented at the symposium, "The Collared Store Jar: Scholarly Ideology and Ceramic Typology," has been published in the *Scandinavian Journal of the Old Testament* 2 (1991). In March, Esse's revised doctoral dissertation, *Subsistence, Trade, and Social Change in Early Bronze Age Palestine* was published by The Oriental Institute as volume 50 in the series Studies in Ancient Oriental Civilization. An article, "Early Bronze Age Cylinder Seal Impressions from Beth Yerah," *Eretz-Israel* 21 (1990), was published in the

festschrift dedicated to Ruth Amiran. During the spring, Esse gave lectures at Yale and the University of Pennsylvania on his recent excavations at Yaqush. He also spent a week at Harvard's Semitic Museum working on the amulets recovered from the Tophet at Carthage during the 1976-1979 seasons of excavation there. In early summer he traveled to the annual symposium on Anatolian archaeology, this year held at Çanakkale near ancient Troy. While in Turkey he visited the site of Çatal Hüyük in the Amuq (Hatay Province) and the local museum in Antakya. Esse will be excavating the Early Bronze Age levels at Yaqush for a second season during the fall of 1991.
