

FOREWORD

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By working together on editing and producing this volume, we have continued to share in the spirit of the XVIIIth Eirene Congress, a spirit which Petar Ilievski captures in his summary of the work of the Mycenological session which precedes the papers in

¹ The paper by H. Zebisch was a summary of work already published elsewhere, and so has not been included.

this volume. At this time then we not only feel the satisfaction of work successfully completed, but the sadness of a fine experience brought to an end. So we look forward all the more eagerly to the circular which will announce the plans for Eirene XIX.

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