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Robert D. Biggs devoted quite a bit of time to the final stages of the publication of papers from the 2005 Rencontre Assyriologique Internationale (co-editors Jennie Myers and Martha Roth), published by the Oriental Institute in early 2008 (SAOC 62), as well as reading proofs for the final volume (U/W) of the Assyrian Dictionary. He has been working on the Pre-Sargonic and Sargonic (mid-third millennium B.C.) cuneiform texts from the Inanna Temple at Nippur for the publication for which McGuire Gibson has received a grant. Biggs is collaborating with Karen Wilson on the publication of the first two seasons (1963 and 1965, when he was a member of the small team headed by the late Donald Hansen) of excavations at Abu Salabikh in Iraq; he published the inscriptions from the excavations in 1974, but most of the other finds and the architecture remain unpublished at this time.