

MIGUEL CIVIL was invited to give a paper at a meeting in Naples celebrating the tenth anniversary of the discoveries of Ebla, and gave lectures at the University of Barcelona on scribal education in Mesopotamia. The articles announced last year have now appeared. A study on the early history of the HAR-ra type lexical texts—including an edition of the oldest lexical bilingual—based on his Naples paper is now in press. He has written a detailed review of the new Philadelphia Sumerian Dictionary, the article "Sumerian and Akkadian Lexicography" for the Handbücher zur Sprachund Kommunikationswissenschaft, as well as the usual lexicographic notes and minor text editions (mostly for the inevitable Festschrifts). He has prepared an edition of the Pre-Ur III lexical lists that can be considered as remote ancestors of the great encyclopedia HAR-ra = hubullu, and the tablet catalogue of the 13th Nippur expedition (see Nippur article). In the time left from his MSL duties, he is preparing an edition of the "Farmer's Instructions" for the Sumerian Agriculture Group (Oxford), and of the long delayed school debates and dialogues.