

## The papyrological work in Sweden (and Finland) 1940-45

SINCE KRISTER HANELL published *Aus der Papyrussammlung der Universitätsbibliothek in Lund. 3. Kältische Texte* (Humanistiska vetenskapssamfundet i Lund. Årsberättelse. – Bulletin de la Société Royale des lettres de Lund 1937-38) only two papyrus editions by the Finland-Swede Henrik Zilliacus may be mentioned. Under the title *Griechische Papyrusurkunden des VII. Jahrhundert n. Chr.* (*Eranos* 38 (1940) pp. 97-107) ZILLIACUS has edited with translation and commentary three papyri from British Museum, Brit. Mus. Inv. Nr. 2017 (Stipulatio Aquilina), 2018 (house purchase contract), 2019 (marriage contract), and in *Societas scientiarum fennica. Commentationes humanarum litterarum. 11: 4.* Hfors 1941, he has published *Vierzehn Berliner griechische Papyri* (documents and letters) with an elaborate commentary and translation.

Among literary papyri the Herodotos papyrus (P. Oxy. 1092) has been treated in an article by GUNNAR RUDBERG and STURE LINNÉR (*Eranos* 39 (1941) pp. 145-148). The authors emphasize that although the fragment is of great importance for the history of the Herodotos-text, there is no reason to assume a new text recension.

Of philological contributions HENRIK ZILLIACUS, *Zur Sprache griechischer Familienbriefe des III. Jahrhunderts n. Chr.* (*Societas scientiarum fennica. Commentationes humanarum litterarum. 13: 3* Hfors 1943) may be mentioned in the first place. Zilliacus prints, translates and comments the Paniskos correspondence (*Journal of Egyptian archaeology* 13, 1927) and on the basis of this correspondence and other material he analyses the language of the Greek family letters. In his great and important study of late Greek, *Études sur la Grec de la basse époque*, Uppsala & Lpz. 1943 (*Skrifter utg. av K. Humanistiska vetenskaps-samfundet i Uppsala. 36: 3*) DAVID TABACHOVITZ also deals with several papyri in connexion with the literary texts which in fact form his source<sub>s</sub>.



Finally GUDMUND BJÖRCK in his study *Apsyrtus, Julius Africanus et l'Hippiatrique grecque*, Uppsala & Lpz. 1944 (Uppsala universitets årsskrift. 1944: 4) makes interesting references to the magical papyri, and in his investigation Ἡν δὲ δάσζων. *Die periphrastischen Konstruktionen im Griechischen*, Uppsala & Lpz. 1940 (Skrifter utg. av K. Humanistiska vetenskaps-samfundet i Uppsala. 32: 2) he makes some ingenious statements on papyri and their value as material for the history of language.

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