

ABSTRACTS

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ON THE BIRTH OF THE BIRTH OF CHINA

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On the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the publication of <u>The Birth of China</u>, the author reminisces about the circumstances that led to the writing of this book. This memoir covers the graduate years at the University of Chicago, literati culture in 1930s China, and the return to teach at Chicago.

- 關於《中國之誕生》一書的源起

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逢《中國之誕生》一書出版五十周年,作者回憶 這本書寫作之背景喫经過.這篇回憶包括芝加哥大 學研究生经驗,三十年代興中國文人界的接觸,以 及回國在芝加哥大學教學.

YANGSHAO BURIAL CUSTOMS AND SOCIAL ORGANIZATION: A COMMENT ON THE THEORY OF YANGSHAO MATRILINEAL SOCIETY AND ITS METHODOLOGY

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Addressing in part the arguments advanced by Morgan, and depending upon more recent anthropological studies from Madagascar, Sarawak, and elsewhere, it is argued in Part I that the evidence from Yangshao burials resembles that of many modern primitive peoples whose collective secondary burials were not defined by kin unit. The matrilineal view of Yangshao society is also challenged by the

widespread existence of single-person burial, which appears to have both pre- and postdated, as well as co-existed with, the practice of collective burial. Similar comparative and contextual criticisms are brought to bear, in Part II, on the argument that Yangshao burial customs reveal the dominance of women. There was evidently no system in which children had to be buried with the mother, there is no evidence that the primary burial of women in multi-person collective burials was either common or prevalent, there is no evidence that single Yangshao female burials were generally more richly furnished with grave goods than those of single males. Finally, in Part III, it is shown that same-sex collective burials were rare; they reflect not social organization but the accident of several contemporary deaths. In short, none of the arguments for Yangshao matriliny are found to be adequate. At present, we lack an effective method for using burial customs to reconstruct social organization. The article ends by raising a series of methodological desiderata for future research.

仰韶文化葬俗和社会組織的研究——對 仰韶母系社会说及其方法编的商榷

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THE "CURRENT" BAMBOO ANNALS AND THE DATE OF THE ZHOU CONQUEST OF SHANG

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Having demonstrated in a previous article entitled "On the Authenticity of the <u>Bamboo Annals</u>" that the "Current" <u>Bamboo Annals</u> can be a surprisingly reliable source for the history of early China and particularly for the Western Zhou period, in this article the author again examines a brief series of entries from this text, in this case dealing with the death of King Wen and the succession of King Wu. The analysis is divided into three sections, historical, philological, and chronological, all of which show that although this section of the "Current" <u>Bamboo Annals</u> has been revised, apparently just after the text's exhumation in the late-third century, and is no longer accurate <u>per se</u>, it is still possible to use it to reconstruct the original tomb text, which can be shown to be historically reliable. In addition to demonstrating once again the reliability of the <u>Bamboo Annals</u>, the discussion also verifies that the date of the Zhou conquest of Shang was 1045 B.C.

<竹書紀年> 與周武王克商之年代

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SOME ANCIENT ROOTS OF MODERN CHINESE THOUGHT: THIS-WORLDLINESS, EPISTEMOLOGICAL OPTIMISM, DOCTRINALITY, AND THE EMERGENCE OF REFLEXIVITY IN THE EASTERN CHOU

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Dealing with China's oldest and second oldest intellectual documents ($\underline{Lun-yu}$ and the genuine parts of $\underline{Mo-tzu}$), this paper views them as "laying" the intellectual foundations of China's axial civilization" and sharing a distinctive concept of knowledge, "epistemological optimism." Epistemological optimism, in turn, was a neces-sary corollary of "this-worldliness," the preoccupation, especially intense in the case of Lun-yü, with evaluating people and distributing sanctions in a morally perfect way during this life, as opposed to depending on a bar of judgment in the afterlife. The combination of "this-worldliness" with epistemological optimism has dominated Chinese thought to this day, in striking contrast to the major role of "epistemological pessimism" in the intellectual world of the modern West. Mo-tzu was more reflexive than Confucius. Yet instead of leading to "epistemological pessimism," his reflexivity was combined with not only epistemological optimism but also his assumption that the development of doctrine can resolve all moral questions and bring about moral action. This paper also explores other ways in which Mo-tzu was a seminal thinker, one introducing words and ideas that are missing in Lun-yü, and that came to be commonplaces of Chinese thought. It also argues that the emphasis on evaluation found in the thought of Confucius and Mo-tzu must be considered when we describe how these two thinkers envisaged the relation between self and group, and its methodology differs somewhat from the approaches used in previous studies of Chou thought.

> 近代中國思想的幾項古代淵源:入世主義,樂觀性的認識論,學說主義, 以及自覺考慮能力的起興

> > 墨子刻

論語及墨子不單是中國最古老的典籍,還可說 是中國軸心文化(axial civilization)的思想基礎。 對於知識、它們所持的觀念是一種"樂觀性的認識 論"(epistemological optimism) 樂觀性的認識論是入世主義(this worldLiness) 的必然產物。這種主義在論語中顯得尤為突出。它 看重的是如何在人活着的時候批判其行為及指出他 們應恪守的道德規範。換言之,它恰好與人在死後才 接受批判的說法迥異。直到今天,中國思想仍然被 樂觀性的認識論所支配。這種情形剛好和讓"悲觀 性的認識論"(epistemological pessimism) 佔着主導 地位的近代西方思想截然相反。

和孔子比較, 墨子更能自覺考慮. 但他的內省 觀並沒有導致悲觀性認識論的產生。 他以為, 如果 對事物法則的研究得到正確的發展, 所有道德的難 題將會得到解決; 道德性行為亦會由此產生. 而他 的自覺考慮正是和這種看法及樂觀性的認識論結合 起来的.另外本文亦嘗試從其他角度去探討墨子, 一 個具有原創性的思想家, 如何為中國思想帶来一些 不為論語包含的言語和概念.

此外, 假若我們要描畫孔墨雨位思想家對個人 及團体問則係的看法或他們在研究方法上的創新,就 一定要顧及一個事實—他們對評價的重視。

DISPUTATION IN ANCIENT CHINESE CULTURE

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During the Warring States, Ch'in, and Han periods the influence of the arts of disputation and rhetoric increased. Disputation affected the form and content of philosophical arguments and, mainly during the Han dynasty, contributed to the process of ideological synthesis. Furthermore, debate and argumentation came to play a central role in resolving social difficulties and determining government policy. Along with rhetoric, as represented by the <u>Chan-kuots'e</u>, disputation also helped define the style and nature of a wide variety of literary genres, espeically the <u>Fu</u> and historiographical works of the Han period. In this paper, the "program" for disputation attributed to Tsou Yen in the <u>Shih chi</u> is presented and its influence on other philosophical schools traced. Then the tradition of debate, both court debates from their Warring States origins on into the Han, and the rise of legal disputes within society as a whole are examined. Finally, the role of the <u>Tsung Heng</u> school in creating, preserving, and transmitting a tradition of rhetoric is described. Analysis of the rhetorical devices of this school suggests the close connection of debaters, persuaders, logicians, and authors of Fu.

In conclusion, the author seeks to identify some of the social and economic causes for the increasing influence of disputation, such as the emergence of private property and the concept of "individualism," the development of a scholar class and patrons, and the increase of cultural and intellectual pluralism and diversity.

中國古代文化之論辩

在戰國時代和秦漢時間, 論辯的藝術和修飾語言的技巧之影響力不斷增長. 論辯決定了哲學論證的形式和內容, 而在漢代更對思想綜合過程起了作用。此外「爭論」和論證在解決社會難題和制定政府政策時扮演一主要角式, 從《戰國策》的例中顯示, 論辯跟修辭學一起對界定種類繁多的文學派別之形式和性質有所幫助, 這特别在「賦」和漢朝的史學中顯示出来。

本文習以《史記》中鄒衍的個例来呈現論諾 的「綱領」及其對其他哲學派别的影響。此外還申 論論辯的傳說,這包括從戰國到漢代庭議的傳統和 整個社會中訴訟的興起。最後還申述縱描家在創立。 维持和傳播一個修辭學傳統中曾扮演的角色,在分 析這一派修辭手法時可得出如下的結論: 辩論家、 說客、名家學者和「賦」之作者是有很大的聯系。

在结論部分,作者希望探討論辦興盛對社會經濟方面的一些影響,這包括私人產權和個人主義的出現,士人階級和食客的發展,以及文化和知識上的百花齊放。

THE EARLY CHINA FORUM

ZHOUYUAN ORACLE-BONE INSCRIPTIONS: ENTERING THE RESEARCH STAGE?

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In 1977, some 17,000 pieces of pyromantic turtle-shell, of which nearly 300 pieces were inscribed, were discovered at the site of the Zhou ancestral temple in Qishan, Shaanxi. Scholarship on this important inscriptional source has been hampered by the piecemeal nature of its publication. Now, Wang Yuxin, in his <u>XiZhou</u> <u>jiagu tanlun</u>, has brought together the information and conclusions of sixteen studies published through 1981. In addition, Wang has also presented his own research into the nature and periodization of these inscriptions. The author of this review article acknowledges Wang's contributions to the study of the Zhouyuan oracle-bone inscriptions, but finds fault not only with Wang's periodization but also with his assertion that a number of these inscriptions recording sacrifices to Shang ancestors manifest instead an exogamic relationship between the Shang and Zhou kings.

古代中国 論壇

周原甲骨下辭:是不是已經進入了研究階段?

夏含夷

 窗族祖先和周族祖朱並祭的卜辭就反影了 兩族之間 的通婚関係。

