

# NEW DISCOVERIES BELONGING TO THE EARLY BRONZE AGE IN THE MIDDLE MUREȘ BASIN AND SOME CONSIDERATIONS REGARDING THE FIND STAGE OF THIS PERIOD TRANSYLVANIA

(SUMMARY)

The present essay propose taking up with some new discoveries belonging the Early Bronze Age on the middle course of Mureș. Between there, the buln are concentred in the corteminous zone of Cugir Valley. The archaeological material belongs by and to stages II<sup>nd</sup> and III<sup>rd</sup> of Transylvanian Early Bronze Age (after H.Ciugudean), only a single discovery (Vinerea-"Tăbărăște") could be associated in manifestations of Livezile type (EBA I). For EBA II there are recorded the traces from Vinerea-"În Deal" and "Tăbărăște", Șibot-"În Țelini", "La Baltă"-ob.2, Balomir-"Sătești", "Gura Văii Cioarei" and Cugir-"Dealul Cetății" who can be assigned exclusively of the cultural Șoimuș group, all of these proceeding from surface investigation belonging to EBA III. Alongside of the resultants of some systematical investigations performed at Deva-"Str.Depozitelor" and "Dâmbul Popii" (excavations dr L.Andrițoiu). From this stage ceramics evinced in this essay is characterized of *Besenstrich und Textilmuster* horizon, being recorded an important number of materials decorated with textile prints (Deva-"Str.Depozitelor", Rapoltu Mare-"Șeghi", Șibot-"La Baltă"-ob.2, Balomir-"Sătești" as well as a ear having a well established source (Musee Deva) probably lay in the Transylvanian south-western zone discovery who have good analogy the Hatvan environment. To offer a useful instrument about this pottery type they worked not a catalogue and a map of type discoveries from EBA in Romania, notice that ceramics with textile milieu occupies only the western half of this territory, sustaining the result of its penetration from this direction.

The author-dwelt upon new discoveries in central and south-western Transylvanian context-introduced a classification of ceramics from EBA III depending on milieu categories (1- with scratchiness; 2- with textile prints; 3- with triangular prints built a new motif, the first two categories with clear alternatives. In great detail they discourse again, the final stage problem of EBA (EBA III), stading out -as also H.Ciugudean appreciated himself, two evolutive phases noted by us with III a and III b.

III a: - with discoveries by late Șoimuș type (Tebea, Șoimuș (?), Gligorești) followed by the ones of Iernut type (Iernut, Dumbrava, Uioara de Jos, Lopadea Veche) simultaneously with the Foeni-Ocnele Mari horizon, Sanislău and early Nagyrév groups.

III b: - with discoveries belonging to a new horizon definite with difficulty in the present moment (Daia, Balomir-"După Sat", Deva-"Str.Depozitelor", Pianu de Jos) simultaneously with the Gornea-Orlești horizon enclosed cremation/cemetery of Sanislău type from Ciumești, early Socodor-Cicir, Ciomortan, late Nagyrév, early Hatvan.

In this last substage (III b) the author comprises also the phase I/A<sub>1</sub> of Wietenberg culture who belonging to other cultural manifestations considering the proper beginning of this culture at the same time with the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase A<sub>2</sub> Wietenberg, at the Remecke Bz A<sub>2</sub> level

## EXPLANATION OF ILLUSTRATIONS

Fig. 1 - The map with new discoveries belonging to early Bronze Age from the middle Mureș basin of Mureș river.

Fig. 2 - The map spreads of ceramics discoveries with textil prints from Romanian mentions in paper.

Pl. I-XI. - Pottery belonging to early (pl. I - XI/1-5) and middle Bronze Age (pl.XI/6).