

Summary

This report accounts the results of archaeological researches in nineteen excavated areas located on campus in 1989.

As appendix, it carries another report of excavation in relation to the construction of the buildings at the Handicapped Children's School in 1979, summarization of the excavation at "the Preserved Site" on the Yoshida campus, and miniature clay imitations and replicas of various objects. Yamaguchi University Archaeological Museum was established as part of the cross-faculties public facilities of the University in 1978. We refer to a plan from the conference of the Management Committee first and gain approval. We then carry out the research in relation to the construction work on campus. That's why our researches are helpful to reconstruct the past society, environment and so on.

The current year we carried out researches as follow :

1 Researches on the Yosida campus

(1) Excavation in relation to the construction of the lighting system

We found a ditch, post hole in the middle Kofun period, and three layers contained objects from the Yayoi to the Heian period. We have discovered several dwelling pits around this area in the past, it has become a new evidence which there has been settlement enlarging for southwest in the middle Kofun period. We newly unearthed a Mutsure-type salt-making pottery to be able to make clear the relation of demand and supply, and circulation of salt from the 8A.D. to the 9A.D. on the Yosida campus.

(2) Examinations under construction

We found features, layers contained objects in six excavations. As for the excavation in relation to the repair of the boiler system at the Yosida Dormitory, we discovered some flakes made of Obsidian from Hime island in the Jomon period. Until now we have unknown the settlements in this time, we have carefully got to excavate at this time of construction around these areas. As for the excavation in relation to setting up nets on the baseball ground and establishment of the fireplug, we found a post hole dating from the Yayoi to the Kofun period. It was confirmed that the settlement in these time distributed "the Preserved Site" to the baseball ground. As for the excavation in relation to the repair of the drain pipes around Gymnasium and the environmental adjustment at the University Hall's garden, we discovered a ditch from

the Yayoi to the Kofun period. The former has 4.8 meters in breadth, and flows from northeast to southwest. Specially this ditch became to preserve at this point after consultation of the authorities concerned.

2 Researches on the Kogushi campus

We carried out excavation in relation to the construction of the MRI equipment at the University Hospital, found several stone implements such as side scraper, microblades, retouched flakes, and core. At the ward land contiguous to this excavational point in the past we unearthed backed blade, side scraper, retouched flake and so on, we guessed that these stone tools belonged to the Paleolithic age by the form of stone implements and a great variety of the quality.

3 Researches on the Tokiwa campus

We excavated two points, but could not find any structural remains and artifacts for cutting of the ground around here.

4 Researches on the Kameyama campus

We excavated in relation to the laying drain pipes under ground at Kindergarten and Yamaguchi Elementary School. As the result of the excavation, we found a river in the early Kofun period and three dwelling pits, ten pits for burial, some ditches, post holes dating from the Yayoi to the middle Kofun period. There are many artifacts kinds of Yayoi potteries, Haji wares, Sue wares, and so on. It was confirmed that layers contained artifacts extensively distributed in the south area at Yamaguchi Elementary School. Furthermore we carried out examination under construction in relation to the laying drain pipes under ground, discovered a ditch and post in the late Yayoi period. A ditch flows from east to west more than 5.9 meters in breadth. We have discovered a ditch in the same time at the western area, but we doubted whether they were same one for flowing of opposite direction.

5 Researches on the another campus

We examined under construction in relation to the laying drain pipes under ground at the dormitory located in Mizunoue town, Yamaguchi city, but we could not any structural remains and artifacts.

By the excavation in relation to the construction of the buildings at the Handicapped Children's School, we discovered a lot of ditches mostly in the late Yayoi period, two pits for burial in the late Jomon period, and many Yayoi potteries, a few Jomon pottery and so on.