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PART II

CHRONICLE 1

CHRONICLE CONCERNING THE PERIOD FROM NABU-NASIR TO SHAMASH-SHUMA-UKIN

- 28 *šal-lat-su šal-lat nišū^{meš}-šú ḥab-ta būša-šú* 28 (The city) was sacked, its inhabitants
[iš]-tal-lu-ni plundered, (and) its booty carried off.
- 29 MU XI^{kám} *šarru ina kurAš-šur lúrabūti^{meš}-* 29 The eleventh year: In Assyria the king
šú [ma]-[d]u-tú ina giškakkī id-du-uk put his numerous officers to the sword.
- 30 MU XII^{kám} *šar kurAš-šur ana kurMi-šir* 30 The twelfth year: The king of Assyria
ittalak^[ak] marched to Egypt (but)
- 31 *ina ḥarrāni GIG-ma ina ¹¹Arašsamni UD* 31 became ill on the way and died on the
X^{kám} šimāti^{meš} tenth day of the month Marchesvan.
- 32 XII MU^{meš} *Aššur-aḥa-iddina šarru-ut* 32 For twelve years Esarhaddon ruled
kurAš-šur ipušūš Assyria.
- 33 ^d*Šamaš-šuma-ukin ina Bābili^{ki} m¹Aššur-* 33 Shamash-shuma-ukin (and) Ashurbanipal,
bāni-apli ina kurAš-šur II mārū^{me}-šú ina his two sons, ascended the throne in
kússē ittašbū^{me}† Babylon and Assyria respectively.
- 34 MU.SAG ^{md}*Šamaš-šuma-ukin ina ¹¹Aiiari* 34 The accession year of Shamash-shuma-
ukin: In the month Iyyar
- 35 ^d*Bēl u ilāni^{meš} šá kurAkkadi^{ki} ul-tu* 35 Bel and the gods of Akkad
uruLibbi-āli 36 went out
35 from Libbi-ali (Ashur)
- 36 *ú-šu-nim-ma ina ¹¹Aiiari UD [XIV/* 36 and on the *fourteenth/twenty-fourth* day of
XXIV(?)^{kám}] ana Bābili^{ki} iterbū^{meš}-ni† the month Iyyar they entered Babylon.
- 37 MU BI *uruKir-bi-tum š[a-bit] šarra-šú ka-šid* 37 In that same year Kirbitu was t[aken]
(and) its king captured.
- 38 ¹¹*Tebētu UD XX^{kám} ^{md}Bēl-ēfir(kar)^{†r}* 38 On the twentieth day of the month
daiiān(di.ku₅) Bābili^{ki} ša-bit-ma dīk Tebet Bel-etir, judge of Babylon, was
taken prisoner and executed.

VARIANTS

- iv 28 C: *nišū^{meš} ḥab-tu*
iv 29 C: *id-duk*

COMMENTARY

- iv 29 Cf. Chron. 14:27 and further see Chron. 15:11; JCS 18 (1964), p. 12 ii 15 (Prophecy); and CT 39, 29:31 (Alu).
- iv 30–33 Cf. Chron. 14:28–30. Chron. 14 does not actually mention Šamaš-šuma-ukin's accession but it does mention the accession of Aššurbanipal (line 34).
- iv 31 See the commentary to i 11.
- iv 33 ^m*Aššur-bāni-apli*: King has mistakenly omitted ŠAR after DINGER in his copy.
- iv 34–38 Cf. Chron. 14:35–39.
- iv 34–36 Besides being duplicated by Chron. 14:35–37 this statement is found in Chron. 16:5–8. Both of these latter documents have an extra statement concerning the entering of Nabū and the gods of Borsippa into Babylon. While Chron. 14 says that the gods entered Babylon on the 25th of Aiiaru, Chron. 16 says the 24th. The figure in Chron. 1 is broken but it appears to be either XIV or XXIV and not XXV.
- iv 34 MU.SAG: This is almost certainly to be read *rēš šarrūti*. Cf. i 41 and see Tadmor, JCS 12 (1958), pp. 27f.
- iv 35 *Libbi-āli*: On this term, which refers to the city Aššur (it was probably originally a quarter of Aššur), see the references in Heidel, Sumer 9 (1953), p. 185, n. to line 78.
- iv 38 In Chron. 14:39 the man is not mentioned by name. Collation confirms the reading *daiiān* in Chron. 1. Cf. Landsberger, Brief p. 368.