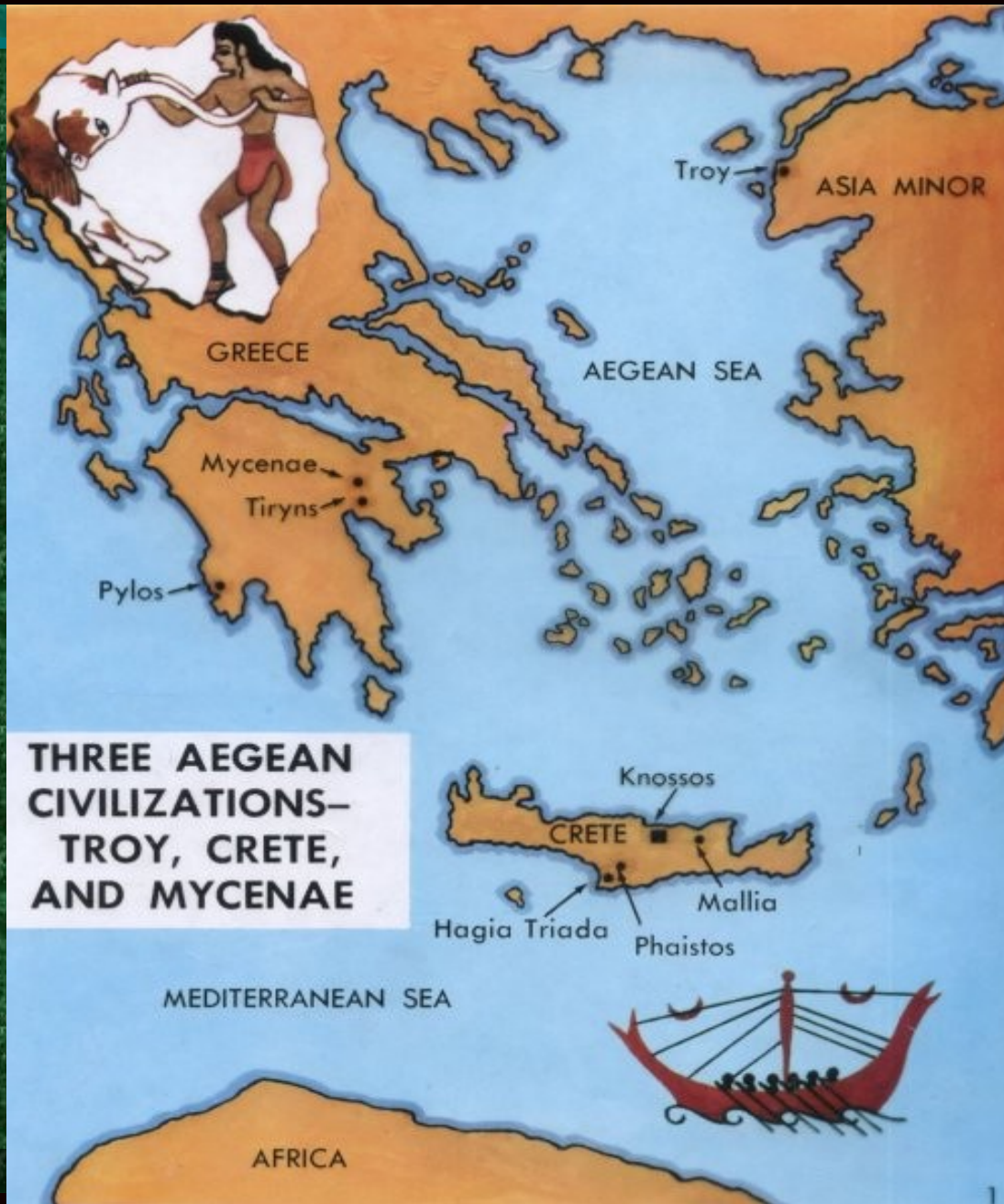
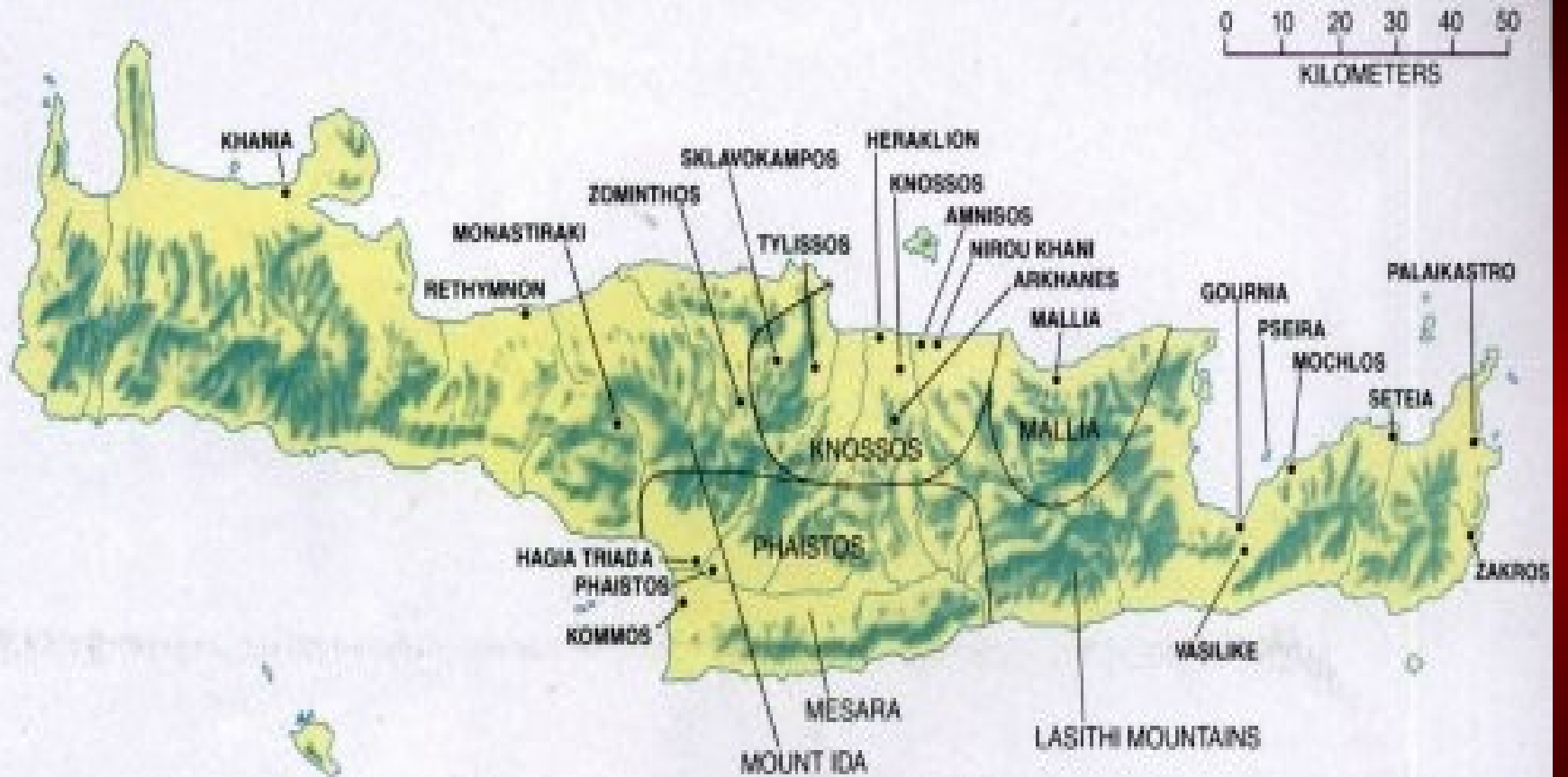


MINOAN CIVILIZATION

- MARITIME CIVILIZATION TRADING WITH EGYPT, SYRIA, AND ASIA MINOR
- NAMED AFTER THE LEGENDARY KING MINOS OF CRETE
- GREAT ENGINEERS BUILT GREAT PALACES, ROADS, AND SEWER SYSTEMS
- ISLAND WAS THE CROSSROADS OF EUROPE, ASIA AND AFRICA



THREE AEGEAN CIVILIZATIONS— TROY, CRETE, AND MYCENAE



GOVERNMENT

KING(WANAX)



COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF



NOBLES



DISTRICT GOVERNORS



LANDHOLDERS



LOCAL CHIEFTAINS



FREE CRAFTSMEN AND LABORERS



SLAVES

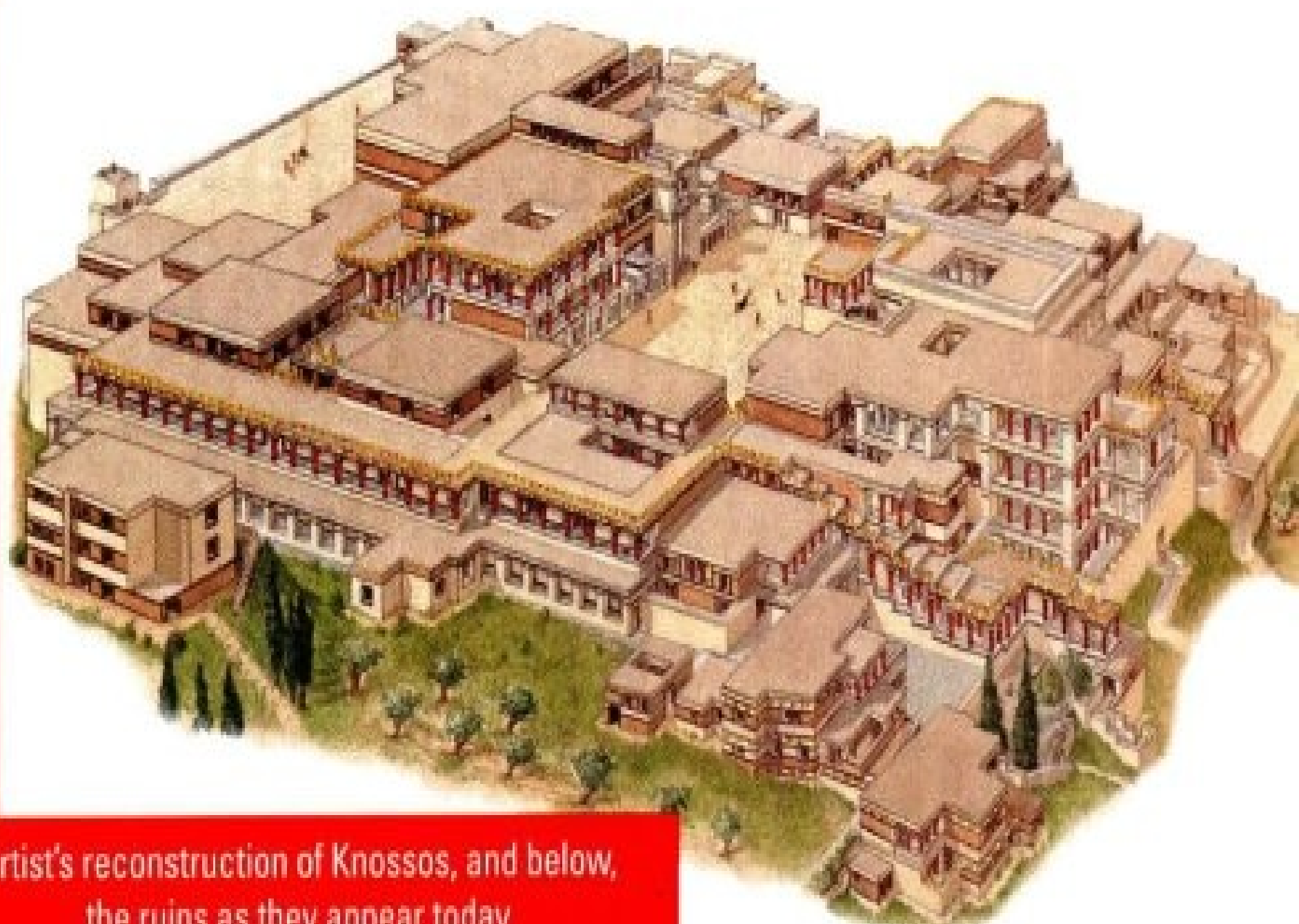
KNOSSOS(CNOSSOS)

***CAPITAL OF MINOAN
CIVILIZATION***

SIR ARTHUR EVANS

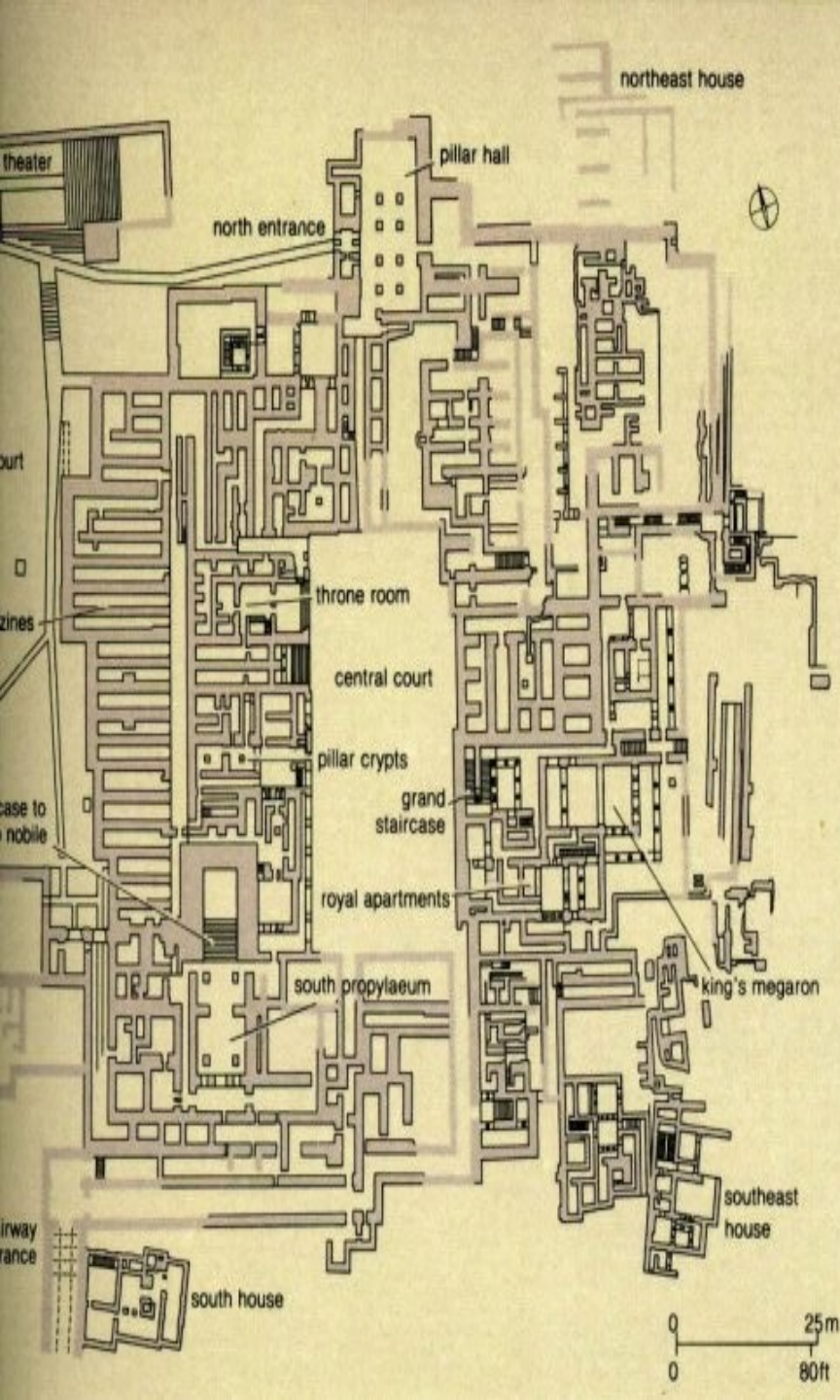
- *1851-1941*
- *EXCAVATOR OF KNOSSOS*
- *ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF MODERN ARCHAEOLOGY*





Artist's reconstruction of Knossos, and below, the ruins as they appear today

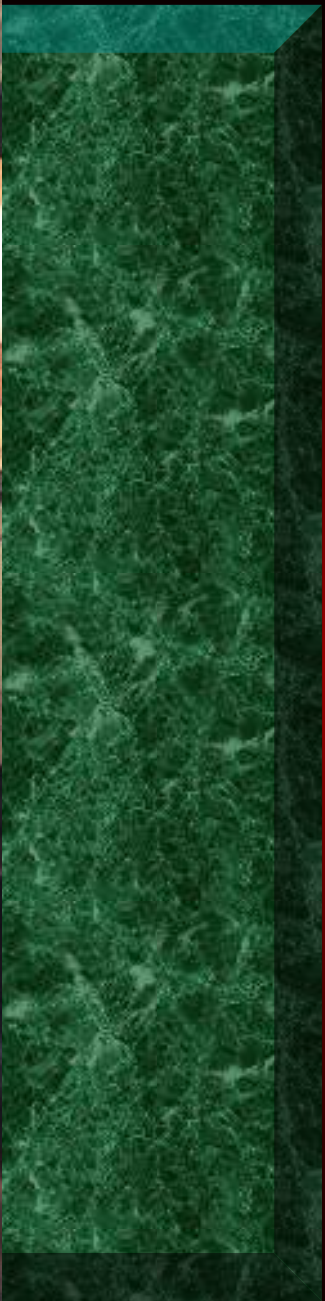
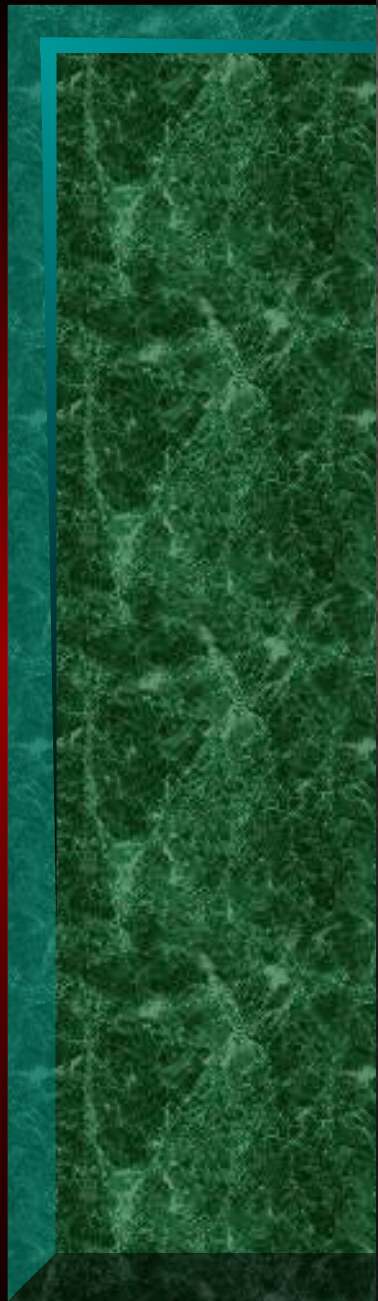


















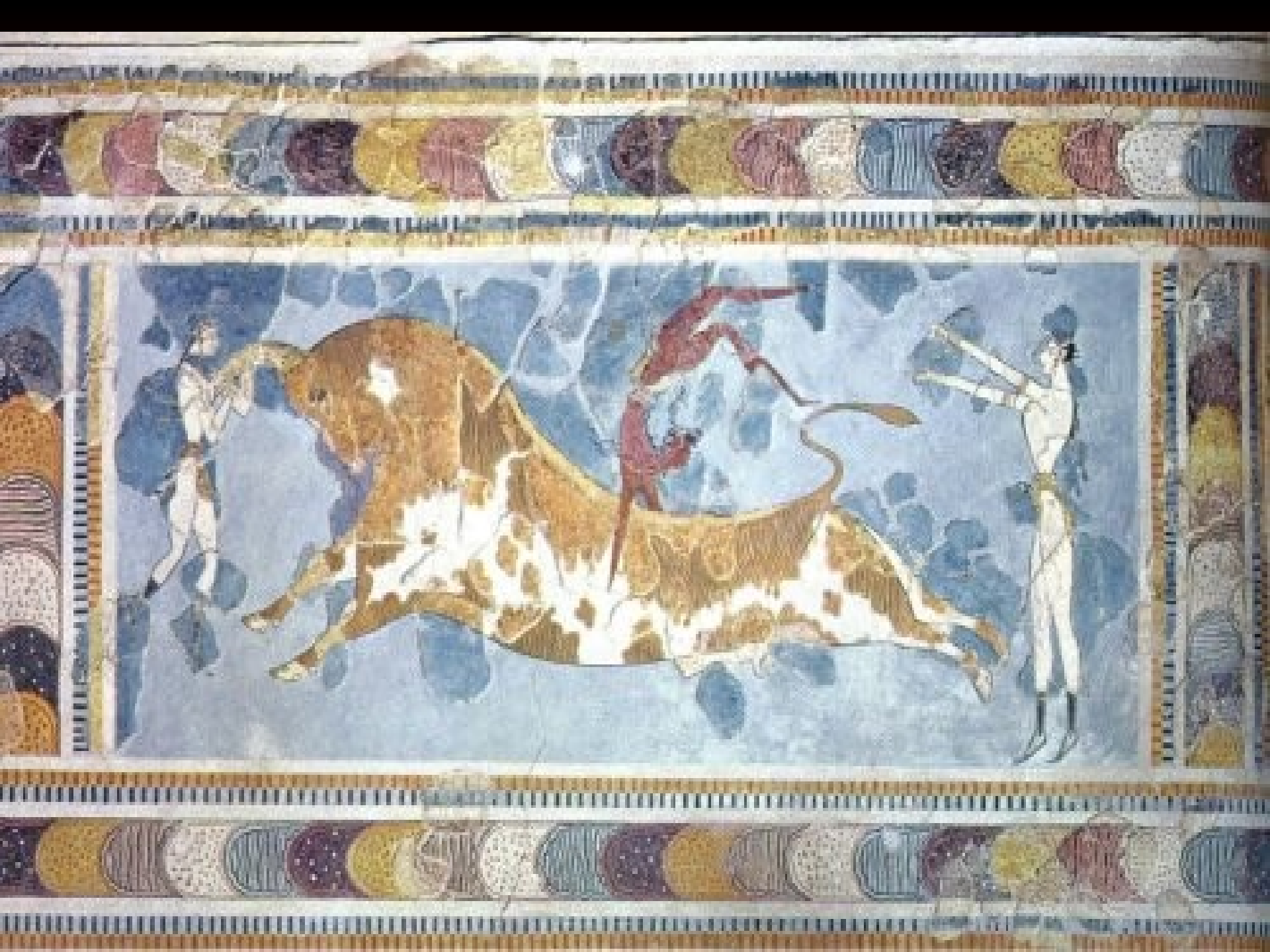


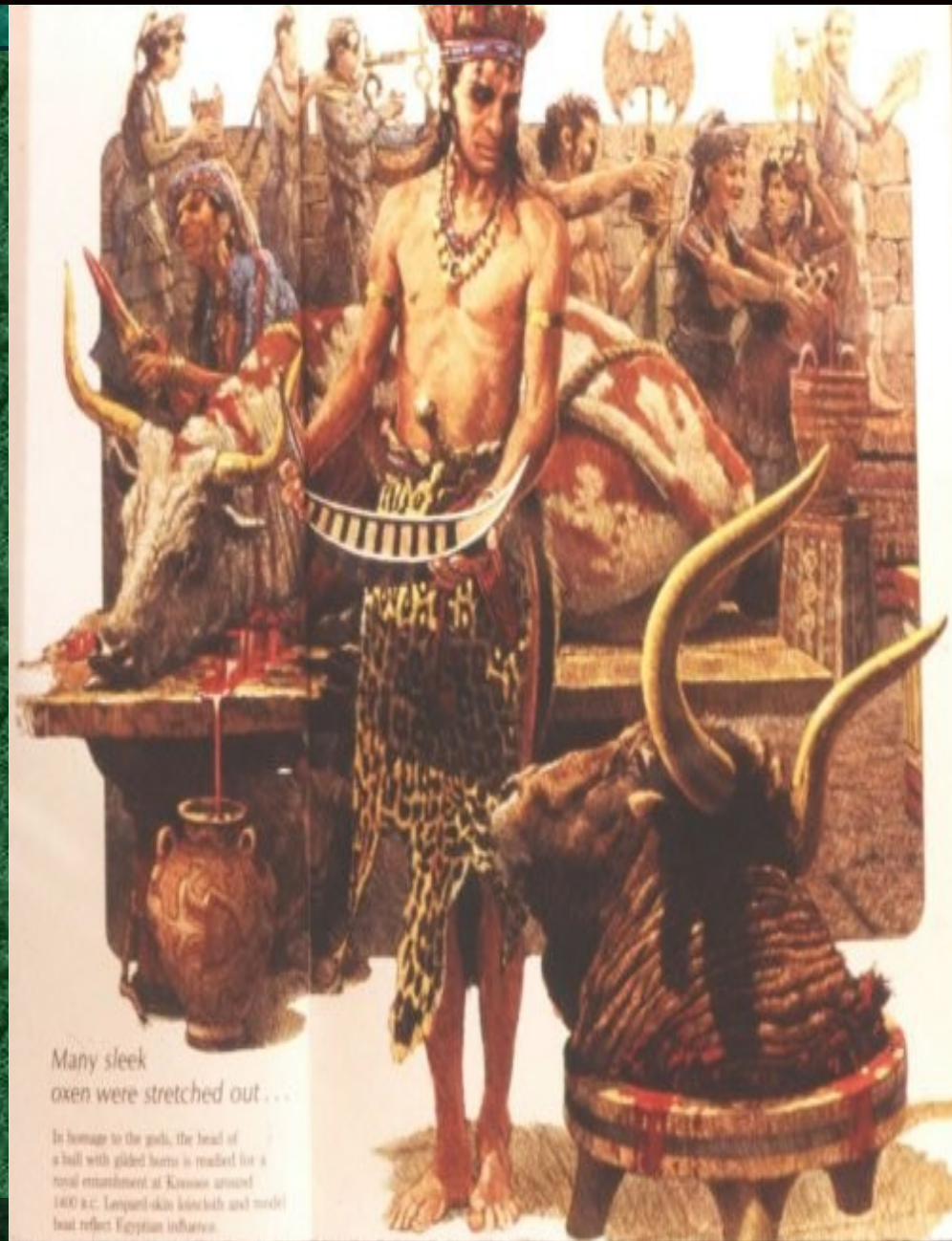


MINOAN ART









Many sleek
oxen were stretched out...

In homage to the gods, the head of
a bull with gilded horns is readied for a
ritual enactment at Karnak around
1800 B.C. Lacquered-wood bowls and model
beast reflect Egyptian influences.









***END OF MINOAN
CIVILIZATION***

POSSIBLE CAUSES

- *TRADE COLLAPSE*
- *WAR*
- *NATURAL DISASTER*
 1. *VOLCANIC ERUPTION*
 2. *TIDAL WAVE*
 3. *EARTHQUAKES*

THERA / SANTORINI

VOLCANIC ERUPTION

1500 B.C.E



Milos

Thera



THERASIA

KAMENI

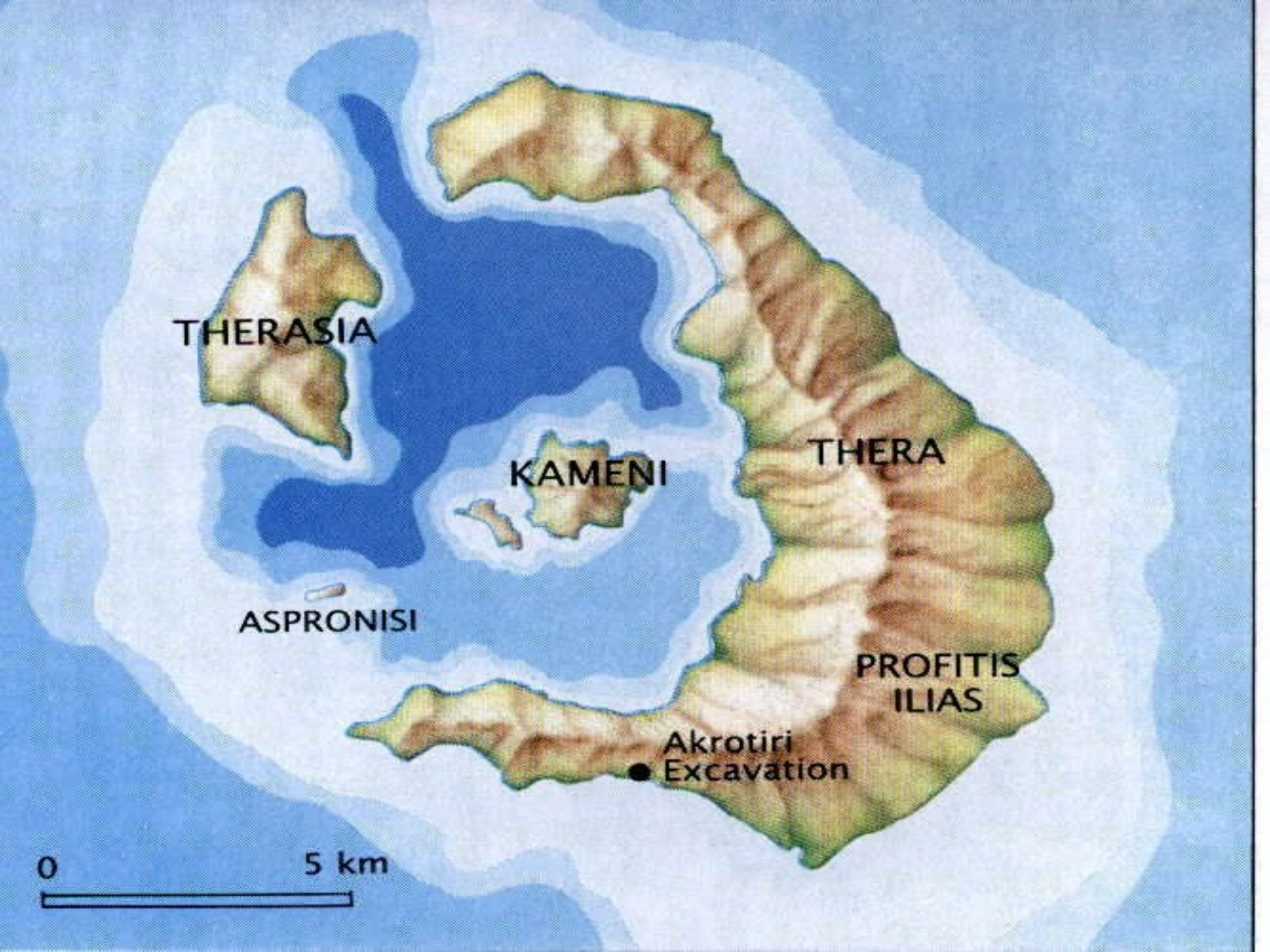
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Akrotiri
● Excavation

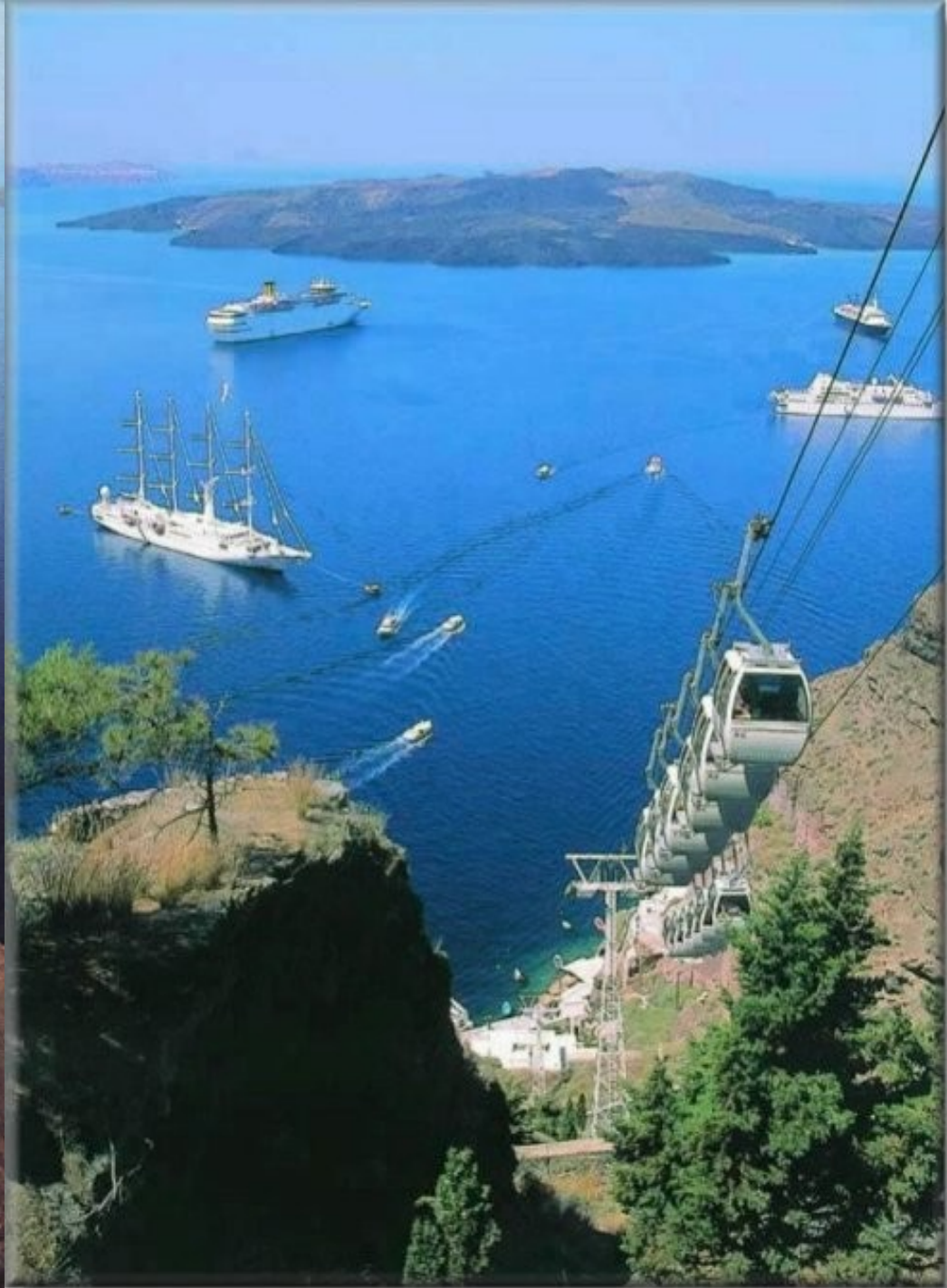
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VOLCANIC ERUPTION
1500B.C.E.



Phase 4

Phase 3

Phase 2

Phase 1

Minoan level



GREECE

ASIA MINOR

TURKEY

Aegean Sea

THERA

Cyclades

CRETE

Patrai

Delphi

Khalkis

ATTICA

Athens

Megara

Corinth

2600

PELOPONNESUS

MESSENTIA

Sparta

Vaphio

Pilos

2800

Kythera

Keos

Siphnos

Melos

Andros

Delos

Naxos

Amargos

Anafi

Icaria

Samos

Izmir

Miletus

Lasos

2400

Rhodes

Case

Karpathos

Cydonia

Heracleon

Amnisos

Malia

Sites

Knossos

Gortyn

Gournia

Zakros

Hagia Triada

Phaistos

Kefallinia

Skopelos

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Khios

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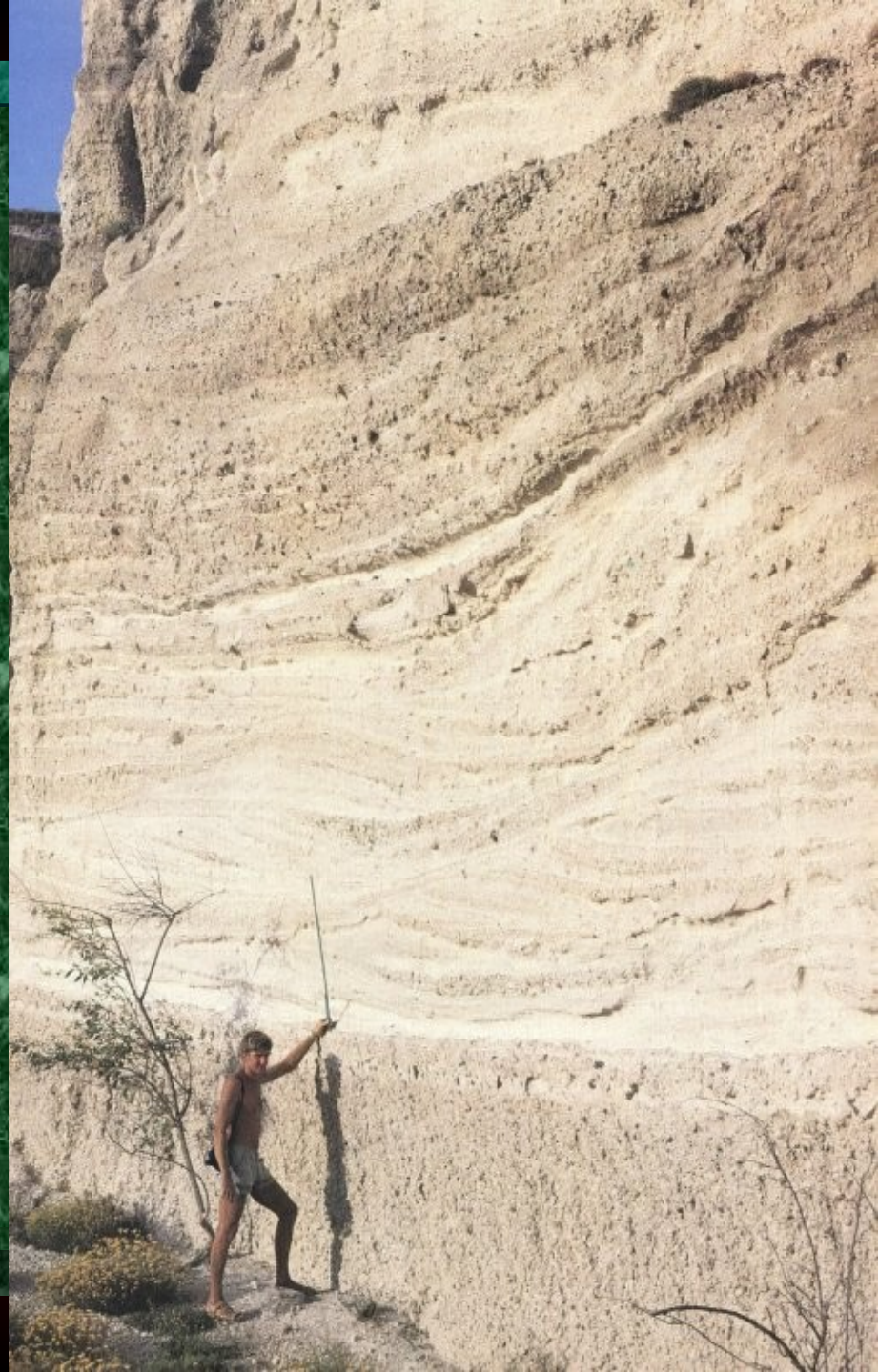
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