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Invitation to Surgut

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The first excavations of Surgut settlements were made at the end of the XIX century by a political convict Kozakov V. F. (1899 year) and by a scientist of the Tomsk University Chugunov S. M. (1890 year). But the materials were lost. The results of the researches are unknown.

More successful was an excavation of Doctor F. Martin. He researched five small fortifications and a grave "The Barsov Town". F. Martin reveled 111 burials. The materials were published in 1935 in Stockholm by a Swedish scientist Arner T. U. and for the latest time this publication was the only one scientific work connected with the archaeological excavations in Surgut, in the region of the river Ob.

Then in 1925 Pavlov N. B. with his group gave a shot description of 30 ancient towns.

In 1966 a group of archaeologists of the Urial State University with Peskova L. G. at its head researched "The Barsova Hill". They collected an interesting material and sent it to Moscow.

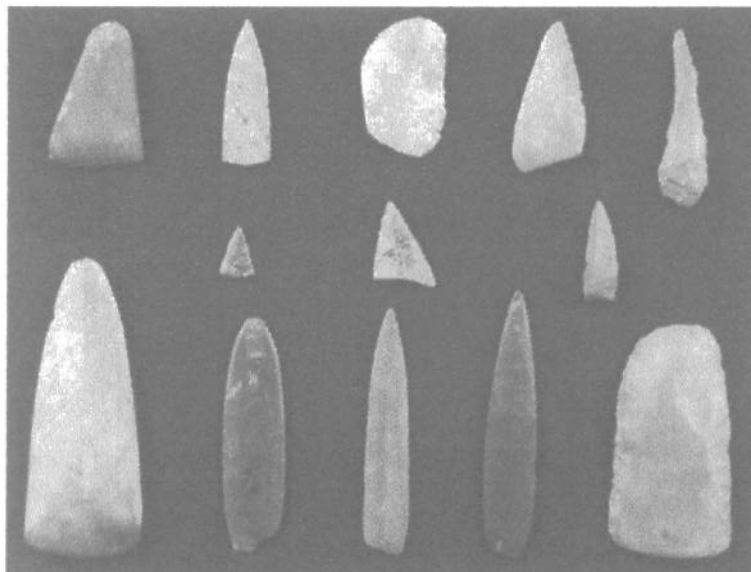
In 1968 the second University group (the leader Sukhina L. V.) made the plans of some settlements. They researched environs of Surgut and the village of Saigatino.

From 1971 the Urial archaeological expedition at the head with professor Gening V. F. began to work here. It appeared that "The Barsova Hill" is a real treasure of antiquities containing about 3000 residences joined into hundreds of settlements, 62 towns, 7 graves, several sacred places and other things. The earliest complexes dated to IV or V thousand years B. C.

A great number of ancient residences, encamped stands, funeral complexes give a rare opportunity to observe the evolution of material culture during 6 thousand years. The meaning of these works is greatly important and goes out of the limits of Surgut region of the river Ob. We can observe the process of forming the khanty ethnos from ancient times to the present days.

Basing on excavations on "The Barsova Hill" archaeologists of Yekaterinburg published about 100 scientific works. Their conclusions were used to write "Archaeological of the USSR" and many other historical monographers.

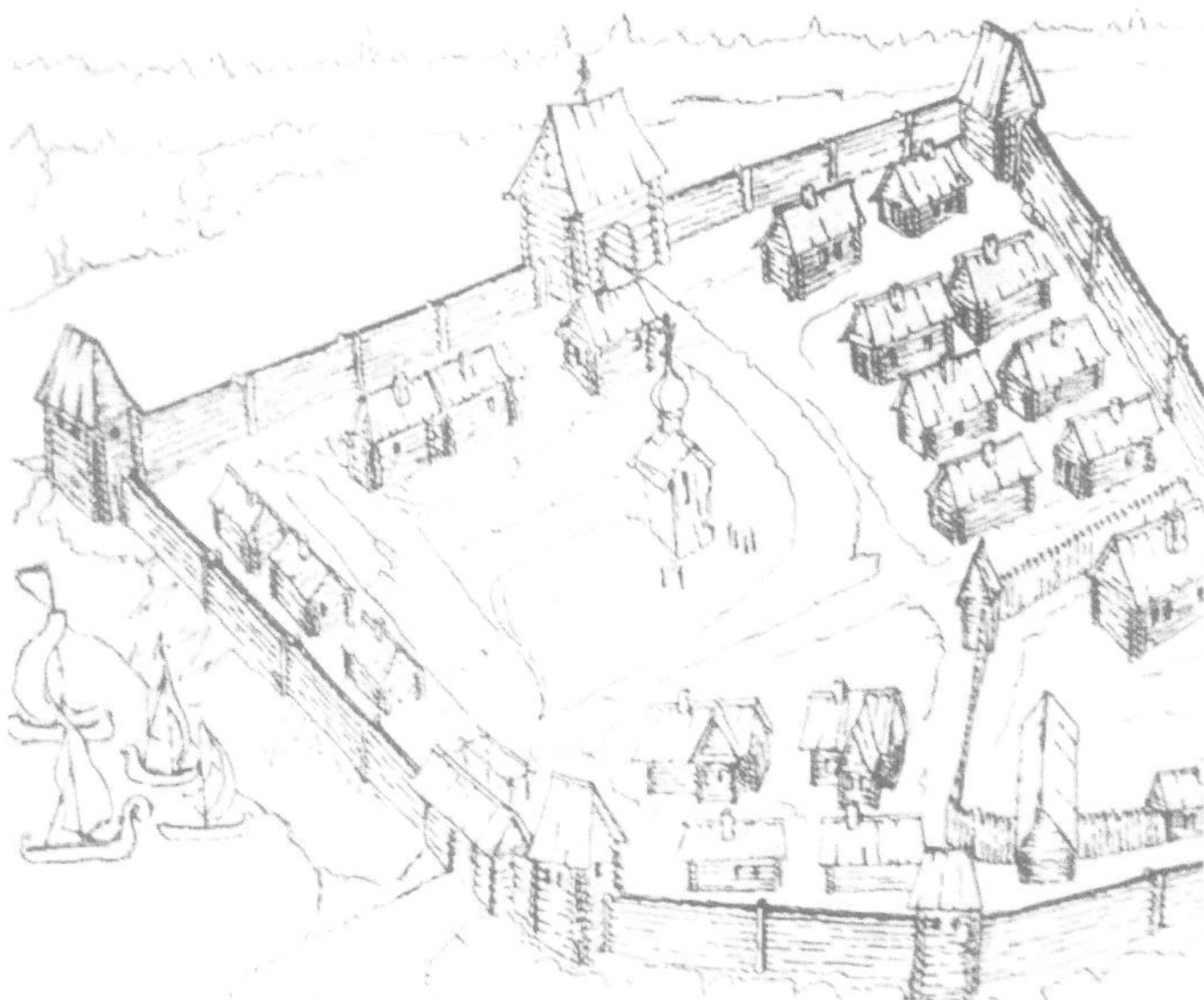
About 70 ancient monuments, a wonderful collection of hand-made goods and handcrafts made of metal were found out in Saigatino by Sukhina L. V., Niphontov A. A., Zikov A. N., Terechova L. M. Learning of ancient towns gave a good material to reconstruct settlement complexes of the metal epoch. The village Russkinskie and Yermakovo were investigated too. Three complexes near the village of Yermakovo counted more than 100 ancient monuments.



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