

CAPInv. 1928: **hoi linemporoi**

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Egypt
ii. Nome	Oxyrhynchites (U19)
iii. Site	Oxyrhynchus

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	οἱ λινέμποροι (P.Oxy. XII 1414 ll. 4 and 7)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>hoi linemporoi</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	271 / 272 AD
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Professional:	<i>linemporoi</i>
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V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	P.Oxy. XII 1414 (AD 271/2)
Online Resources	P.Oxy. XII 1414 TM 21824
i.a. Source type(s)	Papyrological source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Greek papyrus document; a record of proceedings of the Oxyrhynchus council

VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

iii. Income	Payment from council for work to be completed.
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XI. INTERACTION

i. Local interaction	The group has been contracted by the council to complete work for a fee.
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XII. NOTES

i. Comments	No explicit mention of a <i>synodos</i> or <i>koinon</i> , though the literature on this text has assumed that the negotiations regarding contracts between the council and groups of linen merchants and linen weavers deals with associations.
iii. Bibliography	Alston, R. (2002) <i>The city in Roman and Byzantine Egypt</i>. London and New York. Gällnö, S. (2013) '(In)visible Spinners in the Documentary Papyri from Roman Egypt', in M. Gleba and J. Pásztokei-Szeőke (eds.), <i>Making textiles in pre-Roman and Roman times: people, places, identities</i>. Oxford: 161-70 (esp. 165). Gibbs, M. A. (forthcoming) "Collective action, trade associations and the state in Roman Egypt," in D. Rathbone and A. Wilson (eds.) <i>Documents and the Mechanics of Roman Rule</i>. Cambridge. Harland, Philip A. (2003), <i>Associations, Synagogues, and Congregations. Claiming a Place in Mediterranean Society</i>. Minneapolis: esp. 152-153. Venticinque, P. (2015) "Courting the Associations: Cooperation, Conflict and Interaction in Roman Egypt." In V. Gabrielsen and C. A. Thomsen (eds.), <i>Private Associations and the Public Sphere Proceedings of a Symposium held at the Royal Danish Academy of Sciences and Letters, 9-11 September 2010</i>. Copenhagen: 314-40.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Possible
Note	Though there is no mention of a <i>synodos</i> or <i>koinon</i> , it is not uncommon for a group to simply be identified as the linen merchants, weavers, etc. Alston 2002: 207-212 includes the group along with other associations as have others, though Gibbs and Adams have expressed concerns.