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**Spiel** s. Sport und Spiel.

**Spieß** s. Speer und Lanze.

**Spindel** s. Spinnen. § 2.

**Spinne** (spider). Akk. *ettūtu*, *anzūzu* (logogram ŠĒ.GUR<sub>4</sub>), and *lummū*(?), Sum. *aš<sub>5</sub>*, *aš* (see N. Heeßel, AfO 48/49 [2001–2002] 236 for AŠ as logogram), *lūm* and *si<sub>14</sub>* (AHw. and CAD s.vv., also for further lex. entries). The variant *ettūtu* for the weaving goddess Uttu\* in a hemerology (CAD E 396) is a learned etymology. “Spider web” is Akk. *bunzirru* and *qê ettūti*, “to weave” a web is *ḥadālu* and *šatū*.

The popular saying BWL 220: 19–22 tells of a *ḥāmītu*-insect acting as witness

in a lawsuit against a *kuzāzu*-insect, thrown by the s.s (ŠĒ.GUR<sub>4</sub>) in fetters and cut into pieces at the entrance of a mouse’s hole. According to Landsberger 1934, 137, the moral of this saying is that an evildoer should not act as a witness. The following saying BWL 220: 23–25 tells of a s. ([*et*]-*tūtu*) which wove a web for a fly, but was threatened itself by a lizard, meaning that an evildoer is punished by a greater force (Landsberger *ibid.*).

The image of armor covered in cobwebs represents the inactivity of warriors (Erra I 88), a field covered in cobwebs an unwatered area (OIP 2, 79: 7; Iraq 16, 192: 64f.), see Streck, AOAT 264 (1999) 135f. no. 199.

For rare s. omens see Heeßel, AfO 48/49, 25 and 236 with n. 25 and CAD s.vv. *anzūzu* and *ettūtu* (s. seen in the door of an oven or falling on a prince in his chariot).

The s. is depicted on ED seals associated with weaving women (FI p. 16; GMA 320, 338) (Weben\*). For rhyta shaped like s.s used in Hitt. cults see B. Collins, in: ead. (ed.), A history of the animal world in the Ancient Near East (= HdOr. 1/64, 2002) 313.

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