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The late Professor G. W. Harris, C.B.E., F.R.S.

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### COLLEGE NEWS

It is a pleasure to welcome our new Principal, Mr. Geoffrey Warnock, on behalf of our readers. To the College he needs no introduction, for he is already well in command, and he and his family have been living in the Lodgings for two terms. A biographical notice appears on another page.

The death of Sir Wilfrid Le Gros Clark was announced in our last issue. A memorial service was held at St. Mary's Church last October, and on another page we print the address given on that occasion by Professor G. W. Harris, his successor as Dr. Lee's Professor of Anatomy. A month later, Geoffrey Harris himself died suddenly, a very great loss to the College and the University. We also publish the memorial address given for him in St. Mary's Church, in January, by Dr. Weddell, Reader in Human Anatomy. Our frontispiece is a drawing of Geoffrey Harris by Professor H. M. Powell, also a Fellow of the College.

A portrait of the late Principal, Sir Lindor Brown, has been done for the College by David Poole. Since the likeness had to be taken from photographs it was decided that a drawing would be more effective than oils, and the result is certainly a very fine work.

A new professorial Fellowship has been created for Mr. W. T. Horsley, appointed to the important post of Secretary to the University Chest. Mr. Horsley, who took a First in History at Hertford in 1939, returns to us after a varied and distinguished administrative career, in the Ministry of Supply and more recently as Head of the Secretariat to the Chief of the General Staff.

We congratulate Dr. P. F. Ganz on his appointment to the new Professorship of German. Dr. Ganz, formerly Reader in German, became College Lecturer in Modern Languages in 1960, and has been a Fellow since 1963. The new Chair is attached to St. Edmund Hall, so Peter Ganz's success is Hertford's loss. Meanwhile Dr. G. C. Stone has been elected to a new Fellowship in Slavonic Languages. Mr. J. Patten has been elected Fellow in Geography, and Mr. A. S. Goudie appointed College Lecturer in Geography.

Mr. P. Cartledge has been appoined College Lecturer in Ancient History. Dr. K. G. McLauchlan, our Chemistry Fellow, has been appointed to the new office of Tutor for Graduates. (The College now has some 60 postgraduate students usually in residence.)

D. Webster, of St. John's College, and J. Treglown, of St. Peter's College, have been elected to Senior Scholarships, to pursue graduate studies in Chemistry and English respectively.

Sixty men took Finals in 1971, of whom 4 obtained Firsts, and 38 Seconds. Congratulations to W. J. Taylor (Mathematics), D. Cook (Theology), C. M. Reeves and P. E. White (Geography) on their Firsts. Cook also won a University Prize, and Reeves was proxime accessit to the University Prizewinner. In 1972, seventy-one took Finals, of whom 6 obtained First and 49 Seconds. Congratulations to N. S. Wilkes (Mathematics), P. D. Gait (Chemistry), C. J. Hooley, D. J. Tester (Engineering & Economics), E. J. Pawson (Geography) and T. J. A. Wolff (English) on their Firsts. We also congratulate M. G. Eastwood, A. G. Joynes, J. V. Salmon (Mathematics), D. Carter, J. Wells, and C. J. Wheatley (Physics) on their Firsts in Honour Mods in 1971; and A. Thompson (Mathematics), T. J. Moorhouse (Physics), K. L. Dorrington (P.M.E.) and D. J. Arscott (English) on their Firsts in Honour Mods in 1972.

With sorrow we have to report the death of Gilbert Dyer, very shortly after his retirement as College Chef. An obituary notice appears on another page. We welcome as his successor Mr. A. H. Pell, formerly chef at Henley Staff College.

As already reported in the press, the College is one of the group of five which are to change their statutes to permit the admission of women. This pilot scheme, which has been worked out in cooperation with the women's colleges and with the blessing of the University, will bring an interesting experimental period for Hertford, and, we hope, further improve our rising academic standards.

The College's appeal to old members closed very satisfactorily, with some £125,000, out of a total of £177,000, promised by 1980. The College is still about £150,000 short of what is needed for the whole of the new quadrangle, and is now appealing for big donors to close the gap and enable building to begin. The architects appointed for this challenging site in Holywell are Messrs. Shepheard and Epstein.

Sir Nicholas Henderson (1937-40), formerly Ambassador in Warsaw, was made K.C.M.G. in this year's Birthday Honours, having just been appointed Ambassador in Bonn. He is the second Hertford man to occupy the Bonn Embassy, the first having been Sir Christopher Steel, Honorary Fellow.

### SCHOLARSHIPS AND EXHIBITIONS

### DECEMBER 1971

### CHEMISTRY

To an Open Meeke Exhibition

D. C. Allen, Sherborne P. R. Stannard, Borehamwood G.S.

C. Wall, Worsley Wardley G.S.

To an Open Meeke Exhibition P. G. Hartzell, Skinners School

### ENGLISH

To an Open Baring Scholarship

P. C. M. Kemmis Betty, Bradfield College

To an Open College Scholarship

A. K. Kennedy, Sevenoaks

### GEOGRAPHY

To an Open McBride Scholarship

J. W. Burrows, Royal G.S., High Wycombe

To an Open College Exhibition

P. G. Owen, St. Edward's College

### HISTORY

To an Open College Exhibition

R. A. W. Browne, Sevenoaks

C. G. Pickard, Liverpool College

### HUMAN SCIENCES

To an Open War Memorial Exhibition

J. M. Landers

### JURISPRUDENCE

To an Open Bracegirdle Exhibition

M. Lesser, Ealing G.S.

D. M. F. Newman, The Leys School

### MATHEMATICS

To an Open Baring Scholarship

J. E. D. Archer, King's, Rochester J. K. Barnfield, Portsmouth G.S.

To an Open Lusby Scholarship

J. R. Parker, Lancaster Royal G.S.

To an Open Lucy Scholarship

S. R. Barker, Leeds Modern

### **PHYSICS**

To an Open College Exhibition

C. L. R. Davis, Wellington G.S.

To an Open War Memorial Exhibition

M. P. Jordan, St. Michael's College, Leeds B. J. Murphy, De la Salle College, Sheffield

To an Open College Scholarship

D. J. McCulloch, Windsor G.S.

To the Organ Scholarship

P. Dart, Teignmouth G.S.

### P.P.E.

To an Open War Memorial Exhibition
D. G. A. Pitt, Salvatorian College, Harrow Weald

### CLASSICS

To the Baring Harrow Scholarship W. G. S. Massey, Harrow School

### MATHEMATICS

To the Baring Essex Scholarship
K. R. Wesbroom, Colchester Royal G.S.

### HILARY TERM 1971

LAW

To a College Scholarship
A. E. Davies

### THE NEW PRINCIPAL OF HERTFORD

MR. GEOFFREY WARNOCK, whose election to be Principal of Hertford was announced at the end of last year, has already taken up his new appointment. Mr. Warnock, who was born in 1923, won a scholarship to Winchester in 1937 and was awarded a classical scholarship at New College in 1941. After serving in the Irish Guards during the war, he came up to Oxford in 1945 to read PPE, taking a First in 1948. A year later he was elected to a Fellowship by Examination at Magdalen and in the following one to a Fellowship at Brasenose. In 1953 he returned to Magdalen to teach philosophy, remaining there until his present appointment: during this time he twice occupied the arduous office of Senior Tutor, taught on occasions in United States universities, and in 1968 was elected to a Radcliffe Research Fellowship. He is married and has five children; his wife, also a philosopher, and for the last six years Headmistress of Oxford High School, is now a Research Fellow at Lady Margaret Hall.

Mr. Warnock is a philosopher of great distinction, whose powers of lucid analysis are matched by an equally impressive literary style; those struck by the grace and fastidiousness of his writing may not be surprised to learn that he is also an accomplished poet. His first book, Berkeley, published in 1953, applied recently evolved methods of philosophical analysis to Berkeley's idealism. His searching examination of Berkeley's argument made the book a standard text. Since then in addition to numerous articles in periodicals he has written three further books. English Philosophy since 1900 traced some of the origins of present day English philosophy in Moore, Russell and Wittgenstein. In Contemporary Moral Philosophy he has attacked and, to some minds at least, effectively refuted the widely held view that moral philosophy is principally concerned with the study of the linguistic act occurring in moral discourse. In place of this preoccupation, Mr. Warnock has shown in The Object of Morality that a systematic study of the fundamental reasons for morality can be lucid, unpompous and objective. Philosophers owe him a further debt for undertaking, in collaboration with Mr. J. O. Urmson, the task of editing and preparing for publication the papers of J. L. Austin: his reconstruction from notes of Austin's lectures on Sense and Sensibilia was by general consent a masterpiece of accuracy and skilful exegesis.

As the new Principal's former colleagues and pupils will be aware, the qualities of clarity, shrewdness, and urbanity that inform his philosophical works are by no means confined to these: they are even liable to obtrude upon such unpromising fields as those of college business and administration, reducing apparently intractable issues to manageable, almost elegant proportions. Mr. Warnock's outlook on life is perhaps tinged with a certain good-humoured irony, a wry detachment from anything savouring of the high-flown or the pretentious. There is, however, nothing dispassionate about his firm belief in reason, a belief to which he

has shown himself eminently capable of giving effective practical expression. This, together with his natural kindness and friendliness, makes him a worthy successor of the late Sir Lindor Brown.

### ADDRESS

at the Memorial Service to Sir Wilfrid Le Gros Clark, F.R.S. at the University Church, 16th October 1971, by Professor G. W. Harris, F.R.S.

WITH the death of Sir Wilfrid Le Gros Clark this summer, a chapter closes in the history of Anatomy. Sir Wilfrid was probably the last of the great men capable of carrying out fundamental research in several different fields in his chosen subject—capable of surveying in his time the whole field of anatomical knowledge—and also capable of introducing a new and reformed approach to the teaching and practice of anatomy.

Le Gros lived much of his early life in the West Country, especially Devonshire. He was educated at Blundell's School. and obtained his medical degree from St. Thomas's Hospital in 1917. In 1918 he went to France as a Captain in the R.A.M.C. Following the war he spent two years back at his old medical school obtaining the Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons, and these two years of his life seem to have been critical for his future. The stresses he had been exposed to by his war experiences weighed heavily upon him during this period. Probably as a consequence he took the post of Principal Medical Officer at Sarawak, Borneo, under the third White Rajah, Charles Vyner Brooke. One suspects that the three years spent there represent his intent to find peace and quiet, and to re-formulate in his own mind his future life. However, during this time he became interested in the lemurs and tarsioidssmall animals living in the jungles of that part of the world—and on his return to England, to direct the Anatomy Department at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, he brought with him a number of specimens of these creatures. It is to this fact that his two major research interests can be traced. First his detailed studies of the anatomy of these animals defined their evolutionary status at the stem of the primate tree, and led to his interest in physical anthropology. And secondly, amongst these general anatomical studies were the observations he made on their brains. This led to his basic work in later years on the evolutionary development of the brain, his studies on the thalamus, the hypothalamus and the sensory input tracts into the central nervous system. The monumental neurological papers that he published will stand the test of time for many years-not only for the original and precise facts recorded, but also for the orderliness and clarity with which they were written. They are models for students, and indeed for all of us.

During his tenure of the Chair of Anatomy at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, and later St. Thomas's Hospital in London, he worked with inadequate accommodation and assistance, but laid the basic

foundations in anthropology and neuroanatomy for major developments in both fields. This work led to his election to the Royal Society in 1935. In 1934 he took the Chair of Anatomy in Oxford and his Fellowship at Hertford College. The increased facilities at Oxford enabled Le Gros to continue his work more easily, and to develop groups of workers in his fields of study. Young anatomists from many countries came to study under him, so that now his original and imaginative views have had an impact on teaching and research throughout the world. We are fortunate that here in Oxford he has left behind a solid core of workers trained by him, and continuing the distinguished work that he started.

Sir Wilfrid was undoubtedly the greatest British physical anthropologist of this century. Soon after the Second World War when more fossil primate remains were unearthed in South Africa, he went out there to determine at first hand the importance of these finds. In 1955 he published his book "The Fossil Evidence for Human Evolution", followed in 1959 by a more comprehensive book, "The Antecedents of Man". This is a classical contribution, and will remain the chief source book on the subect for years to come. The unmasking of the Piltdown fraud in 1953 was another milestone in anthropology with which he was concerned.

As might be expected, Le Gros received many high honours. He was awarded a Royal Medal in 1961. He was President of the Anatomical Society in 1952 and 1953, and President of the International Anatomical Congress in Oxford in 1950. He was elected President of the British Association for 1961. He served on the Medical Research Council, and was an honorary member of many foreign societies—including the Norwegian Academy of Art and Sciences, the Royal Society of New Zealand, the American Philosophical Society, and the National Academy of Science in Washington. In 1954 he was Master of the Salters' Company, a position in which he took great pride.

And what of the man behind all this work and these distinctions? He was essentially a modest man. But also a very kind and gentle person, with a great sense of friendliness. He enjoyed immensely his contacts with other people—whether it was country walks with his brothers or his friends, or whether it was discourse with his Fellows in Hertford. He valued highly his college relations and the opportunity Oxford offers for intellectual companionship. It was typical of Le Gros, too, that in his department everybody, whatever their status, was his personal friend. His warmth of character, and his desire to help younger people with problems in their research, or of a more personal nature, were valued by all. He is indeed greatly missed and will be in the years to come.

In the past many of the world's leading anatomists have been associated at some time of their lives with Oxford. In the seventeenth century Sir Thomas Willis and Sir Richard Lower, in the eighteenth century John Hunter; and now in the twentieth century we have known Sir Wilfrid Le Gros Clark.

Our deep sympathy goes to his family. We shall all feel our loss, though through his family and in the development of the ideas and the work that he started we shall still feel his presence.

### ADDRESS

at the Memorial Service to Professor G. W. Harris, C.B.E., F.R.S. at the University Church, 29th January 1972, by Dr. A. G. M. Weddell

WE are here to honour the memory of Geoffrey Wingfield Harris, Dr. Lee's Professor of Human Anatomy, and Fellow of Hertford College.

His sudden death in office and in the prime of life came as a great shock to all of us who knew him in the University. All the more so when we recall that it was only one month previously that he himself was giving the valedictory address in this very place in memory of his predecessor, Sir Wilfrid Le Gros Clark.

However, this is not merely an occasion for mourning but rather one for us to reflect upon the contributions both to knowledge and to society that can still be made by an outstanding personality.

Geoffrey had a passion for knowledge. He was educated at Dulwich College and Emmanuel College, Cambridge, where he entered as an exhibitioner. He obtained first class honours in Parts I and II of the Natural Science Tripos and in 1935 was elected by his College to a Senior Scholarship. In 1936 he entered St. Mary's Hospital, London, as Harmsworth Scholar and in the course of his clinical training he won no fewer than three prizes in such diverse subjects as ophthalmology, paediatrics and bacteriology. After qualification and house appointments which included a period with that outstanding neurosurgeon, Sir Geoffrey Jefferson, at his clinic in Manchester, he joined the staff of the Anatomy department at Cambridge where he remained for eight years. Already, both as a student at Cambridge and St. Mary's Hospital, he had started his work on the pituitary gland which was later to make him one of the leading endocrinologists in the world.

In 1947 he moved from the Anatomy to the Physiology department at Cambridge, where he held the post of University Lecturer for four years. This bold change would have daunted a lesser man but to Geoffrey it was a completely logical step. His whole life was spent in the pursuit of knowledge; he wanted to know all there was to know about the pituitary gland, that small insignificant-looking organ situated at the base of the brain, and physiological techniques of a sophisticated nature were now called for. In 1952 he was invited to become the first Fitzmary Professor of Physiology in the University of London, tenable at the Maudsley Hospital, a post in which he remained for ten years.

As I have already indicated, Geoffrey was a courageous man and he held what were at the time revolutionary ideas as to the relationship between the brain and the pituitary gland. These ideas were challenged by a Senior Professor in Anatomy following one of his papers at a society meeting, at which I was present, and he was told that if he thought that the improbable views which we had put forward were correct then there was but one way to prove their veracity. He should perform a series of delicate and intricate operations on animals which no one at the meeting for one moment believed were remotely possible. Geoffrey, slightly pink in the face, rose and with great dignity thanked the speaker for his suggestions and amid slightly derisive laughter said that he would do what had been proposed.

Within a short time he had indeed succeeded in performing what had appeared to be an impossible feat and had vindicated his own ideas. This was a milestone in the history of endocrinology and it exemplifies Geoffrey's singleness of purpose and scientific integrity. Briefly, it meant that the brain, through very short and direct blood connections with the front part of the pituitary gland, could and does regulate the behaviour of most of the other endocrine glands in the body. This was a triumphant turning point in his career but to Geoffrey himself it was just knowledge gained which pointed the way to further experiments which could now be planned and still more knowledge that could be gained. In 1953 he was elected to a Fellowship of the Royal Society in recognition of this work.

In 1962 he came to Oxford; once again he had returned to his original discipline of Anatomy. But the subject was by now in a new and receptive mood, chiefly as the result of his predecessor, Sir Wilfrid Le Gros Clark.

Geoffrey's appointment to the Chair here at Oxford was fruitful in every way and in many diverse directions. Not only was he able to pursue his own research and add considerably to the lustre of his name, but as Honorary Director of the Medical Research Council's Neuroendocrinology Unit he saw to it that this soon became an integral part of the department of Human Anatomy. Thus he built up a happy team of workers who have themselves made notable contributions to knowledge. Moreover, Geoffrey made certain that the Unit was neither an appendage to, nor dominated, the department. Its members gradually became fully integrated with those of the departmental staff and today members of both parties are doing collaborative research work of great distinction.

From this it must not be supposed that other anatomical disciplines in the department did not flourish under his leadership. For example, the neuroanatomical research coming from the department at this time is unequalled anywhere in the world, and he even welcomed and encouraged those who are making contributions to knowledge in the rather exceptional field of leprosy. It was part of his great quality of leadership that he was always willing to encourage, to provide facilities, and to

fight for grants, for any of us who wished to work on subjects which were in any way connected with experimental morphology.

There were yet other contributions to this University for which Geoffrey Harris was responsible. In particular the teaching of undergraduates. He not only encouraged the use of new teaching methods but also rationalised the preclinical teaching of Anatomy and Histology. Above all it was he who was responsible for integrating Anatomy to play its logical role in teaching for the new Honour School of Physiological Sciences. It required his particularly clear and logical mind to persuade us that form and function can be taught most fruitfully as complementary rather than polar disciplines. This idea came naturally to him for he was truly both Physiologist and Anatomist by upbringing. He liked undergraduates and he liked teaching them. He was the senior member of their Squash Rackets Club and was himself a player whom few could beat.

From what I have already said it must not be supposed that Geoffrey was glued to his laboratory to the exclusion of all else. He was an endocrinologist and as interested in the effects and functioning of hormones in man as he was in their effects and functions in animals. Thus he soon forged links with the Department of Gynaecology and Obstetrics under the direction of Professor Stallworthy and with the Department of Psychiatry under the direction of Professor Gelder. These ties were rapidly expanding at the time of his death and it is to be hoped that this collaboration will continue, for expert knowledge about the chemical composition and the proper use of hormones is clearly going to play an even larger role in clinical medicine and society as time goes on.

Finally, what of the dynamic, gracious and kindly man behind this great scientist? He was essentially a modest and shy person, but with a great love of humanity in its widest sense.

He believed strongly from experiments with animals and his own observations on the behaviour of mankind that aggression was essentially due to overcrowding, and in the longer term to overpopulation. He believed that unless this issue was faced squarely there would be increasing danger of a third, possibly the last of all World Wars.

Geoffrey was probably unique as an expositor when giving popular lectures on sex hormones. He respected all religious views, yet with kindly logic and superbly quiet eloquence he would point out in detail how science and progress in endocrinology would eventually lead to means of population control which would be both cheap and inoffensive to all, even the most fastidious. Moreover, as he used to point out, population control would not for ever be an imposition upon women, but that in future men could be equally involved without either sex suffering even minor side effects.

Clearly, to a man of his eminence fell many honours. In 1965 he became a Commander of the British Empire and he was awarded honorary degrees by numerous foreign universities. But to someone who died in the prime of life the number of prizes he received from universities including those in every capital of every continent of the world was phenomenal; they fill a foolscap sheet of typescript. His publications numbered over 140, including books. A man of such wide intellectual capacity and academic achievement does not have as much time as he would like to spend at home among his family, but we who knew him realised that they were constantly in his thoughts. He was quietly proud of his children and devoted to his wife, and the month he spent every summer at his home felling trees and growing roses was one of the greatest joys of his life.

There is one simple story which bears on these family ties—coming back to England late at night on a plane with a colleague, they had both missed a meal at the airport and knew that they were in for two hours of starvation. Momentarily Geoffrey looked sad, then a smile came to his face and reaching into his brief case he brought out some cakes. 'Thank God for the thoughtfulness of my dear wife,' he said, handing some of them to his friend.

To his colleagues in the University and elsewhere he will be remembered as a great scientist as well as a wise counsellor and loyal friend. He will leave a gap that can never be filled. But we, the living, are the better for having known him and perhaps unconsciously all of us in the Department of Human Anatomy will strive the harder to fulfil his ambitions for us, and the subject he professed.

To his family we extend our deepest sympathy and they can be assured of any help they may need, from us, in the years to come.

## THE HERTFORD MAGAZINE 1912—1942

BEFORE continuing this scrapbook of decennial delvings into the *Magazine*, the editor would like to thank D. H. Conran and J. C. Middleton for responding to his appeal in the last issue for missing back numbers. Those still missing are No. 27 (1938/39), No. 31 (1943), No. 36 (1948), No. 39 (1951), and No. 47 (1959/60).

1912 seems to have been a quiet year in college. Only the perennial complaints about 'the condition of the undergraduates' bathrooms in the New Buildings'—'The floor is simply beastly, one chronic pool of mud and slush'—remained of the grumbles of 1911. But it was a year of grumbling outside the University, and the Tyndale Society debated (and carried?) a motion 'That the power acquired by the Trade Unions is a menace to the best interests of the country at large'.

On the river, the Torpids boat was bumped six times. was not', claimed the Boat Club secretary, 'a representative crew, selection being limited by a prevailing inability to swim'. Nevertheless, by next term the editor could only add that 'At the time of writing Eights Week is still in progress, and evidently the cup of our humiliation is not yet full . . . It is decidedly embarrassing to be asked by one's lady visitors on the barge, as boat after boat comes past, "Well, is this Hertford?".' In other sports, however, the College 'excelled itself' and 'In respect of academic distinctions, the College can hold its head as high as any other in Oxford.' The examination statistics, incomplete as they are, suggest a different distribution of Classes from the present. Between 1897 and 1911 Hertford averaged 6.7 Firsts and 9.3 Seconds a year—but these figures probably include The total number of undergraduates was 100 to 120. Mods.

A letter from T. G. Jackson, the architect, gives interesting details on the Chapel interior: "The carving was done by Mr. Childs, the head wood-carver at Messrs. Farmer and Brindly's, and men under his supervision. He and I have worked together for some thirty years . . . My plan always is to sketch full size parts of what has to be done, and if necessary have a bit modelled in clay. This gives the scale and the style, and then I let the carvers "have their heads", and, while following the lead I have given them, they work like free men within these limits.' Jackson concluded 'I never had a pleasanter task, or one more to my taste, than building the Chapel of Hertford College, and designing every detail with my own hand.'

This issue was graced by a candid shot of W. R. Buchanan Riddell, in cap and gown, conducting roll-call outside Hall—'the handsomest don in Oxford', as he was called in the accompanying article regretting his departure to the Board of Education at Whitehall. He had, it was claimed, been 'a perfect Dean'; and as History tutor he was succeeded by C. R. M. Cruttwell.

1922 was overshadowed by the death of Principal Boyd, who had held office since 1877 and presided over the development of the College and its buildings after its new foundation in 1874. Still the last Hertford Principal to hold the Vice-Chancellorship, he held it (according to a custom since lapsed but now statutorily revived) 'for the full four years'. By October, Buchanan Riddell had returned to Hertford as Boyd's successor.

Oxford was going through a problematic period. 'In many ways the uniqueness of post-war Oxford has decreased . . . Nearly all our Freshmen of last October came up from school.' But 'At the present time many undergraduates do not find it easy to obtain suitable employment. It is to be hoped that India will recover its popularity, and that the National Education Service will come to be more and more regarded as

offering a suitable career for Oxford men, but openings of all kind are wanted, and we hope that those of our readers who are business men in search of bright young men . . .' etc. Royal Commission's report had a lukewarm reception. object in appointing a Royal Commission on Oxford and Cambridge was to enable Parliament to grant money to those ancient academies without undue twinges of conscience, the Commissioners may be said to have done their work well.' But 'One cannot help thinking that the object of the Commissioners has really been to justify the existence of the rich Colleges rather than to help the poor ones.' Meanwhile Colleges themselves were beginning to cooperate over reforms. 'The rather unseemly scramble which has for some years taken place along the various groups of Colleges in their efforts to secure the best scholars has given way after much discussion to a more orderly system under which three groups of Colleges agree to accept a scheme of rotation, taking turns to examine first, second and third.'

Within the College, clubs proliferated. The Hobbes Society discussed political thought, the Hale Society was for lawyers, a Musical Society was formed and concerts arranged; both the Christian Union and the League of Nations Union had representation and meetings in College.

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1932 saw the Musical Society still flourishing, and its 'quietly excellent tradition' maintained by a series of organ recitals. The old hop-picking settlement in Kent, still existing in 1922, had by now been replaced by the Hertford Club for Bermondsey boys, which organised a camp on the Dragon School field. The Hertford 'Vandals' Cricket XI toured Devon and Cornwall, were beaten by Exmouth, but defeated Bude, Werrington and Millaton. There was a dance arranged for them at Bude, and altogether 'From a social point of view, the tour was a complete success.' The College's Commem Ball was apparently an equal success, despite 'several gate-crashers, who had reached the dancing-floor in some cases by very circuitous routes: this is a kind of dishonest nuisance to which Oxford balls are very subject.'

These pursuits of the '30s had their more worrying side. 'In the Michaelmas Term, which began just at a moment when the country's uneasiness was most acute, speculation was very general as to the reaction on Oxford of the National Crisis.' Admissions were less affected than graduates' prospects. 'Jobs have been becoming more and more elusive. Last year there were very few business openings, and the African Tropical Services reduced their number of vacancies in a very drastic way. This summer does not promise to be any easier. Even "schoolmastering" is showing signs of repletion. And of those who went down last year, by no means all have found occupation. It is hard competition, where everything tells, and where quali-

fications are closely scanned: the difference between "a second" and "a third" has now become a matter of some moment.'

Principal Cruttwell wrote an article for the 1932 issue on the new foundation of 1874, based on papers he had received from the family of Principal Michell, which is not without interest. It shows that T. C. Baring's offer to endow new fellowships, which enabled Michell to realise his cherished scheme of refounding Hertford College, was only made to Magdalen Hall after Baring's own college, Brasenose, had declined. There was opposition both external and internal. The parliamentary Bill was disliked by Gladstone and Harcourt because of the Anglican restriction on the fellowships, and although the Liberals were placated by an amendment to safeguard the University Tests Act (1871), the report stage still lasted 1½ hours before Mowbray the University Member who was piloting it through the Commons-had safely earned his Honorary Fellowship of the new College. A second amendment was needed to appease the three tutors of Magdalen Hall who had not been given seats on the Governing Body, since they did not come up to Baring's standards for a fellowship. They belonged to the era of 'our poor old Hall', considered to have 'too many gay young men who did not proceed to a degree, and too many elderly failures grindingly and laboriously endeavouring to obtain one'; yet they com-manded, it seems, some sympathy and support in Convocation, whose approval was necessary, so eventually they had to be provided with unendowed seats. Another point of interest is that the new College was involved from the start in abortive negotiations with the University for a less cramped site, in Wellington Square or preferably in the High Street, where it hoped to build two quads where the Examination Schools now stand.

1942 saw the Magazine reduced to two folded sheets, due to Numbers were declining too, and contingents paper shortage. from Oriel and Keble were billeted in College. 'An innovation is provided by the introduction into the College of "Lady Godiva", our new trailer-pump from Coventry, manned on an alert by members of the College . . . The fire-fighting services of the University and Colleges have now been organized into Sections based on Areas; Hertford is included in the Radcliffe Square Area, which is controlled by a Gauleiter from All Souls.' Apart from this, College life seemed to be as yet remarkably unaffected by the war. 'Much interest has been aroused by the planting of two trees, a hawthorn and a Siberian crab, inside the grass of the front quad; it is hoped that others may appear later.' If by any chance these were supposed to symbolise our gallant allies, it is noteworthy that the Siberian crab has since disappeared, while the hawthorn has grown very large, but has borne no fruit.

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### UNIVERSITY NEWS

### **EXAMINATIONS**

### Honours Schools 1971

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Class II Cooper, T. L., Giblin, P. L., James, M., Smith, S. D.

Class III Carter, S.

Physics/Philosophy

Class II Barker, P.

Biochemistry

Class III Leonard, R. J.

Chemistry (Part II)

Class II Allison, R. G., Mudd, W.

Class III Gale, E. J., Johnson, P. S. K.

Engineering

Class III Andrews, A. N., Bishop, M. J., Calverley, J. P., France, K. G. Phillips, P. G., Richards, D. W.

Engineering | Economics

Class II Ferbes, R. H.

Class III Walsh Atkins, R. N.

Agriculture

Class II Mosley, S. N.

P.P.E.

Class II Harkin, G. J., Levi, M., Stewart, J. S.

Class III Cattran, J. M., Hopkins, A. J.

Law

Class II Brown, R. P. N., Crowther, S. J., McGowan, B. P. T., McVeigh, K. J.

Class III Adcock, J. R., Hughes, H. D. A., Ross, T. S.

History

Class II Binham, P. A., Cole, B. E., Jacomb, A. K. R.

Class III Hyland, K. F. J.

History/Modern Languages

Class II Garson, J. A.

Class III Ogley, A. E.

History | Economics

Class II Longley, G. N.

Theology

Class I & University Prize Cook, D.

English

Class II Boyd, A. W., Kirby, D. K., Lewis, J. L., Snee, A. J.

Geography

Class I Reeves, C. M., White, P. E.

Class II Audley-Miller, G. G., Britton, N., Peel, R. M. A., Rutter, J. S.

Physiology

Class II Dewar, J. A., Hollis, P. H., Martyn, C. N., Ward, R. G.

### HONOUR MODERATIONS 1972

Mathematics

Eastwood, M. G., Joynes, A. G., Salmon, J. V., Wheeler, R. L., Woodruff, P. Class

Class II Pritchard, J.

Mathematics / Philosophy

Class II Levy, B. P.

Physics

Class Ţ Carter, D., Wells, J., Wheatley, C. J.

Humphries, C. A., Perkins, D. G., Russell, R. T., Sears, G. J., Stevenson, W. J. T. Gordon, D. T. Class H

P.M.E.

Class III

Class II Caroussis, C. I.

English

Class II Absolom, K. C., Davies, S., Henson, N. H. G., Molyneux, C. B., O'Brien, M. P. G., Strickland, P., Swaine, C. N.

### Honours Schools 1972

Lit. Hum.

Class II Hampson, J., Lennon, A.

Class III Daniell, M. J., Indoe, D. G.

Mathematics

Wilkes, N. S. Elliott, B. Class 1

Class II

Class III Wootton, C. B.

Physics

Blakey, P. A., Bradish, C. F., Howard, C. O., Mayers, J. Day, J. E. Class II

Class III

Physics/Philosophy

Class II Slocombe, M. G., Tye, M. J.

Zoology

Class II Hardy, A. R.

Biochemistry, Part II

Class II Bashford, C. L. S.

Chemistry, Part II

I Class

Clark, J. D., Tanswell, P., Wilcox, P. Class II

Engineering

Hooley, C. J., Tester, D. J. Class II

Class III Ioannou, A. A.

Engineering/Economics

Class I

Hager, D. P., Webb, S. Hulse, P. J., Weatherhead, E. K. Class II

Class III Coles, J. S. H. P.P.E.

Class II Belchers, B. D., Berry, C. M., Hughes, M. J., Lucie-Smith, W. P., Marsden, D. W.

Class III Aynsley, P. A.

P.P.P.

Class III Whitaker, J. J.

Jurisprudence

Class II Class III Brown, R. M., Revitt, L. C., Westbrook, M. J.

Torin, R. L.

Physiology

Bynoe, J. K., Green, G. G. R., Plumley, M. H. Class II

Geography

Class T Pawson, E. J.

Bullock, J. S., Davis, G. J., Etheridge, R. J., Heelas, S. C., Class II

Purkis, N. R. Becker, J. E. H. N. Class III

History

Bristow, A. J., Broomfield, J. D., Durston, C. G., Little-johns, G. R. N. Class II

Ashley, N. L. P., Marquis, W. A., Roberts, M. T. Class III

History/Modern Languages

Class II Walsh, S. I.

Class III Purnell, A. V.

Modern Languages

Dooley, T. P., Short, M., Smith, C. C. F., Wright, C. Class II

Music

Class II Wearmouth, J. B.

English

Class Wolff, T. J. A.

Dewar, I. B. P., Dooley, T. F., Goodier, J. A., Whale, T. C., Class II Wilson, M. F.

### Honour Moderations 1972

Lit. Hum.

Class II

Ali, W., Carder, S. J. MacDonald, H. J., Robinson, D. Class III

Mathematics

Class I

Thompson, A. Hinde, J. P., Waller, M. C., Williamson, R. J. Lee, M. P., Thorogood, J. C. Class II

Class III

Physics

Class Moorhouse, T. J.

Bunker, A., Davies, D. R., Friend, P. J., Kyberd, P., Mackenzie, R. N. Durcan, M. B. Class II

Class III

P.M.E. Mods

Class Ι

Class II

Dorrington, K. L. Davies, J. C., Frost, H. S. Banks, W. R., Gosden, S. P., Keohane, T. T., Rush, J. Class III

Engineering/Economics

Class II Gibson, J. R. Geography

Class II Hester, N. C., Payton, K. J., Tolley, I.

Class III de Courcy Wheeler, L. J., Kirby, P. R., Vearncombe, R. J.

English

Class Arscott, D. J.

Andrews, R. J., Evans, M. J., Porter, A., Worskett, D. H., Wright, C. J. C. Firth, M. T., Hallam, P. E., Roberts, A. P. Class II

Class III

### HIGHER DEGREES

### T.T. 1971 — H.T. 1972

Buckley, C. P., Burt, M. G., Cornwell, D. T., Holton, D. W., Hinchcliffe, A. J., Kusamran, K., Lalljee, M., Moked, G., Sherurah, G. K., Walsh Watkins, P. G., Wenkert, R. D.PHIL.

B.LITT. Woolfson, N. C.

B.PHIL. Gelb. A. H., Hazell, P. F.

M.Sc.

Sheppard, B. L.

B.Sc.

Szurszewski, J.

DIPLOMA IN ECON. DEV.

Torres, L. (with distinction)

### DEGREES

- A. Anderson, J. E., Andrews, A. N., Arnold, A. J., Asser, R. K., Audley-Miller, G. G., Blake, A. N. H., Britton, N. W., Bynoe, R. W., Chalken, J. B., Childerstone, M. M., Clark, J. D., Cole, B. E., Dewar, J. A., Durham, R. C., Fearn, T., Forbes, R. H., Iossif, M. A., Learman, I., Leslie, D. G., Lewis, J. L., Lucie-Smith, W. P., Martyn, C. N., McVeigh, K. J., Miller, P. L., Mudd, W., Ogley, A. E., Oldknow, A. J., Pratt, D. A., Physioland, A. V. Payward, Smith, V. J. Payward, C. M. Bishards, D. W. Purnell, A. V., Rayward Smith, V. J., Reeves, C. M., Richards, D. M., Roberts, D. T., Ross, T. S., Rusbridge, R. E., Rutter, J. S., Sharp, I. R., Smith, S. D., Stewart, J. S., Tanswell, P., Taylor, W. J., Twistleton-Wykeham-Fiennes, G. I., Walsh Atkins, P. G., Walsh Atkins, R. N., Ward, R. G., Wilcox, P., Willard, M. J.
- M.A. Ambrose, D. P., Asser, R. K., Baron, C. R., Burbery, R. E. L., Chalken, J. B., Collyer, I. D., Cornish, T. J., Cullen, B. G. W., Cornwell, D. T., Dowie, C. J., Giles, M. E., Hollis, G. A., Jones, G. F., Laurie, R. J. A. C., Lynch, K. A., Mackintosh, A. R. K., Miller, P. L., Neale, A. C. N., Oldknow, A. J., Pack, J. E., Partridge, R. K., Plunkett, C. M., Riddle, R. A. J., Rogers, A. W., Rogers, T., Scott, M. J., Scott, R. B. C., Simonds, D., Tyler, W., Walsh Atkins, P. G., Waters, K., Winyard, G. P. A.

B.Litt. Woolfson, N. C.

B.Sc. Szurszewski, J. H.

B.M., B.Ch. Giles, M. E., Winyard, G. P. A.

M.Sc. Sheppard, B. L.

D.Phil. Brezicki, C. G. A., Cornwell, D. T., Kusamran, K., Moked, G., Riddle, R. A. J., Walsh Atkins, P. G., Wenkert, R.

### MATRICULATIONS

### MICHAELMAS TERM 1971

Anderton, A. G., Andrews, R. J., Arscott, D. J., Bailey, C. G., Baker, W. H., Banks, W. R. Bounds, K. C., Bunker, A., Carr, G. S., Cartwright, D. C. H., Collett, J. S. H., Cornick, N. B., Crowley, P. F., Davies, D. R., Davies, J. C., de Courcy Wheeler, L., Dorrington, K. L., Durcan, M. B., Evans, D. S. S., Evans, M. J., Farmer, P. R., Ferrari, C. M. P., Firth, M. T., Friend, P. J., Frost, H. S., Gibson, J. R., Gosden, S. P., Gover, M. R., Hales, R., Hester, N. C., Hinde, J. P., Hinton, C. M., Holmes, D. W. J., John, J. H., Jones, A. K. P., Jones, G. M., Kennedy, P., Keohane, T. T., Kirby, P. R., Kyberd, P., Lane, P. R., Lee, M. P., Lee, R., McLellan M. S., Mackenzie, R. N., Mann, T. J., Marshall, G. C. W., Masson, P. R., Miller, P., Mitchell, R., Moorhouse, T. J., Mott, G. P., Murphy, W. P., Nixon, C. F., Payton, K. J., Phillips, E. B., Porter, A., Porter, J. R., Roberts, A. P., Robertson, B. W. N., Rogers, G. J., Rosshandler, J. H., Rush, J., Russett, V. E. J., Saul, N. E., Smith, A. D., Steel, N. R., Swallow, J. S. H., Thompson, A., Thorogood, J. C., Tolley, I., Traill, N. D., Trewitt, D., Turek, A., Vearncombe, R. J., Waller, W. M., Widdows, D. C. R., Williams, G. A., Williamson, R. J., Worskett, D. H., Wright, C. J. C.

### THE COLLEGE CHAPEL

Organ Scholar: J. B. WEARMOUTH

### Bible Clerks:

I. B. P. DEWAR, D. C. N. SWINDELLS, P. STRICKLAND, J. LUIK

"They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength." THESE words are as true today as they were in the days of Isaiah. They have stood the test of time well. They remind us of the spiritual dimension of life.

There has been a very good response to the activities of the Chapel and attendances have been most encouraging. We have welcomed many distinguished preachers during the year.

The Revd. Joseph Williamson preached two memorable sermons on the subjects, "Finding God in the Slums" and "The Power of Prayer". He was formerly the Vicar of St. Paul's, Dock Street, Stepney, and worked closely with prostitutes and the dropouts of society. He has an amazing ministry among those whom society has written off, bringing to them God's love and the opportunity of beginning a new life. The Christian community in Hertford have been assisting his work in prayer and in financial support.

Special consideration has been given this year to the subject of Christianity and Communism. Two of our visiting preachers have given fascinating accounts of the Church behind the Iron Curtain. The Revd. Michael Bordeaux is the director of the Centre for the Study of Christianity and Communism. He spoke about the tremendous challenge of being a Christian in Russia today. He described what it is like to be persecuted for your faith. He appealed for the prayers and interest of Christians in the West for our brethren behind the Iron Curtain. The Revd. Iosif Ton gave an excellent account of Christianity in a Communist society. He himself is a Rumanian with a remarkable story to tell. Speaking to a group of graduates in the Old

Library, he suggested that the main weakness of the Communist ideology lies in its complete failure to produce the new man. Christians, he said, must be true to their calling to produce in their own lives a new man in Jesus Christ.

The visit of Malcolm Muggeridge aroused great interest in the College. He spoke in Chapel on the subject "Trying to be a Christian", and afterwards answered questions in the Old Hall. There was a vigorous discussion at which Simon Webb, the J.C.R. President, took the chair.

During the Hilary term, a series of sermons was preached under the general title, "Encounter with Christ". Our preachers included the Rev. Harold Harland, Canon Douglas Webster and the Archdeacon of Sheffield. We were also very glad to have two Fellows of the College, Dr. Day and Mr. Torrance, preaching in Chapel. These addresses were greatly appreciated by members of the College. During the Michaelmas term Mr. Kiteley presented a juxtaposition of mediaeval and modern religious verse, extracts from a book which is to be published shortly.

We were very pleased to have a visit from Professor Coulson, who preached about the social responsibility of scientists. Other preachers in Chapel have included the Bishop of Guildford, the Bishop of Norwich, Canon Geoffrey Rogers and Professor Norman Anderson.

Discussion groups have been held on Friday evenings, and among our speakers we have welcomed the Principal, who spoke on the subject of Aristotelian ethics; Professor Basil Mitchell, who led a discussion on Philosophy and Faith; the Revd. Nigel Gilson who spoke on Rhodesia; and Lady Hall on the United States of America. Dr. Day gave a very helpful series of talks on various aspects of Christian doctrine. The Revd. Peter Southwell spoke on the subject of Ordination and preached the Macbride sermon.

About sixteen members of the College met for a three-day conference at the beginning of the Trinity term. Bible studies were led by the Revd. Colin Bennetts and talks given by Brian Boobbyer and Dick Ruffin.

A new feature of our work this year was the Folk Service, organised by John Allan. This took the form of a meditation on the meaning of the Cross of Christ. Several different groups took part and there were a number of original compositions. Dr. Day and John Allan spoke on the significance of the Cross in the life of a Christian.

We have been fortunate in the amount of lay participation in worship at many different levels. The Tuesday evening services have been organised and conducted entirely by members of the College. A wide variety of interesting and helpful themes have been taken. The Catholic members of Hertford have contributed a great deal to the spiritual life of the College. We have been very glad to welcome Father Crispian Hollis and Father Gerry Burke to take services for us, to preach in Chapel, and to lead discussions.

The musical standard throughout the year has been excellently maintained by our choir. We are particularly grateful to John Wearmouth, the organ scholar, and Alex Bristow, our choirleader, for all that they have done in the past three years to lead our worship. The anthems on Sunday evenings have been much appreciated, and the Carol Service was particularly successful. The Bible clerks during the year have been Iain Dewar, Neil Swindells, Peter Strickland and John Luik. Their leadership has been outstanding and they have done a great deal for the Christian life of the College.

It has given us great pleasure to welcome the Principal and Mrs. Warnock and their family to our services. They have made a great contribution to the whole life of the College. As we look towards the future, we may recall some words of Our Lord; Jesus said: "I have come that men may have life and may have it in all its fulness. . . . By this shall all men know that you are My disciples, if you love one another".

### J.C.R. NOTES

Officers 1971-72: President - SIMON WEBB

Secretary — Ken Patterson

Treasurer — JOHN HAMPSON

Officers 1972–73: President — SIMON CARDER

Secretary — JOHN CLARKE
Treasurer — CHRIS ALCRAFT

THE year 1971-72 saw many changes in the JCR and the innovations listed here have already proved successful.

During the year the JCR has put into motion schemes for a vacation term during the long vac and the establishment of a JCR scholarship for 'Third World' students. The JCR has taken over the running of the tea-room and made it run at a profit. A new scheme for decorating college rooms has been set up which has resulted in many more rooms being done—and hitherto unheard-of colour schemes proving quite compatible. The Housing and Food Committees have both been reorganised and are now working more effectively.

The Clarendon, Tyndale and Music Societies seem to have been bursting with energy as they have never burst before. The joint ball with Pembroke in 1971 was a tremendous success—and it made a small profit. Hart Players have been producing their usual high standard performances and the bar flourishes, inevitably.

Thus it is in a state of apparent boom that the JCR welcomes Mr. G. J. Warnock as Principal and Mr. Pell as chef, and wishes them both well in their new posts.

### COLLEGE CLUBS & SOCIETIES

### ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB

Captain: M. J. Hughes Secretary: N. F. Roberts

This season was somewhat unfortunate from the point of view of results. With a hard core of the previous year's successful team available and a promising number of freshmen the team was never able to blend into a formidable outfit. Consequently many of the League matches were lost by small margins when a draw or a victory would have been a fairer result. Such performances entailed that we finished seventh out of eight teams in the First Division. through the true worth of the team became evident in the last week of term when Christ's Cambridge and Queen's Oxford (both runners-up in their respective First Divisions) were well beaten.

In Hilary term the team was involved in Cuppers but due to the state of the pitches few games could be played in preparation for our match. Thus after playing well for an hour and achieving a two-nil lead lack of fitness began to tell and the game was thrown away.

In defence freshmen goalkeeper Keith Payton and centre-half Barry Thompson must be mentioned for their consistently outstanding contributions to the team. Our strong midfield of Norman Roberts, Mike Connell and Geoff Mott will be here next year and if they continue their development there should be no problems in this department. The forward line, though sometimes contriving well, lacked goals in the vital league games. Those that were scored came from Chris Hinton and Chris Hooley who with the added support of Pete Chilvers often combined well, and with Hinton's fifteen goals and Hooley's eight they scored two thirds of the season's total.

Captain Mike Hughes and most efficient secretary Norman Roberts deserve a special mention for the way they kept the team together during the season. For next season we already have a strong squad of players and a few good freshmen could easily enable us to make good progress in the League. No First XI report can finish without mention of Len Revitt who has performed valuable service for the club over the past four years.

The Second XI maintained its accustomed keenness, giving many people a game and also performing moderately well. Unfortunately it gained no outstanding results in organised competition, finishing in the lower half of the League and losing in the first round of Cuppers. However with the strong nucleus of players already in the college their results could well see an improvement next season.

The regular members of the first team squad were: K. Payton, C. Berry, M. Hughes, B. Thompson, L. Revitt, N. Roberts, M. Connell, G. Mott, P. Chilvers, C. Hinton, C. Healey, A. Barlow, M. Firth.

### RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

Captain: NEIL THOMAS

This past rugby season proved highly successful for the College team: of 19 games played, we won 13, drew 1, and lost 5. In so doing, we won the Division II Championship, and reached the 'semi-final' of the 'cuppers' competition (where we were defeated by a superior Jesus XV after a hard fought battle).

These results justly reflect the quality of football played by the team this year, which, at its best, was fluent, open, and aggressive with much constructive running and hard tackling coming from centres Sempill, Cuthbert, Draper, and Lennon, and from Absalom, a tireless openside wing-forward. Connell at outside-half contributed some judicious kicking and a few excellent solo tries. At full-back, Widdows, a very talented freshman, was always prepared to counter-attack, and, on the wings, the pace of Hales and Woodruff reinforced the more physical approach of Roberts and Davies.

Our forwards were handicapped by their lack of size and reluctance to train together; but they excelled in loose play and were always prepared—notably Baxter—to take on bigger packs in the tight. Lee, in the set scrums, and Andrews in the line-out, distinguished themselves, and the back-row, including Ward, our goal-kicker, proved to be an efficient unit. Wedderburn, Davies, and Bounds added to our forward strength this year.

The team turned on their best rugby against Merton, Oriel,

Balliol, St. Peters, and Christchurch.

The season saw the reinstitution of after-match 'sessions' together, which were well attended, and which contributed in no small way to our team-spirit and determination on the field. Prior to the Annual Dinner of the club, the team was entertained to sherry by the S.C.R. in recognition of our promotion to Division I—the dinner itself featured notable performances by Messrs. Mann, Dowell, and Mike Eastwood, the club secretary and scrum-half.

Our thanks go to Mike for all his hard work both on and off the field—he has been retained as Secretary for next season. Congratulations to P. Binham, both on winning his Blue and on his fine performance in the Varsity Match; also to Jamie Sempill, who captained this season's Freshman's Greyhounds XV; and finally to Bob Hales, who has been elected captain of the College team next season, and under whose leadership the team aims for top honours in both league and cup competitions.

### CRICKET CLUB

1971 was a fairly successful season for the cricket club, in that we won our first Cuppers match for several years, defeating Merton in the first round, before being narrowly defeated (by 1 wicket) by Magdalen in the second round. It was also the first time in three years we escaped being drawn against Teddy Hall in the first round.

Our performance in other matches was not quite so distinguished, mainly because many of our players had schools at at the end of term, and were reluctant to play. However we defeated Merton Village in an exciting match, and drew with Pembroke and St. Catherines colleges, and the Polytechnic (twice). There were no really outstanding performances during the season but several players contributed useful performances.

Mr. V. Madden, the groundsman, was ill during the season, and we would like to express our sincere thanks to Mr. F. Madden for preparing the wickets, and doing the work of two men, during his absence. Thanks are also due to P. J. Chilvers, captain, and J. Mayers, Hon. Secretary, for all the work and efficient organisation they put in.

We are looking forward to a successful season in 1972.

### SQUASH RACKETS

Captain: J. I. S. WEDDERBURN

For the second successive year, Hertford was promoted in the Squash League, from Division Three to Division Two. It is hoped that we will continue this success, although it will largely depend on an intake of good freshmen, for the team this season was almost the same as last year. In League matches, we were defeated only once, by Balliol, winning every other match. In the inter-college Cuppers we were knocked out in the first round by Wadham, who were themselves beaten by Trinity, the eventual winners. Special mention should certainly go to C. J. Buxton, who won all his matches and was invaluable to the overall success of the College.

### TENNIS CLUB

Captain: P. B. GALE

There seems every justification for reporting on the tennis club this season, if there hasn't been in the past, as we achieved some measure of success! In surely unprecedented fashion, the 1st VI hauled the College from the depths of the Third Division to its very peak, winning five matches and halving two in the process. A wonder to behold, no doubt! If I have to mention that University College beat us in Cuppers at an early stage, it is with regret, as it might shatter the illusion, but some comfort must be drawn from our opponents' subsequent progress to the Final. I am ignorant as to whether or not they won it.

Though I hesitate to mention individuals, especially when I am not among them, any account of this term would be incomplete without including the fact that Mike Connell and Dave Widdows, at numbers 1 and 2, won all their matches. Indeed, in the league, the former never came remotely near to dropping a set, which suggests that he was rather misplaced at mere Division Three College level!

Only eight players turned out for the league side all season—none could afford to drop out on any one occasion for fear of his place—but mention must also be made of the numerous others who were ready to step in if the chance arose, and who struggled bravely through the friendly matches against, or rather with, the women's colleges. In general, a pleasant time was had by all!

### TABLE TENNIS

The Table Tennis Club had one of its best ever seasons in 1971–72. The third team justified its creation by coming well up in the fifth division. The second team look well-placed to win the fourth division and the first team with fingers crossed stand as unconfirmed University Champions.

Newly-promoted from the second division, the first III (Simon Carder, John Clarke and Pat Stevens) soon found themselves rated co-favourites with Brasenose for the championship and went from strength to strength finishing the season unbeaten. Indeed we have to look back to the dark days of '69 to find the last time a Hertford 1st III suffered a league defeat on the table tennis table. Simon Carder and John Clarke have never been beaten in a doubles match nor have they been on the losing side in a league match since they arrived in Michaelmas 1970. Pat Stevens took over at the beginning of the season from Jeff Adcock and filled a large gap most ably. All three suffered from a mixture of talent and inconsistency—a mixture which wrought havoc with individual averages but thankfully could not deprive the team of the first division championship.

### FROM THE MCR SUGGESTION BOOK

(By courtesy of the President, Tom Robinson)

### THE GREBE AND THE ORAN-UTAN

As I heard it, there was once in a Foreign Countrie a small Lake, where Fowle of bright plumage assembl<sup>d</sup> in Quest of Nourishment, which is to say: Food. Amongst these by far the brightest of Hue was the Grebe, a winsome Birde of Blacke, Whyte and Gold, the Paragon of Beautie. There chanced to come to drinke one afternoon a boorish Oran-Utan, yellow-haired of Aspect, and a Tory.

The Grebe, on perceiving this ugly Creature, did then make a big Noyse with his Winges and piped: I am the fairest in the Lake, and thus must feede before thee, Boor.

The Oran-Utan therupon, with a Grimace and deep Voyce: Nay, sirrah, seest thou not my yellow Lockes and am I not he who should take Precedence?

Thus they argued the matter, so that neither Partooke, until the tall, silent Heron re-commended to them an Arbiter.

"Who a div-l shall that be?" grunted the Oran-Utan, shewing his Teethe.

The Heron replyed, the Cooke, a birde of sombre yet smart Habitiments (and by Nature a wilde Whig.). On being asked his judgment, he hesistated long, and said then:

"It is a long-acknowledged Truth, that Beautie resides in the Beholder's Eye. Thus is each of as much Beautie as he sees in himselfe, and as beauteous as the Other. I judge therefore that I am the most beautiful, and will now partake myself."

Moral: Narcissism cannot be assailed direct, but is a two-edged Weapon.

This writt the 4th Day of December,

DEANE SWIFT.

### ODE TO A SUGAR BOWLE

Hail to thee, white Hemi-sphere!
Sweet Labour's Life and Soule;
Whom Café drinkers hold so dear
Thou pristine Sugar Bowle!
What ease it brings to make
A morning Café break
With thee at hand from whom to take
The crystal sugar, Bowle!

Thou bounteous, flowing Cup of Grains Transported from the Main,
Who soothe and heal life's daily Pains
With Sweetnesse of the Cane—
On seeing the pure Contents,
Ambrosia, which you dispense
The flintiest Philistine relents—
Dear Bowle, return again!

JONATHAN SWIFT

### PERSONAL NEWS

### **APPOINTMENTS**

A. N. Andrews. Articles, Price Waterhouse & Co.

C. G. AUDLEY-MILLER. Course in Town Planning, Kingston College of Technology.

E. W. T. BARNES. Managing Director, Lazard Brothers.

C. M. Berry. Mitsui Trading Company.

N. W. Britton. Course in Town Planning, Oxford College of Technology.

C. J. Q. Brooks. Production Manager, Avon Cosmetics.

R. M. Brown. Student at Lancaster Gate College of Law, London, until February 1973.

D. Cok. Ordinand at Wycliffe Hall.

S. CROWTHER. Articles, Coward Chance.

M. J. DANIELL. Lloyds Bank Ltd.

G. R. A. DARLING, Q.C. Master of the Bench, Middle Temple.

- G. J. ELLERTON, C.M.B., M.B.E. Managing Director, Ocean Steamship Co.
- R. H. Forbes. Marketing Trainee, Marley Tile Co.
- K. G. FRANCE. Binnie and Partners.
- J. A. GARSON. B.B.C. Monitoring Service.
- A. J. HOPKINS. Management Trainee, Freightliners Ltd.
- P. M. W. Kelham. Headmaster of St. Hugh's Preparatory School, Woodhall Spa.
- M. Levi. Graduate course in Criminology at Cambridge.
- A. S. MacMillan. Headmaster of Glenburn High School, Skelmerdale, Lanes.
- B. P. T. McGowan. Law Student, Edinburgh University.
- W. MUDD. Refinery Chemist, British Petroleum.
- C. M. REEVES. Research at Vancouver, B.C.
- D. W. RICHARDS. Ford Motor Co.
- J. S. RUTTER. From Jan. 1973 to teach for V.S.O. in Nigeria for 2 years.
- G. St. John-Ives. Medical Officer, University of Reading.
- F. H. SHAW, M.B.E., T.D. Chairman, Headmasters' Conference 1972.
- S. D. SMITH. I.B.M.
- J. J. WHITAKER. Articled Clerk, Thornton Baker, Bradford.

### (Correction)

W. F. GUTTERIDGE. Director of Complementary Studies, University of Aston.

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H. M. D. PARKER, C.B., C.B.E. (1913). 2/12/71
N. J. B. SABINE, J.P. (1926-30). 8/2/72
REV. R. A. UNTHANK (1898-1901). 1972

### SIR HORACE HAMILTON

SIR HORACE HAMILTON, GCB, UK member of the Commonwealth Economic Committee from 1947 to 1961, died on the 15th September, 1971. He was chairman of the committee from 1947 to 1949.

Hamilton was Permanent Secretary to the Board of Trade from 1927 to 1937 and Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Scotland from 1937 to 1946.

Hamilton was educated at Tonbridge School and Hertford College, Oxford. He entered the Inland Revenue department in 1904, was transferred to the Treasury in 1912, and was private secretary to successive Chancellors of the Exchequer (Mr. Lloyd George, Mr. McKenna and Mr. Bonar Law) from 1912 to 1918, when he returned to the Inland Revenue as deputy chairman. From 1919 to 1927 he was chairman of the Board of Customs and Excise.

Hamilton advised the Control Office for Germany and Austria on application of Whitley system to British civilian staffs in Control Service in 1947; and advised the Syrian government on the taxation system of Syria in 1946. He was vice-chairman of the Advisory Committee on Awards for Consultants and Specialists.

He married in 1915 Amy, daughter of Sydney Turner Klein and they had one son and two daughters.

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### MR. PAUL WRIGHTSON

THE death is announced of Mr. PAUL WRIGHTSON, QC, aged 52, who was appointed Recorder of Walsall in 1965. He represented Reginald Kray at his trial at the Central Criminal Court in May, 1969.

Mr. James Comyn, QC, writes:

The Bar has suffered a particularly sad loss with the death of Paul Wrightson, QC, within a few days of his 53rd birthday.

He was one of the leaders of the Criminal Bar in England and given good health (which unfortunately he never enjoyed) would doubtless have graced the Bench as he did the Bar. To prosecuting and defending he brought all the characteristics of integrity and high principles, fairness and understanding, which his friends knew so well. He was a very able lawyer and for many years was probably the most prominent practitioner in the Queen's Bench Divisional Court, which deals with questions from Magistrates' Courts throughout the country. He was a member of the Oxford Circuit and a Recorder.

Paul was everything that the Bar can be proud of—a model for the young barrister and for his colleagues too. He looked the part and was it. He was ever available for advice and help and gave it with a kindness and humour which was endearing. Nothing and nobody was ever too much trouble for him.

To his wife Mary he owed much and his friends will always be grateful to her. They mourn one who was in every sense a gentleman. They and the Bar are the poorer for his loss.

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### PROFESSOR MARTIN WIGHT

PROFESSOR MARTIN WIGHT, Professor of History, Sussex University, since 1961 and Dean of the School of European Studies 1961–69, died suddenly on the 15th July, 1972. He was 58.

The second son of Dr. Edward Wight, of Brighton, he was educated at Bradfield and Hertford College, Oxford, where he was an open scholar. He took First Class Honours in Modern History in 1935. He was on the staff of Chatham House in 1936–38 and from 1938 to 1941 taught at Haileybury. From 1941 to 1946 he was on the staff of Nuffield College, Oxford, and then returned for a further period to Chatham House. He spent a year with *The Observer* and then went to the LSE as Reader in International Relations.

He sat on the council of Chatham House from 1952 and was a member of the Academic Planning Board, University of Kent.

His publications included Power Politics: Development of the Legislative Council; and Gold Coast Legislative Council. He was joint author of Attitude to Africa; and The World in March 1939; and joint editor with Professor Sir Herbert Butterfield of Diplomatic Investigations.

He married in 1952 Gabriele, daughter of Peter-Erich Ritzen. They had two sons and four daughters. Professor Asa Briggs writes:

Martin Wight was one of the nine founder members of the academic faculty at the University of Sussex. He played a leading part in the discussions about its initial curriculum and the organisation and teaching of its earliest courses.

As first Dean of the School of European Studies, the first school of its kind in the country, he brought together in a creative encounter historians, philosophers, specialists in European languages and social scientists. A distinguished scholar himelf, who had made his mark in international relations, he was interested above all at Sussex in the education of undergraduates. He devoted himself to their individual care, quickly establishing at Sussex the same reputation he had already established elsewhere, first at Haileybury, of being a wise and stimulating teacher. He lectured superbly giving an impression of effortless intellectual authority, but he will be remembered most for his tutorials and seminars.

His contribution to the development of the university was distinctive. He cared little for the academic fashions of the day and was chary of people who did. He sought to base the new School of European Studies on firm historical foundations and had much to do with the introduction of a pioneering course which began with the ancient world. He welcomed colleagues who shared his interests in classical antiquity whether or not they wrote about it or gave lectures on it. Yet he was equally active in the introduction of a course on "the modern European mind". His last three lectures in the university were on this subject. He did much also to encourage the study of international relations at Sussex

and was engaged recently in turning Power Politics from a lively booklet into a large book.

He will be greatly missed, and not least for his qualities of character—strong moral convictions; sympathy which was never sentimental; concern for what he called a "responsible society". He could seem stern, but he had the sweetest of smiles. In Sussex he is irreplaceable, but he has left his mark on all who have known him.

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### MR. G. DYER

GILBERT DYER, the Hertford chef for many years, was not so much a servant of the College, though he was proud to be one, as one of its most loyal members. Perhaps the most striking fact about Dyer to those who, like myself, worked with him in good times and bad, was the way in which he identified himself with the college and its well-being; his work (and how good it was!) was not done for an employer but for the community of which he was an integral part. To only a slightly less extent this feeling of membership of the community in which he lived extended to the University as a whole, at least on its athletic side; in his later days no member of the University was more certain than Dyer to afford himself a visit to Lords for at least one day of the Varsity Cricket Match.

He came to Hertford when he was a young man and was Second Chef for several years. The Dyer known to recent generations of Hertford men had not yet developed; he was quiet and unassuming, even diffident; the note of confident authority that we all knew when he was firmly established as Chef (or Head Cook as he liked to be called during one short period) was still to seek. His considerable ability as a cook was already apparent.

During part of the war he served with the Catering Corps and soon after his return he became Chef. At once his authority took shape. It was a time of inflation (not so marked as at present) and college wages necessarily rose as the years went by. The Bursar (myself), Dyer and a representative of the staircase servants had many a discussion, and sometimes fierce argument, on just how college wages should be adjusted. His fairness of mind and care for the interests of college servants as a whole were always in evidence.

As for his running of the kitchen, no reader of this magazine will need a reminder of its undoubted quality; a schools dinner, a bump supper, a dining club night, the refreshments for a College Ball, an Old Members' dinner, a visit from the Drapers' Company, all called for his utmost artistry and received it.

In his prime he was one of the best after-dinner speakers I have ever known. For a few years he was landlord of the Turf Tavern as well as chef of Hertford and his geniality and general

quality in that role were well known to a host of Oxford people—and to some of the London papers.

He died suddenly a few weeks after his retirement from Hertford. We grieve for the passing of a man who achieved much, always gave of his best and, in particular, served the college with a whole-hearted devotion that commanded the admiration of many generations of Hertford men.

W.L.F.

### HERTFORD SOCIETY

Secretary: DEREK CONRAN

Address: Hertford College Oxford, OX1 3BW.

Another highly successful and enjoyable social gathering of the Society took place at Fulham Palace in April. For most members and their ladies, this was their first opportunity to meet the Principal and Mrs. Warnock. We are very grateful to the President and Mrs. Stopford for their hospitality.

In May, the Committee was able to entertain the Principal to Dinner following a particularly well attended Annual General Meeting. Members at this meeting much appreciated a comprehensive and lucid review of College affairs from Mr. Warnock.

The president was in the Chair at both the A.G.M. and the Committee Dinner. We were particularly pleased to have Basil Eckersley and Ray Hawken as our guests.

We have had an interesting response to our initial investigation into the possibility of an air charter flight. Further comments or suggestions will be welcome. Details are in the Brochure.

As you will see from the accompanying lists we continue to lose contact with members who forget to let us know when they move. We have developed an elaborate follow-up procedure but this is costly, time consuming and often unsuccessful. Please remember to advise us or the College when you change your address.

Membership remains steady, but although we have a firm basis of over one thousand there are at least an equal number of Hertford men who have not joined the Society. Recruitment is always best through personal contact. So please continue to spread the word and advise names to the Secretary.

### **NEW MEMBERS**

We welcome the following new members who have joined subsequent to the publication of the 1972 Membership List:—

A. T. Barlow, 128 Lord Nelson Street, Warrington, Lancs. (1971-73). C. M. Berry, Seawood, North Walk, Lynton, Devon. (1969-72).

- M. H. BLAKE, Cherwell, 17 Birchen Avenue, Ossett, Yorks, WF5 84T. (1949-53).
- S. Brooks, 6 Beaumont Rise, Marlow, Bucks. (1967-70).
- G. J. Davis. 5 Kilmington Close, Brentwood, Essex. (1969-72).
- D. W. Marsden, "Quincotts", Islip Road, Bletchington, Oxon, 0X5 3DP. (1969-72).
- J. E. NICHOLLS, 2 Beech Copse, Harestock, Winchester, Hants. (1947-50).
- H. V. WHITTAKER, 1 Church Terrace, Newbold-on-Stour, Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwicks. (1964-67).
- J. J. WHITAKER, 16 Highfield Crescent, Bradford, Yorks, BD9 6HP. (1969-72).

### MEMBERS WHOSE ADDRESSES ARE INCORRECT IN 1972 LIST

- C. J. BACON. (1957-61).
- D. B. BAKER. (1960-63).
- A. R. K. MACKINTOSH. (1962-65).
- R. S. NORTON-TAYLOR. (1963-66).
- R. MAXWELL. (1962-66).
- C. L. PAPAGEORGIOU. (1967-68).
- B. R. Roe. (1941-42 and 1945-47).
- C. P. SHERWOOD. (1968-69).

### CORRECTIONS TO 1972 MEMBERSHIP LIST

SIR NICHOLAS HENDERSON, K.C.M.G. (J. N. HENDERSON 1937-40).

C. H. PULFORD—Omitted in Error: Little Mead, Manchester Road, Sway, Lymington, Hants. (1957-60).

N. J. B. Sabine, Esq., J.P. Died 8th February, 1972.

THE REV. R. A. UNTHANK. Died 1972.

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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- I. T. F. COCHRANE, 8 Victor Hugo Street, Paleon Psychico, Athens, Greece.
- P. J. COLYER, 56 Sinodun Road, Wallingford, Berks.
- E. R. A. DE UNGER, The Manor House, Ham, Richmond, Surrey.
- M. R. Duce, 84 Andrewes House, Barbican, London, EC2Y 8AY.
- P. M. EDWARDS, Newhouse Farmhouse, Clyst St. Mary, Nr. Exeter, Devon.
- R. C. Elly, Court Cottage, Dean Lane, Cookham Dean, Maidenhead, Berks.
- Lt. Col. J. A. Gallie, R.A., C.M.P.S., Cento, c/o F.C.O. (Ankara), King Charles Street, London, S.W.1.
- J. N. Galloway, Flaneswood Cottage, Seal Chart, Sevenoaks, Kent.
- B. H. GARNONS WILLIAMS, 84 High Street, Lavenham, Suffolk.
- J. H. Gunton, 2 Lock Cottages, South Marston, Swindon, Wilts.
- M. G. HARKER, Englefield, Croeswylan Lane, Oswestry, Salop.
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REV. I. T. SHIELD, The Vicarage, Dunston, Stafford.

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J. L. Ulrich, BM-Box 272, London, W.C.1.

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DR. M. R. WIGAN, Acacia, 12 Croft Road, Wokingham, Berks.

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### MRS. MARY DENNISTON

A LUNCH-PARTY was held in Hertford on 26th September, 1971, to celebrate Mrs. Mary Denniston's 75th birthday, and was attended by some 40 members of the family. The many old members of the College who knew the Dennistons will be interested in the speech given by Mr. Richard Hildersley on this occasion.

'Ladies and Gentlemen, cousins; I stand before you somewhat awed by these hallowed academic precincts . . . I must surely be the only great-nephew of Denny's who has failed Greek 'O' Level, and worse—whose failure was caused by an inability to recognize a passage from the 'Frogs'.

'You may well wonder how on this occasion a speaker came to be chosen. Apart from the obvious advantage of height . . . I have recently completed a course in what might be described as . . . Morganic Chemistry . . . Students of this course, a postal one, receive a daily postcard from Polstead Road advising them of the existence of more and more cousins, together with their idiosyncrasies and, in most cases some monosyllabic nickname, which bears little or no resemblance to their proper one. Michael Le Fanu pretended to be baffled by this . . . I can now assure you . . . He WAS baffled by it!

'At the end of the course there is a written paper (the tree) which some of you, I see, hold in your hands. This speech is the Viva and I have to talk to you all for not less than five minutes . . . without offending anyone!

'There was a point in our School Commemoration Service, familiar to the Old Shirburnians amongst you, at which the Headmaster would commence a preamble with these ominous words: 'Let us now praise famous men, and our fathers that begat us . .' He would then do so—exhaustively—starting with St. Aldhelm and Alfred the Great, pausing momentarily at Edward VI; and passing through every permutation of Wingfield Digby—Digby Wingfield—Digby Digby—Wingfield Wingfield Digby, he would eventually reach the most recent donor of a teak seat for

the playing fields, who, no doubt, sat blushing at the back of the Abbey.

'I have no wish to emulate him, but rather heed the example of my great uncle V. who, on a trip to Essex Street to visit my grandfather, Arthur . . . alias Bip! . . . produced, doubtless on a postcard . . . an 'aide-memoire'—the agenda for their discussions—item (1) Arthur noted read: Be Brief!

'Perhaps in view of this I ought merely to say—'Joseph John Morgan, now look what you've started'. However, I would like to pause briefly to think of all those both past and present who would so have loved being with us to-day . . . Of Sib, who has watched over all the preparations, down to and including the choice of M.G.'s dress! . . . What a fitting choice it is too—a tasteful creation in Oxford blue . . . I also give you the thought of dear Kit, who might have sat in a corner watching the proceedings with a twinkle in her eye . . . as it is, I visualize Kit, cocking a deaf ear to some celestial dinner gong and, clutching in one hand a deck chair, and in the other an amorphous bag, containing her knitting and a hot water bottle, pottering off to some secluded corner of paradise . . . unravaged by the 'bitter east wind' . . . to watch us—no doubt through a borrowed pair of specs!

'I must turn now to the more immediate reasons for this 'Morganfest'.

'Primarily we celebrate M.G.'s 75th birthday . . . whilst we respectfully remind her of her extreme youth—Sib is now 92! There are two silver weddings, three 60th birthdays, two 50's and I must add that two of us at the heavy end of the family tree are now 30—not only must we accept adulthood—we're positively middle-aged. This list bears witness to your family motto: 'Fortuna favet fortibus' . . . I have already demonstrated my weakness as a Classicist but might I freely translate for you: 'Fortune favours the forty-plus!'

'The publishing trade has recently been aware of much activity at Edward Arnold's. Rumours in the trade attribute this to the forthcoming publication of E. M. Forster's 'Maurice'—we of course all know that the excitement is really centred on Michael Morgan's 'Lenin'!

'A further cause for celebration is Lil's acceptance by Covent Garden to play Barberina in Figaro and her absence to-day is no doubt due to a long practice session of warbling in her bathroom—of this Hugh could report more accurately than I.

'It is my pleasant duty to thank our co-host, Felix Markham, for making this delightful spot available to us, also to thank Mr. Dyer, the chef, whose main efforts we are yet to savour, but if our consumption of 'nibbles' is anything to go by I'm sure we will do justice to his main spread. Our thanks are also due to Mr. Bayliss, who was a Scout here in Denny's day and who has masterminded so many of to-day's arrangements.

'Finally I would like to mention the Old Polsteadians, spread as they now are, fairly evenly across the globe. Had they all been here, this gathering would have been twice its present size at least! They would have gladly endorsed the toast I now give you . . .

to Mary Denniston, truly the Universal Aunt . . . Thank you.

### CANON LEONARD HODGSON

THE EDITOR has received a letter from the Revd. D. J. Nash, who is preparing material for a biography of Canon Hodgson, for many years Regius Professor of Divinity at Oxford. He would be glad to hear from any Hertford men who remember Hodgson as an undergraduate (1908–12) and also who could help him trace other contemporaries who might remember him. The following are 1908 freshmen whose addresses are not known to the College: T. Y. E. Brattenbury, W. B. Brett, A. L. Brodrick, R. D. Clarke, V. J. H. Eliott, G. S. Fife, P. C. Giles, J. Grundy, P. V. G. Heink, F. W. Hobbs, H. C. Joyce, G. H. King, G. E. Owen, C. H. Payton, A. P. V. Pigot, J. W. Rowlands, W. R. Whaits, P. Whitehead, E. S. Wood, C. F. T. Woodhead.

Will any old member who has knowledge of any of these, or any recollection of Leonard Hodgson, please communicate with Mr. Nash at 6 Sutton Place, London, E9 6EH.