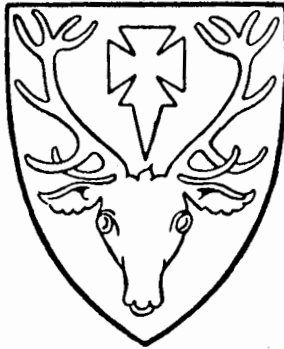


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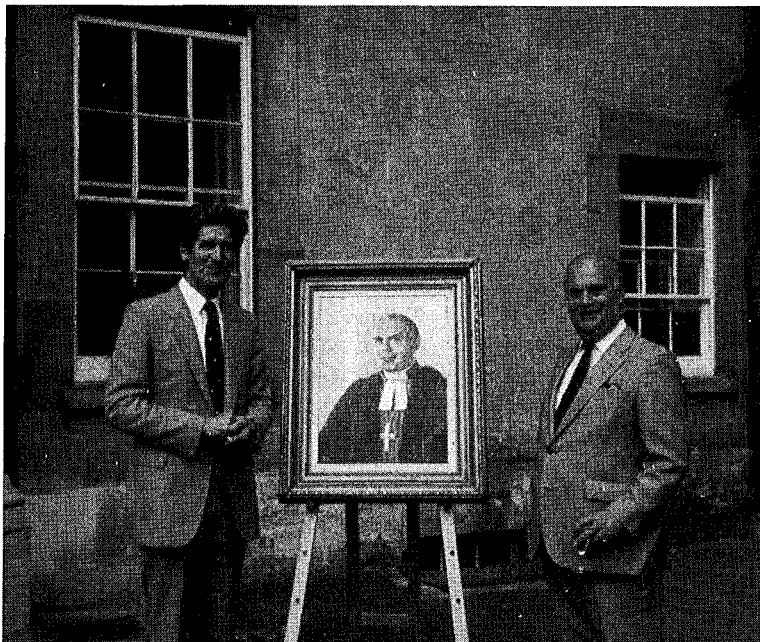
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24th June 1984

Derek Conran, Chairman of the Hertford Society, with the Vice Principal, Mr John Torrance, after the portrait of Dr Robert Stopford had been presented by the Society to the College.

The Right Rev R. W. Stopford P.C., KCVO, CBE, was the first President of the Society from its foundation until his death in 1976. A former Bishop of Peterborough and London, he was an Honorary Fellow of the College.

The portrait, posthumously painted by Thellos Petrides with the cooperation of members of the family, including Professor John Stopford, who was also up at Hertford, was generously financed by Byron Mikellides, another old member.

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Dr. P. Coones	Geography
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Dr. R. Knowles	Politics
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Mr. C. J. Robson	French
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Miss G. Tucker	Music
Dr. B. Sutton	Biophysics
Dr. K. Dorrington	Engineering
Mr. N. Purcell	Ancient History
Mr. T. Harry	Law
Dr. P. Dennis	Physiological Science
Mr. J. Thompson-Furnival	English

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Dr. C. Lister	Geology
Dr. A. C. J. Phillips	Theology

THE VICE PRINCIPAL WRITES

The passing of 1984 must have been very little regretted at New Year parties. True, it was much less bad than George Orwell had imagined it; nevertheless there is a sense of relief that its nightmare symbolism no longer darkens the forward horizon.

For the past two years, 1984 has loomed before Oxford colleges in a more specifically, though less dramatically, oppressive way. The cuts in undergraduate numbers imposed on universities in 1981 filtered through to us as a set of target 'numbers-in-residence' to be achieved by 1984-5, on pain of severe but undisclosed financial penalties if they were exceeded. Hertford, because of its recent expansion, was faced with the biggest cutback of all colleges. In the event, what might have been a painful process of contraction was accomplished quite smoothly, thanks to the mutual consideration shown by the fellows, who are of course individually

responsible for admissions in their own subjects (although this will be no consolation to disappointed candidates who might otherwise have obtained places). The targets for 1985-6 have been raised slightly, although it is anybody's guess when, or whether, we can expect restrictions to be lifted altogether. If remain they must, Oxford should at least be trusted to regulate its own numbers without being subject to Treasury sanctions.

The restrictions apply only to 'home and E.C.' undergraduates, and colleges have been encouraged to make up their numbers from overseas applicants. A new category of 'visiting students' has been created by the University, under which we receive a slowly growing volume of applications to spend a 'junior year abroad' here, as part of a first-degree course elsewhere. We have set up a scheme for selected undergraduates from the University of the South at Sewanee, Tennessee, to come to Hertford in this way.

Most gratifyingly, Hertford has also admitted more than twice as many graduate students this year as last year, a large majority of them from overseas. The cosmopolitanism of our M.C.R. and, more generally, the contribution to international understanding traditionally made by Oxford's power to attract some of the world's best young brains, have thus weathered the recent setback due to increasing the overseas fee. Like all exporters, we look for further gains, next year, from the changed dollar exchange rate.

All in all, undergraduate losses have been largely made up by more graduates, and this slight shift in the composition of our student body reflects, of course, the emphasis of national and university policy on building up graduate study at Oxford.

COLLEGE NEWS

The College has in the last year witnessed unprecedented changes to the Fellowship. Professor Ray Guillery, Dr. Lee's Professor of Anatomy, joins us as a Professorial Fellow, from the University of Chicago.

Dr. Bill Macmillan, who read Engineering at Bristol, has joined us from the University of Kent to become Fellow and Tutor in Geography.

Dr. Tony Wilson, having obtained a 'New Blood' post appointment in Engineering becomes our second Tutorial Fellow in the subject. He was formerly a Supernumerary Fellow at Brasenose.

Dr. Margaret Dallman, previously at Stanford University, joins us as a Junior Research Fellow in Medicine. She is an immunologist and holds a Nuffield Research Fellowship at the John Radcliffe Hospital.

Malcolm Heath, a Senior Scholar of Merton, has been appointed to a Junior Research Fellowship in Classics. His D.Phil. thesis, applying literary theory to the interpretation and criticism of Greek tragedy, will shortly be published. Nicholas Upton, of Gonville and Caius College and the Cambridge Zoology Department, joins us as a Junior Research Fellow in Zoology. His Ph.D. thesis was on 'Sexual Competition and harem formation in a marine isopod, *Paranathia formica*'.

Dr. Roger Pensom has been elected to a Fellowship in French. Coming to us from the University of Exeter, he is a specialist in mediaeval French literature and language, and will take up his post in October, 1985.

It gives us great pleasure to welcome all these new members to the College.

Dr. Joyce Aitchison, C.E.G.B. Junior Research Fellow, has resigned to take up a Lecturership at the Royal Military College of Science at Shrivenham. She continues to live nearby and to teach for the College, so we have not had to say goodbye.

John Patten M.P., our Supernumerary Fellow, has been called to the Livery of the Draper's Company, thus maintaining the strong links between the College, and one of the most important of the City Livery Companies. That association began when Dr. Boyd, the great Victorian and Edwardian Principal of the College, became Master of the Company, and was continued when Professor Mason, the first Professor of Geography in the University, became Master in his turn about half a century later. The Draper's Company has been the source of magnificent benefactions to the College. The Master and Wardens visit the College annually, and of course two of our Fellows – Dr. Tanner and Mr. Van Noorden – are 'Drapers Company Fellows'.

Dr. Miles Vaughan Williams has been elected a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians. We offer our congratulations.

The twelfth J. L. Myers Memorial Lecture was delivered on 3rd May, 1984 by Professor I. J. Gottmann, who took as his theme, "Orbits: the ancient Mediterranean tradition of urban networks". This has now been published by the Leopard's Head Press of London.

On October 1st, 1984, Keith Dorrington took up an appointment as Nuffield Medical Research Fellow at Lincoln College. On Saturday, 22nd September he held a reunion dinner for those college engineers graduating in 1974, and travellers included one from Hong Kong and one from Toronto. The careers of the Hertford engineers from that group are intriguing: a patent agent, an anaesthetist, an agricultural supplier, an oil magnate, one television producer, and three accountants.

It gives us great satisfaction to congratulate Dame Mary Warnock on her appointment as Mistress of Girton, Cambridge after a year in which yet another 'Warnock Report' has aroused admiration and controversy. We also congratulate her on the award of a Life Peerage in the New Year's Honours List.

The College has established an archive room, and Mr. Aidan H. Lawes, junior archivist at Pembroke College, has been appointed as temporary part-time archivist. The archives are being stored in a new room created by the conversion of the buttery cellars. During the Michaelmas term an exhibition of some archival items was displayed in the newly re-decorated lower S.C.R.

We congratulate Roger and Sally Van Noorden on the birth of their second child, Richard Carl.

Mrs. Barbara Gilbert, the widow of Professor E. W. Gilbert, the former Fellow of Hertford and holder of the Chair of Geography, has presented his notable Library and its shelving to the College. This rich collection, which includes much of topographical and historical interest, is to be housed on OB 1. The College is most grateful to Mrs. Gilbert for this generous and useful gift and is also pleased to note that she is still vigorous and living at the Old Cottage in Appleton.

The two new squash courts and their associated changing facilities were opened by the Vice Chancellor during the summer. These courts, located at the Sports Ground, are remarkably pleasing for buildings of this type and add an important element to the College's sporting life. The College is much indebted to those Old Members who contributed towards the cost of their construction.

We congratulate Professor P. Randle on being awarded the CIBA Prize and Medal for his biochemical researches.

We congratulate M. J. Quinn on being awarded a Charles Oldham Scholarship. Miss S. Grundy has been awarded a Winston Churchill pupillage prize by the Middle Temple.

It was with great shock and regret that we learnt, as we went to press, that Dr. E. V. Ellington, Head of the Department of Biochemistry and Public Orator at the University of the West Indies, and a regular Summer visitor to Oxford for many years, had been murdered in Jamaica on January 19th 1985. Last year he had been appointed Commander of the Order of Distinction by the Jamaican Government 'for services to science'. A Memorial Service was held on February 28th in the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, Oxford and a brief description appears later under 'Obituary'.

The College has purchased a skeleton for undergraduates reading medicine.

The College Doctor, Dr. Martin Stewart, who has been so helpful and encouraging to those members who have had the misfortune to be ill, is retiring in 1985.

We congratulate Sir Hugh Springer (Honorary Fellow), Governor General of Barbados, on being appointed G.C.M.G.

The sculpture, 'The Annunciation', Hertford's oldest piece of mediaeval history, which is located at the entrance to the New Buildings Quadrangle has been restored and cleaned.

We congratulate Maurice Chandler on being appointed C.B.E. in the New Year's Honours.

The following were elected to Senior Scholarships:

Harvey Burd (Carreras, Engineering)
Charles Warren (Baring, Biochemistry)
Jeremy Gregory (Baring, History)
Garret Nagle (Mortimer May, Geography)

Sir John Baring was among the Honorary Fellows who attended the Foundation Dinner on 23rd November, and proposed the Toast of the Foundation, recalling some of the intentions of his great-great-uncle.

In the Varsity Football match on the 12th December, K. Varty made his fifth appearance at Wembley. It was also an occasion when he recorded his own century of appearances in Dark Blue colours.

The Chairman of the Hertford Society, Derek Conran, organised a 'forty years on' reunion of the Royal Armoured Corps Cadet course (1944/45) at the College last September. Thirty-two of the original fifty-four attended including eight old members of the College, amongst whom was our Ambassador in Bucharest and the High Master of St. Paul's School.

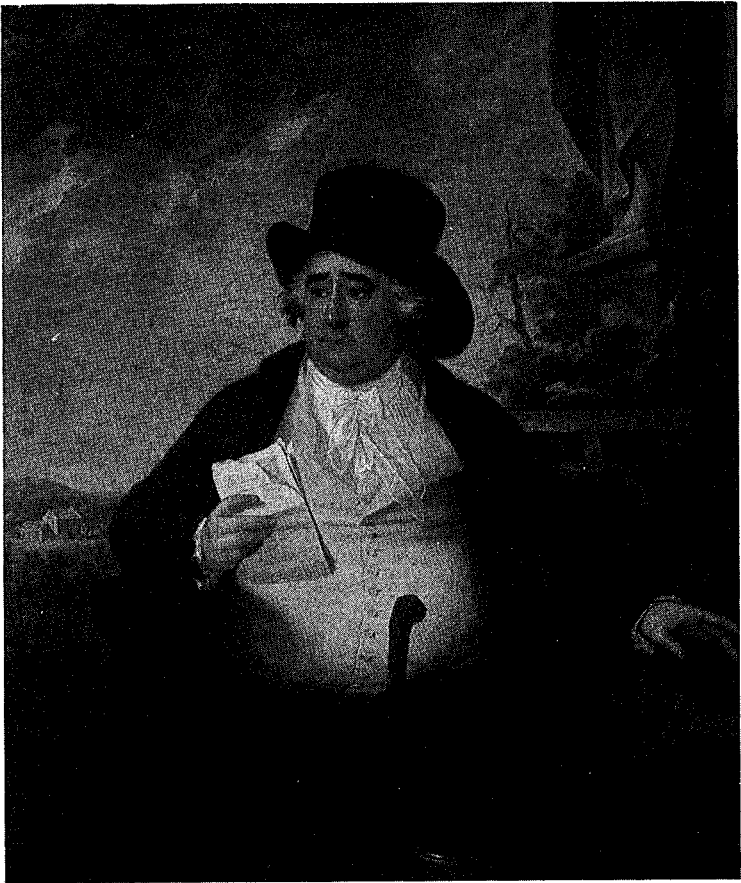
The anthology 'Seven Hundred Years of an Oxford College' published last year to mark our Septcentennial and edited by Andrew Goudie, has been well received. Copies can be obtained, post free, by application to the Chairman of the Hertford Society at College. The price is £3 – members of the Hertford Society pay £2. All cheques should be made payable to 'Hertford College'. Copies can also be obtained for cash at the Lodge.

LETTERS TO A DISSIDENT: THE CORRESPONDENCE OF CHARLES JAMES FOX AND GILBERT WAKEFIELD

Charles James Fox (1749–1806) came up to Hertford from Eton in 1764. The zeal with which he pursued his studies is attested in a letter from his tutor, Dr. Newcome, who, being told that Fox intended to be in Paris during Trinity Term 1765, wrote in reply: "You judged rightly in thinking I should be much surprised by the information you were so obliging to give me. But upon reflection I think that you have done well to change the scene in such a manner, and I feel myself inclined to envy you the power of doing it. Application like yours requires some intermission, and you are the only person with whom I have ever had connexion to whom I could say this. I expect that you will return with much keenness for Greek and for lines and angles."

His two years with Dr. Newcome and his solid classical training at Eton had left Fox well equipped to appreciate the value of the rather surprising gift sent him some thirty years later (not long after he had sat for the fine portrait by Karl Anton Hickel which now hangs in the National Portrait Gallery), when he received the first volume of a new edition of Lucretius, bearing the following dedication:

"Viro seculi sui illustrissimo, et vere honorabili, Carolo Jacobo Fox, elegantioribus ingenii dotibus eminentissimo; eloquentiae vena copiosae, faciliis, in affectatae, vividae, sublimis, profluenti; virtutibus iis omnibus



*Charles James Fox (1749 – 1806) as painted by Karl Anton Hickel.
Reproduced by courtesy of the National Portrait Gallery.*

quae virum politicum exornent, consummatissimo; sed ob teneros affectus animi humanissimamque benevolentiam in primis venerabili; hoc volumen nobilissimi poetae carminum, e non ignobili, uti sperat, editione, et fortasse cum Foxii ipsius nomine in aevum serius perennatura, vovens omnia faustissima, dat, dicat, dedicat, Gilbertus Wakefield”.¹

Wakefield (1756 – 1801) was a formidable, but perverse, scholar, whose political and religious convictions had repeatedly denied him congenial employment in which his considerable talents might have been properly exercised. “The stations of no men in this kingdom” he wrote “do I ever feel myself inclined to regard with an eye of envy, except those of the Masters and Tutors of Colleges in Oxford and Cambridge; who are possessed of all possible implements and opportunities to pursue and encourage literature, and continue sleeping . . . over their desirable appointments”.

The sentiment may not be unusual; but few men can have voiced it with more justification. This rash and idealistic scholar was obviously destined to be a liability to his friends, and we might have expected Fox to be cautious in encouraging his admirer. But when the time came to acknowledge the second instalment of Lucretius, together with a further publication of Wakefield's, Fox employed the occasion to seek guidance over various perplexities which he had encountered in his reading of Greek poetry, ending his letter, rather engagingly, "I feel it to be unpardonable in me to take advantage of your civility in sending me your books, to give you all this trouble; but I could not refuse myself so fair an opportunity of getting my doubts upon these passages cleared".

Wakefield responded with alacrity, and their correspondence, dealing mainly with classical literature, continued until the end of his life. Fox was blessed with better judgement and a stronger sense of style, and we often feel that he has the advantage over the professional scholar. Certainly his approach to Homer is more in tune with modern views. After a prolonged discussion of a fairly technical point of Homeric language he writes "I have not said any thing yet upon the question which you seem to have thought most upon – whether the Iliad is the work of one, or more authors? I have, for the sake of argument, admitted it; but yet, I own, I have great doubts, and even lean to an opinion different from yours. I am sure the inequality of excellence is not greater than in "Paradise Lost", and many other poems written confessedly by one author . . . I feel great reluctance to cut the Iliad and Odyssey to pieces, and to give them, not only to different authors, but different ages." Here Fox seems slightly apologetic in advancing his own view. On Cicero, however, he speaks with a confident authority which surely stems not only from prolonged study but also from the sense of a certain affinity: "I know no speech of Cicero's more full of beautiful passages than this (pro M. Caelio), nor where he is more in his element. Argumentative contention is what he by no means excels in; and he is never, I think, so happy, as when he has an opportunity of exhibiting a mixture of philosophy and pleasantry; and especially, when he can interpose anecdotes, and references to the authority of the eminent characters in the history of his country. No man appears, indeed, to have had such real respect for authority as he; and therefore, when he speaks on that subject, he is always natural, and in earnest; and not like those among us, who are so often declaiming about the wisdom of our ancestors, without knowing what they mean, or hardly ever citing any particulars of their conduct, or of their *dicta*".

However, Fox's gifts as a literary critic are better illustrated from his correspondence with his nephew, Lord Holland. From Wakefield he sought guidance over problems of text and interpretation, and his analysis of difficulties constantly reveals keen observation and intellectual rigour. Many of his perplexities resulted from the inadequacies of current editions, and his comments thus provide a salutary reminder of our debt to the great nineteenth-century scholars whose labours in producing proper critical texts we too often take for granted. But his claim to honourable mention in the history of classical scholarship rests on the recognition of a rather different type of problem, and the questions which he raised are now reckoned to be of fundamental importance for the work concerned.

In November 1799 he consulted Wakefield for advice “in regard to the Greek Poets in general (of the second and third order, I mean), which are best worth reading”. Wakefield, who had a vocation for martyrdom, had since May been incarcerated in Dorchester Gaol: having in January 1798 “employed a few hours” in drawing up a reply to Bishop Watson’s *Address to the People of Great Britain*, written in defence of Pitt, he was charged with publishing a seditious libel and despite an eloquent defence was sentenced to two years’ imprisonment. Fox and his other influential friends were unable to save him from the consequences of his imprudence, but he was spared many of the hardships which might have been expected, and was able to devote his enforced leisure to the preparation of materials for a Greek lexicon “on historical principles”, in which, contrary to scholarly convention at that period, the meanings of words were to be given in English (a policy which, as he himself came to realise, would have so restricted its sale as to render it commercially quite impracticable). Whether or not Fox’s wish to supply some of the deficiencies in his classical reading was partly inspired by the desire to find topics for correspondence with his unfortunate friend, it is difficult to imagine anything that could have given Wakefield greater pleasure, and he replied within a few days.

Among his recommendations was Lycophron’s *Alexandra*, a Hellenistic dramatic monologue ascribed to a writer associated with the court of Ptolemy Philadelphus (282–46) and purporting to represent the prophecy of the Trojan War and its consequences uttered by Cassandra when Paris left Troy to bring back Helen from Sparta. The work generally provokes comments not unlike those which greeted Browning’s *Sordello*, but Wakefield thought highly of it (influenced, perhaps, by a certain fellow-feeling for its heroine, doomed by Apollo’s curse to go unheeded until it was too late for her predictions to make any difference). “Lycophron by all means read . . . A spirit of melancholy breathes through his poem, which makes him, with his multitude of events, as delightful to me as any of the Antients. I have read him very often, and always with additional gratification. His poem is delivered in the form of a *prophecy*; and therefore affects an aenigmatical obscurity, by enveloping the sentiment in imagery, mythological allusions, and a most learned and elaborate phraseology . . . His narrative of the adventures of the Grecian chiefs, particularly Ulysses, after the fall of Troy, is infinitely interesting; and his prospect of Xerxes’s expedition into Greece, the devastation of his army, etc., is nobly executed. You cannot fail, I think, after the first difficulties are surmounted, to like him much”. Wakefield’s expectations were not disappointed. “I have lately read Lycophron” wrote Fox the following March, “and am much obliged to you for recommending it to me to do so; besides there being some very charming poetry in him, the variety of stories is very entertaining”. He derived some amusement from a certain similarity between his own situation and Cassandra’s: “You have heard from the newspapers, of course, of my going to the House of Commons last month. I did it more in consequence of the opinion of others, than from my own; and when I came back, and read the lines 1451,2,3 of Lycophron

τί μακρὰ πλήμων εἰς ἀνηκόους πέτρας,
εἰς κύμα κωφόν, εἰς νάπις δυσπλήτιδας
βαύζω, κενὸν ψάλλουσα μάλιστα κρότον; 2

I thought them very apposite to what I had been about". All was not, however, plain sailing. "There remain, after all, some few difficulties, which if you can clear up to me, I shall be much obliged to you. . . The most important of these is, that which belongs to the part where he speaks of the Romans in a manner that could not be possible for one who lived in the time of Ptolemy Philadelphus, that is, even before the first Punic War". Fox accordingly argued that either the passage concerned (1226–80), which opens with an allusion to the Romans as supreme by land and sea, must be a subsequent insertion or the poem as a whole must be the work of a later author.

Wakefield was slow to deal with this difficulty, and the tone of his eventual attempt is uncharacteristically diffident. "I have neither the proper books here, nor chronological memory, sufficient to judge of your objection to the authenticity of the passage from v.1226 to 1281³, from the progress of the Roman conquests at that time . . . But is it incredible, that an attentive observer of the times, and the rising greatness of the Romans, might venture to predict the extent of their future sway in the general terms of ver.1229?" Fox stuck to his guns, and the following January he restates his view, somewhat more firmly: "The more I consider the passage I once before mentioned to you in Lycophron, the more I am convinced that it is morally impossible that a man living in the time of Ptolemy Philadelphus . . . could have written the verses concerning Rome, beginning at ver.1226; still less those beginning at 1446: and yet I believe nothing of the sort is more generally believed than that Lycophron did live in the time of Ptolemy Philadelphus". Wakefield was at a loss: "If I live to see London again, I shall take great pleasure in mentioning your difficulty on Lycophron to a gentleman who has studied him more than any man living, I suppose. He is vicar or rector of some parish in Bread Street: his name is Meek . . . He was somewhat senior to me at Cambridge".

Wakefield was dead before the year was out, and we do not know whether he had the opportunity to consult Mr. Meek, the fruits of whose curious expertise appear to have perished with him. But the issue to which Fox called attention not only remains controversial but has come to be seen as crucial for the poem's interpretation: paradoxical as it may seem, the passage which excited Fox's suspicions must, if it is not an interpolation, be regarded as the keystone of the work.

By the time Fox's correspondence with Wakefield was published in 1813, Friedrich Gottlieb Welcker had formally inaugurated the Lycophron Question by drawing attention to the difficulties presented by the *Alexandra's* references to Rome in his *Griechische Tragödie* (1810). But Fox's contribution was still deemed important enough to be translated into German – an extraordinary accolade – and appeared, under the title "Über Lycophron", in *Rheinisches Museum* for 1829. Though it is familiar to students of Hellenistic poetry, it seems, to judge by the two most recent biographies of Fox, not to be appreciated by eighteenth-century historians. In his old college, at least, it should be given due credit.

In all this we may see simply a further illustration of the whole-hearted and painstaking way in which Fox pursued his enthusiasms; the extraordinary powers of application which had once excited Dr. Newcome's admiration remained with him in middle age, despite the manifold distractions of the

intervening years. But certainly nothing could have been better calculated to cheer Wakefield's incarceration than such scholarly controversy, and this correspondence sheds an entirely attractive light on the somewhat ambiguous politician who, for all his espousal of many excellent causes and the air of invincible common sense with which he defended the shifts in his policies, cannot be deemed wholly above the suspicion of a certain want of principle. These letters provide abundant evidence of that warmth and generosity of feeling to which Wakefield pays tribute in his dedication, and though Fox's patience must have been greatly taxed when, having referred to the disabling effects of a painful, and potentially dangerous, accident with a gun which had exploded in his hand, he received a diatribe on the wickedness of field-sports, he answered Wakefield's expostulations with exemplary equanimity, which reveals no trace of resentment at the latter's misguided attempt to act as his guru on moral questions.

Those who teach subjects without any obvious vocational relevance find themselves from time to time invited to justify their activities. One possible answer is supplied by Fox's attempt to cheer Wakefield in his anxiety as to the outcome of the prosecution which threatened him: "However, these are points which may be discussed by us, as you say, at leisure, if the system of tyranny should proceed to its maturity. Whether it will or not, I know not; but, if it should, sure I am that to have so cultivated literature as to have laid up a store of consolation and amusement, will be, in such an event, the greatest advantage (next to a good conscience) which one man can have of another".

Stephanie West

Footnotes

¹ To the most illustrious man of his generation, the Right Honourable Charles James Fox, most distinguished in the finer gifts of the intellect, with a swift-flowing vein of copious, easy, unaffected, lively, and sublime eloquence, perfectly endowed with all those virtues which may adorn a statesman, but above all to be revered for the tender affections and most humane benevolence of his mind, this volume of the works of a most noble poet, in an edition which its author hopes is not ignoble and may perhaps endure with the name of Fox to a later age, is offered, devoted and dedicated, with all good wishes, by Gilbert Wakefield.

² Why, unhappy that I am, do I cry at length to the unheard rocks, to the deaf wave, and to the dreadful glades, twanging the vain rattling of my lips?

³ A mistake for 1280.

SOME HERTFORD REMINISCENCES

The war-time (World War II) memories of former Principal, Dr. Ferrar, prompt me to add a few more reminiscences of that period for the College archives.

Hertford led the way in ecumenical interest in the late '30s. With the early encouragement of T. S. R. Boase, the Dean, who had played an active part in the Oxford Conference on 'Church, Community and State' in 1937, the new Chaplain arranged for a seminar in College on the 'Problem of Unity'. Papers were read on 'The Russian Church in exile', 'The Lutheran and Reformed Churches', 'The Church in Germany', and so on. The upshot of this was a fortnight spent on the continent in the Easter Vacation of 1939, visiting the Russian Orthodox community in Paris, the Lutherans and Calvinists in Strasbourg, and the Roman

Catholic Benedictine Abbey at Amay-sur-Meuse in Belgium. The party of twenty, half of whom were Hertford, found themselves quickly immersed in the fascinating atmosphere of other ecclesiastical traditions, but also made acutely aware of the imminence of war as we witnessed a review of troops in Strasbourg, and saw military movements as we travelled down the Rhine out of France, through Germany and into Belgium.

We returned to Oxford to find Larsen, the College porter, in a state of scarcely suppressed tension and excitement. A German hockey team was resident in College, but one by one their games were cancelled or postponed. Their average age put them outside any chance of playing energetically or successfully against schools or undergraduates. Larsen smelt a rat, as well he might. Not for nothing was he a Dane, and an ex-Guardsman in the Household Brigade. In ways best known to himself Larsen discovered that the 'hockey players' had spent their time in arduous photography, filming Abingdon aerodrome from Boar's Hill, every bit of Oxford and especially the colleges. Did Hitler have his eyes on Oxford? Good enough for Charles I, good enough for Adolf. Within months 'peace' had erupted into war.

But Hertford had hit the headlines in another way. A commoner of the College, George Grey, while still an undergraduate and only just old enough to qualify as a Parliamentary candidate, had won the bye-election at Berwick-on-Tweed, and was now a Liberal Member of Parliament. Tall and handsome, a young man of uncommon dignity, leadership and strength of character, there is no telling what vital contribution he might have made in the Liberal Party and in national life, had he not been killed in Normandy leading his men.

In June 1940, towards the end of the phoney war period which ended with Dunkirk, Anthony Eden broadcast his call for a Volunteer Defence Force (LDV - Local Defence Volunteers). In North Oxford Hertford men were conspicuously to the fore. E. A. Greswell, Head of the University's Appointments' Committee, was in command of the North Oxford contingent of the Home Guard, with the rank of Major. Hertford's College Chaplain, a pre-war pilot in the Reserve of Air Force Officers (sporting pilot's wings on his Home Guard uniform) was Second-in-command, with rank of Captain. Larsen, needless to say, was in charge of a good deal of training, particularly bayonet fighting, which included brutal attacks on defenceless sacks of straw. Persuaded that the war effort would fail if anything happened to the secret developments being nurtured in the Science labs. we guarded the area between Keble and Parson's Pleasure with commendable single-mindedness, and with such forces as were at our disposal. Roughly speaking, we had a paper strength of 300. The break-down of this is less impressive; 100 from the University (from 'dons' who had fought in the Boer War to a few able-bodied youngsters), 100 from Theological colleges (declared pacifists in the main, but patriotic in the nation's extremity), and 100 'townees' (including a number from the works at Cowley).

Meanwhile, Hertford men were so scattered in units over the face of the globe that the Chaplain devised a News-letter which was printed about twice a year, and was despatched to as many names and addresses as were known in college. This was enormously appreciated at the time, and when the Chaplain re-joined the R.A.F. early in 1942 the News-letter was taken over and sent out by the Bursar, Dr. Ferrar.

The clash of reality with unreality is a perennial experience, but none more so than when the Chaplain, stationed in Cyrene in the Western Desert, received a letter from Charles Hignett, Hertford's tutor in Ancient History, asking him to find out all about the sylphium plant in that part of Cyrenaica, and also about cats next time he was in Egypt. A tall order in the midst of war! We found volumes of an encyclopaedia in Italian in the house that Rommel had recently used as his Headquarters in Beda Littoria, and spent a few hours after Christmas delving for information about sylphium, but I cannot recall any glowing success.

The College was like an oasis of sanity and stability when one got back after the war, even though Hignett was still more concerned about Egyptian cats than exploits against the foe.

Ian Thomson
Chaplain of Hertford
1937-1946

DESTRUCTION OF MAGDALEN HALL, OXFORD, BY FIRE
(Extract of a private letter.)

Oxford, Jan. 9—A desolating fire was discovered to have broken out this morning, about three o'clock, in the northern extremity of Magdalen Hall, in this University. A great proportion of the inhabitants was immediately roused; and in spite of the unreasonable hour of the summons, great numbers promptly came to the spot, and contributed their zealous aid in working four engines, and thereby quenching the flames. About seven o'clock the fire was got under; but, unhappily, not until a considerable portion of this venerable pile was consumed to a cinder. Sixteen sets of gentlemen's rooms were completely destroyed; and as they were all tenanted (although, from its being vacation time, the Members of the Society were almost all of them absent from the University), the destruction embraced a great deal of furniture, and many valuable collections of books. Owing to the extreme severity of the weather, many of the pumps in the neighbourhood were locked up with frost, and there was some difficulty at first in procuring an adequate supply of water. The accident, it is supposed, arose from the indiscretion of a young man who happened to be resident, and who went to bed without extinguishing his candles. They afterwards communicated with the furniture of his room, and occasioned the conflagration. He was, however, luckily awakened from his perilous condition, and no lives were lost. No praise can be too great for the exertions of those who came early to the spot, The Bishop of Oxford was amongst the number, and was exceeded by no one present in the anxiety and earnestness of his efforts to extinguish the flames. I am happy to be able to add, that the house of the Learned Principal (Dr. Macbride), and the neighbouring lodging of the Rev. Dr. Routh, President of Magdalen College, though at one period in the greatest jeopardy, remained in the end untouched by the devouring element. Both these venerable characters are now absent from Oxford.

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EXAMINATION RESULTS 1984

SCHOOLS

MODS./PRELIMS

Ancient & Modern History

Greenland, Mathew

Biochemistry

<i>Part I</i>	Crompton, Ian	
	Jackson, Trevor	
	Metcalfe, Mark	
	Scully, Jacqueline	
<i>Part II</i>	Cattaneo, Emilio	II
	Gibbings, Julie	II
	Najmudin, Shabir	II
	Thomas, Christopher	II

Harvey, Timothy
Horsley, David
Waterhouse, Keith
Wood, Susan (S)

Biology

Rees, Rebecca

Chemistry

<i>Part I</i>	Calamita, Roberto	
	Dudlyke, Graham	
	Jones, Alison	
	Polwyka, Mario (S)	
<i>Part II</i>	Oldfield, Mark	II
	Palmer, David	II
	Pennington, Richard	II
	Rivett, Michael (E)	II
	Shore, Kathryn	II
	Sohm, Rupert	II
	Tyers, Gerald	II

Bell, Andrew
Briggs, Ruth
Crawford, Robert
Loftus, Gabriel
Speel, Robert

Engineering, Econ. & Management

<i>Part I</i>	Khano, Mark	
	Sethia, Sundeep	
<i>Part II</i>	Andrews, Kevin (S)	II
	Armishaw, Andrew	II
	Clark, John	II
	Kimpton, Stephen	II

White, Martin

Engineering Science

	Amin, Zahur (S)	II
	Clark, Andrew	II

Evans, Brian (S) II
Feld, Graham (S) II
Hunt, Mathew III
Richardson, Stephen (E) I
Weston, Ian I

English

	Cottrell, Lucilla	II
	Davidson, Michael (S)	I
	Gorham, Carl	II
	Henderson-Begg, Maxwell (S)	I
	Kenwood, Catherine	II
	Nieuwold, Lamorna	II
	Morris, Cerisian	II
	Pennock-Purvis, Julian	II
	Rudden, Patrick (E)	II
	Streeter, Jeffrey	II
	Stubbs, David	II
	Sullivan, Ceri (E)	II

Barber, Annabel
Butcher, Lesley
Etherington, Sian
Foulkes, Nicholas
Joynes, Clare
Paull, Laline (S)
Pride, Simon
Simpson, Iain

Fine Art

Ashdown, Jane
Kennedy, Fiona

Geography

Behan, David	II	Axworthy, Teresa	III
Gent, Angela	II	Black, Richard (S)	I
Jones, Simon	II	Fisher, Nigel	II
Leaf, Guy (S)	II	Forsyth, Timothy	II
Lindsay, Vaughan (E)	II	Hake, Mark	II
Martin, Helen (S)	II	Hammond, Ian	II
Thethy, Sukhbinder	II	Hollis, Stephen (S)	II
Vaughan, Timothy (E)	II	McGregor, Joann (E)	I
		Meador, Paul	II
		Outhwaite, Jane	II

History, History/Mod. Langs.

Barnard, Richard (S)	II	Dowden, Malcom	
Brookes, Julia (S)	II	Duggan, Richard	
Callard, Andrew	II	Gabriel, Caroline (E)	
Leaver, David	II	Moran, Theresa (E)	
Lumbard, Dyrol (E)	II	Pollitt, Victoria (E)	
Neu, Penelope	II	Thirkettle, Wendy	
Richmond, Sharon	II	Whitmore, Ian	
Simpson, Peter (E)	II		
Spencer, Simon	II		
Stone, Julia (E)	II		

Human Sciences

Gray, Christian (S)	II	Evans, Neil (E)	
Hill, Martin	II	Thompson, Catherine	

Jurisprudence

Bellamy, Elizabeth	II	Carville, John	
Buckley, Neil	II	Cherry, Jacqueline	
Cates, Kathleen	I	Fordham, Michael	
Cherry, Nichola	II	Greenan, Sarah	
Craig, Christina	II	Molloy, Susan	
Dunn, Peter	II	Palmer, Bridget	
Eatough, David	II	Rintoul, Jeremy	
Gatt, Ian	I	Sawkins, Caroline	
Goodwin, Glenn	II	Steller, Rebecca	
Kirk, Joanna	II	Weber, Rupert	
Mayer, Elizabeth (S)	I	Williams, Robert	
Shaylor, Andrew	II		

Lit. Hum.

Burns, Stephen	II	Binns, Niall (E)	
Sylvester, Alison	II	Thwaites, Jeremy (E)	
Thómas, Sarah (E)	II		

Mathematics

Bloor, Alison	II	Bridson, Martin	I
Boyd, Alan (S)	I	Brodie, Robert	II
Dearnaley, Andrea	II	Cundy, Jennifer (E)	II
Dobson, Geoffrey (S)	I	Malkin, Ross	II
Nixon, John (S)	II	Middleton, Neil	II
Payling, Elizabeth (S)	II	Sharman, Michael	II
Payne, Stephen	II	Sinclair, Andrew	II
Rothwell, Sian	II		
Stead, Roy	III		
Thornber, Mark (S)	I		

Modern Languages

Appleton, Edward (S)	II	French, Elizabeth	
Brown, Charlotte (E)	II	Jackson, Bridget	
Gibbs, Alison (E)	I	Newton, David (E)	
Kiely, Julian	II	Smith, Catherine	
Macaulay, Fiona (S)	II		
Quinnell, Caroline (E)	II		
Trigle, Alan	II		
Trudgill, Jane	II		
Kings, David	II		

Music

Shaw, Judith	II	Brown, Svend-Einar	
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Philosophy/Modern Languages

Knight, David (S)	II		
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P.P.E.

Clapp, David	II	Berry, Peter	
Dharampal, Roswitha	III	Harris, Clive	
Goldstone, David	II	Joseph, Philip	
Gracie, Caroline	I	Lyall, Andrew	
Jago, Colin	II	Parekh, Nitin (S)	
Smith, Jacqueline	II	Russell, Stephen	
		Webb, Steven (S)	

Physics

Bloodworth, Thomas	II	Adam, Charles	II
Chester, John	III	Attwood, Peter	II
Clark, Stuart (S)	I	Coombs, Jonathan (S)	II
Gibaut, Russell	II	Griffiths, Austyn (S)	I
Mowbray, David (S)	I	Palmer, Catriona	II
Surkovic, Anthony	III	Shiels, Michael (E)	III
Turner, Colin	II	Talbot, Martin	III
Valentine, Ian	II	Tickell, Stephen	II
White, Jeremy (S)	I	Williams, Ceili	II

Physiological Sciences

Haslet, Peter (E)	II	Davenport, Caroline	
Glover, Mark (S)	II	Knight, Timothy	
Davies, Mark	II		
Thompson, Nigel	III		

Zoology

Collick, Andrew	II	McMinn, Howard	
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- D.Phil.* Biden, E. N.; Gue, See Sew; Hoefle, S. W.; Holden, L.; Hutson, J. M.; Lau, Kimsey; Naylor, C. D.
- M.Litt.* Fletcher, R.; Lawson, S. D.
- B.C.L.* Doherty, J. R.; Edwards, Louise Joan; Harry, T. H.
- M.Phil.* Cable, J. H.; Robertson, Fiona
- M.Sc.* Daws, M. J.
- B.M. B.Ch.* Latham, J. M.

THE CHAPEL

Organ Scholars: Stephen Clarke, Simon Williamson.
Bible Clerks: Catherine Kenwood, Judy Shaw, Kevin Knaggs,
 Caroline Gabriel, Wendy Thirkettle.

In his book "God Our Contemporary" J. B. Phillips writes: "Our society today bears all the marks of a God-starved community. There is little moral authority because no ultimate authority is known or acknowledged. Since there is no accepted standard of values beyond the purely material, the false god of success, the lure of a glamorous life-style, the love of money and the "rat-race" of business or social competition hold almost undisputed sway in the lives of many people. When the true God is unknown, that combination of awe, love, respect, admiration and wonder, which we call worship, becomes diverted towards human beings who exhibit unusual gifts in the public eye. Without the Spirit of the living God, the public conscience is capricious and ill-informed. Where there is no belief in a purpose extending beyond this life people are inevitably

oppressed by a sense of futility. And since there is no great cause for which to suffer and labour, words like "duty" and "moral obligation" have simply lost valid currency for large numbers of people.

Further, since a great many people know nothing of the Christian certainty of life beyond death, the power of death to injure and terrify is restored to a pagan level. And since most people have no idea of any resources beyond their own, and apparently believe that we live in a closed-system of cause and effect, they come to accept their own characters and those of other people with a slightly cynical fatalism. The whole situation cries out for the restoration of real religious faith. It is clear that modern man can never possess a faith which can both command his intelligent loyalty and influence every part of his thinking and feeling until he discovers the unique authority of Jesus Christ. This is no time for reticence, and all those who have found a satisfying religious faith in Christ are nowadays called not only to serve the patient purpose of the Kingdom, but to make known the King. Today, information is as necessary as testimony. In a time of dire spiritual poverty the extreme difficulty of communicating the Gospel of Jesus Christ appears to underline the urgency of the situation. And, unless it can be communicated, what is meant to be Good News for all men everywhere becomes a frozen spiritual asset".

Our speakers this year have been very good at communicating the faith which has inspired their own lives and enable them to find a living relationship with God. They have enabled us not only to hear about dedicated service for the Kingdom but also opportunities for making known the King. Mother Frances Dominica spoke about the life of prayer and meditation that lies behind the work of Helen House in caring for children who are seriously ill; together with looking after a large number of elderly residents in the home attached to the Community of All Saints'. Canon Frank Ledgard spoke about the establishment of a House of Healing and Peace, which has been opened at Bedale in North Yorkshire to help those who are recovering from a variety of illnesses in an atmosphere of love and prayer. Dr. Stephen Barclay described his work as a hospital doctor in Bristol and his ministry to the patients there. His address was entitled: "A Doctor's View of the Resurrection", and he emphasised the importance of honesty in telling patients suffering from terminal illnesses of their situation, and of the need to give clear teaching about the Christian view of Life after death, and not just ignoring this central aspect of the Gospel. The Bishop of Pontefract gave a moving sermon on the subject of "Spiritual Renewal" and spoke of the presence of the living Christ as the source of companionship and strength in daily life. Group Captain Leonard Cheshire V.C. preached on "The Hope of the Disabled Person", and referred to the considerable array of talents that many disabled people bring to our society. He said that his own life had been greatly enriched by his work with the disabled, and their capacity to overcome great handicaps and to care for others in greater need.

Dr. Grant Gillett, Senior Registrar in the Department of Neuro-surgery, gave a moving account of his work under the heading "The Faith of a Surgeon". In his comments he recalled the words of another great surgeon and missionary doctor, Dr. Albert Schweitzer, who once said: "Before I begin an operation I pray with my lips, and then during the operation I pray with my hands". This is one of the clearest definitions of prayer we have heard. Professor Keith Ward from the department of Philosophy at King's

College, London preached on the subject: "Is Faith reasonable?" and Professor Russell Stannard, Professor of Physics at the Open University, gave a clear exposition of ways in which Science, far from being opposed to Christian belief, can in fact lead to the renewal of Faith in God. Professor Jack Scarisbrick spoke about the work of "Life - Save the unborn Child", and Archbishop Trevor Huddleston preached about the "Uniqueness of Christianity" including many illustrations from his ministry in various parts of Africa. Christopher Seaman illustrated his own discovery of a musician's experience of God and the Bishop of Brentwood, the Right Reverend Thomas McMahon, gave a challenging exposition of the basic issues involved in "War and Peace". Canon David Hawkins spoke of the Holy Spirit giving "Power in Weakness". Dr. Alan Day reminded us of the reality of the "Christian Hope"; and Dr. Jim Bertie of the "Reality of Hell". Dr. Leslie Seiffert gave us a personal view of Martin Luther. We are extremely grateful to the Fellows of the College for the support they give to the Chapel and for the great encouragement of their presence regularly at the Sunday services. We are also grateful to the Bible Clerks for their hard work in preparing for the services especially to Catherine Kenwood, Judy Shaw, Kevin Knaggs, Caroline Gabriel and Wendy Thirkettle. In particular, we would like to record our gratitude to all the members of the Chapel Choir for leading our worship so attractively and to Stephen Clarke and Simon Williamson for the inspiration of their leadership as Organ Scholars. The comment has often been made to me by many of those who attend our Services that it was the attraction of the Choir and the quality of the music which first attracted them to Hertford Chapel.

A. A. Procter has written a poem which sums up much of what we have attempted in the Chapel this year:

"Have we not all, amid life's petty strife
 Some pure ideal of a nobler life
 That once seemed possible?
 Have we not heard the flutter of its wings
 And felt it near? It was; and yet
 We lost it in the busy jar and fret,
 And now live idly in a vain regret.
 And yet, our place is kept
 And it must wait,
 Ready for us to take it, soon or late.
 No star is ever lost we once have seen;
 We always may be what we might have been."

St. Paul's words in the Epistle to the Ephesians, chapter 6 verse 10 are appropriate for living the Christian life in to-day's society. These words are not, as some may suppose written to a group of "wets" or inadequates propping themselves up on some sort of glorified Sunday School outing; but to those like the French Resistance Movement in the last war who are engaged in a mighty battle against a powerful, dangerous enemy. "Finally, brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we are not wrestling against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against the powers, against the world rulers of this present darkness, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore, take the whole armour of God, that you may be able to

withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace: Above all, taking the shield of faith, with which you can quench all the fiery darts of the Evil One. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints. And for me, that utterance may be given to me that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel; for which I am an ambassador in chains, that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak”.

Michael Chantry

MIDDLE COMMON ROOM

Officers 1984-5

President: Lorne Whiteway
Secretary: Fiona Mullan
Treasurer: Alison Sprague

The stated purpose of the MCR is to ‘create a graduate community in college’, and we are apparently succeeding in this. Morale is high, the social calendar is full, and facilities continue to improve.

We have now over one hundred members. Michaelmas 1984 saw a large intake, with many new foreign students. A concentrated week of introductory events was laid on, with the desired effect: more graduates participate in college life than ever before.

Our social calendar contains the usual events – guest dinners, parties, and theatre trips – but we try to create new traditions as well. Last year’s committee invented the MCR Easter Egg Hunt, and this year we will be able to have our first ice skating party (the rink at Oxpens having been completed).

Perhaps the biggest step forward for the MCR recently has been the purchase by college of two word processors for graduates. These machines are being used twenty hours a day, and those writing theses and essays on them are certainly saving considerable time and money.

The MCR has created a new committee post, that of Housing Member. The Housing Member collects suggestions and complaints from graduate residents of college houses and passes them on to the Bursar. This system seems to work well, and certainly there have been improvements in graduate housing. It appears that communication difficulties are often the only obstacle to better housing.

Let me thank my committee members for all their contributions to the success of this MCR.

Lorne Whiteway

JUNIOR COMMON ROOM

The past year has seen continued activity and achievement by J.C.R. members, in the life of college, university, and the world beyond.

As far as the administration of the Junior Common Room goes, the days of the 'gentleman amateur' are well and truly dead. A revised constitution has ushered in a new era of professionalism and bureaucracy. The committee has been replaced by the smart, up-to-date J.C.R. Executive, the members of which have been restyled officers, and the housing member has been transformed into the welfare officer – truly a creature of the 1980s.

Moreover – and hardly surprisingly – the J.C.R. is now being run by more women than ever before. Five of the nine Executive members this year are women, and women's sports (rowing, at least) are gradually gaining recognition alongside the traditional men's sports. All these changes combine to give an impression of brisk, feminine efficiency.

Once again, it is the J.C.R. President's happy task to report that without the involvement of the junior members of this college, many university clubs and societies would have collapsed this year. Three stood for sabbatical and executive posts in the Oxford University Student Union elections, on the widely divergent Tory, Labour, and Third World First tickets. This year Hertford can boast a chairman of the Social Democratic Club, the organiser of Fresher's Fair, the chair of the Union Consultative Committee, and involvement in all areas of university sport, music, drama and politics.

We have extended our horizons beyond the confines of this privileged city, and the J.C.R. is showing a mounting concern for the problems of the Third World and of refugees. The Third World Scholarship Scheme continues to be well-supported, and we await the arrival of our scholar. Last summer, J.C.R. members participated in two separate research expeditions, to Nepal and to the Sudan, with token financial, and considerable moral, support from the J.C.R. as a whole.

All this worthy activity has not deadened our ability to enjoy ourselves, however, and the bar, guest dinners, and social events are as popular as ever. It is encouraging to be able to report that the amount of deliberate damage to college property occurring after these events has fallen dramatically during the past year – testifying to a genuine sense of community and responsibility in the college.

1984, then, for all the portentous reviews which greeted its opening has been a successful and profitable year for the Junior Common Room, and one in which I have felt privileged to play a part.

Eleanor Smith
J.C.R. President

HOCKEY

In the 1983–84 season Hertford gained promotion in the men's league (to division two), reached the semi-finals of mixed cuppers, and produced the secretary of the Blues, Paddy Rudden. In men's cuppers, however, we

yet again failed to win a round, but the fact that no distinguished players were lost at the end of the year means that we should be much stronger this season. In the ladies' competitions, Hertford achieved no dizzy heights, but enjoyed every minute. Adam Pentney, Rob Inkpen and Sarah Kelly put in a lot of work, and have provided a firm base on which to build. For many seasons Hertford hockey has been taxying around, going nowhere in particular. Last season saw us set our sights and gather speed, and this year it could all really take off. Let's hope that we maintain the sportsmanship and enjoyment that have been Hertford's hallmark in the past.

Michael Fordham
Men's Captain

HERTFORD COLLEGE R.F.C. 1983-84

The rugby club had a fairly successful, if somewhat erratic, season last year. In spite of a rather mediocre start, we managed to finish third in the second division at the end of Michaelmas term (narrowly missing promotion in the last match of term); a creditable achievement considering the usual last minute hunt for players. In Cuppers, we beat Balliol to reach the last eight, where we were beaten by a very strong Teddy Hall team. The final event of the season was the seven-a-side competition at the end of Hilary term. Here, we again managed to reach the last eight, but lost to Merton in the quarter-finals, having lost one player through injury during the match (the rule that disallowed substitution once the match had started has now been changed). During the season, two players from Hertford, Simon Duggan and Iain Simpson, also represented the University, albeit at a fairly minor level. Hopefully, this season will be as successful, in spite of the high percentage of last year's team who have left.

Iain Simpson

CRICKET

After a promising start to the season, beating Exeter College by 70 runs, the cricket team faltered and partly due to not being able to field a full strength side were knocked out of cupper's in the first round by Queen's. Thanks to an excellent summer all the fixtures bar one (a mishap of allocation of grounds with Corpus Christi 1) were played. Perhaps the most disappointing game was to lose to Clare College, Cambridge. With a little more patience and application at the crease the season may have been a little more successful, but if the performances of, all rounders, D. Newton, M. Fordham and B. Evans are repeated, next season will hopefully be a lot more profitable.

H. McMinn

E. W. GILBERT CLUB

The E. W. Gilbert Club for Hertford geographers had only two functions last term (Trinity 1984). A drinks party in the Boyd Room, to which guests were invited, was well attended and seemed to go smoothly with

cocktails and wine being consumed in large quantities. The termly dinner was cancelled due to clashes with finals revision and the Boat Club dinner. Probably the last garden party at Professor Goudie's house did, however, take place. The party involved the usual antics, including canal duckings for various geographers, and an addition this year was a barbecue for hot food. Overall, the Gilbert Club despite only holding two functions, still retains its traditional, informal and friendly atmosphere, and hopefully its popularity will increase under the joint presidency of Alan Holmes and Helen Williams and under their successors.

R. Inkpen

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APPOINTMENTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Dr I. N. McCave, formerly of the University of East Anglia, has been appointed to the Woodwardian Professorship of Geology in the University of Cambridge.

Sarah Kelly was Secretary of the Oxford University Orienteering Club and was awarded a half blue through winning the Ladies' Section at the Varsity Match held in Derbyshire in March.

We congratulate Andrew Pratt, new Fellow of Jesus College, on his marriage to Grace Mary Belfiore.

Simon Jones has joined Coopers and Lybrand.

J. B. Richardson has retired after 33 years as Head of Modern Languages at Bilton Grange Preparatory School, near Rugby. For the last 14 years he had been Second Master.

Dr M. G. Slocombe is taking up a position as Science Co-ordinator at Timbertop School at Mansfield in Victoria, Australia.

Philip Holmes has been promoted as Professor of Theoretical and Applied Mathematics at Cornell University.

David Lury is with Total Oil Marine PLC as Administration Co-ordinator on their North Sea gas and oil operations.

Clive Holtham has been appointed as Director of Finance with the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham.

Paul Simpson is Housemaster of the Mary Hare Grammar School for the Deaf at Newbury.

David Worksett is a Principal in the Department of Transport.

David Ascott is a producer for Radio Sussex.

Calum Paton is now Assistant Secretary, Nuffield Provincial Hospitals Trust.

We congratulate A. I. Marsh on the award of the O.B.E. in the Birthday Honours' List, 1984.

Sir Gawain Bell has recently published his memoirs "Shadows on the Sand". The following details may be of interest to old members:

"Sir Gawain Bell (born in 1909) entered the Service in 1931 and remained in it till the eve of Sudanese independence. By then the uncomplicated existence of his early years had become volatile and sometimes bloody, with fierce rivalry between the two leading political groupings, further stirred up by Egyptian ambitions. Sir Gawain had a far from conventional

career. In the late 1930s he spent two years as a District Officer in the Palestine administration. During the way he served first in an irregular force of Druze cavalry campaigning against the Vichy French in Syria, and later in the Arab Legion under Glubb. After the war he returned to the Sudan as a District Commissioner and in 1945-51 went to Cairo as Deputy Sudan Agent. On finally leaving the Sudan he went to Kuwait as Political Agent. Although he later held senior posts in Nigeria and the South Pacific, this account ends with his departure from Kuwait. With its many close-up portraits and pungent anecdotes, SHADOWS ON THE SAND has the immediacy of a contemporary record. Sir Gawain's writing is also firmly rooted in the history of the time and the reader is lucidly made aware of the larger forces at work."

Judith Samuel has been working as a Senior Psychologist of the Mental Handicap Development Team and is a member of the Community Psychology Section of the London Borough of Newham Social Services Department.

Paul Batho has been awarded the College of Estate Management/James Lang Wootton Travel Scholarship for 1984/85.

M. E. Knight has been appointed as Agent of the Bank of England in Bristol.

Miss S. Rothwell has joined Dorset County Council as a trainee accountant.

S. Payne has been offered a job as an actuarial trainee by Royal London Mutual.

M. Thornber has joined a graduate programme at the State University of New York at Stony Brook.

Miss E. J. Payling is undertaking the M.Sc. course in Operation Research in Lancaster University.

John Mason has left the Kent County Council Planning Department to become Senior Planning Officer at the Department of the Environment (Eastern Regional Office) in London.

A. N. Trigle has joined Barclays Bank International.

Dr J. R. Hemsley is a Director of Brameur Ltd (Information Technology Management Research).

Rev. Graham Kings is working in a Theological College in East Africa.

Peter R. Lane is an Assistant Parliamentary Counsel.

David Winnington-Ingram is an Investment Manager, Samuel Montagu.

J. D. Clark is now Campaigns Manager, Oxfam.

P. M. Blakey has been appointed Associate Professor, Arizona State University.

Dr V. J. Rayward-Smith is now Senior Lecturer in Computing, University of East Anglia.

J. J. Sless is a Business Development Executive, Granada Cable & Satellite.

M. J. Bishop is with Gartmore Fund Managers.

David Watt is Director of the Royal Institute of International Affairs – contributing regularly to the Times.

J. G. Wilkinson is Chief Executive ESAB Group (UK) Ltd.

N. Buckley is a management trainee with Northcliffe Press.

M. I. Wood has joined Ilford in Cheshire.

Sarah Brown is teaching at Bancroft's School.

Sherard Cowper-Coles is back from Cairo and working with the Foreign Office Planning Staff.

Matthew Quinn has been awarded a Charles Oldham Travel Scholarship and been given a honourable mention in TLS for his part in *The Indian Queen*.

Gordon Hou Shing Chan is Associate Professor at the Department of Sociology, National Taiwan University.

Dr Jonathan Billowes is working in the Nuclear Structure Laboratory at the Department of Physics of the State University of New York, Stony Brook.

E. S. Vulliamy is a Journalist with Granada TV's World in Action.

C. T. S. Keep is President of Albermarle Realty & Mortgage Co Inc.

C. M. J. Godfrey is an articulated clerk with Linklaters and Paines.

D. K. Hibbs is a senior management trainee with the National Bus Co.

Michael J. Davison is a Marketing trainee with Shell UK Oil.

H. R. Evans is a Metropolitan Police Officer.

Lucilla M. Cottrell is a stockbroker with Grieveson Grant.

Kenneth Absalom is a lawyer in San Francisco.

N. T. Exton is a software Engineer.

Marian Bell is a research Assistant in the Economics Office of Williams & Glyns.

Christopher Hutton, currently studying at Columbia University, has returned each summer in recent years as a member of the teaching body of the Oxford Centre for Yiddish Studies.

C. L. Papageorgiou is Associate Professor in Cooperative Economics at the Agricultural University of Athens.

P. G. Patsis is a Lecturer in Agricultural Economics at the same University.

OBITUARY

S. K. Armistead	(1940)	24 August 1984.
R. Beloe, CBE	(1924)	26 April 1984.
Dr C. W. David	(1908)	2 April 1984.
Dr. E. V. Ellington	(1946)	19 January 1985.
C. J. Keith	(1919)	27 July 1984.
M. Lesser	(1972)	22 April 1984.
Professor C. P. M. Robertson-Fortray	(1936)	30 June 1983.
A. Sabin	(1923)	February 1982.
A. C. Spurling Q.C.	(1925)	January 1985.
Rev. A. K. Turner	(1928)	14 September 1983.
J. W. I. Whiteman	(1919)	25 January 1984.

DR. C. W. DAVID

Dr. David was a Rhodes Scholar from Pennsylvania, coming up to Hertford in 1908. He died in April 1984 at the age of 99 and was one of the most senior members on our records.

MAXIM LESSER

Max Lesser, who died on April 22, 1984, at the tragically young age of 31, was JCR President here in 1974-75. He was also a very active member of the Committee which organised the highly successful Centenary Ball. A year earlier, as art committee chairman, he had organised the sculpture exhibition in the Old Quad, memorably vandalised to his fury by some leading members of the university conservative association (non-politically, no doubt, and to the subsequent profit of the sculptor). One survivor of that episode - bought for the College by an old member, and christened Leda although resembling her swan friend more - lives on, itself later defaced, in the Principal's basement: but its time will come again. As JCR President, Max played probably the main part in healing a sad rift which had developed between the SCR and JCR the year before (over, as usual, fees and charges). Lines of communication were worse then than they are now, and Max and I shared a belief in the importance of improving them. It was then, for example, that the system of inviting the Presidents of the JCR and MCR to Governing Body meetings began. I remember too the JCR freshmen's

reception meeting in October 1974. In those days the meetings were held in the Old Hall, and the convention was that the Principal and I didn't go in to speak until the end of the JCR President's introductory remarks. Scheduled to speak at about 8.30 p.m., I remember the Principal and I pacing round the Quad, peering in from time to time to see how the introduction was going. An hour later it was still going, but the rift was well healed.

Max came here with an award for Law, and after graduating and qualifying for the Bar joined the legal department, first of Rank-Xerox, and then of De La Rue. An obvious choice for the Hertford Society committee he served on it until more important demands on his time grew too great. Even in his last illness in hospital he was still working, which says a lot both for Max and for his employers. Max leaves many friends who miss him, and whose sympathy and best wishes for the future go to his wife Claire and his daughter Polly, in their bereavement, very much.

Many of Max's contemporaries here have spoken to me about him since his death. He had many qualities in addition to sheer liveliness, but that quality everyone speaks about. And for valediction, why not? I remember Max sliding down all of the fire escape ropes in College, and telling me afterwards, almost with a straight face, that this was part of his presidential duties.

Roy Stuart

MARY DENNISTON

An aspect of Mary Denniston's association with Hertford perhaps not widely known was the opening of her home at 5, Polstead Road in 1949 to members of College seeking lodgings in what was, after the war, an even more overcrowded Oxford than it is to-day. Rooms were found for three undergraduates who were treated to that generosity and friendliness for which both 'Denny' and Mary were so well known in the inter-war years. These were no mere 'digs' for Mary had made No 5 an extension of College and her guests were made to feel very much part of not only her family but of the wide circle of friends who were frequent visitors. The Sunday lunches were themselves an unforgettable experience and there was always a warm and friendly welcome for those who came back to see Mary in later years. In her passing we have been deprived of a kind and gentle friend whose devotion to Hertford lasted all her life.

Amongst the many blessings Mary brought to the College was the renaissance of the Dramatic Society. Owing to the War this had been inactive for some eight years, and when in 1948 the production of Shaw's little-known piece, *Fanny's First Play*, was under consideration, word went round that Mary had graced Oxford's pre-War theatrical scene. Not only did she accept the part of Mrs. Knox – shamelessly cast against type as a melancholy religious maniac! – but she recruited her friend Freda Holroyd, a B.N.C. lady with a fascinating Austrian accent, to bring glitter and gaiety to the role of Mrs. Gilbey. These two stalwarts were the twin-foundation stones of the production, not only on-stage but in the wings and in rehearsal, where they soothed tempers and inspired confidence. Amongst the "also-rans" was William Gaskell who was to direct the next College production. Continuity had been restored, and as so often Mary was the link.

A. C. Ryder
G. Rowell

Mr. Robert Beloe, CBE, one of a small group of Chief Education Officers who helped to shape education after the passing of the 1944 Act, died on April 26, aged 78, at Richmond. He subsequently became Lay Secretary to two Archbishops of Canterbury.

Son of the former Headmaster of Bradfield College, the Rev. R. D. Beloe, he was educated at Winchester and Hertford College, Oxford. He gained teaching experience at Bradfield, Eton, and in a Reading elementary school, and after a short administrative training in Kent, joined Surrey as Assistant Education Officer in 1934.

The approach of war led to reorganization in the county's administrative staff and he found himself Chief Education Officer at the surprisingly early age of 35 in 1940. Wartime conditions enabled him to use his somewhat unusual teaching experience, together with an ability to deal sympathetically with the human problem behind administration, to create the image of an education authority that pre-eminently cared for the individual.

His first administrative task after the passing of the 1944 Act was to reorganize Surrey's grammar schools. At the time the majority of grammar school pupils were fee-paying and entered with much lower level of ability than was required for a special place and a means-tested remission of fees. As part of his reorganization he persuaded the Surrey Authority to create 100 per cent special places, thereby becoming one of the first authorities to admit all grammar school pupils on their educational ability rather than on the willingness of their parents to pay fees.

As a result of the 1944 Act Beloe took charge of a much expanded Authority, and the new administrative arrangements of Divisional Executives throughout the county was developed smoothly. The Act also required a county development plan, and he persuaded the Authority to agree to a plan in which the first two years of all secondary schools would be fully comprehensive.

The plan was rejected by the Ministry, but when the growth in child population made an increase in grammar places inevitable, Beloe persuaded the Authority into placing grammar streams in secondary modern schools rather than building new grammar schools, thereby creating a range of extremely successful, bi-lateral, grammar-modern schools, and making the move to fully comprehensive secondary education easy and obvious when the time came.

The development with which his name is most directly connected was the Committee on Secondary School Examinations other than GCE, better known as the Beloe Committee. The report resulted in the setting up of the Certificate of Secondary Education, a school controlled subject examination to be taken at 16, which gave the secondary modern schools an incentive to develop fifth forms of pupils voluntarily staying beyond leaving age. It also gave them an incentive, once that was done, of proving that the ability to profit from an academic education extended far beyond the narrow limits set by the eleven-plus exam. From that point on, the comprehensive development was inevitable.

To everyone's surprise he resigned at the height of his powers, to become Lay Secretary to the Archbishop of Canterbury. He was an able administrator and an educationalist with vision, who never failed, in spite of being in charge of one of the largest Authorities in the country, to give pride of place to the human values of education.

The post of Lay Secretary was a new one in 1959 and Beloe set about with tact and patience carving out specific areas where his wide experience and gifts were used to the utmost. The Archbishop found in him an acute professional mind and someone who like himself saw the virtue of good, well ordered administration.

There were many aspects of current affairs, ecclesiastical and lay, on which a man of his intellectual calibre could help the Archbishop. It was not only Dr Fisher who profited but many of the bishops and others holding key posts in the Church of England. Of particular value was the careful watch he kept on the business of the House of Lords.

He was appointed CBE in 1960, and held the post of Liaison Officer between the Anglican Communion and the World Council of Churches from 1969–1971. He served on several educational and ecclesiastical committees, was a trustee of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme from 1960–66, and a member of the General Synod of the Church of England from 1970–75.

The role of the Lay Secretary was well founded by the time Archbishop Ramsey took office, and Beloe, by serving in that role with such ability, can be said to have served with distinction the whole Church of England which he loved so dearly.

He married in 1933 Amy, daughter of Capt Sir Frank Rose, 2nd Bt; there were two daughters and a son of the marriage.

(From *The Times*, 30th April 1984)

MR S. K. ARMITSTEAD

Teacher ashore and afloat

Mr S. K. Armitstead, lately Head of the Modern Languages Department at Britannia Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, died suddenly in Brest on August 24. He was at the time in charge of one of the college yachts, *Martlet*, with a crew of young officers under training.

To his many friends it will seem entirely appropriate that his death should occur in this way, in the company of the young to whom he had been, for the past 35 years, an excellent mentor and friend.

Sydney Kenrick Armitstead was born on June 6, 1921. After attending Felsted School he went up to Hertford College, Oxford, in 1940 to read classics. But it was wartime and having taken Honour Mods in 1941, he was commissioned in the Royal Artillery, serving with distinction in Tunis and Italy, and being mentioned in despatches.

It was primarily his time as a soldier in Italy which decided him, on his return to Oxford in 1946, to change his studies to French and Italian.

He always wanted to teach, and although he retained a great affection for, and knowledge of, the classical languages he thought he would be

better at teaching modern languages. In this he was absolutely right: he had an amazing gift both for learning and teaching any language. His main ones were French, Italian and German: he taught himself, and then taught others. Malay, Persian and Russian: modern Greek he took in his stride.

He left Oxford in 1948 and was offered a temporary modern languages post at the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth. It was here that he found and developed his other great love, sailing. Generations of naval officers owe their love of sailing to Ken's tireless and expert tuition. He had only recently been made an honorary life member of both the Royal Naval Sailing Association and the Britannia Yacht Club: honours which touched him deeply.

The temporary job at Dartmouth ended in 1951 but although he much enjoyed his subsequent teaching at Repton, when a permanent post at Dartmouth was offered him in 1956 he accepted it. He became Head of the Modern Languages Department in 1964 and, although he stepped down from that post on reaching the age of 60, he continued teaching at the college and was due to retire at Christmas.

He was a man of many interests, an ornithologist in his youth and, until recently, a regular producer of plays and operettas. He was by nature a giver: nobody ever asked him for help and went away unaided.

The Royal Navy and the Britannia Royal Naval College owe an enormous debt of gratitude to this generous and scholarly teacher.

(From *The Times*, 3rd September 1984)

DR E. V. ELLINGTON

St Mary Magdalene was filled for the Memorial Service to Eric Ellington. Many of his friends from the Senior Common Room, from Rhodes House, from the Jamaican Government represented by their High Commissioner, from the Biochemistry Faculty and from the congregation of the Church where he worshipped regularly on his regular Summer visits.

A message from the Archbishop of Canterbury was read out at the beginning of the service. Dr Runcie much regretted not being able to be present as he and Eric were old and close friends. The Warden of Rhodes House touched on the many aspects of Eric's life which concerned Oxford. His interest in the Rhodes Scholarships, he was Secretary of the British Caribbean Committee, his love of Cricket, his affection for Hertford, his interest in his Church and particularly St. Mary Magdalene, his organ playing and, of course, his work in Biochemistry.

It was a fitting tribute to a much loved and respected old member.

Derek Conran

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R. W. Jackson, C.B.E.	1926—29
A. M. Nathan	1940—41 and 1946—48
A. C. Ryder	1948—50
A. V. Swing	1965—68

Having been Treasurer of the Society since 1977, John Birkle has decided to stand down. He has served the Society well and our finances are in good order; we are pleased that he will continue as a member of the Committee. It is the Committee's intention, as shown on the notice for the AGM, to recommend Antony Eady for this office. Another long serving member, Chairman of the Social Sub Committee and currently Secretary of Lazards, this seems an eminently correct choice. If the election is confirmed, the Chairman will appoint Antony Swing to take over the Social Sub Committee; he has already proved his worth in organising a number of our functions.

With membership now over 1500 we are well established, but the Society is delighted that College is now taking the initiative in trying to trace every old member so that the College Record can be properly maintained. We have also been pleased to assist in the production and promotion of the anthology 'Seven Hundred Years of an Oxford College' so well selected by Professor Andrew Goudie, who also edits the Magazine. We hope more members will take advantage of the concession terms offered.

We continue to subsidise the Magazine and ensure its continuance and wide distribution. Here we feel that we are directly fulfilling one of the prime aims of the Society which is to keep members in touch with the College. Another of our activities in connection with Careers advice is described more fully later on in the Magazine.

MINUTES of the 23rd Annual General Meeting held at Hertford College, Oxford, on Sunday, 24th June, 1984 at 11.00 a.m.

There were 23 Members present and the Chair was taken by the President, Sir Nicholas Henderson.

1. Minutes of the 22nd Annual General Meeting

The Minutes of the 22nd Annual General Meeting, circulated in the College Magazine dated Spring 1984, were approved by the Meeting on a motion by Sir John Brown, seconded by Mr R. Jackson.

2. The Chairman's Report

The Chairman presented his Report for the year. It had been a satisfactory year from the point of view of recruitment (he said), especially in the number of younger members joining. Membership stood at over 1450 with 63 lady members. Support for the Society was also evidenced by the fact that both the 1983 dinner and that day's summer luncheon had been over-subscribed. The dinner had been an outstanding success and it seemed clear that the current pattern of social functions was one which met with the approval of members.

The luncheon to follow the meeting was to be anticipated with more than ordinary eagerness as it would be the occasion for the Society presenting to College a portrait of the first President, Bishop Robert Stopford. The portrait was by Thellos Patrides and had been made possible through the generosity of a Member of the Society, Mr Byron Mikellides. Both would be present together with members of the Bishop's family, who had seen and were delighted with the portrait.

The Society had offered Honorary Membership to Lord Tonypany, formerly Speaker Thomas, upon his election to an Honorary Fellowship of the College and this had been accepted with expressions of pleasure and gratitude. The Society's other Honorary Member, the Chancellor of the University and College Visitor, had meanwhile been elevated to an earldom and had taken the title Earl of Stockton. Congratulations were also due to Sir Hugh Springer upon his appointment as Governor General of Barbados and elevation to the rank of Knight Grand Cross.

Closer to home, Dr Andrew Goudie had been appointed Professor of Geography at what was a very young age. Fortunately for the College his outstanding editorship of the Magazine could continue, as Hertford held the Chair in Geography. Dr Goudie had also produced a book entitled "Seven Hundred Years of an Oxford College" which would be available to Society Members at a reduced rate of £2 when it emerged from the printers.

The year had also been marked by the sad loss of two of the Society's younger members, Mr Max Lesser, who had been a member of the Committee from 1977 to 1981, and Mr Paul Reed, Organ Scholar, 1975.

The Chairman closed by referring to the tremendous support he had received from the other Officers and the members of the Committee during the year.

3. Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1983

The accounts for the year ended 31st December 1983 were presented by the Treasurer and adopted by the meeting on a motion by Mr Atkinson, seconded by Mr Eady.

4. Election to membership of the Committee

Messrs Billowes, Galpin, Jackson and Nathan had offered themselves for re-election in accordance with rule 10(b). Their election was proposed by Mr Wheeldon, seconded by Mr Barrett and carried unanimously.

5. Election of Officers

The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Membership Secretary had offered themselves for re-election in accordance with rule 9 (a). Their election was proposed by Judge Galpin, seconded by Mr Hawken, and carried unanimously.

6. Appointment of Auditor

Mr Ray Hawken, being willing to continue to act as Auditor, was duly appointed on a motion by Mr Conran, seconded by Mr Jones.

The meeting closed at 11.35 a.m. with a vote of thanks to the Governing Body for permission to hold the meeting in College.

One of the difficulties which has always faced young people is finding out what a job actually entails before they are committed to their first one unless they are following in the footsteps of a close relative. Even then some parents are singularly uninformative about what they actually do; their day to day activities. Most of us had a rough idea of a schoolmaster's life because we saw something of it every day but how many knew of the daily routine, the excitements and the tedium of a commercial or professional office, the opportunities for the development of individual skills or the need for the conscientious and reliable plodder.

In the 1960s the Committee of the Hertford Society realised that, as a natural extension of its link with the College, it could help by putting interested undergraduates in touch with members of the Society who were prepared to talk about their job for half an hour or so in their own office or other place of work. A list of members wishing to help in this way was prepared and given to Felix Markham who agreed to direct individuals seeking guidance to the appropriate person. This was successful and a number of undergraduates were helped to clarify their ideas about what they wanted to do. It was never intended to be a job finding exercise nor to conflict with the activities of the University Appointments Committee.

Derek Conran, the Hertford Society Chairman, was approached by the College early in 1984 to see whether the Society would revive the scheme as it had been little used recently. By a happy coincidence Bill Atkinson, who took the initial steps to form the Society in 1960 and was its first chairman, decided to live in Oxford on his retirement the following September. He had always had an interest in this scheme and in careers and employment generally. As managing director of a public limited company in the City of London until its overseas assets were sequestrated in 1969 he had personally interviewed candidates for jobs ranging from insurance and accountancy to general trading, shipping and marine engineering. For the last 14 years he has been employed as a Regional Secretary by the Royal Institute of British Architects and was Honorary Secretary of the Construction Industry Forum for the South East which consists of employers, unions, building materials producers and merchants as well as architects, engineers and quantity surveyors. His association with six Schools of Architecture resulted in him trying to assist young people or their parents to find out more about a career in architecture before embarking on the seven year course of education and training required for qualification in a declining market.

All past members of the College will, during 1985, be sent a questionnaire by the Bursar which will help him to update his records. (Members of the Society are much better at notifying changes of address). The questionnaire will include a question regarding current employment. Bill Atkinson will collate the replies to this questionnaire in accordance with categories which result from his recent contact with the University Appointments Committee. Preliminary talks with some of those attending the last party which the Society gave for members of the MCR and JCR in their third year indicated significant interest in the scheme and Bill has followed this up with the Presidents of the MCR and JCR so that he can act as the Society's link between past members wishing to help and those who would like advice.

Anyone willing to participate without waiting to receive the College questionnaire should write direct to Bill Atkinson, Vice President, Hertford Society, Hertford College, Oxford OX1 3BW giving a brief description of their job and current position. This will enable him to start compiling his list.

The need for adequate preparation for a career has never been more important and a wise candidate will prepare him or herself as thoroughly as possible for interviews. The Society can help and it is hoped that those who have experience will assist. Undergraduates and the MCR will be made aware of the scheme as soon as there are sufficient names available.

Other Colleges have adopted similar schemes and some are more advanced. The University Appointments Committee is anxious to see others taking it up and in June 1984 held a meeting to pool the experience of those which are active. The minutes of that meeting have been made available to the Society.

THE UNITED OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY CLUB

Over sixty members of College belong to this flourishing and well run West End Club. Situated at 71, Pall Mall the very fine Clubhouse provides excellent catering and a notable cellar. There are good bedroom facilities, a magnificent library and two squash courts.

The subscription rate, on a sliding scale for those under thirty, is extremely favourable to those joining when they come down. Another advantage is a world wide use of over seventy other clubs.

Derek Conran, Chairman of the Hertford Society, has served on the Committee, as have other Hertford men who would be very pleased to help potential members in the matter of proposers and seconders.

Further information can be obtained from the Membership Secretary, United Oxford and Cambridge University Club, 71, Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5HD.

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If you have anything which ought to be or might be recorded in next year's *Magazine* please enter it on this sheet and send it to the Editor. Please do not be hesitant about this; information not appropriate for publication may still be valuable in helping the College to keep up-to-date records of its Old Members. Please also use this form to report achievements, etc., of Old Members known to you, especially if they are unlikely to report it themselves. It greatly helps if the date of matriculation is entered. The form should also be used to communicate changes of address.

Name in full

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Occupation

Date of Matriculation

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