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Editor’s note  
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Hertford's sporting successes continue to reflect strength on the football field and a diversity of individual achievements. The men's First XI reached the semi-final in Football Cuppers, the Second XI won its division, and there were three women football Blues. The College also won the women's-against-men rugby tournament. Blues were won by Alan Johnson (cross-country), Chloe Lybrand (squash), James Acott and Michael Brown (canoe and kayak), Mike Pilkington (boxing), Pergelle Hood (skiing), Gareth Edwards (shooting). James Oxford (water
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We congratulate Professors Keith McLauchlan, Robin Devine, and Tony Wilson on their professorships, and Dr Karen Day on her readership, new titles awarded by the University in recognition of distinction. We also congratulate Dr David Stuart, Senior Research Fellow, on being appointed to a M.R.C. Professorship and also on his election as a Fellow of the Royal Society for his work in molecular biophysics. Dr Karen Day has been appointed to a three-year Wellcome Trust Research Fellowship in epidemiology, and Dr Pat Roche is to be UK Project Scientist on the Gemini Project in astronomy.

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polo), Juliet Scott (women’s rowing), Hayley Archer and Alyson Noble (women’s football), Louise Purton (women’s cricket and football), Alanna Stent (women’s lacrosse), and Tina Cook and Natalie Edwards (women’s ice-hockey).

As already mentioned, Hertford’s newest buildings, the two residential blocks comprising Warnock House, were formally opened in September 1995, having been completed on time and within budget by Messrs Knowles and Son, and having already earned their keep as a conference centre for Japanese students during the previous Long Vacation. Thanks to Warnock House, this has been the first year in which no College has been able to provide rooms for all undergraduates who wanted them. Meals served at Warnock House for the residents and for those living in Abingdon House have proved a popular alternative to those in Hall. Having now heard its undergraduates, the College hopes eventually to house its graduate students too. With this in view, a proposed Graduate Centre is a major goal of the College’s five-year development campaign, started this year under the name Campaign 2000, which is the subject of a separate article.

This year’s most striking building venture has been the enlargement and modernisation of the boathouse, made possible by a grant from The Foundation for Sport and the Arts, by a generous donation from Mr John Porter (1971), and by collaboration with St Catherine’s, St Hilda’s, Mansfield, and Templeton Colleges who will share the facilities with Hertford. In the College itself new buildings are now possible only in the basement. An extension of the Library under the Principal’s Lodgings has provided useful new spaces, including a room named after the late Dr Leslie Seiffert, whose gift of his library was one of the factors necessitating it. And remodelling of the ground floor and basement beneath the dining hall will provide a new and better lodge, a JCR coffee-bar, and a new teaching room.

The dining hall itself has been greatly improved by the lighting of the portraits, through the generosity of the Hertford Society. The Society has also helped the College to buy a fine drawing by Henry Edridge A.R.A., of the demolition of the old Hertford College buildings in 1829, following the famous collapse (Plate 3). Sir Nicholas Jackson, Honorary Fellow, has most kindly presented the College with a water-colour by Sir Thomas Jackson of the staircase at the Château de Blois which inspired his design of our Hall staircase.

For me personally it has been an honour to be chosen by my colleagues to keep the College’s business on an even keel for a year before Sir Walter Bodmer takes the helm, and I am grateful for their confidence and support. Staying taught politics at Hertford for thirty-two years I know that P.P.E. students will now benefit from having a younger tutor more attuned to the modern world. It has been a privilege to have participated in a long period of collective upward mobility, and I look forward to becoming a spectator of the next stage in the College’s progress.

J. R. Torrance
The Principal's Letter
Hertford 1996-7

My first full year as Principal followed the tragic death of Principal-elect Dr Angus Macintyre and involved what I know must have been an agonising and unexpected second round of selection. My welcome to the College by all the Fellows has been particularly warm and friendly. My wife, Julia, and I were quickly made to feel very much at home in Hertford College's justifiably legendary friendly setting.

I have only ever been interviewed twice for jobs throughout my varied career. The first was for the studentship which paid for my Ph.D., and the second, and by far the more searching, was for the position as Principal of Hertford College. The questioning by the members of the JCR and MCR was almost as searching as that from the Governing Body, rightly so since inevitably the choice of Principal must be one of the most difficult decisions the Governing Body has to make. I can only say that I am pleased and honoured to have been so chosen.

I must leave to the Editor of the Magazine the proper documentation of the many events that took place throughout the year and the daily comings and goings, especially of the Fellows.

I owe a particular debt of thanks to Christopher and Rosemary Zeeman, our predecessors in the Lodgings, for their welcome and their help in introducing us to the affairs of the College. I also owe a great deal of thanks to John Torrance who held the fort once again during the unavoidable interval between my appointment and my taking up the position of Principal. It is a task with which he was familiar, having performed it once before during the time when Geoffrey Warnock, my predecessor but one, was Vice-Chancellor. John Torrance's advice to me during the year before I came, and his wise counsel, have proved invaluable.

It is often said that moving house is one of the most stressful of life's events. Certainly moving both house (from a London flat to the Principal's Lodgings) and laboratories (from Lincoln's Inn Fields to the Institute of Molecular Medicine in the John Radcliffe Hospital) was no picnic. Seventeen years worth of papers in umpteen filing cabinets went to a store in Cowley, with a small current residue divided between Hertford College and the laboratory, together with an enormous pile of books. Even an ostensibly quiet summer did not provide enough time to clear the backlog of piles of papers from my study. But, rather like losing a suitcase, it is remarkable how little one misses those papers which it is too much bother to search for in a distant store. Of course there was also the settling into Lodgings with some changes and redecoration needed. By the end of Michaelmas Term all was more or less in order, and we were able to take on many of the commitments that are naturally the Principal's responsibility. Such activities and meetings have to be finely balanced with the laboratory research which I share with Julia, at the...
I am often asked by those not familiar with the Oxford college system, "What subject does your college specialize in?" The answer must be none, really, because the College is a microcosm of the University as a whole with a welcome cultural diversity spanning the range of subjects from English literary criticism, and Irish history, through biology and medicine to chemistry, physics, and engineering. I welcome this breadth of cultural stimulus, which is naturally a contrast with the narrower focus of the Imperial Cancer Research Fund, where I have been based for the previous seventeen years.

I am impressed with the academic quality at all levels, from the undergraduates and postgraduates to Fellows and Honorary Fellows. This quality is a source of great pride to the College and needs to be maintained at all costs. I am also impressed with the range of backgrounds of the undergraduates, and the variety of schools that they come from, and with our proud tradition of a high proportion of state and maintained sector students as well as a wide geographical spread going well north of the Watford Gap. Whether through my brief encounters with the freshers at the beginning of their first Michaelmas Term, or the more formal and sometimes even briefer Principal's collection, or the Monday night buffet suppers when Julia and I entertain our fresh undergraduates (some twelve at a time), I am impressed with the quality, liveliness, and yet serious purpose of our undergraduates. There is no evidence here of any decline or standards and that is surely as it should be, for it is in their hands that the future of the country lies.

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We were very saddened by the news of the death of Lord Hovenden, the former member of the College, who had a great affection for the College and regularly came to deliver sermons in the chapel and to stay with the Principal in the Lodgings. Indeed, he had agreed, only weeks before he died, to come to the Gundy. He was also a Vice-President of the Imperial Cancer Research Fund and gave a very wordy speech based on his own experience of suffering from two separate cancers, to the latter of which he eventually succumbed. He sent a most warm personal greeting on my appointment as Principal, I remember him vividly telling the story of how, when Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher was trying to persuade him not to retire yet to Speaker, he replied 'Margaret, I want to go when I want to, not when you want me to.' He was a wonderful, warm-hearted person who will be much missed by the College as by so many others.

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Another notable event has been the opening of our splendid new boathouse. The few Heads of the Colleges which have collaborated in this excellent venture were ferried to the opening in gondolas, to their equivalent, or a complex operation masterminded by Richard Norren. Not even the gloomy weather could dampen the spirits on that opening day.

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Another notable event has been the opening of our splendid new boathouse. The five Heads of the Colleges which have collaborated in this excellent venture were ferried to the opening in gondolas, or their equivalent, in a complex operation masterminded by Richard Norton who has contributed so much to the development of the boathouse. Not even the gloomy drizzle could dampen the spirits on that opening day.

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The University as a whole offers an extraordinary range of cultural opportunities and high profile events and activities. Three come to mind with respect to the year 1996-7: the Chancellor’s Romanes Lecture, the theme being the history of his predecessors and his own lack of power in comparison with them; Nelson Mandela’s extraordinary and charismatic visit and speech in the Sheldonian Theatre; and the splendid opening concert given by the Leipzig Gewandhaus Quartet to commemorate the 150th anniversary of Felix Mendelssohn’s death, which was followed by a Dinner in Hertford.

Another challenge for a newcomer to the Oxford University scene is to be invited to give seminars and lectures throughout the University. Perhaps, as one of the very few Heads of House who is still an active scientist, I am a particular target for such requests. One of these was to give the first Florence Nightingale Lecture at the invitation of the Statistics Department. It is not often realized that Florence Nightingale, in addition to her contribution to nursing, was a notable statistician and indeed offered to found a chair in statistics at Oxford University, an offer sadly not taken up, even though she had the enthusiastic support of Benjamin Jowett, Master of Balliol.

Higher education faces considerable challenges as we approach the end of the century. These have been accentuated by the voluminous Dearing Report on the future of universities, and in clear pointer towards greater financial accountability, the need to evaluate teaching, the need to ensure adequate resources for research, and the need to consider the impact of the emerging advances in information technology on the way that teaching is done in universities and other institutions of higher education. The College is inevitably drawn into this maelstrom of change, and so the Governing Body agreed to the setting up of a small strategy group involving the Principal, the Bursar, Peter Baker, the Investment Bursar, Roger Van Noorden, and the incoming Senior Tutor, Bill Macmillan. We have met on many occasions and our deliberations have helped me enormously in absorbing the College culture, and assessing the College’s future needs. We must consider the balance of subjects, the balance of undergraduate versus postgraduate teaching, the balance of teaching and research, the need to accommodate our postgraduates in the way that we have accommodated our undergraduates so splendidly and, of course, the need to husband our financial resources and to anticipate future financial demands.

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The College Appeal, which was planned before I came, is essential to support the future needs of College and is an activity which I wholeheartedly support. We are very grateful to Honorary Fellow Sir Nicholas Winton for having agreed to be President of the Appeal, and for Wadham’s help in setting up the Oxford University scene. We have a long tradition of association with the Publishers Company and we are very grateful to them for their continuing and committed support of the College, and for having allowed us to use their splendid hall for our Appeal launch. Following Neil Tanser’s retirement, his replacement as Deputy Fellow is Paul Crome, the Editor of this magazine.

Neil Tanser has been a tower of strength for the College and a pioneer in its academic development, particularly through the introduction of the innovative admissions procedure. It is a pleasure and a challenge to work with him as Senior Tutor during the last year of his retirement. The splendid dinner attended by so many of his former students and honouring his retirement, was a testimony to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion to line and honouring his retirement, was a testament to their devotion
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The Appeal has three major components. The first is for the support of scholarships and other ways of ensuring that we can still accept students on the basis of their academic ability, independently of their financial means. The second component is to seek endowment for a number of our fellowships. The first target is a History Fellowship to commemorate the name of Angus Macintyre linked with that remarkable pair of Hertford history tutors, John Armstrong and Felix Markham. I much regret that I never met Angus Macintyre or those two tutors who were so important in the development of history in the College. Lastly, and very importantly, we have a commitment to the development of a new Graduate Centre that should enable us to house, on one site in a new purpose-built building, all our postgraduate students who are not otherwise accommodated in the College. This project has subsequently been confirmed, and will be reported upon in the next Magazine. I believe that in the future, postgraduate students should receive much the same care and attention which we now appropriately give to our undergraduates.

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The interregnum, of one year’s duration, was conducted by Mr John Torrance with customary quiet efficiency, relaxed straightforwardness, gentle tact, engaging modesty, and dry humour. The Governing Body readily warmed to his style of chairmanship. Once again, he took the position of Vice-Principal, having been proposed with the enthusiastic support of the Fellows. It might seem odd that Hertford only has a Vice-Principal when it has no Principal, but the Senior Fellow assures us that such a state of affairs is perfectly correct and logical in every sense, and given that the Senior Fellow is a philosopher, we must take his word.) It was, consequently, a cause of surprise and regret that John announced, in the course of his term of office, his decision to take early retirement with respect to his tutorial Fellowship in Politics, at the end of the academic year. The Works of Art Committee commissioned Mr Edgar Holloway, R.E., R.B.A., to produce a drawing of John with a view to the artist then engraving a copper plate from which an impression of six etchings could be made. Mr Holloway was one of the key figures of the British etching revival of the 1930s and one of the few who, despite being in his eighties, is still working (vide Robert Meyrick, The etchings and engravings of Edgar Holloway (Aldershot: Ashgate, 1990)). Mr Holloway duly visited Hertford on 1-2 July 1996, bringing with him his wonderful portfolio. The drawing (Plate 4) is a great success, and a pre-
The College's small but generally distinguished collection of modern portraits has recently been enlarged. The retiring Vice-Principal, John Torrance, was drawn by Edgar Holloway. As a result, not only is a long-serving tutor and great servant of the College commemorated, but the Senior Common Room has also acquired a fine drawing. In 1991, a retrospective exhibition at the Ashmolean recalled the outstanding talents of Mr Holloway as draughtsman and etcher. Edgar Holloway had emerged originally in the 1930s as a talented and versatile practitioner of the then popular and remunerative art of etching. Exact topographical scenes, commissioned portraits, and a memorable series of whimsical self-portraits (changes of mood often signalled and achieved by the variety of headdresses) revealed technical accomplishment fully matched by psychological penetration. These last attributes, I hope it will be agreed, mark the delineation of John Torrance.

Edgar Holloway, together with his wife Jennifer, stayed in College during the summer while he made the drawing. Those fortunate enough to meet them were treated to fascinating recollections: of Bloomsbury in the 1930s, where he portrayed T.S. Eliot as well as other directors of Faber of Oxford during the Wartime-exit and drawing at St John's; their association with Eric Gill at Chippenham and Ditchling; and the question of his "rediscovery" in the 1970s with the resultant renewal of artistic activity. A catalogue raisonné will soon chart this remarkable career. Meanwhile we are fortunate to have one product of it in the striking likeness of John.

A dinner was held in Hall on 28 June 1996 to mark the retirement of John Torrance, Gareth Robinson, Ray Guillery, and Anne Holmes. In his speech, delivered on behalf of the four so honoured, John offered a perceptive view of the College's prospects, moving from a sensitively expressed yet positively directed series of reflections on its difficult recent history, its current state, and its potential for the future. In a typically articulate, nicely judged, and self-deprecatory series of remarks, John spoke wittily about the "four ages of tutorship", passing from youth to senility, and the counter-intuitive relationship between these and how much notice undergraduates take of you. They ignore you, he said, during the phase when you are of an age to be their parents, which is in fact the one time (as against the attractions you possess earlier and later) when you actually know the stuff. As for being Vice-Principal, in his case he concluded that he was asked once the portent of candidates, but to be approached a second time signalled desperation. But he returned to the subject of the future of Hertford, urging the clear definition of objectives and the cultivation of a positive attitude to the future.

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The impact of Sir Walter's experience, drive, and energy (he keeps Churchillian hours, as those members of the College who pass his study window in the middle of the night in the pursuit of less creditable activities can testify) was soon felt both within the College and the University. On 14 November, Sir Walter (then Principal-elect) delivered the 1995 Romanes Lecture in the Sheldonian, a brief summary of this memorable lecture subsequently appearing in the Oxford University Gazette. Taking as his theme 'The Book of Man', Sir Walter focused on the Human Genome Mapping Project, arguing that this complete catalogue of our genes will revolutionize our ability to deal with diseases and to understand our origins. He examined possible applications of advances in genetics including the development of new drugs, and screening for susceptibility to common diseases such as diabetes. Criminal justice issues were also discussed, with Sir Walter asking: 'How long will it be before we can effectively reconstruct the face from a sample of DNA? Will it be the future basis for identity parades and for televising the features of wanted criminals and missing persons?' He went on to state that DNA fingerprinting for individual identification should have provided 'an
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On 17 March 1997, Sir Walter presented certificates and prizes to the winners of the Oxfordshire Science Writing Competition, run in conjunction with The Oxford Times and 'set 97', the national week of science, engineering, and technology. Ben Weinkove, a second-year undergraduate at Hertford, won the 19-25 category for his essay, 'The time-traveller's guide to the universe'. Soon after, Sir Walter gave the first annual Florence Nightingale Lecture, delivered at St Anne's College on 1 May, which was again reported in the Gazette. Sir Walter took as his theme the vital importance of mathematical models in the understanding of cancer at the genetic level throughout this century. The Department of Statistics has instituted the lecture series to celebrate the important role of statistics in other academic disciplines. They are in honour of Florence Nightingale who, on her return from the Crimea, used her knowledge of statistics to further causes as diverse as improving public sanitation and the reform of the British Army. In his lecture, 'The Somatic Evolution of Cancer', Sir Walter highlighted central contributions by Oxford scientists, including Sir Richard Doll and Professor Peter Armitage, a former Head of the Statistics Department. His message was that understanding tumour development in carcinomas depended on modelling the evolution of the population of cells in which the tumour developed. The theory of population genetics, a central interest of Sir Walter's throughout his career, has allowed key insight into the factors controlling and promoting tumour development, and the long time lags which characterized the process. Sir Walter used a mathematical model, which his group had developed, to illustrate the effects of selection on certain mutant cells within the colony in the various stages of tumour growth. His argument that for many cancers, mutation was not the rate limiting step, and that differences in incidence in different populations were due to differences in environmental mutations.

These are just some of Sir Walter's recent activities in Oxford; elsewhere in this country, and abroad, he pursues his lecturing and research in what seems like a packed schedule of conferences and international meetings. In Hertford, despite the absence - which these commitments necessitate - but how good it is to have a Head of House who continues in active research - he is equally effective with respect to the business of the College, notably the conduct of Governing Body meetings and the performance of the new committee structures. New initiatives regarding teaching and research, the fabric of the College, SCR events, and the general evening of Hertford will be reported later in this Magazine and in subsequent issues. In what is clearly a crucial phase of transition and development both for Hertford and for the University as a whole, the College has warmly welcomed its new Principal and now looks forward extremely positively.

It was with great sadness that the College received the news of the death, on the night of 8-9 October 1995, after a protracted illness, of its former Principal, Sir Geoffrey Warner. Less than a fortnight previously, on 27 September, Sir Geoffrey had been present at the ceremony held to mark the formal opening of Waitrose House. (An account of that event, graced by Geoffrey's memorable and highly characteristic speech, is given in a later section of College News.) Sir Geoffrey (Plate 9) was Principal of Hertford from 1971 to 1988 (on his retirement he was then one of the longest serving Heads of House), Vice-Chancellor 1981-5, Honorary Fellow of the College, and a Vice-President of the Hertford Society. The funeral was private, the College being represented by the Chaplain. The Memorial Service was held in a packed University Church on 2 December. The two eloquent addresses delivered in the course of the service, reprinted in a later section of this Magazine, together with the obituary notices in the press, pay fitting tribute to Sir Geoffrey's rare qualities and the esteem and affection in which he was held. All who knew him have their favourite memories of Geoffrey, and the Editor would not presume to intrude with his own, except to record some more generally recalled incidents; instead, he seeks to preserve the words of those who had the privilege of seeing better placed to speak.

A distinguished congregation assembled in fit Mary's on that December afternoon. Those present included The Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor, Lord Townshend and Sir John Whitehead (Honorary Fellow), many Fellows of the College, and a strong representation from the offices of the Hertford Society, as well as a number of major figures in the University. The service was, by common consent, moving, even if, as in the case of the Hertford Lecture, it was not to be performed exactly as planned. Although the Bach Prelude in G flat (BWV 532) and Chaconne Prelude, "Fugue auff!" (BWV 645), due to be played before the service, were also omitted on account of the failure of the organist (by his own admission) to attend; and even this contrapuntal was within Hertford tradition with respect to the Bourbonnais, for the organist booked to give a recital in St Mary's Church three weeks previously (11 November) to memory of the late Dr Rupert Bruce-Mitford similarly neglected to appear. On that occasion, the College's junior Organ Scholar, Andrew Reid, stepped into the breach with impressive ease, until the morning was officially postponed, so although the congregation missed the Prelude it was able to enjoy the Fugue in G flat (the "St Anne") as the voluntary at the conclusion of the service. Sir Peter Snowdon delivered the first address, and Mr John "Terrance the second (see p.220). In between, the Hertford choir, a string quartet, and a trio of soloists performed "Purcell's anthem, "Rejoice in the Lord alway". Maria Jenkins then read from the "Window of Solomon" (13:9) and James Wartock followed with John Dowland's Devotions. Refreshments were served in the Divinity School after the service.
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Fellows), many Fellows of the College, and a strong representation from
the offices of the Hertford Society, as well as a number of major figures
in the University. The service was, by common consent, most fitting,
although the Bach Prelude in E flat (BWV 552) and Chorale Prelude,
‘Wacht auf’ (BWV 645), due to be played before the service, were also
omitted on account of the failure of the organist (by his own admission)
to attend; but even this contretemps was within Hertford tradition with
respect to Honorary Fellows, for the organist booked to give a recital in
Bampton Church three weeks previously (11 November) in memory of
the late Dr Rupert Bruce-Mitford similarly neglected to appear. On the
occasion, the College’s junior Organ Scholar, Alistair Reid, stepped into
the breach with impressive ease, until the matter was officially rectified;
so although the congregation missed the Prelude, it was able to enjoy the
Fugue in E flat (the ‘St Anne’) as the voluntary at the conclusion of the
service. Sir Peter Strawson delivered the first address, and Mr John
Torrance the second (see p.220f.). In between, the Hertford choir, a
string nonet, and a trio of soloists performed Purcell’s anthem, ‘Rejoice
in the Lord alway’. Maria Jenkins then read from the Wisdom of Solomon
(3:1-9) and James Warnock followed with John Donne’s Devotions.
Refreshments were served in the Divinity School after the service.
The newspaper obituaries (see p.214f.) outline Sir Geoffrey Warnock's career, academic and institutional achievements, and indicate his many remarkable qualities. His quiet conviviality, dry humour, sound judgement, intuitive sensitivity, clarity of thought, and the genuine affection in which he was held in College are widely attested. Typical of many comments offered to the Editor are those of Mr Russell Sparkes (1973), who writes:

I would like to use these pages of the Magazine to express my profound sadness at the death of Sir Geoffrey Warnock. Having been privileged to have had one-on-one tutorials with Geoffrey in 1974-6, I can well remember his distinctive mixture of courtesy and scholarly integrity. Despite the pressures involved in being College Principal, he never seemed to have ample time to listen to what must have been the fairly shallow thoughts of an undergraduate. At times, when we were exploring the gnomic utterances of a Wittgenstein or the sheer profundity of Kant he would get out his packet of Players and just quietly sit and think for a few minutes, before illuminating possible meanings or errors in the text. He was a distinguished scholar of the 'old school', who will be missed.

Geoffrey possessed invaluable qualities with respect to the young - be they undergraduates, graduates, or junior lecturers (the Editor speaks as a former member of the latter class) — of being consistently welcoming at High Table, of possessing a natural inclination to treat one on equal terms, and of making one feel as if one were a conversational asset rather than a liability. Unlike some others, he never sought to show off what he knew, and he had no interest in being seen to be putting others right. He was especially relaxed on Sunday nights in SCR when the customary glass of wine was offered; he seldom missed Evensong in Chapel, and enjoyed the reflective conversation which followed dinner. Always generous in his estimates of people, he was seldom censorious; the Editor witnessed a display of concentrated acerbity only once, when the conversation at Common Table drifted on to the subject of Northern Ireland. Even then, Geoffrey's remarks suddenly turned to the subject of the somehow satisfying — and certainly intriguing — coincidence concerning the town in the Province which had proved to be a place common to the genealogy of two successive Vice-Chancellors, Sir Patrick Neill and himself. Geoffrey had an engaging knack of being able to indicate an opinion while never actually committing himself to it. He was rarely judgemental and certainly never given to dismissive or condemnatory comments. A classic of this was the occasion when Norman Baviss, the legendary SCR Butler, referred in unmistakable terms to a well-known figure around the College by means of a trenchant phrase encapsulating that person's principal physical attribute and indicating his place of work and activities. 'Hmnm!' said Geoffrey. (Pause.) 'Unanswerably accurate.' (Pause. Silence.)
Geoffrey's ability to be non-committal, while fully and instantly grasping the slightest nuance, was communicated in unique style by remarks such as those. Most succinct of all, was: 'Ah-ha.' (Pause. Characteristic rapid and brief shake of the head.) '11mm.' His fairness and balanced judgment — and a seeming reluctance to condemn — were conveyed by the more lengthy formula (which bore many possible variations): 'Well, taking everything into account, balancing one thing against another, being driven inevitably towards the conclusion that . . . one is bound to say . . . Such traits, accompanied by firmness when required, proved invaluable in meetings of Governing Body; again, not all Principals display either the qualities needed to effect the smooth and satisfactory running of such meetings, or the ability to learn how to do so. And he could be firm; no doubt it was partly in his character (although mostly concealed, at least on a superficial level), but he liked to think it went back to his days in the Irish Guards (he came up through Italy in 1944 and witnessed the famous eruption of Mount Vesuvius) and that it could be brought out when necessary. It was certainly very effective upon the occasion (one of several) when a burglar broke into the Lodgings, and was confronted. 'Wait here,' ordered Geoffrey, 'while I call the police.' The man did, and they were.

Severity certainly appears on the face of it (as it were) to be the hallmark of the first of the two portraits commissioned by the College, that by David Hockney. Geoffrey could look like that, but it was rare. The second, by Humphrey Ocean, provoked a mixed reaction. It has been asked why only half of the face seems to be painted (shortage of funds?). (The expensive black frame, it is maintained, serves to lighten the picture.) Nor is it immediately obvious why Geoffrey seems to have a huge boil in the centre of his forehead. The Editor recalls one evening at High Table, shortly after the portrait was hung. Geoffrey presided, and as it happened, was entertaining a guest — a Fellow of another college. During a pause in the conversation, she glanced up at the wall, and the following exchange occurred:

Guest: 'Oh, there's a new portrait. Who is it?'

GJW: (pause.) 'Well . . .'(Pause. Shake of the head.)

'Ah-ha.'

For moments such as these, as much as the self-evident major achievements of his Principalship, all those in College who knew Geoffrey will remember him with the greatest affection.

Six Fellows retired and have been elected to Emeritus Fellowships: Mr John Torrance, Dr Garth Robinson, Professor Rainer Guillery.
Professor Laszlo Solymar, Dr Anne Holmes, and Professor Neil Tanner. The last was a pioneer in the academic development of the College, and in view of his enormous contribution to Hertford, it gave particular pleasure that he was appointed Professor of Physics in the recent ‘Recognition of Distinction’ list. (A fuller notice will appear in the next issue of the Magazine, following a dinner held by the Fellows in Neil’s honour.) Two Junior Research Fellows, Dr David Parry and Mr Michael Calabria, moved on to pastures new. Mr John Dewar departed to a Chair at Griffith University, Brisbane; a dinner was held jointly for him and for Professor Julia Briggs, now holder of a research chair at Dr Montefiore University. Mr Mark Scorsino completed his period of office as Junior Dean. Mr John Kellis, former College Lecturer in English and Full Member of the SCR, was elected to a Fellowship at Regent’s Park College. Retirement among the staff included those of Mrs Rosemary Laplante, who performed truly outstanding work as Librarian (the Fellow Librarian offered ‘best wishes for a future free from silverfish and confused flour beetles, disintegrating volumes and demented computers’), Greg Goodlake, the phlegmatic Lodge porter with the heart of gold, and Mrs Joan Brown, Registry Wages Clerk.

Since the publication of the last number of the Magazine, seventeen new Fellows have been elected: six Ordinary Fellows, eight Emeritus Fellows, and five Honorary Fellows. On the face of it, this would seem to indicate a sudden major expansion, but when balanced by the aforementioned retirements, resignations, and (also) deaths, the increase is much more modest and instead is restricted to the categories of Honorary and Emeritus Fellowships (and of course all those in the latter class were formerly Ordinary Fellows): the size of the Governing Body has in fact contracted slightly, from thirty-nine Fellows (plus the Principal) at thirty-six at the time of the Long Vacation of 1997.

The six new Ordinary Fellows comprise Mrs Adele Smith as first Director of Development (subsequently succeeded by Mrs Nancy Giles), Mr Jonathan Temple (Junior Research Fellow in Economics), and four tutorial Fellows: Dr Patrick Roche (Physics), specializing in the development of spectrometers and astronomical telescopes; Dr Fionn Dunne (Engineering), a mechanical engineering scientist who carries out research in the modelling of materials behaviour and processes; Dr Steve Neave (Management Studies), who took a first in Physics at Southampton University before moving to Manchester Business School, University of Manchester, and Mrs (subsequently Dr) Patricia Keddie (née Ferguson) (Law and Economics), who as an undergraduate at Hartford took a few in Schools in 1993 and swept the board with respect to University Prizes.

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On 14 November 1996, the Chancellor delivered the Romanes Lecture, his address being entitled ‘The Chancellorship (of Oxford): a contemporary view with a little history’. The Gazette of 21 November described the lecture as an ‘historian’s tour de force’ in which Lord
Jenkins 'speculated on certain highly limited additional powers that might very well be allowed to his office'. The report continued:

Lord Jenkins described the powers of the Chancellor as 'responsibility without power'. 'The impotence is assuaged by grandeur and the responsibility is rarely oppressive. But it nonetheless exists', he said. The Chancellor, noting that he was poised to celebrate his tenth anniversary in office, discussed two significant constitutional features relating to his office: first, as the only directly elected University figure (apart from the Professor of Poetry 'whose poll, like that of the US President, was lower'); he embodies democratic validity; second, as his power is plebiscitary, akin, say, to that of Napoleon III, it is by no means a perfect form of democracy. He said the Chancellor of Oxford (and of Cambridge, if he chooses) has a unique position as the only formal statutory bridge between these academic communities and the outside world. He stressed that he saw 'the preservation of essential academic independence' as an important part of his role. He did urge the University to consider appointing successor Vice-Chancellors nearer the time they would actually take office, and asked for more involvement in the arrangements for Convocation and other such occasions — with the role of the student prize winners restored. Most of all, though, he stressed how much he enjoyed the office. Contrasting previous high offices he has held, including senior Cabinet posts and the European Commission Presidency, he said this is 'the one that has provided the highest ratio of pleasure to pain'. Lord Jenkins also traced the history of his office with great passion and not a little irony, noting, for example, that at least no group of Oxford Chancellors had ever been exposed to the hazards of his Cambridge counterparts, five of whom were executed in the sixteenth century; and that three former Prime Ministers, with the notable exception of Macmillan, had filled the useful berth of losing rivals in Chancellorship elections in this century. He reserved most attention for Curzon, who helped to redefine the role and 'reinvent' the ceremonies now linked to the office, for example holding the equivalent of a Viceroy's Calcutta season from lodgings in St Giles'. He also drew attention to one of Oxford's — and one of his own — greatest champions, Gladstone, who partly for reasons of timing, but also because he was seen as 'too interventionist', was never seriously considered for the office. The Chancellor ended with a forceful reminder of the importance of external fund-raising to preserve Oxford's historic resonance — and indeed the unique framework of mostly man-made beauty — from slipping through fingers. 'Certainly not this government, probably no government, will pay to keep up a world-class university.' He went on: 'I think it would be a crazy act of national self-sabotage if Britain, having the historical luck to possess two of the half-dozen most famous universities in the world, were wastefully to let either of them slip out of this group. Yet that is precisely what government funding left itself would now proceed to do.'
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And so to the Fellowship. On 23 May 1995, a Dinner was held in Hall
in honour of Professor Laslo Solymar, to mark his election to a
Fellowship of the Royal Society. Laszlo, in his speech, modestly attrib-
uted his election to luck, but added that it is nice to be lucky – some-
thing worth celebrating, he suggested, in itself. Also elected FRS was Dr
David Stuart, University Lecturer in Molecular Biophysics and Fellow of
Hertford since 1985, having been appointed to a Medical Research
Council (MRC) Research Professorship in Structural Biology, one of
only four such appointments made nationwide. The Gazette (1 February
1996) reported:

Professor Stuart will hold his appointment in the Nuffield
Department of Clinical Medicine and the Laboratory of
Molecular Biophysics, Department of Biochemistry,
enabling him to integrate his existing strengths in structur-
al biology with those of the Institute of Molecular
Medicine and the emerging programme in the Genetics of
Common Disease. This combined approach to the prob-
lems of disease is seen as an exciting research area for the
future. He is renowned for his structural studies on virus-
es. In 1989, he and his team solved the structure of the
foot-and-mouth disease virus, a structure which required
innovative use of available X-ray diffraction technologies.
The structure revealed the beautiful icosahedral geometry
of the proteins of the viral surface. In recent years, he has
expanded this work to include even larger, more complex,
structures such as the double shelled blue tongue virus, in
collaboration with Dr Polly Roy at Oxford's Institute of
Virology and with Dr Peter Mertens at the Institute of
Animal Health. A second theme of Professor Stuart's
work has been viral enzymes. Nearly all approved drugs to
treat AIDS target an enzyme, called reverse transcriptase,
that is unique to the HIV and related viruses. In addition
to AZT, other inhibitors, known as non-nucleoside
inhibitors (NNIs), have been found which exhibit potent
antiviral activity with low toxicity. However, the virus
rapidly produces resistance to these compounds. One
focus for his new work will be the structural basis of the
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It is something of a pity, but perfectly predictable, that this exercise provoked a measure of controversy if not of dissension. The arguments in favour mainly came down to the fact, as *The Times* put it, that "lecturers at Oxford and Cambridge have grown increasingly frustrated at playing second fiddle to less eminent academics elsewhere". Matters came to a head when scientists, in particular, compete for funding and recognition against other academics, notably those in the United States where it seems that almost everyone is a professor. The first attempt at the new policy became completely sidetracked into what was a quite separate debate about the appointment of women at Oxford and the shortage of women in senior positions. Meanwhile, some of the holders of established chairs consider that they are devalued as a result of the wave of "titular" professorships. The argument for more accurately reflecting the academic distinction of the University of Oxford as a whole was countered by those who maintained that the University should retain its traditional and much valued atmosphere of a "republic of letters". And as the Public Orator remarked in his Introduction to the Creweian Oration at Encaenia on 25 June 1997, we should not forget "those other distinguished colleagues who did not think fit to apply". We can probably all think of outstanding colleagues who fall into that category. And then there are those who roundly declare that they do not need some title or other in order to motivate themselves to get out of bed in the mornings. Perhaps it is all part of the general scheme to set academics against each other, although some need no help in that regard, but one of the best of many good things about Hertford is the prevailing absence of such destructive sentiments in the SCR.

Several memorable College events have occurred since the last College News was compiled. Once again, a start should be made at the top, with the Visitor, the Vice-Principal, and the College's Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Professor Andrew Goudie, with respect to a University occasion in which they were involved. In truth — ay there's the rub — it was not a purely University occasion, but one for which several universities were queuing up. On 10 July 1996, the Degree of Doctor of Civil Law by Diploma was conferred in a Congregation held, not in the Sheldonian Theatre, but in 'the idyllic gardens' of Buckingham Palace, on His Excellency Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela, State President of the Republic of South Africa. The Gazette reported the occasion thus:

"Oxford was the first of eight universities on 10 July to process to a dais to award the President degrees, by dint of..."
being the oldest university. The Public Orator, Professor Jasper Griffin, in a moving address in Latin, praised the President for proving himself in power to be a man of great moderation, 'who has displayed to former opponents the greatest fairness, good will and magnanimity' despite suffering many years of unjust hardship and imprison-

ment. In his admission speech, the Chancellor recognized Mr Mandela as a man 'distinguished both for great courage and statesmanship', now governing the country with 'wisdom and fairness', before handing over the traditional scroll. The University was followed by Cambridge, represented by its Chancellor, the Duke of Edinburgh, and the Universities of London, Bristol, Nottingham, Warwick, De Montfort, and Glasgow Caledonian. The President, in his reply, spoke with great humility, accept-

ing the accolades not for his personal achievements but for his country 'which had turned away from division and conflict towards a peaceful life'. He also thanked all those in British universities who had provided such generous support in the form of scholarship programmes to help train South Africans. 'Your programme not only enlarge the body of skilled people, but also provide a transfusion of knowledge from a small and privileged minority to one meeting the needs of all the people of South Africa.' He said South African universities still had 'to drink at the well of experience' of British universities. They had much to learn, for example the balance between research and study, so that they could play their part fully in the develop-

ment of the country.

The Chancellor, it was said, was disappointed to be allowed to clo-
the degree upon Mr Mandela in Oxford; it was extremely rare for the ceremony to be performed elsewhere (President Antonio de Oliveira Salazar, Portuguese dictator, provides an unfortunate precedent* in the same year (1941) the Bengali poet Rabindranath Tagore was similarly honored at a ceremony in his own country, and Mr Mandela has it at the back of his mind that the Kaiser might have been another). But the rush to be associated with Nelson Mandela, following all these years when so many paid not the slightest heed to his plight, is ironic to say the least, and it is remarkable that he can be so gracious. As Archbishop Des-Ndlovu Tutu, during a recent formal visit to another British university, responded to some member of the hierarchy who was floundering for something to say to him and ventured a comment on apartheid, 'As I

*It should be remembered, however, that Portuguese neutrality in the Second World War counted for much furthermore, the 1943 deal (which reduced upon an untried friendship nothing right back to a treaty of 1913) through which British and American forces were allowed for right to set bases in the Azores proved invaluable in the battle against the U-Boats.
have met lots of people like you, who have suddenly remembered that you always thought apartheid a bad idea'. Lord Tebbit, surprisingly, was one who publicly apologized for what he had previously said about Nelson Mandela. But the last word, appropriately, should lie with Archbishop Trevor Huddleston, who has preached in the College Chapel more than once on the subject of apartheid, and preached as compellingly as he has worked tirelessly. The Guardian of 13 July 1996 reported, 'what a day was yesterday. It began with a gorgeous moment for Archbishop Trevor Huddleston. Arriving at Buckingham Palace to have breakfast with the president, the elderly anti-apartheid campaigner spied Margaret Thatcher down the corridor waiting for an audience'.

The most significant and memorable Hertford event was the celebration mounted on 27 September 1995 to mark the formal opening of Warnock House, the new building on the Head of the River site (on what was formerly the car park for the public house). Taken with nearby Abingdon House, its completion means that Hertford can now offer accommodation to all its undergraduates for the duration of their course, a tremendous benefit (and attraction to potential candidates). The rooms, the kitchens and dining accommodation, 'enhanced' (as one has to say these days) by views over the river (actually extremely pleasant), are most attractive (Plate 7) and one would be extremely lucky as an undergraduate to reside there, in comparison with many places in Oxford (including some of the wealthier colleges).

On the day itself, the rain just held off, and a large gathering of Fellows and guests assembled, including the Chancellor, the Proctors, Lord Tonyonyandi (who was on his way back to Wales after dining at Number 10), Sir Nicholas Jackson, Sir Christopher Zeeman, officers of the Hertford Society, representatives of the firms of Northcroft and Knowles, and the College's special guests, Sir Geoffrey Warnock and Baroness Warnock, members of their family, and Sir Peter and Lady Strawson. The sun broke through at the opening of the proceedings. The Vice-Principal welcomed the guests (Plate 8) and explained the layout of Warnock House, or rather its two portions, known affectionately as 'Geoffrey' and 'Mary'. He remarked how appropriate it was to have three Principals present, and remembered also Dr Angus Macintyre. Mr Torrance then paid tribute to the contractors and to the Bursar, for their efforts in bringing this invaluable building, designed by Mr Nick Caldwell (Knowles), comprising seventy-two individual study/bedrooms, together with kitchen and public rooms, to completion and within the scheme of the College. With regard to the funding, he particularly wished to record a gift from the Wolfson Foundation. The Chancellor then spoke as follows:

I think it was in the days of Geoffrey Warnock's Vice-Chancellorship that my predecessor was credited with the aphorism, 'The reason you have to have a Chancellor is because you have to have a Chancellor'.

*It should be remembered, however, that Portuguese neutrality in the Second World War counted for much; furthermore, the 1943 deal (which rested upon a British (and American) planes were granted the right to use bases in the Azores, proving invaluable in the battle against the U-boats.}
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Certainly the Warnock Vice-Chancellorship was sufficiently notable and popular that was regarded as a largely satisfactory explanation. Now in the current mid-of-the-century wave of building in Oxford the Chancellor has been given a frequent 'opening' role which keeps him adequately out of mischief in the University. This event was comparable only with the end of the last century, when Sir Butterfield and Waterhouse and then T. G. Jackson and Basil Champneys and a few others scattered Oxford with ranges for undergraduates, lodgings for heads of houses, two of the three largest halls (Keble and Balliol) and even a few chapels, as well as such a unique Oxford pile as the Examination Schools. At the end of this century the new buildings are almost exclusively devoted to student accommodation with a side-place at conference facilities. With the virtual extinction of the old species of Oxford buildings there is great pressure on being able to provide accommodation for all undergraduates throughout their three or four years. With today’s completion Hertford has now joined the still fairly select list of Oxford Colleges which are able to offer this, and, perhaps even more as Visitor than as Chancellor, I congratulate all those who have worked to achieve this.

In this domestic building context the concept of ‘Geoffrey’ and ‘Mary’ wings is a nice touch, thereby commemorating a couple who between them strike an almost unique balance of academic and public policy distinction. The last time I was concerned with the opening of a building which commemorated two people, there was a certain problem of reconciling different traditions and outlooks. Somerville in 1991 completed the Dorothy Hodgkin Quadrangle within which was contained the Margaret Thatcher Conference Centre. Both eponyms attended the ceremony. I found the composition of my speech for that occasion one of my more delicate Oxford tasks. There is no such problem today. This new building has of course a splendid outlook. Hertford is very well endowed in its positions. Contemplating this building in conjunction with the metropolitan core of the College I am reminded of the slogans of the old theatre ticket agency, Keith Prowse: ‘You want the best seats: we have them’. Substitute ‘sites’ for ‘seats’, and I give you a new and suitably anglicized motto for the College crest. There in Cate Street the College commands the access to the heart of the University by Enclosure procession can get in without paying its respects to Hertford. It is the cork in the bottle of New College and the northern guardian of All Souls. And now to add to it being the best grandstanding in the University it is the best grandstanding for the river as well. And the building tools of a quality to match the site.

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On 17 June 1997, Sir Nicholas was guest of honour at the unveiling of a portrait of his grandfather. The portrait was commissioned by the MCR, on the initiative of its President, Mark Van Onsbrugge, with the financial assistance of the College and the Hertford Society. It really was a splendid idea which was wholeheartedly resisted by the artist, Mark Alexander. Mark came up to Hertford in 1993 to read Fine Art; then in his mid-twenties he was, as the Daily Express recorded in an article about him (17 May 1993), ‘a factory worker with just two O-levels’. Hertford, led by the Principal, waived the normal A-level entrance requirements on account of his exceptional talent. This was a shrewd move, as Mark took a First in Schools and has already established himself as a highly gifted artist. The MCR, in time, proved to have been even more shrewd, by commissioning the portrait! After a Guest Night Dinner in Hall, a move was made to the Octagon for the unveiling. The Principal expressed his pleasure on the completion of the portrait, the College’s good fortune in having the services of Mark at its disposal to rectify the previous lack of a portrait of T. G. Jackson within Hertford, and the appropriateness of having Sir Nicholas present to perform the unveiling. Sir Nicholas then gave the following speech:

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In 1899, Sir Thomas Jackson recalled: ‘among other incidents this year, I sat for my portrait to be painted by Soloman for the Art Workers’ Guild of which I had been Master and also for Hugh Riviere for a portrait to hang in Wadham College — a great honour’. He would presumably have thought it quite inconceivable that 98 years later another portrait of him would be painted by Mark Alexander to hang in Hertford. Not only another great honour — but also surely a rare distinction for anyone to have a portrait hanging simultaneously in more than one Oxford college.

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built T. G. Jackson enjoyed a near monopoly in Oxford. Between 1876 and 1882 he built a new block for Corpus, new quadrangles for both Trinity and Brasenose, and completed the High School for Boys (now the University Social Studies Centre) and the High School for Girls in the Banbury Road.

By 1888, he was working in no fewer than half of the then twenty-four listed Halls and Colleges, not to mention restoration work on several University buildings, including the refacing of the Bodleian. In fact, his work become so much in vogue that money was even extravagantly donated for the purpose of demolishing Butterworth's so-called 'streaky bacon style' chapel at Balliol and replacing it with one by Jackson. 'I began to wonder how long my chapel at Hertford would stand', he recalled in his memoirs.

In 1911, when Lord Curzon as Chancellor presented him with an Honorary Doctorate of Civil Law, T. G. Jackson was delighted when referred to as 'Artifex Oxoniensis — most Oxford of artists'.

His life span (1853-1924) was the world that had altered little in the past thousand years made unprecedented changes. But like Curzon, who towards the end of his life was one of the last people in the country to discover that he had not been made Prime Minister on account of his having no telephone at Montacute, Jackson did not allow his way of life to be altogether transformed by modern invention. For example, even in 1921, he had declined to have electricity installed at Eagle House, his Jacobean house in Wimbledon. As a boy he had travelled by stage coach and subsequently all over France by diligence; however, when in 1912, he visited Constantinople to do a survey of St Sophia, he said, 'I wrote my report on the Orient Express on the way home'.

At the 1983 Exhibition to mark the Centenary of the Examination Schools, which Sir Geoffrey Warnock opened, it was said that 'Jackson has probably had a greater effect on the face of pre-Morris Oxford than any other single man, and few would deny that it has been beneficial'. He regarded the Brasenose frontage on to the High as his best work which, along with the Examination Schools, the University Social Studies Faculty Centre, the Staircase and the Bridge at Hertford, constitute perhaps the pick of the bunch. He was particularly proud of Hertford Chapel.

Writing about T. G. Jackson, Sir Hugh Casson refers to the driving energy and stamina of Victorian architects. Sir Maurice Bowra, who, together with John Betjeman had recently coined the expression 'Anglo-Jackson' for his architecture, described him as 'a force of nature'.
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T. G. Jackson was also an accomplished water-colourist, considered by some to be Turner of Oxford's best pupil. He wrote over twenty volumes on architecture and travel, as well as finding time to write ghost stories and wonderfully illustrated picture letters for his two sons when they were schoolboys. He also designed glass, silverware, organ cases (in the Sheldonian and in Brasenose, Oriel, Wadham, and Hertford) as well as College barges for Oriel and Corpus.

I would like to conclude by thanking Mark Van Osnabrugge for his enterprise and initiative which has resulted in such an excellent portrait. I know how very touched T. G. Jackson would have been by this honour from a College for which he had such affection and which contains some of his most representative work. Perhaps the Mark Alexander portrait will at least have the effect of more people knowing the name of the man who designed the Hertford Bridge and Staircase which Sir Hugh Casson has so aptly described as 'two postcard-popular eye-catchers placed to the regular delight of tourists'. So it now gives me much pleasure to unveil the portrait.

The portrait is splendidly hung in the Octagon. It is at once brilliantly executed, technically outstanding, and very cleverly conceived. Mark chose to use the fact that he had to work from a black-and-white photograph to positive effect, and reflected this in his chosen style for the portrait (Plate 10). It constitutes an invaluable acquisition for the College.

In October 1995, writes Professor Roy Foster, an annual series of Hertford Lectures at Hartford University, Connecticut, was inaugurated by Professor Foster, under the title 'Telling Ireland's Story: history, identity, and independence'. He was accompanied by the Bursar; the opportunity was taken to meet students interested in applying for Martin scholarships, to sit in on classes, and generally to cement the developing links between the College and Hartford. Lavish hospitality was provided by Hartford's President, Humphrey Tonkin; the lecture was followed by a reception (enabling lively exchanges between the speaker and members of his audience from the local Irish-American community) and a splendid dinner. The series continued with a lecture from Professor Biddle, on the slightly less controversial subject of 'The Church of the Holy...
Sepulchre in Jerusalem', in October 1996. While in the USA, Professor Foster also addressed the Oxford Society of Washington, an occasion originally planned by Angus Macintyre; the lecture, dedicated to his memory, was attended by several old members, including Supreme Court Justice Breyer White, and once again contacts were renewed between the College and its more far-flung alumni.

The College's Lecturer in Music, Mr Hugh Collins Rice, had two of his pieces performed on BBC Radio Three's 'Hear and Now' programme: 'Robin's Lament' (on 2 June 1995), given as part of the Composers' Guild Fiftieth Anniversary Concert the previous week in London, and 'In the Grave' (10 May 1996).

The 1996 Drapers' Dinner was held on 9 May: the College's guests were Sir Nicholas Jackson (Master) and Lady Jackson, Mr Peter Bottomley MP (Junior Warden), and Mr Allan Lang. On 7 May 1996, the guest was The Reverend Peter Taylor (Master), Mr John Stitt (Harvard 1944) (Renter Warden), and Mr James Dower (President). Music was provided by singers and instrumentalists of the College Music Society. A report on the College's continuing links with the Drapers' Company will be given in the next issue of the Magazine.

An article in The Guardian of 27 August 1997 by Sean French began thus:

It was many, many years ago now, but I remember my mother dropping me off at the beginning of my very first term as if it were yesterday. She led me by the hand to the entrance. I was carrying my own special teddy bear under one arm. Then I cried a bit. Home suddenly seemed so far away. I wasn't used to being surrounded by so many people that I didn't know. I looked around and saw that my mother had sneaked away and I cried some more. And all my friends in my undergraduate career at Oxford were fishing for each other.

In the widespread acknowledgement that feelings of this sort are not uncommon — your Editor remembers his own rather bleak experience (but that was at Christ Church, where the only person who recognized me was the barman) — there are now 'induction' weeks for undergraduates. Whether or not we have gone too far in the opposite direction — 'induction' seems to function primarily with respect to the consumption of vast quantities of alcohol and to the predatory activities of second- and third-year 'on the pull' — the basic idea is unquestionably a good thing. The proof of the pudding is of course in the eating: does the induction week have enough meat in it? As a tutor, one is told not to mention WORK (I did, but I think I got away with it), in case the word precipitates a nervous breakdown on the part of the fresher. Yet what really settles the majority of new undergraduates into their routine is the work itself, which is, after all, what they are really here for, and given that the work itself is a smooth transition from school to college, they generally respond with a combination of bright-eyed enthusiasm and relief to the suggestion that they might care to tackle the assignments and reading they are expected to do. It will take at least a week or so to settle into the routine, and in that time the fresher may well feel a little lost, a little confused, a little overwhelmed. But in the end, the induction week is a welcome respite from all the new experiences and challenges to which they are being exposed, and it will give them a chance to settle into their new surroundings and to get to know their fellow students better. The proof of the pudding is of course in the eating, and it is hoped that the induction week will provide enough meat to sustain them for the rest of the term.
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Why is it that sections of the press, who pounce upon any unfortunate incident — generally, as it turns out, unrelated to ‘pressure of work’ — associated with an Oxford undergraduate, consistently neglect to mention that the support and personal contact available at this University is vastly superior to most, if not all, institutions of higher education in the land, including even Cambridge, where the pupil-tutor arrangements are rather different? And in any case, the power of suggestion should be considered: undergraduates here are embarking on a three-year academic course, whatever the difficulties encountered on the way; they are not, mercifully, ‘going over the top’ on the first day of the Battle of the Somme. Angst is infectious and, to a degree, fashionable. Having said that, Hertford as a College goes to enormous lengths to give support in cases of genuine difficulty. The star figure is, of course, the Dean, Mr Roy Stuart, who has recently completed a quarter of a century in that office he is more liberal than the wildest undergraduate, more tolerant than the most indulgent tutor, and surely more meticulous — and effective — than any College officer in Oxford when it comes to the composing of letters to the Proctors, especially for distressed or unwell examination candidates. It is said that if one were to précis the Hertford College officers’ address to the freshers in Induction Week, it would come down to this: the Chaplain tells you not to; the College Doctor tells you how to; and the Dean says he doesn’t mind what you get up to so long as you do it quietly.

One of the most noticeable innovations with respect to the welfare of those who come up both as undergraduates and postgraduates has been the setting up of a small surgery on the main College site and the appointment of a College Nurse. To anyone who gives the matter of medical care the most casual of thoughts, who knows anything about undergraduates, or is at all concerned with welfare in its broadest sense, the value of such a move is self-evident. The previous arrangement, whereby Hertford’s junior members attended a ‘shared’ nurse located in Wadham, proved less than perfectly satisfactory. A much closer eye can be kept by the Hertford Nurse, to whom a significantly larger number now turn. All members of the College, in whatever capacity, may consult the Nurse, who also visits Warnock House and Abingdon House. Even better than all of this is the fact that Mrs Stephanie Mobley, first
appointed to the post of Nurse for the academic year 1995-6, has proved outstanding in every respect.

Engaged at the same time was Mrs Joan McLauchlan, as Conference Secretary, thereby taking much of the burden off the Bursar’s shoulders. An impressive vacation conference programme, run to effectively by Mrs McLauchlan, with the Bluest travelling widely (notably to Japan and the USA) and bringing in an astonishing amount of business, constitutes a vital element in the College’s present and future. (The suggestion was made that the National Lottery might be a less arduous mechanism for raising money, but at the Bursar pointed out, it would be next to impossible to get Governing Body to agree the necessary six numbers each week.) The Appeal is the subject of a separate section later in the Magazine.

The College’s academic performance, in the years following the initiatives of the 1970s, speaks for itself, and Professor Tanner and the others who were instrumental in effecting that transformation are forever in the Governing Body’s debt. After a bumpy year in 1995, Hertford returned to sixth place in the Norrington Table, approximately to its more accustomed position these days. The Table is, of course, a distinctly odd compilation, and in comparison with many aspects of Oxford as reported for public consumption, gives in several respects a rather misleading impression. Naturally, Colleges do not perform consistently across their range of subjects; they are not homogeneous academically. Furthermore, the differences in the summary performances experienced in overall scores (the method employed is in itself controversial) is often very small, sometimes the slightest shift in the outcomes for each category of degree can result in quite a dramatic shift up or down the rankings. But the University has now accepted the impossibility of banning or preventing the publication of the Table, which it recently attempted to do through the device of a trial five-year period during which collegiate affiliations were omitted from the class lists. This did not deter the entering graduate student from poring through the necessary paperwork and compiling an unofficial list which was then published in newspapers. The status quo has now been restored, and colleges are again given with the names on the lists, although the Table has never received the University’s formal approval. It has been criticized also for perhaps reflecting, above all, the success of colleges in attracting good entrants rather than teaching quality or ‘value added’. A final thought for 1996, though, for what it is worth; written perforated bar at Hertford, their grades being the best out of all the colleges in Oxford.

The wider implications of degree results are as hotly debated as ever. First, the division of the Second Class has been accompanied by the near-disappearance of Thirds. Should this continue? Is this consequence to be welcomed? Secondly, Dr Gerry McCrum (Bursar’s Fellow) is using his retirement to pursue ever more keenly his analysis of the differences between the performance of men as opposed to women. What is the significance of the fact that men as a whole seem to do better? Thirdly, we take easy demands for improving standards in the traditional universities (commented The Times, 1 February 1996), but can we know how phenomena bright and hard working their top undergraduates are? And gene are the days when countless Jupets, in the course of the Grand Purse or in public examinations, could have done any work. Not that that matters...”

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Dr Anne Holmes has been succeeded as Tutor for Admissions by the Bursar, Mr Peter Baker, who, as an ex-headmaster, is ideally qualified for the post. During a nationwide survey of university admissions for 1994 entry the HMCA/GSA (Headmasters’ Conference & Girls’ Schools Association), unknown to colleges, set up an independent enquiry into Admissions practice throughout Oxford colleges. They looked into the efficiency with which interviewing arrangements were made, the care that colleges took to try to make candidates feel at home while they were in Oxford for interview, the management of the interviewing process itself and the consideration given to reporting results back to candidates and to their schools. As a result of the enquiry, Hertford was one of the five colleges that were commended for good practice. But the College must strive continually to maintain and advance its standing and success in this regard. In addition to the annual Schoolteachers’ Conference, the more enterprising subject tutors visit schools, meet with prospective candidates in College, and cultivate contacts in the teaching profession. In all these endeavours, the Admissions Secretary, Mrs Edith Spencer, works imaginatively and tirelessly. Your Editor, as one of the geography tutors, had the benefit of Edith’s invaluable assistance in the mounting of a large Admissions conference concerned specifically with geography entrance procedures. Over a hundred teachers, mainly but not exclusively
geographers, attended a two-day meeting in College in March 1997, which proved to be mutually enlightening and, judging by the letters received afterwards, a considerable success. It is clear that there exists a constant need to disseminate accurate information, dispel persistent myths, and to reach the many excellent potential candidates who simply do not apply. With the abolition of the entrance examination (for better or ill), the University enters a new phase in the evolution of this vital exercise, and it is imperative that we refine our practices, liaise with our sources, and, above all, attract the most able applicants.

The 1996 Macbride Sermon was preached in the College Chapel on 21 January by Professor Philip S. Alexander, Professor of Post-Biblical Jewish Literature, Department of Religions and Theology, University of Manchester, and formerly President of the Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies. Unlike some preachers of the annual Sermon, Professor Alexander faced up to the subject and tackled it directly, and his stimulating address is reprinted on p.81 of the Magazine. In reflecting upon what it was that Principal Macbride had in mind, the contemporary context in which his benefaction was made, and whether or not the spirit of the Sermon is sustainable and justifiable a century and a half later, Professor Alexander gave much food for thought. As it transpired, change was in the air.

The history of the Sermon is, briefly as follows. It is a University Sermon, preached on the second Sunday of the Hilary Term, formerly in the University Church but, since 1959 (for reasons given in the last issue of the Magazine) in Hertford Chapel. The benefaction dates from 1848, it subsequently becoming known that the benefactor was J. D. Macbride, DCL, Principal of Magdalen. The subject was stipulated as 'the application of the prophecies in Holy Scripture respecting the Messiah to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, with an especial view to confute the arguments of Jewish commentators and to promote the conversion to Christianity of the ancient people of God'. The Committee for the Nomination of Select Preachers, on reflection, has now decided that the subject of the Sermon as stated is contrary to the spirit of the age and has the potential for causing offence. In Michaelmas 1996 a Statute was promulgated and approved by the University, by which the subject of the Sermon was amended. For the first time, the preacher of the 1998 Sermon addressed the revised subject, 'the application of the prophecies in Holy Scripture respecting the Messiah to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ'. The preacher for 1997, caught in the phase of transition, was asked to bear the change in mind, Professor Kevin Cuthbert, Professor of Next Euram Languages, University College Dublin, delivered his address on 24 January 1997; it was as scholarly and erudite as its author. His was a congenial and delightful as a guest in College. His was congenial and delightful as a guest in College. His was congenial and delightful...
Near Eastern Languages, University College Dublin, delivered his address on 26 January 1997; it was as scholarly and erudite as its author was congenial and delightful as a guest to entertain in College. His Sermon is reproduced on p.88. The ‘Macbride’ is indeed a notable annual College occasion, and it will be interesting to observe the effect which the relaxation and amendment of the prescribed subject will have upon the content and tone of forthcoming Sermons.

The 1995 Tyndale Lecture was given by Dr Michael Weitzman on 20 October, the subject being, ‘William Tyndale, interpreter of the Hebrew Bible,’ a lucid and enlightening discussion of Tyndale’s sources and the great instinct which he possessed for deciphering meaning (even of words which occur only once in the Old Testament) and communicating it, conveying not only the basic sense but also the overtones. The 1996 Lecture, given in the Examination Schools on 25 October, was entitled, ‘William Tyndale and Thomas More’, and was delivered by Sir Anthony Kenny, Warden of Rhodes House. Sir Anthony concluded that the two men brought out the worst in each other, and that they tended to go past each other somehow in their acrimonious debates: More directed much of his verbose vulgarity at Luther (whom Tyndale did not seek to defend), while Tyndale attacked the Pope (whom More did not mention much). Both, of course, came to a sticky end.

The College enjoys a flourishing musical life. The Chapel Choir in particular has benefited from a succession of excellent organ scholars in the last few years, notably Phillip Elliott, Alastair Reed, and Tim Good, and can now provide a high class full Choral Evensong. The Hertford College Music Society, following its revival in 1995, has gone from strength to strength under the presidencies of Richard Hogwood and Robert Hughes, offering weekly informed recitals and termly concerts (once more in the traditional venue of Hall). The concert programmes have included works as diverse as Haydn’s Symphony no. 104, Vivaldi’s Gloria, and Wagner’s Siegfried Idyll and Kinderkatechismus. Undergraduate talent is in ample supply: Edmund Jolliffe is a prolific and gifted composer, who has conducted his own works; Rob Hughes arranged and conducted music by Shostakovich, upon which he can be counted an authority; the aptly-named Tyndale Quartet has given first-rate recitals; the Big Band proved immensely popular at the concert in Trinity Term 1997; and the orchestra contains several fine instrumentalists as well as the rest of us who benefit from the friendly and tolerant atmosphere. Sir Nicholas Jackson, the distinguished harpsichordist and organist, is a tower of strength; among his many contributions was the help he gave the College in acquiring a valuable Blicthner grand piano for use in the Chapel, which he inaugurated (with his son, Graham, and the original owner, Philip Pilkington) at an informal recital on 28 May 1996. On the list for the immediate future is an appraisal of the Chapel organ, which is in need of some attention, as well as some ambitious plans for further concerts.

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On Saturday 25 May 1996, the foundation stone was laid for the new Hertford College Boathouse. In front of a substantial crowd from both Hertford and other Colleges, Drapers' Fellow, Dr Neil Tanner, and President of the Hertford College Boat Club Society, Richard Norton, laid a commemorative stone to mark the beginning of the extensive project to extend and refurbish the existing boathouse popularly known as 'Tim's'.

The Boathouse has been in Hertford's possession since 1964 when it was purchased for the College by the Bursar at the time, Richard Malpas, for the very modest sum of just over £2,500. The site had been used for many years as a commercial boat-building yard owned by the Tims family. It was certainly not the first building on the site; a previous building was reputedly burned to the ground by the Suffragettes in 1909. The opening of the new boathouse effectively saw the end of the old College Barge (in 1996 languishing at a protected mooring at Penton Hook near Chertsey). For several decades the Boathouse offered functional if modest accommodation for our rowers. The celebrated nettle patch to the rear of the building has seen more than its fair share of Hertford members!

By the early 1990s the building was beginning to show serious signs of wear and tear. The dilemma facing the College was whether to spend a substantial sum on repairing the building or to consider a much more ambitious project to redevelop the site and make the most of the spectacular location right in the middle of the Eights course. The project had its genesis in a meeting between two old members, Richard Norton (1957) who has long been connected with rowing at the highest levels, and architect John Marsh (1959) who produced an inspiring visualization of what the project might look like. Once the project had been sold to Neil Tanner and to Bursar Peter Baker the project had impetus.

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After weeks of dry weather, the opening at Longbridges took place on Saturday, 26 April 1997 on a wet and cold day. It was preceded by a stylish procession of traditional boats including gondolas, sandolos, skiffs, and gigs, from the New Cut up to Folly Bridge and then down the Isis to the Boathouse. The disembarking passengers were greeted by the Hertford College Music Society playing a programme of music, Handel, and Boccherini. The Longbridges Boathouse was formally opened by Olympic oarsman, Matthew Pinsent (St Catherine’s), supported by Phoebe White (Hertford), Ali Gill (St Hilda’s), and Donald McDonal (Mansfield). Each College’s party then proceeded upstairs to open its individual Clubhouse. The ensuing receptions went on long into the afternoon to celebrate this magnificent addition to Hertford’s facilities. A similarly happy outcome was not, alas, to accompany the saga of the College Barge. Barges have been suspended by boathouses, and their numbers have suffered a high degree of attrition over the years, partly through the activities of Bursars and partly as a consequence of the high costs of restoration. Hertford’s first barge, a photograph of which can be seen in the Boyd Room, was opened in 1877, but was worn out by 1910. The second barge, known as the Hertford Barge, succeeded it in 1911. Its subsequent history of neglect has been traced by Richard Norton (1957), Chairman of the Trust for the Presentation of Oxford College Barges, in an article in Squal, Pole and Paddle no. 72 (June 1997). In the autumn of 1996, Richard bought the Barge from her mooring place at Staines on a hazardous and tricky (and televised) journey back to the Oxford stretch of the river. In a subsequent letter to the Editor, Richard continues the story:

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"Can she be restored?" Not in her traditional form, so the Trust has decided to dispose of the hull. This could become the foundation for a substantial houseboat. The best choice of materials for building it would be steel, as with a canal boat. The hull is being advertised in Classic Boat and Exchange and Mart.

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Finally, back at College, numerous improvements to the buildings have been made, mostly through the energies of the Bursar with the support of the Domus Committee. A welcome change in the prevailing culture in this respect is evident: no longer is it the case that nothing can be done about anything simply because ‘this is Hertford’. A general sanitization of the Old Hall has been achieved, much to the delight of Richard Norton’s great-great-uncle, who hardly did justice to the memory of Richard Norton’s great-great-great-great-uncle, which hardly did justice to the memory of Richard Norton’s great-great-great-uncle, having been transformed. A brand new Lodge has been constructed, and was opened on 1 October 1996. It is much more spacious and allows for separation of functions rather than being the focus of a seemingly constant mêlée, and contains individual pigeon-holes for all undergraduates. A decent Lodge is a necessity, particularly in the first point of contact for visitors. Returning old members are thrown when entering College to find that it is situated on the other side of the entrance door from the old lodge (now a much-needed seminar room).
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On 9 January 1996, after a long haul involving seemingly endless debates with the (then lately-departed) Principal, the Library Extension, incorporating part of the basement of the Lodgings, was formally opened. (The Fellow Librarian gives a fuller report of this development in 'Library News'.) Meanwhile, the SCR Cellar has also been refurnished, in every sense: the threatened collapse of the ceiling (seemingly a specialité de la maison) was averted — and the truly horrid consequences, too awful to contemplate, prevented. The bins have been assessed and restocked through the skill, care, and sheer hard work of the Cellar Master, Dr Geoffrey Ellis, and the SCR Butler, Mr Kenny Lewis. Only Fellows (but not, it has been decided, Honorary Fellows) are entitled to draw wine from the SCR Cellar.

The collapsing ceiling in the Old Hall failed to wipe out the Governing Body; another attempt was made (for those who subscribe to conspiracy theories rather than the other) before we were told, belatedly, that the relatively recently installed gas fire in the Upper SCR was, in fact, lethal. So we have a new fire, and indeed new carpets in the SCR (installed through the executive action of the Barbour, a necessity if ever a decision was to be reached).

Projects for the future include the alteration and redecoration of the interior of OB 1 (the location of the College offices and the route to the Bridge, which is now one of the most celebrated pieces of Oxford architecture although in need of a smartening-up internally). OB 1 receives a good deal of traffic. In appearance, dominated by wall-facings in thin, light-coloured strips of Formica-like fake wood paneling, polystyrene ceilings, and floors of sticky linoleum, is currently akin to that of a Chinese take-away or a 'something-for-the-weekend-sir?' barber's shop. The work is scheduled for the second half of 1998. Mr Alan Berman, of Berman Guedes Stretton, has, at the College's request, produced an interesting report on the potential adaptation of various currently unused spaces in the College, such as the Chapel basement. Meanwhile, it is the little things which can count for much. For example, the chairs in the Upper SCR have been repaired, so members and their guests can sit down in some confidence that they will not land in a heap on the floor. Use of the Library as a general dumping ground for clobber (especially..."
by those who reside away from the main College site) is discouraged. A
new table and a set of chairs have been installed in the Gilbert Library.
And since the departure of Sir Christopher Zeeman, one can now stroll
round the quad with a colleague, a visitor, or a prospective applicant,
without being confronted by a stuffed badger in the ground-floor
windows of the Lodgings.

Meanwhile, outside, major schemes are under way with respect to the
gardens, grounds, and landscaping of the quadrangles, to be reported
fully in the next issue. It is ironic, with such a concentration of listed
buildings and the requirement that formal consent be obtained for the
eight places, that only vocal opposition, led by the Bursar, prevented the
City Council from erecting one of their ugly (and badly
installed) new cycle racks outside the front of the College near the
Bridge.

Generous contributions from the Hertford Society have enabled the
principal portraits in Hall to be lit, and the suggestion that the others
should also be done. This has transformed the look of the Hall. Your
Editor, as Steward of the SCR, is delighted that, with the addition of
lights, at infinitely more appropriate atmosphere can now be created
for SCR Dinner. Furthermore, this was served under the glare of fluorescent
lights on the ceiling and, before that, those ghoulish 'Berti Sun' lamps on the
High Table, the removal of which constituted his first action on
becoming Steward. (N.B. The light over Dr Ferrar's portrait kept failing,
following its installation: perhaps he doesn't approve?)

On the initiative of Principal Ferrar's son, Michael, and with generous
contributions from himself, Mr Derek Conran, and the Hertford Society,
a memorial tablet to commemorate Neville Murphy has been placed in
the Chapel. It had been noted that the absence of a plaque to Murphy,
Fellow of the College 1949-59 and Principal, left a gap in the sequence set in the
north wall at the east end. Perhaps this reflected Murphy's character and wishes, but it was felt that a simple
memorial plaque was desirable. The College is most grateful to Mr
Ferrar. A brass name-plaque has been placed in the stall immediately
next to the Dean's, commemorating the late John Francis
McMahon, sometime Fellow in Law and Dean. The cow was gettered
rest by his twin brother, the Right Reverend Thomas McMahon, Roman
Catholic Bishop of Brentwood, who still visits the College from time to
time to preach in Chapel at the invitation of the Chaplain.

On 16 May 1997, a group of the JCR officers were interviewed on Central Television News, reporting that the
Spice Girls had just been elected honorary members of the Junior
Common Room. Apparently there had been no response from the Spice
Girls themselves, who remained unimpressed; but this one never really
thought of them, as being intellectually minded: A new JCR production,
the Hertford College Wake in 1997, contained articles about JCR
theatre and an essay on the history of the JCR, as well as a selection of
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thought of them as being intellectually minded. A new JCR production, the Hertford College Yearbook for 1997, contained articles about JCR clubs and activities, and an inventory of third-year undergraduates comprising a photograph and some gossip and scandal relating to each. It remains to be seen whether this unofficial souvenir, sponsored by the College and the Bar, will become a regular publication. The JCR also initiated a laudatory College policy of paper recycling.

The customary range of sporting activities were pursued; the Editor regrets that these are not recorded in the Magazine in anything like a comprehensive form, it being strangely difficult to acquire accurate information about sporting achievements (either through officials or structures in College or from the relevant University bodies), while submitted reports tend to be few, erratic, and frequently hard to decipher.

Individual achievements of undergraduates ranged from sponsored cycle rides to raise money for charitable international expeditions (James Sandford) to the winning of the 16-19 category of the eighth annual Young Science Writer Awards (1995) by Katie Mantell, reading Human Sciences, with an ‘epic’ on the subject of male contraception (Daily Telegraph 16 August 1995).

Simpkins, already a star of Richard Surman’s College Cats (Harper Collins, 1994), featured in a 1996 ‘cat of the month’ calendar. In July of that year our famous ‘pin-up’ cat underwent an operation for the removal of what we trust was a benign lump on his head. He felt a bit sorry for himself afterwards (Plate 11) but soon made a full recovery.

Mr Vic Madden completed forty years’ service as College Groundsman, and Mr Roy Stuart celebrated his Silver Jubilee as College Dean. Mr Bill Atkinson (1936), Founder, sometime Chairman, and Vice-President of the Hertford Society, was married to Lesley Sturdy, and subsequently held a very convivial party in the College Hall on 9 December 1995; on 3 August 1996, David Parry (JRF) married Miss Jane Catchpole. On 7 November 1995, Diego Maradonna (or Madonna—is that someone else?) visited Oxford, as a guest at the Union. Rumour had it that he was due to lunch in College, but he declined to appear. This was probably just as well, for with his legendary dubious manual habits it was to be feared that he might turn out to be one of those people who hold a table-knife incorrectly (but in that regard he would have found himself in the company of certain of the Fellows, alas).

The regular list of old members’ activities appears later in the Magazine, but a few specific items may be briefly referred to here. Dr Tanya Bowyer-Bower (1985) announced her engagement to Sir William Arbuthnot, Bt; she was quoted in the press regarding her views on the selection of the Rt Hon. Alan Clark as Prospective Parliamentary Candidate for the safe Tory seat of Kensington and Chelsea. As Vice-Chairman of Cheyne Ward, she was, according to the Evening Standard of 24 January 1997, furious in the way that only very grand Tory ladies
can be. 'I am really very sad indeed,' she said. 'We got rid of Nicholas Scott, but we have put in someone who is the epitome of what Nicholas Scott was. With Nicholas Scott, it was the bottles, with Alex Clark it is women. I'm tempted to resign. I think that the Tories deserve to lose the seat.' Well, of course, in the event, they didn't. 'Ashes to ashes, dust to dust, if the women don't get you, the liquor must.' Still in the field of politics, James Carstairs (30 January 1997) headed an article in the St Ives Times, and the caption 'John Patten goes west,' in the following spring he went to the Upper House as Baron Patten of Winstanley.

Simon Garfyl (1970), headmaster of Eagle House, Berkshire, Britain's oldest boys' prep. school, ordered all 180 boys in the school into their games kit and sent them off on a thirty-mile run, in celebration of the school's 175th anniversary in May 1995 (reported The Times). Another unusual sporting story appeared in You (The Mail on Sunday, 10 March 1996). It featured members of the Harlequin Ladies' Rugby Team, depicted first in their glad rags (under the title, 'which of these women is a hooker?'), and then, smeared with mud, in their rugby kit. Included were Vicky Fraser (1992) and Anne Tipping (1988), next to a list giving details of the clothes and fashion accessories worn.

Mr B. D. Ternpent-Mogg (1970) has been in the news as President of Warnborough College. Dr. Redmond O'Hanlon (Merton, 1965), the natural history and travel writer, was the guest on 'Desert Island Discs' on 14 March 1997; he confessed to having taught English at Hertford and to being given the sack for teaching the wrong syllabus. One wonders how it was that he was found out, or why such a point of detail was deemed to possess any great significance. We all - or, at least, some of us - make trivial mistakes from time to time. He was, of course, a number of Governing Body, where it would be considered extremely bad taste to draw attention to such incidents. Dr. O'Hanlon is much better served by his stated recreation of 'pond-watching by torchlight'.

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quent, witty, and above all revivifying debate in which perspicacity, principle, and integrity surprisingly carried the day. Money talks, and universities are tempted to cut corners in their cumbersome procedures (perhaps the main lesson is that we really do need to learn about Management); but the outcome on this occasion was that Mansfield Road is not to be renamed Waficademy, nor is the proposed huge Albert Speer-like complex to rise up as a semi-autonomous institution on a greenfield site there. (The University just happened to have had a secret architectural competition – and to have chosen a site on land specifically designated for other purposes – before announcing the benefaction in the press, which was the first that most of us had heard about it.) But the private joke is that the bar in the new School of Management Studies, now to be built near the railway station, is to be named 'Wafic's Arms'.

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Simon Jenkins, in his article in The Times, recalled 'that doyen of Oxford eccentricity, the late Felix Markham', who 'wrote that “Oxford does not lightly or giddily accept change”. During his period, almost all of its changes were for the worse'; the prevailing ‘cynicism towards tradition and appeasement of ugliness has given Oxford three decades of bad buildings and worse planning’. Sir Nikolaus Pevsner concluded his ‘Introduction’ to the Oxford section of The Buildings of England: Oxfordshire (1974: 77) with the view, shared by others (including Professor E. W. Gooch), that commercial development should be concentrated to the east of Magdalen Bridge. (Why on earth was the Westgate Shopping Centre built where it was, given that the bulk of the city’s population resides to the east? The consequences for the city centre must surely have been obvious.) ‘The ideal firmly to be envisaged ought to be Oxford as the Latin Quarter of Cowley . . . It will never happen, and what will happen will be too late and too little.’ At least in Hertford we are well placed within the embattled core of the University. Indeed, we enjoy one of the great urban prospects of the world. And with the awesome thunderstorm of the night of 7-8 June 1996 raging over the Bodleian, Camera, St Mary’s, and Hawksmoor’s towers, came once again the realization that the dealings of man rank as pretty small fry in the workings of the cosmos. Yet we must rejoice in our potentialities. It is our immense good fortune in Oxford that we are privileged to be able to do precisely that.

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Locating Evelyn Waugh's rooms

Attempts by Evelyn Waugh's biographers to evoke his time at Hertford College, though ingenious (especially in Selina Hastings's Evelyn Waugh: A Biography (London, 1994)), are incomplete. In particular, there is still some uncertainty as to the location of his rooms in College. Since he destroyed his diary for this period, and the surviving letters written from Oxford are few, the main record from Waugh himself on this subject is the first and only volume of his autobiography A Little Learning (hereafter ALL), first published in 1964, forty years after he went down. This can be supplemented by details from his contemporaries' reminiscences, some of which have been published. The most exact evidence, however, is to be found in the College's Rooms Book for 1915 to 1929 (Hertford College Archives 14/1/3) recently brought to light by our archivist Dr T. C. Barnard.

Waugh took the scholarship examination in history for a group of colleges consisting of New College, University, Queen's, Exeter, Worcester, and Hertford in December 1921. His decision to give Hertford as his first preference was 'an act which was to make a great difference to my university life' (ALL, 1983 edition: 137). He was bored with school and wanted to leave as soon as possible, but he did not think he was yet up to gaining a scholarship at New, his father's college. In any case, he had been told by his history master that from the educational point of view it was better to be a scholar in a small college. The main consideration, however, was financial. Yielding £100 a year, the Hertford scholarship was easily the most valuable and Waugh knew that his father, who was not well off, would appreciate the financial advantage. There was a family connection with Hertford (his great-grandfather had been at Magdalen Hall in the 1830s), but whether this even crossed his mind at the time of application is not known. A week after the examination he heard officially from Oxford that he had been awarded the Hertford scholarship. It had been planned that, if successful, Waugh would go up at the beginning of the next academic year, but his father now decided unexpectedly to send him to Oxford immediately at the beginning of Hilary Term (ALL: 163). In a letter written early in January 1922 Waugh said: 'I am pretty full of beans as I have been allowed to go up to Hertford next term' (The letters of Evelyn Waugh, edited by Mark Amory (London, 1995): 4).

His first rooms in Hertford were modest. 'As a scholar I was entitled to live my three years in college, but, arriving late, I found the only set available were in the oldest building, that looked out on New College Lane. They were over the JCR buttery in which teas were prepared and my chief memory of the staircase is of the rattle of dishcovers on foggy afternoons and the smell of anchovy toast and honey buns as the scouts filled their trays' (ALL: 165-6). This location is corroborated by the entry for Hilary Term 1922 in the College's Rooms Book. It shows that Waugh was then residing in the Old Buildings on staircase 3 in set 28.
The system of numbering staircases then was the same as it is today, but sets in the Old Buildings were numbered continuously from set 1 on the ground floor of staircase 1 (now still OB. 1) to set 44 at the top of staircase 5 (the Cottage). The sets on staircase 3 were numbered from 26 to 35. Since Waugh's set looked on New College Lane (as he says), it must have been what is now OB. 3.3 on the second floor. Now a single room, it was then almost certainly divided by a partitioning wall into a bedroom and a sitting-room. The JCR buttery in Waugh's description corresponds to the present-day Butler's Pantry on the ground floor of staircase 3. This is consistent with other evidence that what is now the Old Library was formerly in JCR use. To judge from the rent (£4 per term plus £1.10. Od for hire of furniture) this was indeed a modest set, and in Trinity Term he moved along the corridor to something better (£5 plus £2) at OB. 3.50 (now OB. 3.5 or, more likely, a set consisting of present-day rooms 5 and 6). 'I was entirely happy in a subdued fashion; doing enough work to satisfy the examiners in History Previous [sc. Prelim.]' (ALL: 166-7). He saw little of the senior history tutor C. R. M. F. Cruttwell until his third term, by which time he had passed Prelims, but then very soon 'our mutual dislike became incurable' (ALL: 175).

After the Long Vacation he moved again. 'In my third term', he says, 'I had large rooms on the ground floor of the front quad and these were seldom empty' (ALL: 171). And later: 'This soon developed into my keeping open house for men from other colleges; sometimes as many as a dozen collected' (ALL: 178). The Rooms Book shows that from Michaelmas Term 1922 to Michaelmas Term 1923 (four terms) Waugh was on the ground floor of staircase 2 (the Bursary staircase) in set 19. Of the sets on this staircase (OB. 2.19 to OB. 2.24) only the two on the ground floor (19 and 20) were occupied by undergraduates, the remainder being Fellows' rooms. The question whether in 1922-3 set 19 was to the right or left of the entrance to the staircase cannot be deduced from the entries in the Rooms Book, but I have none the less found it possible to solve this puzzle with the kind assistance of a contemporary and friend of Evelyn Waugh, Mr Anthony Bushell, the actor'. On 13 June 1995, during a visit to the College, Mr Bushell (who was often a guest in Waugh's rooms — ALL: 178) identified the accounts office to the left of the entrance as one part of Waugh's set. The other part (formerly the bedroom, now an administrative office) looks on New College Lane. Mr Bushell, who occupied a set in the Cottage, recalled that Waugh's rooms were tastefully decorated with prints on the walls and generally regarded as rather grand. The Rooms Book records a relatively high rent (£6 plus £2 per term).

Waugh recalls that after a luncheon party in these rooms, being hard up, he auctioned all his books, many of them finely bound by Maltby and still to be paid for (ALL: 179). This episode is also recalled by Peter Quennell: 'The rooms he first occupied were decoratively furnished with Lovat Fraser prints and Nonesuch editions of the English poets. But then a starting change took place: having overspent his allowance; he held an unpretentious private auction of all his more valuable books and pictures, and retired to the smallest, darkest and gloomiest set of rooms that Hertford College could provide' (Peter Quennell, in Evelyn Waugh and his World, ed. David Price Jones (Boston-Toronto, 1973): 37). These, of course, not the rooms he first occupied, but the rooms he occupied when Quennell (who drank manfully from Ballool in Michaelmas Term 1923) first knew him. Quennell's first term at Oxford was Waugh's last in his grand set on OB. 2. But the memory of a move to a smaller set tallies with the record in the Rooms Book, which shows that in his last two terms at Oxford (Hilary and Trinity 1924) Waugh was in OB. 5.41 on the ground floor of the Cottage (the other ground-floor set was OB. 5.40). Whether OB. 5.41 was to the left or the right of the entrance cannot be established from the Rooms Book, but that to the right (now OB. 5.41 — next to the Chapel) would surely better fit the description 'darkest and gloomiest'. Though it is doubtful whether Waugh's final set really was the College's 'smallest, darkest and gloomiest', the move is certainly consistent with an attempt to economize. A term's rent for either of the ground-floor sets was £9 plus £1.10. Od. There were few sets in the College that were as cheap as this and only two (at £4 plus £1.7. 6d) were cheaper (both in the Octagon House, demolished in 1923). Waugh had returned to the modest level of his first term.

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• And again, Cousin Jasper’s advice (ibid., Book 1, Chapter 1): “‘One last point. Change your rooms.’ – They were large, with deeply recessed windows and painted, eighteenth-century paneling. I was lucky as a freshman to get them. ‘I’ve seen many a man ruined through having ground-floor rooms in the front quad,’ said my cousin with deep gravity. ‘People start dropping in. They leave their gowns here and start collecting them before hall; you start giving them a sherry. Before you know where you are, you’ve opened a free bar for all the undesirables of the college’.”

Now, alas, lately deceased. He came up in 1922.

• It is easy, retrospectively, to endow one’s youth with a false precocity or a false innocence; to view with the eyes marking one’s existence on the edge of life. I should like to think — indeed I sometimes do think — that I arranged those rooms with Morris stuffs and Art-nouveau prints and that my shelves were filled with seventeenth-century folios and French novels of the second empire in leather and watered-silk. But this was not the truth” (Charles Ryder in Brideshead Revisited, Book 1, Chapter 1).

• “And that’s another thing. I don’t know what allowance my uncle makes you, but I don’t mind betting you’re spending double. All this,” he said, including in a wide sweep of his hand the evidence of profligacy about him. It was true; my room had cast its austere winter garments, and by not very slow stages, assumed a richer wardrobe. “Is that paid for?” (the box of a hundred cabinet Partagas on the sideboard) “or those?” (a dozen frivolous, new books on the table) “or those?” (a Lalique decanter and glasses) “or that peculiarly noisome object?” (a human skull lately purchased from the School of Medicine, which, resting in a bowl of roses, formed, at the moment, the chief decoration of my table. It bore on its forehead, “Et in Arcadia ego” inscribed on its forehead.) “Yes,” I said, glad to be clear of one charge. “I had to pay cash for the skull” (ibid., Book 1, Chapter 2).

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Caring for Creation

Address delivered in Hertford College Chapel on 5 May 1996
by Professor Andrew Goudie

Last year we celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the end of the Second World War and the fiftieth anniversary of my birth. I mention my own birthday and the end of the War in the same breath, not because I am so immodest as to think the two events of equal significance, nor indeed because I think my birth was of any great significance at all. I mention them because for me as a person, now in the springtime of my middle age, and for the world as a whole, 1945 is as good a dividing line in history as one will find.

What changes we have witnessed since then! Britain has lost an Empire of great size and splendour, but gained a National Health Service. Most public schools and Oxford colleges (the latter following Hertford's lead) have gone mixed, but at the same time the pill and abortion have become widely available. We have had a lady, or at least a woman, Prime Minister and have placed a man on the moon. We have jet airliners and aerosol cans, the internet and the web, colour televisions and credit cards, nylons and nuclear power, genetic engineering, and a whole host of other innovations, that did not exist when I was born. Never before, I suspect, has so much change — political, social, moral, economic, and technological — taken place in such a short span of time.

However, the changes I have referred to so far, are not really the ones that concern me tonight. The changes with which I am concerned are really rather more significant in that they are those which the human race is inflicting at an exponentially increasing rate on the world of creation.

Let me, at the risk of making this address sound like a Geography lesson, regale you with a few facts. During the twentieth century the human population of the planet has exploded. It was not until 1859, the year of the 'Origin of Species', that the world's population reached a billion — a process that had taken about three million years of human endeavour and pleasure to achieve. It was just my eighth winter gymnastics, and, by not very slow stages, assumed the ricketty edifice, "Is that paid for?" (the box of a hundred colours Parrauq on the sideboard) "or should it?" (a dozen broccoli, sweet potatoes on the table) "or those?" (a Lalique decanter and glasses) "or that poultry rutilant object?" (a human rooster, formed, at the moment: the chief decoration of my stable, a bare the maroon charge.) "I had to pay cash for the stuff" (ibid., Book 1, Chapter 2).

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world's crop land is now being worked by tractors and much of it is
being treated with a cocktail of biocides and unnatural stimulants. A
combination of rising numbers, rising affluence (at least in Volvo and
bidet-owning western societies), increasing energy use, and new tech-
nologies, mean that for the first time in human history there are manifest-
ations of anthropogenic change at the planetary scale.

For that reason, one of our Honorary Fellows, Max Nicholson,
spoke presciently in the late 1960s of The Environmental Revolution'.
Indeed, global change now no longer begins in politics, the
media, business, and academia. New subdisciplines have emerged; we
have abundant, "-ologies" and -isms" prefaced by "eco". We have
ecochristianities, ecofascisms, ecofeminisms, and even ecotheologisms. The
shelves of Messrs Blackwell's excellent basement religion section is full of
titles such as 'God is Green'.

What does global change consist of?

Refrains are disappearing at the rate of millions of hectares a year;
huge damns, some higher than the Cotswolds, are transforming the
world's great rivers; river diversions are causing devastation of great
water bodies like the Aral Sea; tropical soils are being deforested and
waterlogged; coastlines are being dredged, drained, and "protected" by
-etry-plaques engineers; we have countless waste which we cannot store;
whats are being "improved" to the detriment of wild life; habitat loss
and hunting are causing a massive surge in species extinction; woodlands
and lakes are being poached by acid rain (some of which is now as acid
as battery fluid, at Hertford Red) and said EDDs echoes have appeared
in the polar areas; rivers are draining the world's coral reefs; and the
world's top soils are washing and blowing into the oceans. A hole has
appeared in the fragile layer of protective ozone that occurs in the
stratosphere above the South Pole and, this year, at the North Pole but
above all, we may be on the brink of a great chemistry experiment in
which trace gases in the atmosphere may transform the whole climatic
pattern of the globe. Notable here, of course, carbon dioxide released
by the burning of fossil fuels and by deforestation, methane released by
paddy fields, flatulent cattle and little boys, chlorofluorocarbons, and
nitrous oxide released by cars and fertilizers. Because of this, by the time
the present generation of undergraduates dies, the world may be as warm
as it was in the last three million years of human existence, with
global seas levels rising by several feet, flooding and eroding portions
of many great cities and rendering their sewage systems inoperable
before that.

As the Duke of Edinburgh put it at the summit on Religion and
Conservation held at St George's Windsor last year, "If you are in
the process of blowing up a balloon there is nothing to warn you that it is
about to burst. We are stretching the earth's system, like a small child
blowing up a balloon". If it goes on blowing, the crucial questions are:

When is it going to burst?

Where do the children stand on the issue of global change?

Some environmentalist would maintain that Christianity is irrelevant.
They would argue that if a biblical tradition founded more than two mill-
years ago could have little relevance to contemporary ecological prob-
lems today, it would suggest that theologians of the past could not have
contended with the formidable problems we face today. It would suggest
that God indeed is Green.

There are, however, serious answers to this question, and traditional
Christianity would be among the most relevant. The Bible is not in
contradiction to today's world. In fact, the Bible is the greatest book ever
written. It is filled with references to other ecological problems.

For example, in the book of Genesis, the story of the great flood, there
is a clear instruction not to destroy all life on earth. The book tells us that
when Noah was building the ark, he was to take two of every kind of
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For that reason, one of our few Honorary Fellows, Max Nicholson, spoke presciently in the late 1960s of 'The Environmental Revolution': media, business, and academia. New subdisciplines have emerged: ecologists, ecocritics, and even ecotechnologists. The titles such as 'God is Green'.

What does global change consist of?

Rainforests are disappearing at a rate of millions of hectares a year; huge dams, some higher than the Cotswolds, are transforming the water bodies like the Aral Sea; river diversions are causing desertification of great waterlogged; coastlines are being dredged, drained, and 'protected' by wetlands are being 'improved' to the detriment of wild life; habitat loss and hunting are causing a massive surge in species extinction; woodlands and lakes are being poisoned by acid rain (some of which is now as acid as battery fluid, or Herford Red); lead and DDT residues have appeared world's top soils are washing and blowing into the oceans. A hole has stratosphere above the South Pole and, this year, at the North Pole; but which trace gases in the atmosphere may transform the whole climatic pattern of the globe. Notable here are, of course, carbon dioxide released by the burning of fossil fuels and by deforestation, methane released by nitrous oxide released by cars and fertilizers. Because of this, by the time as it ever has been in the last three millions years of human existence, of many great cities and rendering their sewage systems inoperative before that.

As the Duke of Edinburgh put it at the summit on Religion and the process of blowing up a balloon must be nothing to warn you that it is about to burst. We are stretching the earth's system like a small child blowing up a balloon. If it goes on blowing, the crucial questions are:

When is it going to burst?
Where do Christians stand on the issue of global change?
Some environmentalists would maintain that Christianity is irrelevant. They would argue that a biblical tradition founded more than two millennia ago could have little relevance to contemporary ecological problems. They would argue that a thousand saints working for a thousand years could not find one scintilla of insight in the Bible into the complexities of the global greenhouse, the ozone hole, biodiversity, or world population levels.

There are, however, serious answers to this question, and they are hotly debated by ecotheologians. The first of these is 'In the Dock', in the same sense that it has been argued that many of our environmental and ecological problems stem from Judaeo-Christian attitudes. Some scholars have maintained that the Book of Genesis is the fount and origin of the West's (and the World's) ecological troubles. The Lord God created Man, so Genesis certainly told us in the first lesson that Mr Conran read so well, to have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowls of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the Earth and over all creeping thing that creepeth upon the Earth. God, according to Genesis, issued a clear mandate to mankind: 'Be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth and subdue it'. After the disagreeable incident of the Flood, God renewed man's authority:

The fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the Earth and upon every fowl of the air, upon all that moveth upon the Earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; into your hand are they delivered; Every moving thing that liveth shall be meat for you.

Furthermore, it has been argued that the monotheism of Christianity placed one God above Nature and therefore removed the constraints placed on those of other religious persuasions who believed that the environment was itself divine. Monotheistic Man's impulses were no longer restrained by a pious worship of nature. This is in apparent contrast to the religion of the Hindus, Buddhists, and Jains. The Jains of India, for example, in their purest form, employ sweepers to walk before them lest they inadvertently tread on insects, and they wear face masks lest they inhale an insect and kill it thereby.

Pantheists identified deities with natural objects and processes. The god of the sea — Poseidon to the Greeks and Neptune to the Romans — remains the best known of a full spectrum of such gods. For people of this persuasion, nature was holy. Christianity, it is argued, changed this. Significantly, early Christian evangelists felled the sacred groves of northern Europe where pagans worshipped a multiplicity of deities. The modern custom of cutting Christmas Trees (or buying plastic ones at Tesco any time from August onwards) may have vague ties to that ancient ritual.
Continuing this theme, it is argued that in the New Testament, Creator and the creation are seen as radically distinct. Thus it is idolatrous to worship the latter, and so there is nothing sacrilegious in treating creatures as resources for human benefit. Certainly, as Oxford historian Keith Thomas has shown, some English divines have often gone to absurd lengths to demonstrate that the Creator created particular beasts and gave them particular characteristics for the benefit of man. One eighteenth-century figure suggested that God even made horse droppings smell relatively sweet as he knew that men would often be in their vicinity. Another suggested that the house had been created because it provided a powerful incentive to habits of human cleanliness. Certainly, in the eighteenth century it was widely believed that animals were better off in a state of domestication, removed from the cruelty of their wild predators and dispatched quickly rather than lingering on to die a slow brutish death. I believe this argument has also been used by some practitioners of field sports. In any event it was put forward in the days before herbivorous cattle were served meat derived from looney sheep carcasses.

The view that Christianity has caused humans to be arrogant towards nature was formulated in a now notorious paper by another historian, Lynn White, that appeared in the journal Science in 1967. White believed that the Christian religion would either have to be altered significantly or abandoned entirely if we were ever to solve our burgeoning environmental problems. He wrote, and I quote,

Especially in its western form, Christianity is the most anthropocentric religion the world has seen. In absolute contrast to ancient paganism and Asia’s religions, it not only established a dualism of man and nature but also insisted that it is God’s will that man exploit nature for his proper ends.

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A further problem with White’s analysis is that many of the problems facing the world are not the product of wilful malice or premeditated evil by arrogant Christians. For example, until recently the effect of CFCs on the atmosphere were simply not recognised, so how could a housewife (or a domestic husband) know that the use of a spray can to polish the hall was going to help destroy the ozone layer over Antarctica? Likewise, our population pressures are in part caused by Christian charity – by the medical success of missions and mission hospitals in the developing world. Plainly it would be churlish to lay the blame for our present demographic predicament on Livingston, Schweitzer, Mother Teresa and the like.

Even more fundamental as a criticism of White is the fact that there are many places in the scriptures where the value and importance of nature are stressed. As the book of Proverbs declares, ‘a righteous man regards the life of his beast’, while in Matthew we are asked to 'consider the lilies'. However, in some respects the Bible is not especially helpful to us in developing an environmental ethic. There is no integrated ‘biblical doctrine of nature’ as such in either Testament. Moreover, the circumstances of life in biblical times were so different from today that it would be foolish to look within the pages of the Bible for tailor-made solutions to today’s environmental problems. So for example, in biblical times there was no overall problem concerning overpopulation. On the contrary, infertility was regarded as a grave misfortune, and happy was the man who had his quiverful of sons.

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dance of unprofitable vegetables, to preserve the face of the earth in beauty, usefulness and fruitfulness.

Likewise, two of the greatest fathers of the Church, Augustine and Aquinas, affirmed that all natural things are ordained by the supreme art of the Creator, imitate the divine goodness and are essentially good. Nature is viewed neither as divine nor as an object of worship. It has, however, derived dignity as the handiwork or art of God. Indeed, it can be argued that the stewardship tradition in Christianity has been a more or less continuous one via Basil, Ambrose, Bernard of Clairvaux, to St Francis, Matthew Hale and John Ray. This tradition is at least as representative of Christian history as any despotic view. For biblical support the stewardship corollary went to Genesis 2:15, according to which God placed the first man in the Garden of Eden to fill it and keep it. This, they contended, constituted a directive to human kind to take care of the rest of God's creation.

I want, however, to conclude with a third view, which White neglected, and that is that as Christians we should not act as to injure neighbours. Given that the disposal of untreated noxious wastes into the sea or air, the depletion of resources, and many other acts of this type plainly injure our neighbours, the scriptures condemn such activities. Moreover, the conservation ethic is one that seeks to ensure the greatest good for the greatest number for the greatest time. The Parable of the Talents makes our Christian duty clear. No single generation should act so ruthlessly that the future is jeopardized, causing us to pass on an impoverished heritage. Thus we talk of intergenerational equity.

In the lesson from Galatians which the VicePrincipal read, St Paul listed some fruits of the spirit, which might be used for a Christian attitude to nature:

- Love for the whole of God's creation;
- Joy in God's creation;
- Peace with God's creation;
- Patience with natural processes;
- Kindness and Goodness towards nature;
- Faithfulness in our responsibility and stewardship of creation;
- Humility in our ambition for material progress and technological power and self-control of greed and selfishness.

There is a green hill far away. We should climb towards it, not in the tradition of the Book of Genesis but in the tradition of Paul's exhortation to the Galatians. We should follow the lead of our great alumnus, Matthew Hale, and see the human role as one of steward for God's creation, and one of good neighbourliness. Environmental misuse is a sin against God as well as humanity. The earth is the Lord's and all that therein is.
Archaeology and the Church

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by Professor Martin Biddle

My subject is 'Archaeology and the Church': appropriately, a correspondence has been going on in The Times over the last week or so under the heading 'Church Archaeology'. It began with a parishioner of Charlbury here in Oxfordshire complaining bitterly about the cost of archaeological work carried out at his church as a condition of receiving from the diocese the necessary faculties for a recent programme of restoration and modernization. This, he claimed, was 'an unjust imposition on already hard-pressed parishioners'. 'Archaeologists,' he concluded, 'should not depend on charity'.

But this is not a matter of charity. Synod, in an effort to bring ecclesiastical provisions into line with secular planning and heritage (unhappy word) — heritage legislation, has enacted, and Parliament has confirmed, measures which place on Parochial Church Councils and Deans and Chapters alike a responsibility to avoid wherever possible the disturbance of archaeological deposits and, where disturbance is unavoidable, to mitigate the impact (another unfortunate phrase) by carrying out investigations in advance of works and making full records of everything found.

Nevertheless, a later correspondent regards Charlbury as lucky: they have only 'had to find £1600 from nowhere to pay for what the parishioners did not want'. Others, he noted, are not so fortunate. Clearly this correspondence is set to run and run.

Now, this may be an aspect of 'Archaeology and the Church' which few of you expected to hear about today in Chapel. I'll come back to it later. But it is, of course, only one particular part of a vast field, one with perhaps three great divisions: 'biblical archaeology', by which I mean the archaeology of the Old and New Testaments; 'Christian archaeology', often called 'Early Christian archaeology', by which I mean the archaeology of the earlier Christian period down at least to the end of Antiquity in the seventh or eighth centuries; and the archaeology of the medieval church, very often (although not always), like Charlbury, the archaeology of churches both small and great which are still in use today. Like most such schemes, this is not entirely satisfactory, but it is useful and it corresponds broadly to the specialities of historians and the practice of archaeologists. It corresponds also to the interests of those outside these disciplines who are interested in the results of archaeological inquiry.

'Biblical archaeology', to take the first great division, has got itself a rather bad name in recent decades, having come to be seen as an effort 'to prove the Bible right', most notably displayed in Werner Keller's much-read book, The Bible is Right. There are many other examples, of course, to the extent indeed that among Near Eastern archaeologists is least 'biblical archaeology' as such is now frowned upon, and has come-
to be replaced by a specifically Bible-free approach, under the name 'Syro-Palestinian archaeology', or some such title, in which the evidence is investigated and interpreted in terms of purely archaeological priorities and procedures. Only then is it seen as proper to compare, to confront, if you will, the archaeological and the biblical evidence, and to see what light they cast upon each other independently, independently, I repeat, and to see what new syntheses, if any, may emerge. The basic principle was set out in the dictum propounded by the American Biblical scholar T.L. Thompson in 1974:

Archaeological materials should not be dated or evaluated on the basis of written texts which are independent of these materials; so also written documents should not be interpreted on the basis of archaeological hypotheses.

As Roger Moorey, Keeper of Antiquities at the Ashmolean and now perhaps the leading British scholar in the field, has noted, this is a 'cautious, sceptical view . . . very much in tune with the times', and one which has brought about 'a much more pessimistic assessment of the potential role of archaeological information in establishing the value of the earlier parts of the Old Testament as historical sources'. Note the qualification, 'the value of the earlier parts of the Old Testament'. Dr Moorey was thinking here of the age of the Patriarchs. As recently as 1938, W.F. Albright expressed an immense optimism about the value of 'archaeological and inscriptive data' which had 'established the historicity of innumerable passages and statements of the Old Testament'. It is not a view widely held today, which is not to deny the historicity of these narratives, but to point out that archaeological evidence is not, at present at least, able to act as a control upon them.

For later periods, the position is more promising. If the Patriarchs cannot be placed with certainty in either time or place, when we turn to the building of Solomon's Temple we know where we are both in space and time: on a hilltop on the east side of what is now the Old City of Jerusalem, in the later 900s BC. But for this most famous of buildings we face an irony. The First Lesson (I Kings 6: 1-14) gave us a glimpse of the extraordinary detail about the construction, building materials, and form of the Temple available in the First Book of Kings — in several chapters, I might note, and in more than one version — and again in the Second Book of Chronicles. No other temple of Syro-Palestinian Iron Age II (for that in archaeological terms is where we are) is so well known from the written sources, whatever their internal problems of composition and transmission. There cannot indeed be many buildings over the next two millennia about which quite so much is known from written sources alone. And herein lies the rub, because for Solomon's Temple we have no direct archaeological evidence at all. Whatever survived the Babylonian destruction of 587/6 BC, and the subsequent rebuildings, notably the vast works of Herod the Great begun about 20 BC, lies today below the platform of the Dome of the Rock, inaccessible to scholarship.

But what archaeology has been able to do, is to place Solomon's Temple in the context of contemporary temple building in the region, and thus to provide a sound basis on which to review, from time to time as knowledge increases, the interpretation of the written evidence provided by the Bible. Whether or not anything of Solomon's Temple is ever uncovered, our knowledge of it will grow in proportion as fresh knowledge of its contemporaries is recovered. This ability of archaeology to send scholars back to the written sources, to read them anew, and reconsider their interpretation, is not the least contribution which archaeology can make to the study of the Bible, or to the study of any period for which archaeology and documents exist alongside each other.

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This is an extraordinarily apt comment for a Corinthian audience and one which reveals an accurate knowledge of local and contemporary circumstances. There were four naked or 'crown' games where the victor's only reward was a wreath: olive at Olympia, laurel at Delphi, wild celery at Nemea, and pine at Isthmia. But at the Isthmian games, held only a few miles east of Corinth, the original wreath of pine was replaced during the Classical and Hellenistic periods by a wreath of dry, that is to say withered, celery. Now this is clearly not an archaeological point, for the only evidence for the withered crown is written evidence, but it does display rather neatly how close reading and investigation of the texts of the Epistles and Acts can provide indications not only of their congruity and general accuracy, but also of their cultural and social context, what a German scholar might call their Stil im Leben. Likewise the recovery and publication of sites and inscriptions relating to the setting of these New Testament texts adds, and will increasingly add, to their understanding and interpretation in the contemporary milieu of their writers and intended audiences.

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fragments of St Matthew’s Gospel belonging to Magdalen College takes on a particular importance. In the view of Casten Peter Thiede, the German papyrologist, these fragments should be dated to the first-century, and very probably to the period before the capture and destruction of Jerusalem by Titus in AD 70. He has also argued that papyrus fragments from one of the caves near Qumran, in which the Dead Sea Scrolls were found, are from St Mark’s Gospel and are thus to be dated before AD 68 when the Qumran community was destroyed by the Romans.

Thiede’s views are the subject of intense debate. They have just been fully set out for the non-specialist reader in his book with Matthew D’Ancona, The Jesus Papyrus, published a few weeks ago. The debate is about the reality of the tunnel, or ‘the ugly ditch’ as one German scholar called it long ago, which separates the events of Jesus’s life from the first record of them in the Gospels. If the Gospels were all written (and some would include the Gospel of St John, usually seen as the latest, but argued by John Robinson thirty years ago in The Priority of John to have been the earliest) – if, as I say, the Gospels were all written within at most thirty or so years of the Crucifixion, they clearly benefit from two supporting arguments: they would be relatively contemporaneous with the events (and thus a priori with a greater likelihood of bearing accurate witness), and they would have needed to conform to the observations and recollections of those who were themselves eye-witnesses.

To this debate, Thiede has brought arguments which are papyrological and highly technical. He has also adopted what can properly be called archaeological methods in his introduction of scientific techniques to the physical study of the fragments themselves, and also in believing that the steady accretion of knowledge means that older views should be reviewed from time to time. Yet Thiede has been much criticized in some quarters for wanting to revisit after an interval of forty years the previous dating of the Magdalen fragments to the second century AD, scarcely a criticism which would be raised in archaeological or scientific debate. It is too early yet to say that the outcome will be, but serious efforts are now being made by the Israelis to locate more caves in the Qumran area in the hope that if more are found they can be investigated under controlled archaeological conditions, rather than by antiquity hunters.

The problem of ‘the ugly ditch’, or as I prefer to call it ‘the stubborn gap’, between supposed origin and subsequent identification is a central difficulty in the archaeology of the Gospels, as indeed in the first-century or more of Christian archaeology as a whole. ‘The discovery at St Peter’s in Rome in the 1940s of a niche and memorial whose location has been precisely preserved down to the present day by the position of the Papal High Alter under Bernini’s great baldachino provides a vivid case in point. On the so-called Red Wall into which the niche had been cut, were graffiti with the name of Peter. The graffiti can be dated to the second century AD. Is this then the undoubted tomb of Peter, martyred perhaps in the Vatican circus immediately to the south probably in AD 64? All we can say with certainty is that this is the spot believed in the second century to have been his resting place.

An earlier stage in the life of St Peter is perhaps reflected in the so-called House of Peter at Capernaum. Here, as strikingly as anywhere in the Holy Land, archaeology has revealed the veneration, early established and long continued, of a structure believed to have been closely associated with one of the first Christians. In the middle of the fifth-century an octagonal church was built over a room in an earlier building going back to the first century BC. In the fourth century AD this room had already been converted into the house church seen by the Pilgrim Egeria in 381-4. By the middle of the first century AD (note: the first century), this same room had already been put to some kind of public use and great numbers of graffiti, some of them mentioning Jesus as Lord and Christ had later been scratched on its walls.

The evidence is rarely so striking. The greatest debate concerns the Tomb of Christ preserved today under the dome of the Anastasis, in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in the heart of the Old City of Jerusalem. Although the location of the Sepulchre has worried many, given the clear evidence of St John’s Gospel and of the Epistle to the Hebrews that the place of Jesus’s crucification and burial were outside the city walls, it is in fact the city which has moved. As early as the reign of Agrippa I in AD 40-44, the traditional site of crucifixion had been brought within the walls, and has stayed so ever since. In 325 the bishop of Jerusalem, acting on the orders, or at least with the permission, of the Emperor Constantine, removed an existing Roman temple from the site and in excavating below it found a rock-cut tomb which was immediately hailed by Eusebius, bishop of Caesarea, as ‘the august and all-holy monument (μαρτυρία) of our Saviour’s Resurrection’. We are never told on what this identification was based. Was it simply because this particular tomb conformed to what the Gospels say about the tomb? Was it because the tomb was of the right size? Was it because there were some identifying signs, perhaps graffiti, as in the case of St Peter’s tomb in Rome and his house in Capernaum? We do not know, and therefore all that can be said at present is that the tomb still preserved today within the Church of the Holy Sepulchre has been recognized as the Tomb of Christ since 325AD. Here again is that stubborn gap. And it is a gap which in the last resort only faith can cross. For whatever archaeology may eventually be able to say of the tomb, it can say nothing of what happened in it on the third day.

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Waves the Arts and hails the ripening winter,
There dwells our Nymph, Tutor, and Patroness.
And, not unhappy, we rejoices, and bless
This student gives to our common good.
Since she is rich, serving Apollo's brow,
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Undoubtedly the most generally memorable phenomena marking the period which has elapsed since the publication of the preceding number of the Magazine have occurred in the celestial realm. The prospect of no fewer than four eclipses—three of the moon and one of the sun—within a twelve-month spell was sufficiently exciting in itself, but our planet’s strange and fateful rendezvous with its two principal fellow members of the solar system were accompanied by further delights. Outstanding among these, their visual realizations proving incomparably in excess of expectations, were not merely one, but two classic comets, those awe-inspiring and formerly portentous travellers from the depths of space, the very rarity of which confers a solemnity upon their visitations. Comet Hale-Bopp ranks as one of the finest comets of all time and will be remembered as the Great Comet of 1997; Comet Hyakutake suffers only by direct comparison in this extraordinary astronomical double-bill, for it too was an object of the greatest interest in the spring skies of 1996.

The two total lunar eclipses of 1996 took place in near perfect conditions. The first, during the night of 3-4 April, was distinguished by especially beautiful colouring, the characteristic hue produced by the refraction of a certain amount of sunlight through the various layers of the earth’s atmosphere. These are the ‘fleshy colours’ which filled the minds of the more superstitious of our ancient forebears with such ‘melancholy apprehensions’—even exceeding the fears occasioned by the fact of the eclipse itself—and compounded the indecisive Nicias’ fatal hesitation provoked by the eclipse of 28 August 415 BC, during the disastrous Sicilian expedition. Even in more recent times this lurid glow has induced panic in the more incredulous, a reaction sometimes exploit-ed—at least in fable—by the more confident proponents of a comforting rationalism. Yet even the least fanciful might be moved by the ‘grim’ complexion presented by the ‘smouldering and glowing’ eclipsed moon, so compellingly described in the extraordinary late first-century dialogue by Plutarch, De facie in orbe lunae apparet (Concerning the face which appears in the orb of the moon). Notwithstanding the evidence to the contrary presented in that remarkable work, until the sixteenth century (and even later, despite the insistence of Kepler), this luminosity was taken as proof that the moon was possessed of its own light; indeed, the idea was even entertained by no less an authority than Sir William Herschel. (John Ray was more right than he knew when he remarked that eclipses were inherently useful in that they could be used to ‘rectifie the Mistakes of Historians that writ many ages ago’!) One of the most immediate arguments in support of the thesis that the moon was the source of the moon’s light was the fact that the colour of the lunar disc during eclipse is not derived from the moon itself, but from the earth’s atmosphere. This fact, together with the occurrence of the eclipse of 27 August 415 BC, during the disastrous Sicilian expedition, was the source of the ‘illuminated’ moon, as described by Plutarch in De facie in orbe lunae apparet (Concerning the face which appears in the orb of the moon).
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Undoubtedly the most generally memorable phenomena marking the period which has elapsed since the publication of the preceding number are the eclipse of April 4 and the comet that accompanied it. Dr John Wilkins' (Magdalen Hall 1627-37) view that the visual effects were eloquently described by Humboldt, with reference both to the remarks of Dio Cassius and Plutarch and to the explanations offered by European scientists for the predominance of reddish ‘sunset’ tints (occasioned by the angle of refraction and influenced by the pattern of cloud conditions prevailing on earth at the time). The hour after midnight on 4 April offered an arresting spectacle: the lunar orb variously ruddy, coppery, and blood-red, glowing and luminous, truly ‘smouldering’, with blackish patches amidst the sombre hues and a lighter tint at the edge.

The calm, clear evening, following a succession of rainy spring days, was not yet so chill as previous nights had become: RAF Benson had recorded a minimum temperature of —8°C on the 2nd, and the brilliant light of the near-full moon had cast shadows in the anticyclonic stillness of the frosty darkness. It was therefore with a certain guilt that the observer conceded any measure of dissatisfaction with the apparent flawlessness of the heavenly display. But the prospect of quenching the moonlight while retaining the cloudlessness of the sky held at that particular time the very highest appeal. A lunar eclipse presented the most apposite — indeed the only — mechanism. For in the last week of March, the newly discovered Comet Hyakutake had passed within 16 million kilometres of the earth on its way to perihelion on 1 May. Although clearly visible, and well placed high in the northern sky as it tracked from Ophiuchus past Polaris and into Perseus, the comet had been robbed of its full glory (from the observational standpoint) by the ever-stronger moonlight, which was, naturally, directly inimical to its appreciation. The eclipse that came with the full moon furnished a timely and crucial advantage, accompanied as it was by the setting of the other bright object in the sky, Venus (magnitude —4.4), some half an hour after midnight, when totality commenced. Those who rejoice in the conception of the music of the spheres could with justification insist that the celestial dancers truly understand their steps. As the eclipse progressed to totality, the visible stars increased in brightness while countless others sprang into the sky until, turning from the wonder of the eclipse, the observer was confronted by Comet Hyakutake: undimmed and unchallenged.

It is often said that it is notoriously difficult to predict the appearance and brightness of a comet. It must be so, because the Editor recalls looking forward from his junior school days to the return of the much vaunted Halley’s Comet in 1986; in the event, far from stretching across the sky and striking terror into the hearts of the populace, the wretched object was barely visible and constituted a massive disappointment after nearly a quarter of a century of anticipation; it was, to revert to the language of his early years, a Molesworthian chiz of the first order. Yet there was no mistaking Hyakutake. On the night of the lunar eclipse, it had moved from near Persei (Miraph) towards η Persei (Algol, the classic eclipsing binary) and, interestingly, Messier 34: Charles Messier had drawn up his now famous catalogue of nebulae in 1781 precisely so
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The second total eclipse of the moon came off in the early hours of 27 September, fittingly enough during National Astronomy Week (commemorating the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the discovery of Neptune). The harvest moon entered the central dark shadow of the earth's shadow as 02:12 BST and was totally immersed from 03:19 to 04:29. The previous day had been so dominated by dark, thick cloud cover associated with the frontal system which had broken through the 'blocking' anticyclone — so productive of brilliant golden days earlier in the month — that hopes of seeing the eclipse were slight. Yet on rising just before three o'clock just to confirm the all too common frustration of an obscured English night sky, the Editor discovered, on the contrary, that the celestial body of his attentions was 'wading' through ragged remnants of cloud which obligingly departed to give a crystal-clear firmament. The moon passed steadily into total eclipse; the last sliver of silvery moonlight vanishing as the blood-red orb passed over the spires of the Hall's main tower and at length sank below the crocketed pinnacles of the Bodleian, to reappear as a wolf moon at 05:26 (close to the time of the full moon, which had reached opposition earlier on the same night).

The next eclipse, a partial solar one, occurred at a less uneventful hour, during the afternoon of 12 October 1996. A small refracting telescope, positioned to provide through the windows first of the Old Hall and later of the Upper Senior Common Room, projected a sharp and bright image of the sun, despite intermittent cloud, on to a card screen (happy memories of experiments with the more home-made device of the pin-hole camera, in the school playground, during the partial solar eclipse of 20 May 1966!). At mid-eclipse, 61 per cent of the sun's diameter was hidden by the new moon; this magnitude of 0.61 was the greatest of any solar eclipse since 1961. The eclipse was witnessed by the Principal, who had set up his television aerial on the roof of the Hall, and by several staff members, who had been able to see a bright red light on the hall roof from the Old Hall. The eclipse was also visible from the Sherry Tower, which was under construction at the time. The moon passed steadily into total eclipse, and remained in the umbra until 05:36 (closely attended, for those in a position to see, by the planet Saturn, which had reached opposition earlier on the same night).

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The weather in England looked set to spoil the partial lunar eclipse promised for the early hours of 24 March 1997. This time, however, the Editor had, by chance, a singular advantage: he happened to be seated in an aircraft (and on the starboard side of the plane) as it flew south-south-eastwards down the Red Sea on the last stage of its journey to Sana’a in Yemen via Port Sudan. The eclipsed moon, swinging in the western sky above fantastic landscapes gradually revealed and tinted by the approaching dawn, held to the last as the light engulfed it and the attention was drawn to the stupendous volcanic scenery unfolding below, upon which were set the unique tower-house townscapes of Aqabat Fikaz, the land of the Queen of Sheba.

Meanwhile, the feature commanding the greatest interest of all was approaching its climax. Comet Hale-Bopp had been, in ideal conditions, a naked-eye object in the western evening sky towards the end of 1996, but observation was hampered by its proximity to the horizon and by bad weather and twilight. In the New Year it reappeared as a smudge in the pre-dawn sky, again near Altair in Aquila above the eastern horizon, its altitude improving as it approached the earth and the sun, its brightness increased. By the end of February, Hale-Bopp was once more due to figure in the evening sky, very low in the north-west, but for most of March it was still better placed in the morning. It came nearest to the earth on 22 March (197 million km, not nearly as close as Comet Hyakutake), but observers eagerly awaited perihelion on 1 April when, after its 4,200-year journey, Hale-Bopp approached to within 137 million km of the sun and promised its greatest brightness. By this time, evening viewing was distinctly superior, as the comet attained negative magnitude and stood well up in the north-western sky below Cassiopeia, moving into Perseus. Hale-Bopp was for a succession of nights a truly wondrous sight: arresting, exciting, and awe-inspiring. With its distinct coma and upward-slanting tail, it was an easy naked-eye object as seen from the Chad, despite light pollution (the glare produced by the garish lighting in the main entrance and at the base of the Hall staircase is especially unwelcome in this respect). On the occasion of a well-attended SCR Guest Night, the Editor - wearing one of his other hats, that of
SCR Steward—announced in the Common Room that dinner was served, and added an invitation to the assembled company to proceed to the Hall by the (longer) south side of the Quad, in order to glimpse Hale-Bopp. This proposal was eagerly embraced, and provoked animated exchanges, especially as the capricious English weather suddenly produced a bank of cloud to obscure the comet for those at the end of the procession; but, as the Steward remarked, a true indication of the success of a Hertford Guest Night must surely be that those taking their leave later in the evening would, in compensation, no doubt be able to see two comets. On a more serious note, reports had it that two tails were indeed detected: 'a straight gaseous or ion tail, like a thin white searchlight beam into the sky, the other, a bright and slightly curving tail of dust.'

The Senior Fellow had been observing Hale-Bopp with both assiduity and respectable equipment, and he furnished interested parties with noteworthy details. Even with the aid of good binoculars or a small telescope, intriguing features of the comet’s coma and tail could be seen. It was, all in all, a momentous astronomical event, and a fitting culmination to a richly rewarding twelve months in the field of astronomy.

Footnotes

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Towards the end of his time at Oxford he met his fate in the 'other place'. A weekend with a childhood friend studying at Cambridge introduced him to a beautiful Norfolk girl who, four years later, became my mother. Appearing to be complete opposites, close friends realized that they shared many qualities: a love of companionship, England, music, home, good food, and tradition. As a young people they faced an anxious time while my father sought employment during the post-war depression. Eventually he joined an oil company as director of its garage chain, diametrically opposed to his hoped-for career in the book world. It enabled him to rent a Victorian house in what was then an early commuter belt on the Thames in Surrey. Ineluctable impressions remain of my father teaching me how to handle a book at an early age. His reading of the Peter Rabbit books had a magical quality. I can understand why he was later in demand as a lecturer and after-dinner speaker: his voice and delivery were so pleasing to the ear. An incident at the house revealed the man. On return from a summer holiday we found our home had been broken into and some small valuables stolen. It proved to be our stalwart gardener, who had deserted his wheelbarrow and had actually been sleeping in my parents' bed during our absence, having been secretly encamped in the loft above the garage for over a year. My father refused to press charges. The police were furious. He argued that the man would have difficulty enough finding another job without the references his employer could not give him, but his future would be hopeless if he had a prison sentence behind him.

The great recession saw the oil company's garages close and my father was made redundant. We moved to Kensington. After anxious searching, the chance came to join the editorial side of a small, family publishing company of repute — Virtue and Co. His first literary feat was to edit Virtue's Treasury of Knowledge (encyclopedia) in four volumes. Soon he transferred to Hutchinson as editor. Meanwhile, I was beginning to ask some quite profound questions. In answer to a query about the nature of the sun and moon, my father moved back the drawing room furniture, and asked for tennis and ping pong balls with which he laid out the solar system and revolved the planets around the sun. This patient demonstration sparked my thereafter persistent interest in astronomy. The gift for opening the mind could have earned him success in education.
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In 1969 he was rushed to hospital and operated on for cancer. On his recovery I later found a small Queen Anne house near to my own family home on the Bucks/Oxon border. Though appreciating a quiet unspoilt village with its squire and fine old church, my father missed his diocese work and his known haunts in East Anglia. He could not accept that on nearing eighty he was too old to take up similar work in the Oxford Diocese. Even with the threat of recurring cancer he was able to do some gentle editing for old publisher friends. Being accepted as a parochial expert, the PCC allowed him to introduce a trumpeter to sound the beginning and end of the two minutes’ silence at the Remembrance Day.
Service. When the moment came, the trumpet echoed forth from the side chapel with ear-splitting Last Post and Reveille. A child cried with fright. The squire took it well, remarking that it must have woken the recumbent effigy in his chapel, which judging by his life would have done him good.

My father died suddenly from a cerebral haemorrhage before the cancer had reached its final stage. Placed among the fine collection of books which I inherited was a wooden shield which hung near his writing desk. It is the stag's head of Hart Hall.

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Nazareth was the Messiah foretold by the prophets of the Old Testament. The Holy Spirit, speaking through the agency of the Old Testament writers, described in advance the Messiah's advent, so that the Jewish people would be forewarned, and would recognize and accept the promised deliverer when he came. All the detailed messianic predictions were completely fulfilled in Jesus of Nazareth, and so precise and unique was the fulfillment that it proved that he was the one foretold. The fulfillment of prophecy was a major proof of the truth of Christianity, and it was particularly useful in preaching to the Jews. Jews were 'the ancient people of God,' who shared with Christians a common Bible, and a common belief in the concept of the Messiah. They even agreed on many of the texts in the Bible which should be seen as messianic. All that was needed, then, was a forceful and eloquent demonstration of how the prophecies were fulfilled in Jesus to convince all the thinking Jews of the truth of Christianity and to draw them into the fold of the Church.

As I said, this is a classic Christian position. For example, you will find a similar view expounded learnedly and at length in the introduction to the massive commentary on the Epistle to the Hebrews by the admirable seventeenth-century Puritan divine John Owen, appointed by Oliver Cromwell as Dean of Christ Church and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Oxford. You will find it also in the theological monograph entitled The Christology of the Old Testament by Dr Macbride's contemporary Ernst Wilhelm Hengstenberg, sometime Professor of Theology in the University of Berlin, prolific Bible commentator and impassioned opponent of Friedrich Schleiermacher.

What is wrong with this point of view, and why would it be regarded as tenable and acceptable by most Christian thinkers today? How has it come to be that what was intended as a challenge to Judaism has ended up as something of an embarrassment to Christianity? To explore this question fully would involve us in a wide range of issues, including the post-holocaust unease and guilt in Christian circles about Christian anti-Semitism. I cannot go into such matters here. I would like to focus on just one factor: the revolution that has taken place in the Christian understanding of the Old Testament. This revolution, which was already beginning in Dr Macbride's day, was the result of the application of historical, critical, and philological methods to the study of the Biblical text. The rise of modernistic Biblical criticism in the nineteenth century was seen by many at the time as an attack on religion, but looking back from our present standpoint it is so obvious that it was overwhelmingly a movement within Christian thought. The vast majority of its advocates were practicing Christians, who embraced various liberal forms of Christianity. Certainly they attacked traditionalism, but they were not opposed to Christianity per se. Rather they sought to develop a form of Christianity consonant with the scientific spirit of the modern age.

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First, it made the whole traditional view of prophetic prophecy seem very problematic. The more the Old Testament was studied against its ancient background, the more its literary composition and textual transmission were clarified, the more the Old Testament appeared as a collection of human documents, very much reflecting their time and place. Traditional mechanical views of inspiration appeared unsustainable.

Second, the flood of light thrown on the Biblical languages and on the literary context of the Biblical documents showed that traditional Christian exegesis of many messianic prophetic texts rested on very shaky foundations. Take two examples. Isaiah 7:14 is one of the most famous messianic texts in the Old Testament. 'Behold,' says the Messiah text in the whole of the Old Testament, 'a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel' (cf. Matthew 1:23 and parallels). It is now clear that this is not a literal prophecy, but a metaphorical expression. If the idea of virginity had been intended there was a perfectly good Hebrew phrase to express it. That is the major argument of those who seek a modernistic interpretation of the text, including those who see it as a parable, a metaphor, or as an allegory, and who avoid the text altogether.

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Another important messianic text for Christianity is Psalm 2:7: ‘The Lord said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee’ (cf. Hebrews 1:5). According to one Christian reading of this passage these words could only have been uttered by Christ. Neither David nor any other mortal could have truthfully claimed to be God’s begotten son. Though David may have spoken the words, he did so under the influence of the Holy Spirit who foretold the coming of Christ, or rather Christ himself used David as his mouthpiece and forewarned his people of his advent. Contemporary Biblical scholarship, however, regards Psalm 2, Psalm 110, a similar messianic proof-text (cf. Mark 12:36 and Hebrews 1:13), and a number of other such Psalms in the Psalter, as royal psalms reflecting an ideology of kingship widespread throughout the whole ancient Near East. The king is seen as God’s representative on earth, and as playing an important mediating role between his people and God. There is nothing unusual in this context in calling him ‘God’s son,’ or in speaking of him in such extravagant and exalted terms. The traditional Christian reading ignores the ancient Near Eastern background and fails to grasp its metaphorical register.

Significantly, as I have hinted, modern scientific Bible criticism comes down firmly at a number of points on the side of the early Jewish
exegetes in the age-old debate on the messianic prophecies. The Jewish commentators had often insisted that the Christian interpretation was based on a misunderstanding of the Hebrew or of the historical context. This point was well understood by some nineteenth-century Christian Bible-critics. The great Oxford Hebraist Samuel Rolles Driver collaborated with the Jewish scholar Adolf Neubauer, cataloger of the Hebrew manuscripts in the Bodleian Library, to produce a famous anthology of traditional Jewish expositions of Isaiah 53. This work was motivated by more than antiquarian interest. Behind it seems to lie a feeling that the Jewish commentators, who, of course, rejected the Christian view that Isaiah 53 predicted the sufferings of Jesus, were closer to a correct historical understanding and could be helpful to modern scholarship in recovering the original meaning of the Servant Songs. One might reasonably conclude, then, that in the ancient struggle between Judaism and Christianity over the messianic prophecies the decision in the past one hundred years has definitely gone in Judaism’s favor. Any Christian who today would try to prove to a Jew the truth of Christianity in the traditional manner from the messianic prophecies is likely, if the Jew is even moderately well informed, to face a withering counterblast, which in many particulars will have the full support of contemporary Biblical scholarship.

What, then, is contemporary Christianity to do with these messianic prophecies? From being a confident challenger in 1848 it finds itself now forced on to the back foot and itself challenged. Should it feel embarrassed and defensive? Not necessarily. The assumption, which some present-day Jewish apologists make, that a refutation of the traditional proofs of Christianity from the messianic prophecies disproves the truth of Christianity is simply the mirror image of the Christian fallacy that these texts somehow proved Christianity in the first place. Significantly, that fallacy was not as widespread in Christian thought as it might be supposed. The precise form in which I stated the argument earlier—the form which I detected behind Dr Macbride’s words—is comparatively recent in origin. The implication that one will be converted to Christianity because one is persuaded by the force of rational argument betrays its post-Enlightenment perspective. In the pre-modern period the argument in this sharply crystallized form plays surprisingly little part. Thus in the great medieval Jewish-Christian disputations, like the Barcelona Disputation of 1263 between Pablo Christiani and the great Nachmanides, the focus of debate is rather different. And even the famous New Testament passages which quote the Old Testament messianic texts can be read in a rather different and more nuanced way.

In fact actual predicures of prophecy plays a comparatively marginal role in traditional Christian exegesis. Typology—a profounder way of linking the two testaments—is a much more important mode of interpretation. In typology Christ’s person and work are seen as foreshadowed in a number of ways in the Old Testament. For example one could link the passion of Christ with the story of the Binding of Isaac in Genesis 22 and read these two texts against each other. At its subtext, typology has nothing to do with simple predictive prophecy; in fact it usually leaves the relationship between the shadow and the substance, between the type and the anti-type, suggestively vague. Typological exegesis—unlike predictive prophecy—can easily be given an acceptable modern spin. At predictive prophecy can easily be given an acceptable modern spin. At predictive prophecy can easily be given an acceptable modern spin.
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Typology could also have functioned at the level of the consciousness of Jesus's followers. Jesus's charismatic personality and life made a profound impression on his circle of disciples. Typological exegesis of Scripture enabled them to order their experiences of him and to fit them into the narrative of sacred history. We know little about Jesus's own messianic consciousness, though in his Palm Sunday entry into Jerusalem rating on an ass he clearly acted out a Biblical scenario. I doubt that the Binding of Isaac played a significant role in his self-understanding, since that would presuppose his foreknowledge of his death and resurrection, but in my view it loomed large in the thinking not only of later patristic writers but also in the New Testament writers' interpretation of his life and work.
Gnosticism or Marcionism had triumphed within Christianity. Personally, I believe it was providential that they did not. Judaism has its own narrative, which runs for a time parallel to the Christian narrative but then sharply diverges. Christianity writer Judaism into its narrative, and Judaism, though parallel, is a lesser degree, reciprocating. But each narrative has its own autonomy and integrity and one should not be subordinated to the other. It is assuredly beyond the wit of man or woman to say in these two cases—Judaism and Christianity—which tells the better story. Yet even while living the life of one narrative one can explore the life of another, and in some sense be sustained and spiritually nourished by these explorations. The situation is analogous to the reading of great literature. You do not have to be an Arminian Protestant to read Milton's Paradise Lost with profit and appreciation. The greater the literature, the more it touches the level of our common humanity, the easier, the more instructive that reading will be.

The day has passed for fulfilling Dr Macbride's wishes to the letter. No Christian of integrity should today attempt the futile task of proving to Jews the truth of Christianity from the messianic prophecies. Yet Jews and Christians can and should in all integrity explore each others' traditions—celebrating what is common but at the same time respecting what is alien and different.

Editor's Notes

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10 March 1848

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tion to his receipt from the Preaching Fund. As the Dividend of the
year will not be received till next January the Sermon cannot be preached before next Lent, and perhaps that is the best Time
for the purpose, as so many of the afternoon terms are already at the
Vice-Chancellor's disposal. Hoping that the [Hebdomadal] Board will have the kindness to release this offer, under any terms
they please, to Convocation, I remain Sir,

(Signed) A graduate of the University

Tyndale, alas, did not live to translate Isaiah, but in Matthew 1:23 ('All this was
done to fulfill that which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet' (v.22)), he

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A star will come forth out of Jacob and a sceptre will arise from Israel. (Numbers 24:17)

This verse is part of one of Balaam's oracles and has been ascribed by some Old Testament scholars to the early monarchy of ancient Israel. There is more specific suggestion of those who believe that the historical background to the oracle is the emergence of the Davidic monarchy. According to this interpretation David was the star and the sceptre ruling over Judah and Israel. On this occasion, however, I wish to examine the ways in which Numbers 24:17 was interpreted by Jews and Christians around the time of Jesus and during the first centuries of early Christianity. First I shall consider how the passage has been translated in the early Jewish and Christian versions of the Bible. Then attention will be given to the use of this text in the Dead Sea Scrolls and the Pseudepigrapha. Finally, I shall examine briefly the portrayal of Balaam in the New Testament and the writings of the Fathers of the Church.

We are able to see immediately how Numbers 24:17 was applied to the Messiah, the anointed king, by looking at the early translations of the Hebrew Bible. The Septuagint, the Greek version of the Old Testament, produced by Greek-speaking Judaism and subsequently inherited by the early Christians, reads: 'A star will rise from Jacob, and a man will come forth from Israel'. The Bible of the Syriac Church has: 'A star will rise from Jacob and a leader will arise from Israel'. In three Aramaic translations of Numbers 24:17, the fact that the star is a reference to a king is made specific. One version, known as Targum Neofiti has: 'A king will arise from Jacob, and the anointed one will be consecrated from Israel'. Here 'star' is interpreted as king, referring to the Messiah, as is 'sceptre' taken to mean 'the anointed one who will be consecrated'. Another Aramaic translation, known as Turgam Neofiti, has: 'A king will arise from the house of Jacob, and the anointed one will be consecrated from Israel'. Finally, a later Aramaic translation, known as Turgam Pseudo-Jonathan has: 'When the mighty king from the house of Jacob will reign, and the Messiah, the mighty sceptre from Israel will be anointed'. Though these Aramaic translations should probably be dated well after the time of Jesus, they are important witnesses to early Jewish interpretation. The Latin Vulgate, for many centuries the Bible of Western Christianity, has a translation for this verse that reflects accurately the original Hebrew. Nevertheless, the Roman Catholic Church has not canonized these Aramaic versions as part of the New Testament text.

The Dead Sea Scrolls include the writings of the Jewish community in Qumran. They speak of the expected coming of a prophet and the messiahs of Israel and Israel. The community, known as the Masoretes, translated the Hebrew text of the Bible, which was the written form of Jewish Law and Tanakh. The Dead Sea Scrolls are important for the study of early Judaism and its interpretation of the Old Testament. They provide evidence of the development of Jewish thought and practice in the time of Jesus and the first centuries of early Christianity.

From their study of the scrolls, scholars have learned that many of the prophecies found in the Hebrew Bible were expected to be fulfilled in the Messianic Age. The community of Qumran believed that the prophetic text contained references to the coming of a messiah who would establish a new covenant with God. The Scrolls provide evidence of the diversity of interpretations of these texts, with some scholars seeing a single messiah, while others saw multiple messiahs. The community of Qumran believed that the messiah would be a leader who would bring about the end of the world and the establishment of a new heavenly kingdom.

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Numbers 24:17 was given a messianic interpretation by Latin patristic commentators and medieval writers. There are some interesting lines in Josephus's Jewish War, in which he says that the Jews understood a passage in their scriptures as a reference to the coming of a messianic ruler. He writes:

What more than all else incited them to war was an ambiguous oracle, likewise found in their sacred scriptures, to the effect that at that time one from their country would become ruler of the world. This they understood to mean someone of their own people, and many of their wise men went astray in their interpretation of it. The oracle, however, in reality signified the sovereignty of Vespasian, who was proclaimed Emperor on Jewish soil (6:312-13).

Although we do not know what text in the Bible Josephus was referring to, it may well have been Numbers 24:17.

The Dead Sea Scrolls include the writings of the Essene community at Qumran. They speak of the expected coming of a prophet and the messiahs of Aaron and Israel. For example, the Rule of the Community, also known as the Manual of Discipline, says:

They shall depart from none of the counsels of the Lord to walk in all the stubbornness of their hearts, but they shall be governed by the primitive precepts in which the men of the community were first instructed, until the coming of a prophet and the messiahs of Aaron and Israel (1QS 9:11).

From their study of the scrolls, scholars have learned that apparently the Essenes expected two messiahs, a priestly anointed one and a Davidic, politically anointed one. When we turn to the texts of the Dead Sea Scrolls, in which Numbers 24:17 is cited or referred to, we find interesting variability. A messianic belief seems to be reflected in a manuscript known as 4QTestimonia. This document consists of one page made up of five biblical quotations arranged in four groups and could be a collection of messianic proof texts. The first group from Deuteronomy 5:28-29 and 18:18-19 (or better Exodus 20:21 in the Samaritan Pentateuch) refers to a prophet like Moses; the second is Numbers 24:15-17, in which 'star' and 'sceptre' are the two messiahs; the third, from Deuteronomy 33:8-11, is a blessing of Levi; and the fourth is Joshua 6:26, which has its own commentary in the form of quotations from another Qumran text known as the Psalms of Joshua. It is not clear what significance the Joshua text has in the anthology, but a messianic belief is reflected in the other biblical quotations.

Another Dead Sea Scroll in which Numbers 24:17 is cited is the War Scroll, a text giving instructions for an eschatological war and describing the final battle in which righteousness is victorious and evil is destroyed forever. At the beginning of the eleventh column of this scroll we read:

A Star will come forth out of Jacob, and a scepter will rise from Israel. (Numbers 24:17)
The battle is yours and the strength is from you, it is not our own. Neither our strength nor the might of our hands have done valiantly, but it is by your strength and the power of your great valiant, just as you said us in time past, saying: ‘A star will come forth out of Jacob and a sceptre will arise from Israel, and it will crush the foreheads of Moab and destroy all the sons of Sheth’ (1QM 5:1).

It is thought that some fragment (4Q285), which became available only as recently as 1991, are connected with the War Scroll. One fragment, frg. 5, created a great deal of excitement and generated sensational newspaper headlines. It was claimed that a letter of this text read: ‘they (the enemy) will put the Prince of the Congregation to death’. Thus the text appeared to be describing the execution of a messianic leader, and, inevitably, parallels with Jesus were drawn. However, sober minds prevailed and it was pointed out that the text really meant ‘the Prince of the Congregation will have him put to death’. The messianic overtones of ‘the Prince of the Congregation’, who is mentioned elsewhere in the War Scroll, and the citation of Numbers 24:17 suggest the presence of a Davidic messiah in the theological thinking behind these documents.

Mention must be made of the citation of Numbers 24:17 in the Damascus Document. Although this document is represented by two texts, which were discovered in the genizah (or document store) of a synagogue at Cairo in 1896, it is related to the Dead Sea Scrolls. We know this because fragments of several copies of the text have been found in various caves as Qumran. The Damascus Document is a kind of rule book and is somehow related to the Rule of the Community. In one of the manuscripts from the Qumran Geniza, there is a passage in which Amos 5:26-7, Amos 9:11, and Numbers 24:17 are cited. This particular passage is also attested in the fragments at Qumran. The part of the text which is of particular interest to us reads as follows:

The star is the Interpreter of the Law, who came to Damascus as it is written, ‘A star will come forth out of Jacob and a sceptre will arise from Israel’. ‘The sceptre is the Prince of the whole congregation, and when he arises he will destroy all the sons of Seth’ (CD 7:18-21 MS A).

Thus two important figures of the community are identified as the star and the sceptre of Balaam’s oracle: they are the ‘Interpreter of the Law’, the expected priestly messiah, and the Prince of the Congregation, the Davidic messiah. It is fairly clear that the Qumran writers saw the prediction of Numbers 24:17 fulfilled in these two figures in the community.

We began this look at the evidence in the Dead Sea Scrolls with a passage from the Rule of the Community, which refers to the coming of a prophet and the messiah of Aaron and Israel. Let us conclude our examination of the Qumran writings by mentioning the appendix to the Rule of the Community known as ‘The Scroll of Blessing’. In this collection there occurs the phrase ‘for God has established you as the sceptre of our Balaam’s oracle.

When we move on to that corpus of literature known as the Pseudepigrapha, we find clear allusions to Numbers 24:17 in an interesting passage in the Testament of the Twelve Patriarchs, which are Christian but make use of Jewish material. The Testament of Judah 24:1-6 reads:

And after this a star will arise for you from Jacob in peace and a man will arise from among his descendants (the sons of rightousnesses), walking with the sons of men in meekness and righteousnesses, and no sin will be found in him. And the heavens will be opened to him and you will pour out the blessing of the Spirit of the holy Father, and he will pour out the spirit of grace upon you, and you will be sons to him in truth and you will walk in his commandments from first to last. This is the branch of God Most High, and this is the foundation for the seat of all humanity. Then the sceptre is the foundation for the seat of all humanity. Then the sceptre is the seat of all humanity.

In the words of John Collins: “The Christian character of this passage is clear, in the meekness and righteousness of the messianic figure, and in its apparent situation to the baptism of Jesus” (The Scepter and the Star, 91). Now the second part of its text is clearly Jewish and is clearly a prediction of a royal messiah. In the Testament of Levi 18:2-3, we read:

The Lord will raise up a prophet, to whom all the words of the Lord will be revealed; and he will execute a judgment of truth upon the earth in the place of time. And his seat will be upon his throne, in a long lighting up the light of knowledge as by the sun of the days, and he will be magnified in the world until his assumption.

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By this stage, you are probably expecting some reference to the New Testament. However, Numbers 24:17 is not cited there, although it is often discussed by commentators on St Matthew’s Gospel when they are dealing with the story of the Magi. For the story of Balaam is thought by some New Testament scholars to be the Old Testament background to that part of the infancy narrative. It should be noted, also, that Balaam...
was linked already with the star of the Magi in early Christian tradition. Indeed, the conviction that he predicted it is found in the works of the Fathers of the Church from the second to the fifth centuries, and later in the works of medieval writers and those after them.

It is not so much the absence of any reference to Numbers 24:17 in the New Testament that is significant in any way, rather, what is striking is the consistently negative estimation of Balaam. In the Letter of Jude on the danger of false belief, the author speaks of the enemies of religion as follows: 'Alas for them! They have followed the way of Cain, for profit they have plunged into Balaam's error' (v.11). In false teachers, 2 Peter 2:15-16 says: 'They have abandoned the straight road and gone astray. They have followed in the steps of Balaam, son of Beor, who eagerly accepted payment for doing wrong, but his offence brought home to him when a dumb beast spoke with a human voice and showed the prophet's madness'. Finally, in Revelation 2:14, we read: 'You have in Pergamum some that hold to the teaching of Balaam, who urged Balaam to put temptation in the way of the Israelites; he encouraged them to eat food sacrificed to idols and to commit fornication'.

We have already mentioned that among the Fathers of the Church, Balaam's prediction of the star in Numbers 24:17 (which they identified as that followed by the Magi) was widely understood as foretelling the Incarnation. Some of the Fathers reasoned that if Balaam was a prophet of Christ, then he must have been uniquely inspired. Yet it seemed to many early Christian writers that Balaam's misdeeds raised serious questions about the legitimacy of his prophecy and his worthiness to deliver the word of God. Some writers simply resolved to separate the man from the prophecy. In his Apology, St Justin Martyr uses Numbers 24:17 as a proof of the Old Testament foretelling of the coming of Christ, but in order to avoid any reference to Balaam, he amalgamates this verse with the prophecy in Isaiah 11 and attributes the whole to Isaiah. We may note, however, that also in the Qumran Scroll of Blessings (1QS 5:27), a probable reference to Numbers 24:17, which we mentioned earlier, is found together with extensive citations from Isaiah 11. In his Dialogue with Trypho, St Justin places the prophecy of Numbers 24:17 in the Books of Moses but does not attribute it to Balaam. Likewise, St Athanasius, in his Questions of the Lord, quotes Balaam's prophecy under Moses. Nevertheless, some Church fathers grappled with the issues of Balaam and the nature of prophecy. Origen in particular pays much attention to the complexities which Balaam and his prophecy presented. He himself states that Balaam was a prophet and not a sorcerer. St Augustine too has some reservations about Balaam and his prophecy. He says: 'If God can make an ass speak, he can certainly make an ungodly man submit to the spirit of prophecy for a short time'. In the Middle Ages St Thomas Aquinas posed the question: 'Do demons have true prophecy truths? In
His reply is cited Numbers 24:17 to illustrate his view that demonic prophets could foretell some truths: 'A prophet of falsehood is not always instructed by a spirit of falsehood, but at times also by the spirit of truth' (Summa theologica, 2a 2ae.172, 6). But some of the Fathers of the Church found it difficult to believe that a prophet who predicted the coming of Christ was a completely unworthy person. In the end Origen is persuaded that Balaam must have been saved. The bearer of a messianic oracle and the founder of the Magi who came to worship the infant Jesus must have repented and shed his unworthiness. You will recall that the three New Testament references to Balaam mention his disgraceful misdeeds and his avaricious desire for gain. St Jerome acknowledges the evil deeds, but shares Origen's view that Balaam finally repented and was saved. As Judith Baskin puts it 'The contrast between the wholly evil Balaam of Ambrose and Augustine, and the repentant prophet of Origen and Jerome is striking' (Pharaoh's Counsellors, 112).

In much of rabbinic tradition the Balaam is portrayed as a scoundrel, a representative of foreign peoples who pursues wickedness, avarice, and illicit profit. It was said, for example, that he was one of Pharaoh's counsellors, who advised that the male children should be cast into the Nile. Although some recognised that he was a prophet, they regarded his prophecy of a low order and contemptible. It may well be, as Geza Vermes argues, that the pejorative interpretation of the Balaam story is not a product of Midrashic exegesis, but a contribution of the priestly redactors of the Pentateuch. There are also more positive rabbinic views. In fact some Rabbis saw in Balaam one of 'the seven prophets who prophesied to the peoples' (Baba Bathra 15b), and a view was held that God raised up Moses for Israel, and Balaam for the peoples. Perhaps there is something to be said for Judith Baskin's view that 'the vehemence with which the Rabbis attack Balaam is comprehensible only if it is understood as a response to widespread Christian use of Balaam's prophecies as predictive fulfilled by the coming of Christ' (Pharaoh's Counsellors, 119).

Some weeks have passed since we celebrated the Incarnation of Christ on the feast of Christmas and the Epiphany, with which Balaam's prophecy was associated by the Fathers of the Church; and in another eight weeks we shall remember the suffering and death of Jesus, and celebrate the feast of his Resurrection. I was, therefore, singularly struck by the appropriateness of a chapter in St Ephrem's Commentary on Tatian's Diatessaron or Gospel harmony. In this commentary, St Ephrem cites Numbers 24:17 only once, not where I should have expected, in the chapters on the infancy narratives, but in a chapter which begins his commentary on the messianic entry into Jerusalem. The chapter begins with Jesus's commanding to the disciples 'Go therefore and make disciples of all nations' and goes on: 'To do this, and to understand what Jesus is announcing'. In this chapter, which is a commentary on Numbers 24:17, St Ephrem says: 'He began with a manger and finished with a donkey, in Bethlehem with a manger, in Jerusalem with a donkey'.
This thematic way of linking the events and incidents of the Gospel narrative is a characteristic of St Ephrem's commentary. When he cites Matthew 21:15, "The children were crying and saying, Hosanna to the Son of David", he comments: "At his birth and at his death children were intertwined in the crown of sufferings". Following St Ephrem's example, let us recall the birth of the Messiah and the celebration of Easter. I leave you with the words of three originally distinct Old Testament messianic passages brought together by St Ephrem: "Rejoice, daughter of Zion, for see, your king is coming to you. A star will rise from Jacob, and, I will make the sun of righteousness rise upon you, who honour my name."
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Dr Fionn Dunne
An Inglorious Oxford Career
Frith Banbury (1930)

Sometime in June 1931 I was told to get out of Hertford College, and never show my face there again. On 26 November 1996 I was royally entertained at High Table at that same College. How could this have come about? The Principal of Hertford in 1931 was C.R.M.F. Cruttwell. Would he have had a stroke if he had been able to look into the future?

I was born just before the Great War. From the age of seven I was obsessively determined to become an actor. I had been given a toy theatre at an even earlier age (a great mistake, in the view of my naval officer father, who had been away for four years on active service in the Far East), and had been taken to the theatre by my mother and grandmother. Later, at my public school, where I had worked only fitfully, a few of us managed to get plays off the ground from time to time, but such activities were not really provided for in those days.

It was, therefore, both surprising and mysterious to be offered a place at Hertford College, since I had not even sat for, much less passed, my Higher Certificate. I think my headmaster at Stowe, the redoubtable J.F. Roxburgh, had something to do with this. I took rather a poor view of going up to Oxford to read French and German, for I had set my sights on the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art. Had there been a single university in England which could have provided me with a course in drama, I might have felt differently, but none existed until many years later. However my father asked me — nicely, for once — so I consented, thinking it might be rather fun.

Fun! That is exactly what it proved to be! After half a term I jettisoned Lamartine and de Musset and Goethe and Schiller and decided to have a 'lovely time' for the rest of the year, putting myself down for RADA the following autumn, a decision of which I did not inform either the College or my parents. From that moment I spent very little time in College, socialized and ate at the Oxford University Dramatic Society, and appeared in three of their productions, in one of which, Flecker's Hassan, I played the Fountain Ghost opposite Peggy Ashcroft's Pervaneh (at that time the OUDS invited professional actresses to play the women's parts in their productions). There I found kindred spirits, including Terence Rattigan, Hugh Hunt, George Devine, William Devlin, and also at the O.U. Music Club, where I used occasionally to play duets with the composer, Herbert Murrill. I made only one friend in the college — Leslie Stephens, a delightful and civilized man, who became an educationalist, and eventually headmaster of a working-man's college outside Birmingham. I was regarded with suspicion by most of the undergraduates in Hertford as an 'aesthete,' and I think now that I was lucky not to have been debagged and thrown into the Cherwell by the 'hearties,' as was one of my friends. In fact, I took no part in College life...
— but quite a large part in a certain area of university life, since most of my friends happened to be already in their third year. This just happened; it was not part of a plan.

At the beginning of my third term Tom Boase, then Dean of Hertford, sent for me and said, in the most kindly fashion: ‘Banbury, we’re rather worried. You seem to be doing no work. Your tutor says he has seen nothing of you for one and a half terms.’ This had taken time to get through to Hertford, since my work took place at Exeter College, Hertford not being equipped for the study of modern languages. I estimated, I hoped tactfully, that I did have serious work to do — in the theatre. Boase then said that he would have to communique with my father. Several weeks later Boase sent for me again, and said that I must take the first-year exam at the end of term, putting down a deposit of £40, which would be returned when I passed. I observed that I saw little point in wasting £40. By this time Boase’s patience was understandably wearing thin: he informed me that, if this was my attitude, I would have to leave at once — ten weeks before the end of term. Moreover by then I had made up my mind that it was essential that I remained in Oxford in order to go to all the exciting parties taking place at the end of the year. It was the autumn of 1930; the financial crisis and the National Government were upon us, and I must have had a premonition that Oxford life would never be as frivolous again.

I took a room in the Giel (is St Giles still referred to in this way?) for a fortnight and continued as before. Evidently the sight of me parading round the streets of Oxford drove the college authorities to distraction. I was sent for by the Principal (Cruttwell) and told that I was never EVER to darken the doors of my College again, and that he regretted the fact that he had not the power to prevent me showing my face in the City of Oxford itself. I cannot recollect my reply, but no doubt it was not what ‘Crutters’ was entitled to expect. (Incidentally, I do not have a vivid memory of ‘Crutters’, which leads me to the conclusion that Evelyn Waugh’s denunciation of him had more to do with Waugh than with Cruttwell. For me he was just the beak — any beak figure — expelling a bad boy.)

I stayed on in Oxford for a few more days — until the last party had run its course. So ended my Oxford career. Next term I went to RADA, and learned for the first time what hard work was like.

Fourteen years later, when I was playing with Michael Redgrave in Jacobowsky and the Colonel at the New Theatre (now the Apollo), I was strolling around Oxford one afternoon with my friend and fellow actor Michael Gough, and I pointed out my old College, and told him that I must never EVER go in there again. ‘Why don’t we see what happens if you do?’ he said. So we did — and nobody noticed.

Fifty years later still I was at dinner at the house of my friend, Selina Hastings. A fellow guest was Professor Roy Strong. On warning me that
was and of his position at Hertford I regaled him with the story of my Hertford Experience, whereupon he insisted that I went there to dinner, in order to recount it to Dr Barnard, the College Archivist.

That is how I came to be sitting in Hall and at the High Table after sixty-five years. Once you are old enough, it seems, you can get away with almost anything— or young enough.

Editor’s note

Mr Banbury’s visit, in his eighty-fifth year, was indeed a delight. Cruttwell’s portrait gazed down on the assembled company, as we speculated upon what he would have had to say to this renegade from long ago who was now disobeying his parting admonition. It is far more difficult to have an undergraduate sent down in these enlightened times, alas. Fashions have indeed changed: not only is St Giles no longer The Giler, but Cornmarket is not even The Corn.

Mr Banbury remarked that he had already developed a strong dislike for institutions by the time that he came up, having been sent away to boarding school at an early age by his severe father (a Rear Admiral who ran the family home as if he were captains a ship). As a consequence, he was never really frightened of Cruttwell, unlike Anthony Bushell (1922), whose recollections were recorded in the last Magazine. (Incidentally, the two men knew each other, having both had careers in the theatre, but Mr Banbury told the Editor that he had no idea that Anthony Bushell had been a Hertford man also.) Frith Banbury came up to Oxford from Stowe; he surely must, enquired the Editor, remember David Niven (another actor) there, as they would have been near contemporaries. And of course he did, and went on to confirm much of what Niven wrote in The moon’s a balloon, notably concerning Niven’s memorable girlfriend and the character of the famous headmaster, J.F. Roxburgh, with his bow tie and rarefied accent (‘Aaaah. Not “litchen”, boy: “lie -ken”!’).

With respect to Oxford, the Editor reminded Mr Banbury that the Christ Church career of Emlyn Williams, yet another man of the theatre (whom of course he had also known), ended as abruptly as his own, but in more distressing circumstances (vide George, the first volume of Williams’s autobiography).

It was a most enlightening evening. Mr Banbury was, however, most modest about his own achievements, and it should be recorded that he has been a key figure in the twentieth-century British theatre. His richly varied career as director, producer, and versatile actor, pursued both in this country and abroad, spans sixty-five years, and, as his entry in Who’s Who demonstrates, is still in full swing.
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I have many memories of Sir Harold Macmillan, who of course as Chancellor was Visitor to the College. One in particular is worth mentioning. During an overnight stay in the Principal’s Lodgings, Mr and Mrs Warnock (as they were then) were waiting for him to come down to breakfast. After some time had passed, and he had still not appeared, I was sent up to see if he was all right. I found him standing in his long johns, complaining that he could not find his ‘bloody trousers’ (his words). Apparently, Mrs Warnock’s sister, who was staying in the Lodgings, had put them away in a wardrobe, which Sir Harold could not open. Once I had recovered the trousers, all was well.

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Many functions in the Principal’s Lodgings have required my services as Butler. When Sir Geoffrey Warnock was Vice-Chancellor, many famous people attended lunches, dinners, and other events. One lady I will never forget was Jacqueline du Pré, the famous cellist; she attended lunch prior to receiving her Honorary Degree. She was already extremely ill, suffering from multiple sclerosis. It was very sad to see such a beautiful and talented woman suffering in that way. Another ‘celebrity’ I recall was a certain Mr Robert Maxwell, who had a superb blue Rolls Royce writing outside College to which him off to Headington for the football.

I have fond memories of many Fellows. I have known Mr Van Noorden from the day he arrived at Hertford as a shy undergraduate; in all the time, I have never heard him say an unkind word of or about anyone. Dr Garth Robinson was SCR Cello Master when I first became Butler; he had a superb knowledge of wine and over the years has taught me a good deal.

I would like to thank the Fellows of the College and former members for the friendship shown to me over the years and offer a special thank-you to Mr John Peters, who furnished the drawing of me which now hangs in the SCR.

After my retirement I was proud to be invited to the official opening of Warnock House on the Abingdon Road, where I again met Fellows and College members. I was privileged to hear Sir Geoffrey Warnock’s wonderful speech just a few days before he died. Another lasting memory of that occasion is meeting again Lord Teynham, the former Speaker of the House of Commons, who had bunched and dined in College on numerous occasions.

I was never to become rich, working at Hertford, but my wealth of memories is priceless.

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by
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Honorary Secretary, 23rd London Regimental Association

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Editor's note
2 The first official pause at the Cenotaph was held at the time of its unveiling, following completion in Whitehall, at 11 a.m. on 11 November 1920. Sir Percy himself attended.
3 It is a heartening coincidence that following Mr Conran's writing of his article, moves began to be made, led by the Royal British Legion, to restore the Two Minutes' Silence to its proper place on Armistice Day. Let us hope that the country recaptures the spirit of King George V's proclamation:

'To afford an opportunity for the universal expression of this feeling it is my desire and hope that at the hour when the Armistice came into force, the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month, there may be, for the brief space of two minutes, a complete suspension of all normal activities. During that time, except in the rare cases where this may be impracticable, all work, all sound, and all locomotion should cease, so that, in perfect silence, the thoughts of every one may be concentrated on reverent remembrance of The Glorious Dead.'
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Johnstone the mighty sculls did ply,
And o'er the waver our boat did fly;
While I the rudder bands did hold
And steered with spirit firm and bold.

We passed along each glittering barge
So tall, so long, so grand, so large,
Until to Cherwell's stream we came . . .

On their way up river they saw Chase, the terror of their lives:

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(Bearing Postmark, Oxford, 5 May 1850)

Once more to the beloved [Family], greeting.

I know my words are totally inadequate to depict the scene which I put before you, but I must nevertheless do my best, and here goes for the . . .

Boat Row

And, in order that you may readily understand this, I will describe the plans on which they are conducted. As many boats as there are going to race, are placed one behind the other, at an interval of two boat's length. What each one has then to do is to bump the one before it. If, by so doing, they are in the correct position, then the course is correct, and the rowers are free to make the course as they choose. If they do not, then they return and try again. The course is therefore entirely dependent on the skill of the rowers, and the object of the game is to be the first to cross the finishing line.
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Our poetical daubs with airy strains,
Our oarsman mutters, 'that boat will bump us!'
Or 'there he goes!'
Or 'he has gone at last!'
Or 'that is too good!'
Or 'all will be lost!'
Or 'we shall row out of our heads!'
Or 'we are sunk!'
Or 'we are lost!'

That year's bumping was won by Exeter...
Go to St John's!! "Hind!!! Put your back into it!! "Now for a spurt — Go it. Now you're into them!!" Then did we stretch up, and, clinging to the oarlocks, put all our effort into it. We were rewarded for our exertions by the loud voice of our steerer, "Easy all'. Amidst the deafening exclamations of the crowds on the bank, we rowed quietly aside and pulled up at our leisure.

Our second race was, alas, not so successful: we started well, and gained nearly two boats' length on the Lincoln boat, but could not quite touch them. The third night we came up to them again, but could not quite bump them, and in that position we were to the front end of the race. The third time we were again awarded for our efforts, and the steerer said, "The third time lucky. I hope we may be successful, and the race the conquering hero comes," with the mandate to row to the rear end of the race, and we did so without complication. If we are not successful, we shall be the first to admit it.

Those black straw hats with red ribbons worn by Exeter can be seen in a painting of the period. The Exeter College Barge had been one of the City Livery Companies' rowing barges, the Stationers', Barge, the last one built, by Searle's, 1826. The Oriel Barge, thought to have been the Godolphin's, had arrived in 1835; it was noted for the style of its lead-framed oval windows, and the two angels with wings outstretched horizontally, still to be seen in the Oriel boathouse. The Oriel Barge, acquired in 1838 from the Merchant Taylors' Company. She was built by Roberts, the Queer's Boatbuilder, there is a model of her in The Magdalen Taylors' Hall. Roberts had hoped to obtain an order for a similar barge from the Contractors' Company and submitted a drawing in the Company in 1780, which is still in their possession.

The next year, in 1850, Exeter had a very good crew. In contrast to the previous year, Boyd retained his place in the 1st VIII. He was number six behind James Aitken, the captain. This time Exeter rose from seventh to third on the river, passing Oxford, Lincoln, and Wadham College. As Aitken roared for Oxford, heading to Cambridge and winning the Grand. The Oriel Barge and the Stationers' Barge were tied up by the shore ready as parked cars. For the fishing it was necessary to row both to get across rivers, and to go down them.
I am meditating going down river in a boat tomorrow night to Rognan — for this way I shall see it all, though I am afraid it will be too high to fish. The men here will take down the luggage, as the boats here are not big enough to take it with me. — If it rains I have to dry things before the steamer starts in the evening for Rognan — Sunday I went to Bodo, that dismal place — Monday I take the steamer for Bergen.

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When Boyd came back to Oxford as a Fellow of Hertford he used to go in the summer vacations to Norway and up the Hardanger fjord for fishing. On these occasions roving was an essential part of life. In reach his mount and cabin, he had to row across the lake. The rowing boats were tied up by the shore ready as puddled cars. For the down river, I am meditating going down river in a boat tomorrow night to Rognan — for this way I shall see it all, though I am afraid it will be too high to fish. The men here will take down the luggage, as the boats here are not big enough to take it with me. — If it rains I have to dry things before the steamer starts in the evening for Rognan — Sunday I went to Bodo, that dismal place — Monday I take the steamer for Bergen.

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In our last year we had Jackson sculling for recreation, and later I was tried for the University VIII, and rowed how for some time. Finally they chose another man in my place, which was a bitter disappointment . . . We rowed hard for Finals – and he was down in style: I left Oxford, not to see it again for some years, by water, rowing down to Reading in a four, and then going to stay at Pyrton and so Henley Regatta . . .

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The first day . . . reaching at Abingdon and stopping at
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had to row on to Henley. The next day we went through the
cockham lock . . . and rowed to Kingston. As we went through
bump - to the right of Hall's the lock-keeper disappeared into his cottage.
It was a photograph of Halcomb and saw in one out-of at the
men standing by. I looked up 'Why', I said, 'you are Halcomb' he said he, 'I passed once it was one of my
men as I seed ye coming along. Something about that left shoulder
never quite right'. It was quite thrilling to find even one's impres-
tions not forgotten in the lapse of twenty-two years.

In the five days of rowing, the Jacksons had covered 91 miles, averag-
ing 18.2 miles per day with 7 locks per day - this in a skiff which would no
doubt have had fixed seats, and fixed thole pins. His account does not
tell us whether it was a single or a double, nor whether Alice rowed, but
assuming she did row, and allowing for the fact that they spent the
Sunday at Cookham, it was a remarkable marathon. 'The row did me a
great deal of good and afterwards I thought I might fairly consider my
recovery complete.' It was also a busy time for Jackson:
In June I was asked to build a new quadrangle for Brasenose. The
High School for Boys, the High School for Girls, the restoration
of the Bedeins, and the Examination Schools were all in
progress, as well as restoration work at Water Eaton House on the
Cherwell, retiring St. Peter's-in-the-East, and the Military
College at Cowley. Trinity College sent for me in June [about
the new quadrangle next Broad Street . . . . I was also engaged on a
block of new buildings for Lincoln in . . . .
In January 1898 Jackson heard from Dr Warre, the headmaster of
Eton, to know if he could take his son as a pupil in his architecture prac-
tice. Dr Warre was that tough rowing coach who kept Eton in the top
rank of rowing for many years. In his letter he wrote, 'Are you the same
Jackson that bumped us in 1856?' Jackson wrote of this in his book, 'The
intimacy that followed this renewal of our acquaintance has been one of
the great pleasures of my later years'.

In the summer of 1898 Jackson took the chair at the Wadham College
dinner in London. Present then were survivors of that famous Wadham
crew of 1849 which won the Grand Challenge Cup, and the Ladies'
Plate at Henley. They had put their medals and silver oars together to
form a trophy which was presented on this occasion to the College Boat
Club. Jackson commented: 'Five of the crew were present, two more
were still living, and of the two who had died one was killed by an acci-
dent. Rowing would seem to promote health and longevity'. (Boyd died
in 1922, aged 91.)

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Smelteverk)
Arthur Vesselo came up to Hertford College from Christ's Hospital as a Classical Scholar in 1928. At the time, the College had ten Fellows, but there was quality in the Governing Body. Sir Walter Buchanan-Riddell, Bt., was the Principal, later to serve as the first Chairman of the University Grants Committee. Lord Hugh Cecil was the Senior Fellow and several times Burgess for the University, he was subsequently created Baron Quickswood. There were three future Principals: Cruttwell, Murphy, and Ferrar; and Tom Bose was a future President of Magdalen. Cecil Fifoot established Hertford's reputation for Law studies, Denison was University Lecturer in Latin Language and Literature, whilst both Charles Hignett (Ancient History) and Neville Murphy (Philosophy) catered for Greats. So the young Vesselo had much to encourage him.

His references to Aristotle are frequent, and also to Plato (which would have pleased Murphy, the author of The Interpretation of Plato's Republic). His interests cover language and linguistics, morals, the Greek gods, democracy, freedom, philosophy, and society. Vesselo explores the fundamental concepts behind modern society by placing current political theories in their historical and philosophical context in the form of short, very personalised essays, torn-right in all, in which the author does not hesitate to express his views with vigour.

The unusual title, 'How many eggs then for Lady Thatcher?' is explained by an anecdote concerning a Lake District guesthouse keeper who invariably served two eggs to the men and one to the women, regardless of payment or request. He was evidently a strong-minded personality, but Vesselo speculates on the consequences of the Thatchers being guests. 'Such immense and indeed appalling energy' from Lady T. might have required perhaps half a dozen. A lively discussion on the roles of men and women in the community follows.

Vesselo's fascination with language is enhanced by excellent Italian and by linguistic skills in other languages, ancient and modern. During part of World War II he had the Italian Educational system under his charge and, for a time, had overall responsibility for La Scala. Perhaps the earlier encouragement of Tom Bose, at one time Chairman of the British School in Rome and enthusiastic for Italian opera, had some influence. The essays range over the nature of history, sex and morality, the nature of classical and capitalism and communism. Vesselo redefines our ideas of the 'community' by confronting the capitalist and socialist schools of thought. A very stimulating read.
Plate 2  Sir Walter Bodmer, F.R.S.
(Photograph: Nigel Francis)
Plate 3 'The "Schools" Oxford from the site of Hartford (by Colll: Aug 12 1820')
Henry Edridge (see p.8)
Plate 4  Mr John Torrance
Drawing by
Mr Edgar Holloway
(see p.15)

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Plate 9 The Warnock House ceremony: Sir Geoffrey Warnock and The Chancellor. (Photo: Nigel Francis) (see p. 31)
Plate 10  Sir Thomas Graham Jackson
Portrait by Mark Alexander (1993) (Photo: Jeremy Morden) (see p.35)
Plate 10  Sir Thomas Graham; 1855  (Photo: Jeremy Komorn) (see p. 39)

Plate 11  Simpkins in convalescence.  
(Photos: Jacqueline Gordon) (see p. 47)
Plate 12 Detail from Hertford College photograph, June 1924. Waugh, wearing a bow tie, is sitting on the ground in the front row, second from the left. Immediately behind him, slightly to his right, is C. E. Haselfoot, the Bursar. The Principal, Sir W. R. Buchanan-Riddell, seated with hat on knee, is fourth from the left. In the same row, fourth from the right, is C.R.M.F. Cruttwell, Dean and Senior History Tutor. (see p.53)
Of ECLIPSES.

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Eclipse is that Obscuration, or Deprivation of Light, in any of the Heavenly Bodies, which is caused by some other coming between the Sun and that Body. There are various Kinds of Eclipces in the Heavens, but those of the Sun and Moon are most remarkable.

ECLIPSES of the SUN.

The Eclipse of the Sun (or more truly of the Earth) is caused by the Moon, coming between the Sun and Earth, and by that means hiding its Light from us. This can never happen but at the New-Moon, as is evident from the following Scheme; in which S represents the Sun, E the Earth, and M the Moon in her Orbit revolving round the Earth.

Now when the Moon (as she revolves in her Orbit) is come into Conjunction with the Sun, i.e. just between us and him, which can never happen but at the New-Moon, it is manifest, that her Shadow will fall upon the Earth at e, and by that means hide his Light from those that live upon that Spot. But as the Moon is much less than the Earth, the Shadow of the Moon cannot cover the whole but only a Part of the Surface near e. For this reason, you see, that the same Eclipse of the Sun may be total to one Country; partial or Part eclips'd: and to a third, none at all.

Plate 12 Eclipse of the sun (copper plate)

Richard Turner the Elder (1724[?]-91; Magdalen Hall 1748), A view of the heavens: being a short, but comprehensive, system of modern astronomy (London: printed for S. Crowder, [1765], second edition 1783) : 34. (see article on p.70)
E CL I P S E of the M o o n.

An Eclipse of the Moon is caused by the Interposition of the Earth between the Sun and Moon. This can only happen at the Full Moon, when the Sun is directly opposite the Moon, for the Earth, being then exactly between the Sun and Moon, will cast her Shadow upon the Moon, just as the Moon did her Shadow upon the Earth before, in the Eclipse of the Sun. This is clear from a figure of the following figure, where P, Q, R, S, etc., denote the several Parts of the Earth, the Sun, moon, etc., and the Earth's Shadow by the Moon supposed as just Light from the Sun, and the Stars are omitted.

If only Part of the Moon's Body passes through the Earth's Shadow, she is said to suffer a partial Eclipse; if the whole is thus immersed in the Shadow, she is said to suffer a total Eclipse. If the whole Body is immersed in the Shadow, and begins immediately to emerge again, the Eclipse is said to be total without Continuance; but if she passes through the Middle of the Shadow, her Stay there will be considerable; as the Shadow, in that part, is about three Times broader than the Moon, and the Eclipse will be total with Continuance.

Plate 14 Eclipse of the Moon (copper plate)
Turner, op. cit., 36. (see article on p. 70)
TO THE YOUNG GENTLEMEN, AND YOUNG LADIES,
(However titled, or otherwise distinguished)

Through all Parts of the BRITISH EMPIRE,

THIS compendious System of GEOGRAPHY; a Science no longer esteemed a fine accomplishment only, but a necessary Part of useful Education, as it imparts such Knowledge of the World, of which you are Inhabitants, as must render You not only more serviceable to your Country in public Life, but more happy in your smaller Circles of Conversation, and private Retreats, is, with the profoundest Respect,
Dedicated and devoted
To your Service,

By the AUTHOR.

A Mr. Salmon has told us in his Geographical Grammar, that young Gentlemen, without a general Knowledge of the State, of the World—the Manners, Customs and Hickory of the several Nations his Cotemporaries, are neither capable of serving their Country, nor qualified for Conversation. And Mr. Erhard lays—That no ingenious Potion can be excuse for his Ignorance in this Science.

Plate 15 Dedication page from:
Richard Turner the Elder (1724[?]-91), A view of the earth: being a short but comprehensive system of modern geography (London: printed for S. Crowder, [1762], fourth edition 1787). The Reverend Richard Turner matriculated at Magdalen Hall on 14 July 1748. (By a strange coincidence, this copy was prepared for the printer exactly 250 years later, to the day.) (see p.232)
He is given in the Calendar as Abraham Vesselo. His Hertford contemporaries included John Armstrong and Arthur Calder-Marshall.

Lord Hugh Cecil was a genuine eccentric, an extreme conservative, and a notorious misogynist. It was said that he could never understand the need for change, and that he once compared the University to a very old cheese: whatever one does to it makes it worse.

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Besides being a respected City solicitor specializing in banking law, A.G. Prideaux was involved in many social networks, from sailing to Scottish dancing, his mother being a Scot. For many years he was on the Council of Clifton College, his old school — also a beneficiary under his Will — and after his retirement he did voluntary work with the local branch of the Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders. His London club was the Union, and he served a term as its chairman. He remained unmarried and lived with his family. He and his sisters had a house built in a Hampshire village, which became an oasis and welcoming house, happily within walking distance of a fly-fishing beat. G fished the trout with flies which he tied himself.

Those who came to know him well realized that behind the unassuming persona was a keen intelligence. My grandfather said G was the best informed man he had ever known. He was a good lawyer, though I am not sure he enjoyed the work much. Neither he nor my grandfather had any ambition to expand the firm, which was a cause of some frustration to me, but the three of us were very happy. Legal practice in the 1950s and early 1960s was not the frenetic business it is now. Lunch was a comfortable affair, and once or twice a week it was taken at the Oxford and Cambridge Club in Pall Mall or the Law Society's Hall in Chancery Lane. During Test Matches work might well stop early so G and I could catch the late afternoon play at Lord's, G being a member of the MCC. Thus the grind of legal practice was pleasantly mitigated. We never went in the evening and I can recall only one occasion when we had to come into the City on a Saturday morning. Financial rewards were modest, but adequate.

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A benefactor of Hertford College  
A personal memoir by Virginia Novara

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A.G.Prideaux was a supremely agreeable companion. His courtesy made one feel cared for, his conversation was wide-ranging and entertaining, and his temper equable. He had a happy talent for extracting the maximum enjoyment out of every occasion and situation, and seemed to take everything in his stride whatever company he was in. He dearly loved a joke, and the most mundane things were, as it were, embroidered with humour. Recently I came across a postcard he sent me from the South of France where he was recuperating after an operation in 1964: after praising the locale, the accommodation and the table d'hôte, he ended: 'Only serious set-back to my recovery caused by sight of woman adding generous spoonful of sugar to glass of claret!'

The serious side of his character was less in evidence, but he was a man of integrity, with high standards, never slovenly, never glossing over anything that was not quite right. He practised his Anglican faith very unostentatiously but it showed through in his kindness, tolerance, and sense of public duty.

A.G.Prideaux was not a famous man, nor a particularly distinguished one, but he showed what could be done with the ordinary material of every-day living. He was 'polite' in the eighteenth-century sense of that term – accomplished, urbane, and able to adapt to whatever company he found himself in, without effrontery or condescension. To his friends he was unvaryingly affectionate and loyal.
Music recorded at Hertford

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Naxos 8.553106

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An especially welcome example of the latter was the recent volume by Mr G. R. M. Smart (1959), On others' shoulders: an illustrated history of the Polhill and Lansdowne Colleges, now De Montfort University Bedford, by whom it was published in 1994. (Richard Smart is Head of History.) Mr Smart was kind enough to say that he enjoys reading the Magazine, and the Editor can genuinely and enthusiastically reciprocate with respect to the book: besides being a valuable and splendidly readable account of the story of Bedford's two training colleges, it has the bonus of some marvellous historic photographs. These include stunning pictures of girls in gymshirts, performing extraordinary exercise routines and adopting quite remarkable poses in the gym. The book is a 'must' for anyone with a serious research interest in traditional uniforms of the English schoolgirl.

It came as no surprise that a considerable portion of this year's mailbag referred to John Armstrong and the legion of stories surrounding him. (Dr Elizabeth Armstrong has remarked to the Editor that tales about her late husband are prone to exaggeration, and that there is something of an industry in them. But it is the Editor's experience that not one of the real favourites has yet been shown to be apocryphal - some are attested by 'AI' sources - and since it is reported in a venial spirit, why should we not rejoice in them? We shall not see his like again.) Amongst those who wrote were John Armstrong's contemporary, the Reverend Canon G. K. Dixon (1927), and Charles Thompson (1940), who revived the Tyndale Society on his return to College after the War. (Mr Thompson corresponded with Evelyn Waugh, whom he invited to address the Society; Waugh declined, pleading an impending visit to the United States, but added in typical style that Tyndale was born in Stinchcombe, where Waugh resided at Piers Court (see also, Auberon Waugh, Will this do? The first fifty years of Auberon Waugh: an autobiography (Century: 1991)), and that he took the name of Tyndale in place of 'Huggins' (according to Mr Thompson's transcript of Waugh's letter of 3 November 1944. David Daniell's definitive biography con-
firms ‘Hydectric’ for reasons of social advancement’ (Editor’s italics). W. A. Roberts (1928) was John Armstrong’s tutorial partner; he writes that the eccentric Cruttwell was an inspiring teacher — to those with whom he could be bothered — and see who played up to his reputation for misogyny.

D. P. Symonds (1947) recalls the famous ‘battle of the Bridge’ (Magazine 81: 98) following the Bump Supper celebrating Hertford’s victory over New College:

My bedroom was in the front line of defence and I have a vivid memory of John Armstrong at the handle of a stirrup-pump, pumping for all he was worth, and encouraging us with loud cries. That night I paddled to bed and poor Ginger had to mop up next morning.

‘The fine will be five pounds,’ announced the Dean. ‘No! No! No!’ he added a moment later as the felon whipped out his wallet and deposited five crisp one-pound notes on John Armstrong’s desk, thwip, thwip, thwip, thwip, thwip. ‘No! No!’ (holding up his hands): ‘You must pay through your battels!’

On one occasion when we were up before him, his opener — ‘Which of you gentlemen was responsible for placing A! Night! Urn! upon the Chapel pinnacle?’ — reduced everyone to helpless giggles.

One night around midnight a commotion took place under his bedroom window. Somebody let out a scream as if some poor girl had lost her maidenhead. A window was flung open. ‘If you don’t shut up I’ll shake the **** out of you!’ cried an angry voice. We were so surprised we went to bed.

Mr Keith Jackson (1953), sends a copy of a note, written on 13 February 1956, when he was in his second term as JCR President. It arose, he recalls, from some post-luncheon horseplay in his sitting room, which was situated immediately above John Armstrong’s set:

Dear Mr Jackson,

I was very nice of you to write such a pleasant apology, which I receive in the same spirit, and you may be certain that our relations as neighbours will continue to be amicable so long as you do not cause the fall of any more plaster from the ceiling of my parlour.

Yours sincerely
John Armstrong

Y. E. (‘Taddy’) Kingston (1921) is one of the College’s oldest members, a direct contemporary of Evelyn Waugh, who came up to read Modern Languages in Principal Boyd’s last year. Mr Kingston indicts the Modern Language tutorship, a point his elder brother Frank had come up on a Mathematics scholarship after being awarded the Military Cross in the Great War. His contemporaries included Robert Coote, 2nd Viscount, and 1st Viscount of Liddesdale, and first President of the Hertford Society, and Joe Lynden of Dragon School fame. His name is awarded to Society, and Joe Lynden of Dragon School fame. His name is awarded to Society, and Joe Lynden of Dragon School fame. His name is awarded to Society, and Joe Lynden of Dragon School fame.
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Dear Norton.

Many thanks for your kind invitation to new boathouse opening, but I am afraid I shall have to miss it. I still get about fairly well, but at 95 I don’t do too much junketing!

Cruttwell was Dean in my time, and I remember well telling him about taking the Eight to Henley in 1925, as we had achieved six bumps and got well into the 2nd Div. He said ‘No, you can’t go’. I told him that we certainly were going, even if Hertford wouldn’t help with funds — I turned to leave his room. He said ‘wait a minute’, and turned to his desk and wrote a useful cheque from his own account.

Cruttwell of course was a tiresome misogynist, and strongly disapproved of the admission of women to Oxford, which happened during my time there. He found the girls pouring into his lecture in good time and occupying all the front benches. ‘Well gentlemen, our subject this term is medieval, but before I start on the course you may be interested in an aspect of the Spanish succession in a different era’ — and proceeded to go into details of a very profligate age, until the last of the girls in our very decorous age had closed their books and crept out! ‘Good, now we can get on with our work’, said Cruttwell.

He used to sit in his window glaring down towards the Bodleian on a rainy day, and when asked why, his reply was, ‘I like to see it raining on the damned people’!

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It was before his funeral that the whole roadway in front of the College was dressed with a thick mat of straw to deaden the noise of horses’ hooves as he lay dying in his room above it — a custom that no longer applies.

Again many thanks for thinking to include me — have a great day.

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The two years chronicled in this report have seen two great changes, the first entirely happy, the second rather melancholy.

The first brought the fulfilment of our plans for extension, thus liberating us from the constant frustrations of inadequate shelf and office space. Our new territory, won from the cellars of the Principal’s Lodgings, consists of a bookstore, a modest computer room, and a spacious area with open access shelving, to be known as the Seiffert Room, thus commemorating Mrs Seiffert’s generous gift, which galvanized us into formulating a strategy for expansion. The library office has been enlarged, so that two people can work there concurrently. Building work began in July 1995, and we had hoped that everything would be restored to normal by the end of the Long Vac; but the discovery of asbestos in the Lodgings set back the timetable, and Noughth Week found us anxious that the First Year should not suppose various decidedly makeshift arrangements to be other than temporary expedients. Just before the beginning of Hilary Term we celebrated a slightly delayed opening, and were able to thank our architect (Michael Cleary of Michael Vaughton Associates), builders (Hunter and Darnell), and other collaborators. The Catering Manager and SCR Butler rose most successfully to the challenge of holding a party in an area largely occupied by bookcases, and the occasion was dignified by the presence not only of the Junior Proctor (Dr Macmillan) but also of the Assessor (Balliol’s Fellow Librarian, Dr Bulloch, to whom we have often turned for guidance). The Vice-Principal’s exhilarating speech left the many people involved in this enterprise with a sense that no one’s work had gone unregarded and that the result was beyond all question a success.

In this development the heaviest burden by far was borne by Mrs Littlehales, whose dedication and efficiency stimulated all those who, under her leadership, tackled the labour of reorganization; her careful anticipation of a wide range of potential setbacks (some mutually incompatible) meant that no reader was seriously inconvenienced and the workface (despite some moments well characterized by Wordsworth’s ‘Books, ’tis a dull and endless strife’) retained their equanimity. It was therefore particularly sad that, having piloted the Library through a maelstrom which could hardly have been foreseen when she was appointed eight years before, she was denied the chance to enjoy the rewards of her successful navigation. Those of us who were aware of the anxieties occasioned by her husband’s deteriorating health had long marvelled at the skill with which she juggled domestic responsibilities with the demands of her post, ever maintaining a buoyant cheerfulness, and her decision to resign at the end of 1996 was cause for regret rather than surprise. Seldom can the cliché of ‘a hard act to follow’ have seemed more apt. But fortunately our Assistant Librarian, Mrs Griffin, who had a few months earlier gained her Diploma in Library and Information Studies, agreed to promotion; in sum her post was filled by Mrs Barbara Armstrong.

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Wilson, whose name will be familiar to keen followers of Library affairs, as she had previously helped us from time to time. Mrs Littlehales had given characteristically thorough consideration to ensuring a smooth transition, and the change in personnel entailed no loss of efficiency. But certainly she will be missed, and I feel sure that all our readers will be saddened to learn of her departure and join in wishing her well for the future.

Meanwhile, two generations of Junior Librarians have kept under control the inpressingly rising tide of books. Jennifer Carpeaux, Brian Webb, and Kenneth Yap took over for 1995-6 from Aaron Punwani and Tim Segaller, and in turn succeeded by Chitnarang Sirisathitkul (MCR), Nick Jefferson, and David Tunley, followed by David Ingham and Daniel Wilson. To all of them our warmest thanks are due. We have also been fortunate in our 'Irregulars', Liam Stebbing, Sean Godfrey, Jonathan Baker, Katherine Littlehales, Helen and Richard Van Noorden, Francesca and Philippa Griffin, and we are most grateful for their help.

Our older books continue to benefit from the weekly attention of our team from the National Association of Decorative and Fine Arts Societies; I welcome this opportunity to express our appreciation of their work, which we may too often take for granted. Their generous concern for our holdings is an effective antidote to the depressant effect of the University report on conservation and preservation problems to which, I fear, no cheap or simple solution seems in sight. In June 1996, by Sir Christopher Zeeman's hospitable suggestion, we were able to hold in the Lodgings a small display, to which Fellows and their guests were invited, and the following November we arranged an opportunity for members of the MCR to see the same selection of books. In December 1996, Dr Barrard organized a fascinating exhibition of Irish material on the occasion of the visit from the President of Ireland. The ultimate inherit of our older books has been highlighted by our involvement in a HERCRO-funded project for an inter-collegiate catalogue of foreign pre-1641 imprints outside the Bodleian. Our cataloguer, Jane Stemp, has drawn our attention to titles lacking in Bodley and to our unusual collection of astronomical works.

It is a recurrent pleasure to record gifts. We have received a legacy of £500 from Mr Rodney Stebbing, who read History here in the 1930s, and a donation of £100, to be spent on biology books, from Mr and Mrs Jones in memory of Jeremy Paul Jones, who died in 1994. From the University of Hartford has come a gift of £100 in respect of a lecture by Martin Biddle for which he was thanked. We were delighted that Brian Webb (notwithstanding the pressure of his duties as Junior Librarian) was awarded the Richards Butler Prize, for the best performance in the International Trade Paper in the Honour School of Jurisprudence (1996), a distinction bringing the College £360 to be spent on law books. That section of the library has also benefited from the generosity of Linklaters and Peers, who donated £200 by way of support for the Smart Anderson Society. We have also been given a microfilm-collator reader, no longer needed by the University Library, by the company that supplied it of the late Mr Strahan, to whom we owe our Smart Schoolship for the Irish studies.

The following publications have been given to the Library by their authors or editors:

Anne J. Batim, Comparative philosophy.
Toby Barnett et al., Lord Burlington, architecture, art and life.
Dominic Tweddle, Corpus of Martin's Busts in Bath and the South-East England.
Anglo-Saxon stone sculpture in the South-East England.

St. Walter Bodmer and Robin McKee, The Book of Man.

Miscellaneous.

The Agrippina wedge.

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- James Potter, The Turkish Labyrinth: Anil and the new Islam
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science in the courtroom
- Robert S. Sephton, Oxford and the General Strike 1926
- Richard Smart, On others’ shoulders: an illustrated history of the Polhill and
Lansdowne Colleges, now De Montfort University Bedford
- J. R. Torrance, Karl Marx’ theory of ideas
- Hugo Walter, Amaranth-Sage epitaphs of dusk-weaving paradise (2nd ed.)
- Baroness Warnock (ed.), Women philosophers
- David A. O. Williams, The intelligence of animals and other papers

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S.P.W.


The Chapel 1995-6

Organ Scholars: [Phillip Elliott], Alistair Reid.
Bible Clerks: Caroline Atkinson, Amanda Berlan, Brenda Cohen, Greg Davison-Shaw, Alison Robison, Vicky Singh-Curry.

Abbe Michel Quoist was born at Le Havre. He received his doctorate in Social and Political Sciences from l'Institut Catholique in Paris and was awarded the Prix Janses of the Societé de Géographie for a sociological study of a working-class sector in Paris. He was awarded the Grand Prix, Académie des Sciences, Beaux-Lettres, et Arts, Rouen. For four years Abbe Quoist served as a pastor in a busy city parish in Le Havre. He has always been interested in youth and the poor; he lived for four months in a poverty-stricken quarter before submitting his doctoral thesis. He is well known for his work as chaplain to various youth clubs and groups in and around Le Havre.

In his book *Prayers of Life*, Michel Quoist writes this very thought-provoking prayer, entitled, 'Lord, I have time'. All men complain that they haven't enough time. It's because they look at their lives from too-human a point of view. There's always time to do what God wants us to do; but we must put ourselves completely into each moment that he offers us.

I went out, Lord.
Men were coming out.
They were coming and going.
Walking and running.

Everything was rushing.
Men were rushing to waste time.
They were rushing after time.
To catch up with time.
To give time.

But the time was not mine.
It was a gift that you gave us.

For time is a gift that you gave us.
For a penitential gift.
A gift that does not cease.

Lord, I have time.
I have plenty of time.
It is the time that you give me.
For the time that I give you.
The time of my stay.
The time of my rest.
The time of my days.
There is time.
There is time.
There is time.

Like a gift, quietly, calmly.
But so full of splendour up to the last, To offer them to you.

I want you to offer them to you.
They may make a rich wine such as you made once in Cana of Galilee.

I'm not asking you, Lord, for time to do this and that, you are more than you give me, and more than you want me to do.
I have time, I have plenty of time, All the time that you give me, The years of my life, The days of my years, The hours of my days, They are all mine. Mine to fill, quietly, calmly, But to fill completely, up to the brim, To offer them to you, That you may make a rich wine such as you made once in Cana of Galilee.

I'm not asking you tonight, Lord, for time to do this and then that, But your grace to do conscientiously in the time that you give me, what you want me to do.

The hours are too short.
The days are too short.
Our lives are too short.
You who are beyond time, Lord, you smile to see us fighting it.
And you know what you are doing.
You make no mistakes in your distribution of time to men.
But we must not lose time.
Waste time.
Kill time.
A gift that does not keep.
Lord, I have time.
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All the time that you give me.
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The Chapel, like a parish Church, reminds us of the eternal truth that if we are too busy for God, then we are too busy. Michel Quioz reminds us that we are all busy people, especially in Oxford, and we spend a great deal of time running around frantically. What we need is to spend more time with God, listening to His voice, and seeking to do His will.

We have been grateful to our preachers for making time to come to College, especially to Viscount Tonypandy who fought such a very courageous battle against cancer. He spoke to us about the 'Power of the Resurrection'. Bishop Richard Harre reminded us that Jesus came 'That we may have life,' Harold Harland spoke about 'Sex as a good servant but a bad master'. Dr Day expounded 'Emmanuel — God with us'. Barbara Cox gave us a graphic picture of 'The Suffering Church' in Burma and Nagorno-Karabakh, Peter Wyse spoke about 'Reaching out to Young People', Tim Beacham talked to us about 'The Inspiration of the Holy Spirit', and Joanna Forche and Denise Whittaker returned to College to speak about 'Life Beyond Oxford'. Joanna is teaching music in school, and Denise has undertaken social work among homeless and needy people.

In Michaelmas Term 1995, Nick Pollard from the Solent Christian Trust asked: 'Why Believe in Jesus?' Keith Salt spoke about 'Our Search for Fulfilment'. Professor Geoffrey New shared with us that for him and, for many scientists, 'Science is Compatible with Christian Belief.' Edward Fisher, Consultant Surgeon at Birmingham, spoke on 'Medicine and Faith'. Dr Kenneth McAll, consultant psychiatrist, gave a fascinating account of his ministry of exorcism with people and horses, 'Hospital and Haunted'. Wing Commander Brian Butterfield DFC, DFC, former night fighter pilot, spoke on Remembrance Sunday on 'A Master of Life and Death'. Victoria Ninive, Chaplain to St Michael's, spoke about 'Homoeopathy — Living with the Living'. The term concluded with a very enjoyable and inspiring Carol Service with many fine carols being sung by our excellent Choir.

In Hilary Term, we welcomed Chris Lambrianou, (author of Escape from the Kray Madness), who spoke about 'The Greatest Love'. Beaton Stevenson, psychanalyst, Consultant and Chaplain of Littin House, advised us on 'How to Cope with Grief'. Niall Sands spoke about the apostle Thomas — 'A Doubter Convicted', and Canon Keith Fould shared with us his ministry for those in prison. I was in prison and you come to me'. Greg Downes from Wythstane Hall described 'God's Call to Full-Time Service', and Tony Cook spoke of 'The Impeccable Famine' at a crowded Christmas Service. De Vere Root from Western College, Illinois, suggested that we need to 'Learn to Love God', and Bishop Peter Ball gave us a Lenten meditation on 'Compassion and Weakness'.

In Trinity Term, Brian Mountford, Vicar of the University Church, spoke about 'The Dangerous Edge', those who are on the fringe of belief. Professor Andrew Goudie reminded us by saying that we all have a
Serious obligation to ‘Care for Creation’.

Bishop Thomas McMahon explained the ‘Choices Facing Christians Today’, still as revolutionary as they were in the days of Jesus. Professor Martin Biddle gave us a fascinating and very scholarly account of ‘Archaeology and its influence on the Church’, Young People, Tim Bradshaw talked to us about ‘The Inspiration of College to speak about ‘Life Beyond Oxford’.

Simon Jordan returned to tell us about ‘Life beyond the Dreaming Spires’.

Grateful thanks are due to Phillip Elliott, Alistair Reid and the Chapel Choir for some magnificent introits and anthems which have greatly enhanced our worship throughout the year. The Choir has been excellent and has performed music at a high standard; its members also enjoyed a successful visit to France.

My thanks also and appreciation to the Bible Clerks, Alison Robson, Greg Davidson-Shrine, Amanda Berlan, Brenda Cohen, Caroline Allison, and Vicky Curry for all their hard work and encouragement, getting everything ready for our services. As Paul wrote to the Philippians:

I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And I am sure that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to feel this about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent, and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruits of righteousness which come through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

The Chapel 1996-7

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In the book Twenty-four hours a day, based upon God calling, edited by A. J. Russell, the writer advises: ‘Seek God early in the day, before He gets crowded out by life’s problems, difficulties or pleasures. In that early quiet time, you can gain a calm, strong confidence in the goodness and purpose of our Creator. Do not seek God only when the world’s struggles prove too much and too many for us to bear or face alone. Seek God early, when you can have a consciousness of God’s Spirit in the world. People often only seek God when their difficulties are too great to be sur-
mounted it in any other way, forgetting that if they sought God's companionship and guidance before they need it, many of their problems would never arise. Like roses and fruit trees, we must be pruned of a lot of dead wood and branches before we will be ready to bear good fruit. We can think of transformed lives as trees which have been stripped of their old branches, pruned, cut and bare. But through the dark, seemingly dead branches flows silently, secretly, the new sap, until the warmth and sunlight of spring comes new life. Slowly, there are new leaves, buds, blossoms, and fruit many times better and more productive because of the pruning. We can place ourselves and our future lives in the hands of the Master Gardener, who makes no mistakes in His pruning.

In the Michaelmas Term, Dr. Alister McGrath spoke of 'The Failure of Agnosticism', providing no purpose in life and no basis for belief. Vijay Menon described 'A Hindu's Approach to God', saying that there is no living God in Hinduism. William Olhausen and Brunel James presented some debates showing how dramatic changes can be a really effective way of preaching the Gospel. Andrew Wraggfield-Mugby, Cricketer Rose, spoke powerfully at a well-attended Sportmen's Service which was supported by members of the rugger, soccer, and hockey teams. Lord Coggan preached on Remembrance Sunday, on the appropriate theme 'Let Us Forget', reminding us of the great cost of those who laid down their lives for us. Dr. Julian Thompson gave a brilliant account of the life of the famous poet and hymn-writer, William Cowper of Olney, Buckinghamshire, and of his courageous lifelong battle with depression. The term concluded with an excellent Advent Carol Service at which Chris Pemberton spoke very powerfully.

In the Hilary Term, Dr. Beaumont Sterne, psychotherapist and Chaplain to the Warneford Hospital, gave us 'A Prescription for Dealing with Worry and Anxiety'. John Swarbrick, whose Church in Marlborough Road has become a visible demonstration of the Resurrection of Jesus by becoming completely rebuilt and full, reminded us that this is a 'Time to Speak out for God' and one to escape to a haven of silence. Greg Downes told us that God's truth is out there, and Rosie Rider gave us glimpses of the 'Return of Truth' to Lewisham and Kent. Lords Longford and Rosemary, gave us some excellent addresses on 'The Devil and the Sovereignty of God', Sally Trench spoke with great and fiery passion about 'The Forgotten Children of Bosnia', telling us of her work of rescue of dozens of Bosnian children, providing them with a good home, good education, and caring, compassionate friends. Lord Longford challenged us to see the relevance of 'Christian Mission Values' in a post-Christian society slowly drifting further away from God.

In the Trinity Term, Vijay Menon spoke of 'The Inspiration of the Resurrection' and Chris Pemberton asked if 'The Christian Faith is just a crutch?'. If so, it's a very appropriate crutch and very far from being a soft option. Steve Conant described seeing miracles in the Lives of many of our leading Sportmen and Sportswomen. Tony Coles has frequently described the 'Spirituality of Victorian Writers'; so, in particular, he spoke of his admission for Derek Malley Hopkins. Dr. Kenneth McKnight gave many fascinating examples of 'Exorcists and Healing the Haunted'. He is one of the leading authorities on exorcism in today's society. He has been widely employed in this very specialized field of ministry. He is also one of the leading authorities on exorcism in today's society. He has been widely employed in this very specialized field of ministry.
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able to attend worship regularly, reminding us that if the message of the risen Christ is fearlessly preached and there is a strong, warm, outgoing fellowship, people will be drawn to Jesus today as they were in the first

Our Choir have produced some magnificent music this year under the leadership of Alistair Reid and Ross Good. The anthems and introits and other music have greatly enhanced our worship and we are grateful to Al and Tony and all members of the Choir for all they have done. We are also very grateful to Alison Robson, Brenda Cohen, Amanda Berlan, Greg Davidson-Shine, Vicky Singh-Curry and Caroline Allison for their help as Bible Clerks in preparing for Chapel Services and for their hard work throughout the year.

Alexander Solzhenitsyn once said that ‘the line between good and evil passes through every human heart’. Sooner or later in our lives we can become sufficiently aware of this fact to be willing to make a wholeheart-
ed response to God. In the film, Which will you have — Christ or Barabbas?, Barabbas is portrayed looking up at the agonizing spectacle of Jesus Christ dying on the Cross. Slowly but surely it dawns on Barabbas for the first time in his life that Jesus has taken his place and that he, a guilty man, is being allowed to go free at the enormous cost of Jesus’s life. As this truth dawns on his dull understanding he is heard to say of Jesus: ‘HE TOOK MY PLACE, HE DIED FOR ME . . . NOW I MUST LIVE FOR HIM’.

R.M.C.

Editor’s notes
1 At this service of College Evensong on 30 April 1995, Bishop Hare dedicated the recently acquired painting now hung on the east wall of the Chapel, a copy of Caravaggio’s Taking of Christ, by Mark Alexander.
2 This address is reprinted in this issue of the Magazine, p.55.
3 This address is also reprinted in the Magazine, p.61.
Kate Watson-Smyth, in the course of a piece in the Independent of 30 July 1997, reported Lord Longford as giving it as his view that the Moors murderer Myra Hindley would have a job waiting for her if she was ever released from prison. Her long-time supporter said he had no doubt that she would find work: 'She is a trained secretary and she has an Open University honours degree. She'd be a personal assistant to somebody. Myra has many friends and supporters. The idea that she is hated by everyone is quite wrong. Lord Longford, 91, said he could imagine a press conference at which she would introduce herself to the world. 'She's a world figure. Journalists would see a bespectacled middle-aged lady, full of friendliness. The press would think there was no story and they would soon get sick of it.'

Junior Common Room 1995-6
President: Tom Fletcher
Secretary: Deidre Bowen
Treasurer: Dave Cern

The Junior Common Room has had an extremely constructive year, taking advantage of increasingly conciliatory relations with both the MCR and SCR to improve and expand undergraduate facilities. For this, we have much for which to thank last year's Executive: Martin Gillet proved a tireless campaigner, while Ciaran Martin's calmness and assurance were vital. Within the JCR, firm plans were laid for the new coffee bar, while the Holywell JCR has received a 'facelift and silicon implants' with many new vending and games machines, including a pool table. A Yearbook has been published and welfare provision expanded. Recycling schemes have spiralled and guest dinners — from 'Wildwest’ to 'Star Wars' — have proved extremely popular. JCR meetings have continued to combine both serious and more light-hearted issues, more recent motions including a tax on 'tards and the changing of the President's title to 'Lord High Baboon of All Oxford', on account of his alleged likeness. Meanwhile, a furious debate on smoking has dominated most of Trinity Term.

Within College, we hope to nurture a strong feeling of affinity and unity between the common rooms, which it is hoped will have very positive results. Jointly with the MCR, the JCR presented the Dean with a clock to express our gratitude for twenty-five years in an extremely demanding post. One revolutionary change has been that the JCR can now use the lawn for croquet on Sunday afternoons, and victory was claimed by default in a challenge to senior members. The bar remains a crucial defining characteristic of the friendly and open nature of the College, and we have been grateful for (mostly) helpful advice from senior members on the efficiency and success of this essential facility. It has also been terrific to see more and more senior members venturing down to what it is hoped will become more of a focus for everyone involved in College life.

Sports remains an area where Herford excels, and it is also encouraging to witness the expansion of music and drama within the College. We have continued to have members involved in a wealth of university activities, including our dominoes team of the Oxford Students.

In a year when so many Oxford colleges have been harried by virtual civil war between the common rooms, it has been reassuring to see Herford retain its friendly and balanced atmosphere. We look forward to this trend continuing during the coming year and I remain as excited as ever about being part of such a diverse and exciting community.

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Junior Common Room 1996-7
President: Emma Fraser
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Herford JCR continues to be a happy, tolerant, and successful body. With JCR representation on Governing Body and twice termly Joint Committee meetings, we play an active and interested role in College decision-making and continue to enjoy a good working relationship with both the MCR and the SCR.

The 1996-7 academic year saw the redevelopment of the Lodge and the opening of the new Smith Room, which provides for tea and coffee for undergraduates. New JCR acquisition has included an exercise bike, a drumkit and touch-loving Sky TV! (We reckoned — wrongly, alas — that refusal of planning permission for the dishes would scepter this). The College strives to produce a healthy JCR atmosphere mixing work and play. We were delighted to see Herford reach fifth place in the unofficial 1996 Ninnington Tug, and the girls in particular performed exceptionally well, achieving the highest women's result of any College in the University. The bar is still a major social focal point in College and our thanks must go to Claire Hawkins and Martin Kershaw for their committed and professional management of the bar over the past year. Bar funds have been used to fund other JCR projects such as the Dramatic Society, which has seen a successful representation this year.

Musical and sporting activities also flourished, especially rowing, with the opening of our new College boathouse. Many thanks to everyone who helped to make it possible. The social calendar for '96-'97 was composed of a good mix of guest dinners, formnightly bores, joint events with other colleges and a memorable night at Michaelmas Term when the majority of Herford JCR were to be found on a party boat on the Thames!
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The College strives to produce a healthy JCR atmosphere mixing work and play. We were delighted to see Hertford reach fifth place in the unofficial 1996 Norrington Table and the girls in particular performed exceptionally well, achieving the highest women's results of any College in the University. The bar is still a major social focal point in College and our thanks must go to Claire Hawkins and Martin Kneeshaw for their committed and professional management of the bar over the past year. Bar funds have been used to fund other JCR projects such as the Dramatic Society, which has seen a successful rejuvenation this year.

Music and sports are thriving, especially rowing, with the opening of our wonderful new College boathouse. Many thanks to everyone who helped to make it possible. The social calendar for '96-'97 was composed of a good mix of guest dinners, fortnightly bops, joint events with other colleges and a memorable night in Michaelmas Term when the majority of Hertford JCR were to be found on a party boat on the Thames! 
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With an already successful social climate, much effort this year was placed on improving the MCR facilities. Of the four major rooms in the MCR complex, two were remodelled during the academic year and another revamp is planned for the early summer, the Tea Room having already been refurbished last year. The most extensive change to the MCR facilities was undoubtedly the refurbishment of the computer room, with this kind support of the Bursar and the Housekeeper, and the excellent craftsmanship of the College workmen, new wooden benches, carpet, and Ethernet connections were installed. The MCR then installed new artwork and curtains to complete the refurbishment.

Four new computers and a new printer were also donated by the College to alleviate the serious pressures on the few existing machines. To address this problem further, an agreement was formulated with the SCR, guaranteeing two new computers per year for the next few years. The MCR wishes to thank the members of the Computing Committee for their generous understanding of the competing needs of graduate members.

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Some further improvements in the MCR this year have included a new MCR movie cabinet with almost 80 movies, a new VCR and holding cabinet, a new and larger bulletin board at the MCR entrance, and the creation of a wine cabinet run by a current MCR member, who is an experienced wine expert.

Despite these improvements to the MCR, the primary concern continues to be the housing needs of its graduate members. Although the renovation of the graduate houses continues, security concerns and pressure on room availability have prevailed. In addressing this concern, the MCR has been greatly encouraged by the College's commitment to a new graduate centre as the primary concern of the College Appeal.

In spite of this year's material gains, the wealth of the MCR resides in the goodwill of the graduate members and of the College in general. The MCR continues to pride itself on its friendly social environment in hopes that this offers a strong foundation for academic excellence.

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As in past years, effort was concentrated on improving the MCR facilities. The computer room, which serves both members' academic and recreational needs, was a primary target. Money which was saved from last year's MCR budget was added to the funds provided by College under the annual computer agreement to purchase four new Pentium PCs and a high-resolution colour scanner. The MCR now has eight Pentium PCs and two Apple Power Macintosh's, a colour scanner, and a 1200 dpi laser printer. The Computer Clerk oversaw the connection of the MCR computers to the central College server which has, for the first time, provided each computer with a full selection of the latest software programs and seamless printing via the network. The new system has the added benefit of automatically parking members for their printing. A new photocopier was also purchased for the MCR computer room to service the reproductive needs of members (steady on, Ed.) who do not have access to alternative facilities. Although this was a significant purchase, absorbing an unprecedented 25% of the annual budget, it is hoped that it will ease the burden upon members, once all the teething problems are solved.

On 17 June 1997, a portrait of the College architect, Sir Thomas Jackson, was unveiled by his grandson, Sir Nicholas Jackson. The portrait, painted by a former MCR member, Mark Alexander, and commissioned by last year's MCR President, now hangs in a central position in the Octagon. Although commissioned and partly funded by the MCR, contributions from the Hertford Society and the SCR facilitated its completion and their generosity is gratefully acknowledged.

The ongoing renovation of the MCR public rooms continued apace, with an assault on the Octagon. New wooden tables of a surprising and opulent design were ordered. Moreover, it was intended that new and appropriate lighting be installed this year. However, due to aesthetic considerations, this improvement has had to be deferred for a time. In these purchases, we were lucky enough to have a President who battled against underspending and the fiscal prudence of previous administrations.

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day was one to savour, with it coming quite late in the race, as the crews rowed past the main boathouses. To therefore be bumped down on the first day of Summer Eights proved to be something of a disappointment for the Women; however, the crew were able to put this behind them, and to have two row-overs — including a brave second-day performance, when some late coming meant that the crew were able to hold off the advancing St John’s crew — before regaining their place in the Division with a final day bump along The Green Bank, in the sunshine, before the crowds.

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This year, Lady Margaret Hall organized a small league to add to the competition of the season. Hertford won only one game in the league, the opening fixture versus St Edmund Hall. However, there was some controversy when it was found that LMH had decided to apply some 'creative accounting' to the scoreboard in a match that the league organizers won by just one run. Two more games, those against Exeter and St Catherine’s, were abandoned as draws on account of diabolical British weather. The other two league matches versus St Anne’s and Pembroke were lost convincingly by poor Hertford batting and inept fielding. The St Anne’s fixture was combined with the College’s first round Cuppers fixture to make that loss even more painful. In addition to the league fixtures a number of friendly matches were played including those against Lincoln, Wadham, and St Peter’s, with these games resulting in excellent victories for the College.

The bowling was tight and penetrative, especially from old hands Dave Fotheringham and Fuz De Mierre. Tom Fletcher exerted pressure on the batsman by bowling his own individual blend of slow off-cutting seamers and vicious long hops designed to fool the batsman into playing poor shots. Finals and first-year exams sometimes caused the bowling attack to be depleted. Richard Gregory, Tim Segaller, Richard Law, and Richard Coles were all used to make up the attack in the early season. Later in the season the Junior Dean and William Wood (who returned to cricket after a three-year rest) brought an extra bite to the bowling. In the field Hertford were either terrible or brilliant. Andrew Wigmore rose to the challenge of wicketkeeper with some success. Richard Law took some outstanding catches and Martin Booth produced some fine stops (though preferring to stop the ball with any part of his body other than with his hands). In early season the top order often crumbled, leaving one person to rescue the team, like Wigmore (45 not out) against Teddy Hall or Tom Munro (69) against Pembroke. Richard Coles entered in the middle order to plunder the attacks and compile some very useful innings. First-year Richard Law illustrated his cricketing maturity by playing some very useful middle order innings throughout the season. However, it was Captain Richard Gregory (69) and the flamboyant William Wood (79) who proved to be batting heroes. Gregory regularly scored bravely against the opposition and together with Wood teamed up for a College record century stand against St Peter’s.

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Glyn Taylor

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Publications and Productions

For some years now, it has been the practice of successive Editors of the Magazine to produce a list of publications and other creative works produced by Fellows, Lecturers, and former members of the College. After a protracted period of reflection, during which he has followed the custom of his predecessors and attempted annually to compile such a list, he has now decided to recast this section of the Magazine. While not being deterred by the lack – with certain honourable exceptions – of observance of his circulated specimen of ‘house style’, nor the difficulties of deciphering hand-written submissions involving foreign languages, mathematical formulae, obscure acronyms, over-abbreviated journal titles, and a host of incomplete details, all of which constitute a challenge which should of course be relished, he has not succeeded in overcoming his more general reservations.

First, the list is always markedly incomplete, and consequently misleading. Some colleagues neglect to make a submission; others decline to do so, through modesty, diffidence, or a definite sense that the exercise is somehow inappropriate. Second, the resultant pages are sometimes, at least in part, singularly unilluminating except to the relevant fellow specialists. Thirdly, it might be more revealing and certainly more readable, were the section to consist of a broad report of Fellows’ and Lecturers’ recent research activities, travels, and academic achievements, with their key publications highlighted, thereby also fulfilling the traditional function of this portion of the Magazine as some kind of record. Major publications by members could be mentioned in the ‘News of Members’ section.

The Editor ventures to propose, therefore, to commence this policy with the next issue of the Magazine, and will be circulating his colleagues accordingly with invitations to submit short accounts of their doings.
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Publications and Productions

For some years now, it has been the province of successive Editors of the Magazine to produce a list of publications and other creative works produced by Fellows, Lecturers, and former members of the College. After a protracted period of reflection, during which he has followed the custom of his predecessors and attempted annually to compile such a list, he has now decided to reconstitute it with the Magazine. While not being deterred by the lack — with certain honourable exceptions - of obscurity of his circulated specimen of 'house style', nor the difficulties of deriving hand-written submissions involving foreign languages, mathematical formulae, obscure acronyms, over-abbreviated journal titles, and a host of incomplete details, all of which constitute a challenge which should at any be relished, he has not succeeded in overcoming his general reservations.

First, the list is always marred and incomplete, and consequently misleading. Some colleagues neglect to make a submission; others decline to do so, through modesty, difference, or a definite sense that the exercise is somehow inappropriate. Second, the resultant pages are sometimes, at least in part, singularly unilluminating except to the relevant fellow specialists. Thirdly, it might be more revealing and certainly more readable, were the section to consist of a broad report of Fellows' and Lecturers' recent research activities, travels, and academic achievements, with their key publications highlighted, thereby also fulfilling the traditional function of this portion of the Magazine as some kind of record. Major publications by members could be mentioned in the 'News of Members' section.

The Editor ventures to propose, therefore, to continue this policy with the next issue of the Magazine, and will be circulating his colleagues accordingly with invitations to submit short accounts of their doings.
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KAO Wen-chih

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LI Yen
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HUANG Tai-Mou (Paul)
LIN Chao-Pu (Bo)

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WHITEHOUSE Sharon P.
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BARNES, Gavin

BIOCHEMISTRY

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BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

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MAXIMINO-SMITA, Emily
SIEU-ROCK, Christopher

HUMAN BIOLOGY

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THORLEY, Joseph III

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NICHOLSON, Natasha Pass
YARBOR, Joanna I

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HENDERSON, Janet Pass
NEEDHAM, Emma Pass
ARCHER, Hilary Iii
PARKER, Sean Pass
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**ENGLISH & MOD.LANGS.**

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**FINE ART**

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**GEOGRAPHY**

- BRACE, Henry
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**HISTORY**

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**HISTORY & MOD.LANGUAGES**

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**MATHMATICS**

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**MODERN LANGUAGES**

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**PHYSIOLOGY**

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SINGH-CURRY, Victoria

1st BM Part II

DHINGRA, Sunil

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PHYSIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

ALLISON, Caroline E.

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CHEMISTRY

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MUSIC

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ORIENTAL STUDIES

EDWARDS, Edward

P.E.

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ECONOMICS & MANAGEMENT

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PSYCHOLOGY & PHILOSOPHY

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## Modern Languages
- BOWIE, Anna L. (FIR) PASS
- BROWN, Paul G. (FIR) PASS
- CLAYTON, Mary A. (FIR) PASS
- KNOX, Michael J. (FIR) PASS

## Archaeology & Anthropology
- GRAY, Sarah R. PASS
- POVEY, Victoria J. PASS
- RODRIGUEZ, Fanta PASS

## Biochemistry
- BATE, Lisa PASS
- MASON, Andrew D. PASS
- WINSTANLEY, Catherine A. PASS

## Biological Sciences
- JACKSON, Andrew S.N. PASS
- MIDDLETON, Simon A. PASS
- WHITWELL, Jennifer L. PASS
- WILLIAMS, Alexandra E. PASS

## Human Sciences
- DALE, Caroline PASS
- HALL, Ruth E. PASS
- THEN, Ee-Ling PASS

## Medicine
- BRIAR, Charlotte PASS
- EDWARDS, Carey P. PASS
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## Physiological Sciences
- CARR, Georgina PASS
- PEARSON, Rachael A. PASS

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- MEYER, Andrew D. PASS
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## Bioinformatics
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- MOORE, Jonathan R. PASS

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- Brian GREENHILL
- Cecilia REDD

**Engineering**
- Christopher TAYLOR
- Theo TAYE

**English**
- Natalie EDWARDS

**Geography**
- Paul OAGE

**History**
- Christian DIFTTLAPF
- Gwydion WINTER

**Law**
- Gareth EDWARDS
- Daniel HARVEY
- Edward OLDING

The following were elected to College Scholarships on the recommendation of their tutors:

**Law**
- Claire McCONKEY
- Alayna WIBLE
- Lister STEINING
- Mike BARNARD

**Arts & Humanities**
- Anne HAOUR
- Daniel EATHERLEY
- Alisee DILLON
- Martin DAVIDSON
- David HUGHES
- Jonathan BENNETT
- Nicholas GIBBONS
- Ian LEWIS
- James LIBBY
- Ian SCAFFS

The following were awarded Book Prizes for gaining a First in Schools:

**Arts & Humanities**
- Martin DAVIDSON
- Nicola THOMAS
- Alan CURRY

**Mathematics**
- John BENNETT
Awards and Prizes 1995

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  - Brian GREENHILL
- **Engineering**
  - Theo TAYLOR
- **Geography**
  - Natalie EDWARDS
- **History**
  - Christian METTLAFF
- **Law**
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  - Gareth EDWARDS
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- **Law**
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- **English**
  - Alysion NOBLE
- **Lit. Hum.**
  - Mike BARNARD

The following were awarded Book Prizes for gaining a First in Schools:

- **Archaeology**
  - Andrew KJELDER
- **Biology**
  - Daniel KATHRYN
- **Human Sciences**
  - Steven DILLON
- **Engineering Science**
  - Martin DAVIDSON
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College Prizes awarded as follows for excellent performance:

**Engineering**  
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- **Chemistry**
  - Master BLYTHE
- **English**
  - Emma FRAZIER
- **English/Lang.**
  - Michaela LOWIE (French)
- **Geography**
  - Stephen PROST
  - Helen MACDONALD
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- **Geography**
  - Sezina SHARMAN
- **Law**
  - Rosalind ASHCROFT
- **Lit. Hum.**
  - Tom SEGALLER
- **Physics**
  - Lucie WHITFORD

The following were awarded Book Prizes for gaining a First in Schools:

- **Biology**
  - Emily RAYFIELD
- **Chemistry**
  - Wai Siam LAU
  - Paul STUPPLE
  - Joanna WAGNER
- **Engineering**
  - Erin HAYMAN
  - Sinead GAFNEN
  - Ruth MILLSTROM
  - Alex NOBLE
- **English & Mod. Lng.**
  - Nicoll QUAYLE
  - Mark ALEXANDER
- **Fine Art**
  - Simon FACKN
  - Chih-Ming SIN
- **Geography**
  - Jonathan COX
  - Chris LYNNHAM

The following were elected to College Scholarships in 1996:

- **Chemistry**
  - Alastair BLYTHE
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  - Dangerfield Prize
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English
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1939 Nigel Maclean has retired and has returned to France to the UK.
1943 Antony Page was Mayor of Guildford 1992-93 and has been a Surrey County Councillor since 1983.
1949 John Nossington has been awarded the Order of the Grand Warrior (OGW) by the Government of Kenya. He lives in Nairobi.
1949 David Yorston has retired again.
1951 Professor David Goldberg was knighted in 1996. He is Head of the Department of Psychology, University of London, and Director of the Maudsley.
1952 David Tudor is retiring as Chief Financial Officer at Intelex, Washington DC, and will be living in the UK.
1953 David Goodgame, Professor of Chemistry at Imperial College, London, has been elected to the Governing Body of Imperial.
1955 Professor Max Cowan has been elected an Honorary Fellow of Hertford.
1955 John Harding is a freelance lecturer and teacher of Arabic.
1955 Pete Dennis has retired from his lectureship at Kingston College (formerly Kingston College of Further Education).
1956 Oliver Prenn is Chairman of the PII Group; they design and make footwear, mainly for Marks & Spencer.
1957 John Woodhouse, Full-Time Professor of Italian and Editor of Maghreb, has been elected a Fellow of the British Academy.
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1959 Col. John Grundy is a civil servant with the Ministry of Defence. He has been appointed assistant regimental secretary at the Wrexham office of the Royal Regiment of Wales.
1959 Jeffrey Preston is Director General, Energy, in the Department of Trade and Industry.
1959 Michael Cross is Assistant Vice-President, International Education, Varsity Group, Dubai.
1959 The Reverend Murdoch MacKenzie, a member of the Ioan Community, has been appointed Ecumenical Moderator of Milton Keynes.
1959 Sir Bruce Parmalee has been elected an Honorary Fellow of the College.
1959 Stuart Brewer is Executive Secretary of the recently established Liberty and Information Commission in London. From 1985 to 1995 he was City Librarian and Arts Officer in Newcastle upon Tyne, in which city he retains his main home.
1960 T. M. Addis is Visiting Professor in the Department of Environmental Sciences and Mathematics at the University of East London.
1960 Christopher John is finance director of a joint UK/Russian venture which is producing oil in the autonomous republic of Komi. He will be based in Moscow for two years.
1960 David Spedding, Chief of Special Intelligence Services, was appointed KCMG in the Birthday Honours, 1996.
1961 Sir Roger Wheeler is Chief of the General Staff. He was advanced to GCB in the 1997 New Year Honours List. He has been elected to Honorary Fellow.
1961 John Vincent is a school teacher.
1961 John Doble has been appointed High Commissioner to Swaziland.
1963 Des Hodnett is with Zeneca Agrochemicals, based at Haslemere, Surrey.
1963 Rodney Bakes-Bates is Director of Finance and Information Technology at the BIC.
1964 Adrian Oldknow, return from teaching at the Chichester Institute of Higher Education is now a Research Fellow.
1964 Tony Champion has been appointed Professor of Population Geography in the University of Newcastle.
1965 Dr Eric Parr was awarded an MBE for services to the disabled and sport.
1965 David Hubbard still lives in Monaco. He is President of the Monte Carlo Club, Secretary of the local Institute of Directors, and organiser of a bi-annual lunch for Oxburgh and Trinity College Durham graduates living in the Cote d'Azur.
1965 Robert Averill is now Chief Executive of the Government Central Computer and Telecommunications Agency (CCTA).
1966 Peter Titchener is General Secretary of Multiport, the ship agents' network, based in London.
1966 Robin Thomas is a chartered accountant.
1966 Rupert Perry was Deputy Mayor of Ilfracombe in 1996 and will be Mayor in 1997.
1967 David Spark is an IT consultant.
1967 Nigel Yarrow is County Personnel Officer for Somersetshire County Council.
1967 Trevor Halveson is Secretary General of the Committee of European Railways, and is living in Brussels.
1967 Paul Tennedoe is a session leader in Pharmacokinetics, working in the pharmaceutical industry in Germany.
1968 David Haier is a consulting actuary.
1968 Terje Huba has left British Aerospace's military aircraft division and is now a project management consultant, currently working with Ford Motor Co. in Detroit.
1969 Richard Turner is a wine merchant, living in Santa Barbara, California.
1970 Malcolm Cope is running the Group Leaders with Sage Engineering, Bath.
1970 Barney Mendes de Costa has been elected a Fellow of the Royal College of General Practitioners.
1970 C. A. Humphreys is an IT consultant.
1970 Paul Magdalen is a member of the Lord Chancellor's Honorary Investment Advisory Committee.
1971 Bernard Roberts is editor of the New Zealand Land Journal.
1971 Christopher Wright is Director of Licence Enforcement and Fair Trading, Office of Telecommunications, London.
1971 Dr Nigel Halt was elected President of the Monmouthshire Brass Society in June 1995.
1971 G. C. Elliott is director of Access, Worcester College of Higher Education.
1972 D. G. A. Fair is an event organiser for the Sun Ryden Foundation based in Skipton, North Yorkshire.
1972 Dr Rooy rvioe is a Trustee of the Commonwealth Zoological Corporation in Boston, Mass.
1972 Jeremy Storace is a librarian with the Warrington County Library, specialising in bibliographical services.
1972 Peter Dart started his own firm, the Added Value Company - eight years ago it has grown into a business of over £10 million in turnover. Peter was a Junior Scholar. He is currently Director of Income at Windsor Parish Church. Their organ is a Hunter, as is the Harvard instrument.
1972 Williams Massey is a Quaker's Counsel.
1973 Sherrill Cooper-Colin is appointed CMS in the Birthday Honours, 1997. He has been posted to the British Embassy, Paris, as Political Counsellor.
1973 Ed Villanueva, who works for the Guardian, has been made International Reporter of the Year at the Annual British Press Awards.
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1973 Harry Holcroft, after 22 years in the Household Cavalry, is a professional illustrator and author. He now lives in Provence.

1973 Jon Blowers rowed bow in the victorious Oxford Veterans’ eight that beat Cambridge in April 1996. He has been elected to the Leander Club.

1973 Mark Teversham’s Caribbean director and Jo KM man for Barclays Bank.

1973 Nicholas Anderson has moved from South Africa to Holland. He is a tour director for Central Europe.

1973 Peter Baker is a wine grower in Monmouth.

1973 Richard Thompson is Reader in Physics at Imperial College, London.

1973 Stratford Caldecote and Leonis Richards (1974) live in Oxford. He is a Director of the Centre for Faith and Culture at Westminister College, whose purpose is the renewal and application of Catholic theology.

1974 David Roe is Head of the Sixth Form Centre, Tonbridge Community College, Sussex.

1974 Dr Robert Norton is chief of heat transfer, Allison Engineering Co., in Indianapolis.

1974 E. J. R. Harris is operations Director for Searam Europe and Africa.

1974 Gordon How-shane Cain is Professor of Sociology and Vice-Chairman of the Council of Labour Affairs, National Taiwan University.

1974 Massimo di Matteo is Professor of Economics at the University of Siena.

1974 Patricia Rhodes (née Crabtree) is a Design and Print Consultant.

1975 Andrew Boynton is a managing member of Chat Services in Cape Town, South Africa. They trade under the name of Grandy Pies from a retail shop in Muizenbay.

1975 Andrew Laughton is a research scientist.

1975 Richard Watts is consultant rheumatologist to Ipswich NHS Trust.

1976 Jeremy Bennett is head of corporate strategy analysis, Shell International, based in London.

1976 Steve Lewis is head of personnel for Landmark Insurers, based in Northampton.

1977 Edward Fisher is working as a Consultant ENT Surgeon in Birmingham. He has been awarded the RM. Mr.

1977 John Dewar, former Tutor in Law 1990-95, is Professor of Law at Griffith University, Queensland.

1977 Ruth Sinclair-Jones is the British Council’s regional finance co-ordinator for Central Europe. She is based in Warsaw with her husband David Jones (1977) and their two children.

1978 David Elvin was appointed Junior Counsel to the Crown, Common Law, by the Attorney-General in August 1995.
1978 David Wade is a translator.
1978 Dr John Slade is consultant anaesthetist and pain specialist at the West Suffolk Hospital.
1978 Jeremy Latham is an orthopaedic surgeon in Birmingham.
1978 Peter Whatley is commercial manager with IBM (UK) Ltd with responsibility for the Irish Republic, Ulster, and 'that part of the UK north of Crewe'.
1979 David Naylor is chief executive officer of the Institute for Clinical Evaluative Sciences, staff physician at Sunybrook Health Science Center and Professor of Medicine, University of Toronto.
1979 Denis Keefe has returned from a three-year posting as Head of Political Section, Danish High Commission, Nairobi, and is now Assistant Head of South Asia Department at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office.
1979 Dr Rodrick Macrorie is a medical missionary. He has been appointed project director of a tuberculosis and leprosy control programme for a population of two million in western Nepal.
1979 Judy Raymond is an associate editor with the Trinidad Express newspaper.
1979 Kevin Brown has been involved in setting up and developing the Alexander Fleming Laboratory Museum, which restores a reconstruction of the room in which he discovered penicillin in 1928. Kevin also organized in 1995 the sesquicentenary celebrations of St Mary's Hospital, Paddington.
1979 Paul Pinto is a teacher.
1979 Stephen Mouwagh is with Bates Saatchi & Saatchi Advertising in Budapest.
1980 Adrian Berrill is a solicitor.
1980 Alison Messchendorp (nee Gibbs is a freelance translator and lives in the Netherlands.
1980 Andrew Callard is a consultant.
1980 Jeremy Heywood is head of securities and markets policy at the Treasury.
1980 Kathryn Hough (née Shore) is a partner in general medical practice in Evesham. Her husband Adrian (1987) is Vicar of the United Benefice of Badsey with Aldington, Offenham, and Bretforton.
1981 Carl Gorham had a comedy series on Radio 4. He is married to Vicky Sipek (1980).
1981 Dr Ceri Sullivan has been appointed Lecturer in English at the University of Wales, Bangor.
1981 Elizabeth Poitling is an operational research consultant with the Post Office.
1981 Graham Doidge is a banker.
1981 Jacques Smith, Head of Economics and GNVQ Co-ordinator, Haybridge High School, has been elected Labour Member of Parliament for Redditch.
1981 Lucy Phillips (nee Connell) is now a director at Mees Pierson.
1981 Mark Thornber obtained his Ph.D. in 1989 at the State University of New York, Stonybrook. He is now a maths teacher at Durham Johnston Comprehensive School.
1981 Patrick Vallen is studying for an MBA in Boston.
1982 Adam Pentney is a nuclear technology engineer.
1982 Andrew Leopold is a research biotechnologist. He has been awarded his D.Phil.
1982 Christian J. Wright owns (and runs with his wife) a language school in Castelo Branco, Portugal.
1982 Isabel Collyer is pursuing a successful career as a singer and actress. She has gained a postgraduate diploma in singing from the Royal College of Music (ARCM) and a diploma in acting from the Acting Company of Arts Educational London Schools. She has performed in major European venues, and on BBC Radios 2, 3, and 4; she has made a number of CDs and performed works of composers including Hugh Collins Rice (1980).
1982 John Wilmore is UK Sales Manager for ICI. His wife Deirdre (née Flannery, Dublin 1987) is Human Resources Director for GE Capital in the UK. They live in Attleham, Cheshire.
1983 Brian Evans is a project manager with Sir Robert McAlpine Ltd.
1983 Celia Williams is a civil servant. She has been awarded her D.Phil.
1983 Elisabeth David is an English tour guide and actress. She has gained a postgraduate diploma in singing from the Royal College of Music (ARCM) and a diploma in acting from the Acting Company of Arts Educational London Schools. She has performed in major European venues, and on BBC Radios 2, 3, and 4; she has made a number of CDs and performed works of composers including Hugh Collins Rice (1980).
1983 Howard McMinn is a management consultant.
1984 Richard Black is a Ph.D. awarded by the Royal Holloway and Bedford College.
1983 Steven Webb, Professor of Social Policy at the University of Bath, has been elected Liberal Democrat Member of Parliament for Northavon.
1984 Nick Upson (former JRF) is a TV producer. From 1987 to 1993 he worked with David Attenborough for the BAFTA award-winning series Birds of Life. He now works for an independent company, Green Umbrella. His films have won a number of international awards at wildlife film festivals in France, Italy, USA, and Japan. Two further films produced by Nick were screened in 1996: Beetlemania and The World in a Wood based on Wytham Wood, Oxford. An eight-part series of European wildlife films is planned. As a senior editor and producer, Nick is assisted as a researcher by Jonathan Clay (1991).
1984 Allan Lees is President and Chief Executive Officer of Software Corporation, a high technology company in California. He is married to Anne-Christine Strugnell (1985), a freelance copywriter.
1984 Jon Hall runs a company called Chameleon specialising in television. He has been a presenter on the BBC1 programme Holidays and a summer holiday.
1981 Mark Thornton obtained his Ph.D. in 1989 at the State University of New York, Stonybrook. He is now a maths teacher at Durham Johnston Comprehensive School.
1981 Patrick Rudden is studying for an MBA in Boston.
1982 Adam Proctor is a nuclear technology engineer.
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1982 John Winton is UK Sales Manager for F. He is married to Deirdre GE Capital in the UK. They live in Altrincham, Cheshire.
1983 Brian Evans is a project manager with Sir Robert McAlpine Ltd. D.Phil.
1983 Elizabeth David (née French) is a management accountant and lives in France.
1983 Howard McKellin is a management consultant.
1983 Ian McNaughton is working as a translator for the Bundesbank in Frankfurt.
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1984 Alex Lee is President and Chief Executive Officer of Software Corporation, a high-technology company in California. He is married to Anne-Christine Stranger (1985): a freelance copywriter.
1990 Ben Hall runs a company called Chatterbox, specialising in television. He has been a presenter on the BBC1 programmes Holidays Out and Summer Holidays.
1990 Jonathan Hall, who has held a Research Fellowship at Downing College, Cambridge, in Classics, has been appointed Assistant Professor of Ancient History in the departments of History and Classics at the University of Chicago. His wife, Ilaria, is an Italian classical archaeologist.
1984 Madeleine Kauz is Senior Fellow in Pathology at Brigham Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School, Massachusetts.
1984 Kai-Olaf Mentzer is Deputy Director General of the Russian Privatisation Centre in Leipzig.
1984 Tom Wimbleton is a financial journalist with the Evening Standard.
1985 David Chatto obtained his M.Litt. in 1992. He is Senior Lecturer in Sociology at Oxford Brooks University.
1985 David Thompson has been awarded his M.Phil. He is living in Chicago.
1985 Dr Timothy Wood has completed his Doctor of Medical Science degree and is a post-doctoral fellow at the Karolinska Institute and with Pharmacia and Upjohn in Stockholm.
1985 Jeffery Wilson is an assistant director with Crosby Securities, Hong Kong.
1985 John Cross, who holds a D.Phil., is an architectural historian.
1985 Jonathon Wills is a banker.
1985 Lorna Varley is a solicitor.
1985 Marco Dorigatti is a Lecturer at Corpus Christi College, Oxford.
1985 Paul Brown-Kenyon is at the Yale School of Management studying for a Masters degree in public and private management. PK is still rowing and coaching, this time for the School of Management crew, who will be racing Harvard Business School.
1985 Penny Pritchard (née Roy) is a college lecturer.
1985 Richard Briggs is a voluntary Christian worker. He recently completed an MA in biblical interpretation and is now writing a Bible training course for 'Operation Mobilisation', a worldwide Christian training organisation.
1985 Robert Seymore has moved from CS First Boston to Botts & Co., a private bank and provider of private equity capital.
1985 Stephen Rice is a university lecturer at the School of Geography, Loughborough University.
1985 Stuart Munsch has been promoted to LE-Cdr USN and is a submarine liaison officer.
1985 Susan Gordon (née Judges) is a solicitor.
1986 John Stanley is Director, University of California Education Abroad Program, based in London.
1986 Lynn Sevgen is a Pharmaceuticals Manager with Zeneca.
1986 Adrian Murrell is an actuary.
1986 Alison Fry was ordained deacon in July 1996, and is Assistant Curate, parish of St Peter with St Jude, Milton, Weston-super-Mare.
1986 Andrew Findlay is sales manager of Semiconductor Diagnosis Inc., and has moved from Edinburgh to Tampa, Florida.
1986 Christophas Harleyn-Martin is a business development manager with Smith Kline Beecham.
1986 Daniel Carey has obtained his D.Phil., and is a lecturer.
1986 Elizabeth Ivens (Mrs Marley) is a freelance journalist.
1986 Geraldine Dersley is a solicitor.
1986 Graeme Leask is a chartered accountant.
1986 James Wright is a researcher.
1986 Jason Dyne is a research assistant at the University of Leicester.
1986 Jonathan Herring is University Lecturer in Law at Christ Church, Oxford.
1986 Jine Harris is a banker.
1986 Kevin Jones is a solicitor.
1986 Martin Dumsby is business development director with GTE Mobile Communications in Springfield, Virginia.
1986 Michele Mondh is an actress.
1986 Paul Marriott is a training manager with Poston plc.
1986 Peter Wiley is a solicitor.
1986 Robert Basford has been awarded his D.Phil., and is a systems analyst.
1986 Rupert Curwen is a research engineer working in New York State.
1986 Sally Fisher is a marketing manager.
1986 Steven Hubbard is a physicist.
1986 Vincent Crump is a journalist.
1986 Richard Lewis has a D.Phil. in Biochemistry and is a Post-Doctoral Research Fellow in the University of York.
1987 Adrian Hailwood is a homeopath.
1987 Darren West is a manager with British Telecom plc. In September he is to marry Inga Buyly (1989), who is a solicitor with a City law firm.
1987 Darrelle Dobbs is a physicist.
1987 Helen Findlay is a civil servant.
1987 Ian Williamson is a Doctor of Medicine.
1987 Jeremy Smith is a trainee accountant.
1987 Jerry Wragg is a software engineer.
1987 Judith Yous has passed her D.Phil. and is an academic researcher in Oxford.
1987 Karen Jones is a Project Manager with Nestlé.
1987 Louise Hill is a solicitor working in Hong Kong.
1987 Mark Joshi is a Fellow of Darwin College, Cambridge (wrongly stated as Downing College in the last Magazine).
1987 Nicola Masmichael is a publishing rights executive.
1987 Nicola Wood is studying for an MBA at INSEAD.
1987 Richard Fox is an ecologist.
1987 Robert Howard is an IT analyst.
1987 Robert Tull is a trainee chartered accountant.
1987 Roger Spencer is a technical consultant.
1987 Sonia Hilton is a lecturer.
1987 Taiman Sleep is a Doctor of Medicine.
1987 Tim Hughes is a bank manager.
1987 Toshihiko Tadah is an software engineer.
1987 Toshio Tanaka is a marketing manager.
1987 Brian Wells is a solicitor.
1987 David Crawford has been awarded his D.Phil. and is a research assistant.
1987 Dr Philip Mael is Senior House Officer at St Bartholomew's Hospital.
1987 Elizabeth Marler (née Johnson) is production editor for a trade magazine.
1987 Gary Buxton has been awarded his D.Phil. He is a tutor.
1987 Huw Tan Nyp is a chartered accountant.
1987 Jonathan Norley is a banker.
1987 Katie Fitchett is personal assistant to the Director of the Maison Francaise, Oxford.
1987 Keith Fitzgerald is an accountant.
1987 Katrina Riggby is a teacher.
1987 Nathalie Nguyen is an Associate Lecturer in French at the University of Adelaide, South Australia.
1987 Nicola Macmillan is a publishing rights executive.
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1987 Roger Spencer is a technical consultant.
1987 Sonia Hilton is a solicitor.
1987 Wenda Sleep is a doctor of medicine.
1987 Iven Hutchins is a bank manager.
1987 Todos Zaidi is an international banking.
1987 Antoine Tinton is a lawyer.
1987 Brian Wels is an accountant.
1987 David Crawford has been awarded his D.Phil. and is a research assistant.
1987 Dr Philip Heasley is in senior House Officer at Scarborough Hospital.
1988 Elizabeth Marcy is a production editor for a trade magazine.
1988 Gray Banham has been awarded his D.Phil. He is a tutor.
1988 Hung Tuck Ngo is a chartered accountant.
1988 Katie Fletcher is a personal assistant to the Director of the Maison Francaise, Oxford.
1988 Kotb Profazi is a tax consultant.
1988 Kirsty Ridyard is a teacher.
1988 Nathalie Nguyen is an Associate Lecturer in French at the University of Adelaide, South Australia.
1988 Neil Reid is with Oliver, Wyman & Co., Savile Row.
1988 Robert Callard is a lawyer.
1988 Sharad Mistry has been awarded his D.Phil. He is a biochemist.
1988 Timothy Gould is in the Diplomatic Service.
1988 Wendy Carter has been awarded her M.Phil. and is an Information Technology specialist.
1988 Robert Mayhew has been elected to a Fellowship for Research in Historical Geography at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge.
1989 Allison Cowlishaw is a researcher biochemist in San Paulo, Brazil.
1989 Catherine Smith is a sales manager.
1989 Christopher Wane is a teacher.
1989 Daniel Frennet is a market researcher.
1989 Donna Saguinsin is a marketing manager.
1989 John Steed is an accountant.
1989 Mark Goodwin is a medical student.
1989 Matthew Proude is a broadcast journalist.
1989 Michael Clennett is a teacher.
1989 Nicholas Stalls is in textile sales in Dallas, Texas.
1989 Patricia Ferguson is a fellow and tutor in jurisprudence at Hertford.
1989 Stuart Deacon is a communications officer.
1989 Zoltan Molnar has been awarded his D.Phil. He is a Research Fellow at Merton College, Oxford.
1990 David Sheldon is doing post-doctoral research at Stirling University, Quebec, having been awarded his D.Phil.
1990 Jonathan Chorherr has been with Overseas Development in Sri Lanka and is now back at Hertford doing a higher degree in English.
1990 Rachael McDannell is a Departmental Lecturer at the School of Geography, Oxford.
1990 Joanna Forbes is a music teacher and professional singer. She is now Mrs L. Emms; her husband graduated from Merton.
1990 Quentin Thomas is a musician and teaches at the Oratory School, Reading.
1990 Russell Stopford is a video computer artist.
1990 Sara Foster is a business information analyst.
1990 Shawn Manning is a pharmaceutical and health care consultant with Datastream, based in London.
1991 Brian O'Connor is a lecturer in the Department of Philosophy, University College, Dublin.
1991 Christopher Parkins is a Ph.D student at Wolfson College, Cambridge.
1991 Hannah Newton is a student at law college.
1991 Isa Rogers is a law school student.
1991 Jenny Goodwin is a law school student.
1991 Julie Koon-Jones is a research scientist.
1991 Kim Byung-Yeon, having been awarded his D.Phil., is doing post-doctoral research.
1991 Lucy Davenport is an actress.
1991 Lydia Ivchenko is a postgraduate student.
1991 Michael Bolle has been awarded his D.Phil. and is a pupil barrister.
1992 Sarah Thacker is an accountant.
1992 Simon Coloure is an accountant.
1992 Simon Jordan is a research assistant for the Proclamation Trust.
1992 Timothy Brown is a research assistant.
1992 Xavier Thomas is an investment banker.
1993 Christopher Lush is a pilot in the Royal Air Force.
1993 Hannah Grant is an advertising account manager.
1993 Robin Jones is a consultant.
1993 Tim Stoll is a researcher in the commodities and trade division of the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations, based in Rome.
1994 Christine Aguiar is an archaeologist in Athens.
1994 Tynan Bond has obtained his D.Phil. and is a research associate.

In 1992

As is the case with "Publications and Proceedings", there is a danger that "News of Members" can be unsympathetic, given that a proportion of some members may be unaware of their achievements. If their professional activities are not well known, then the names we include are those that we know about. Without knowing these things, it is difficult for us to judge whether there is an important difference between members. However, as far as possible, we have tried to avoid any form of discrimination based on gender, class, or geographic location. The list includes the names of all those who, in our opinion, have contributed significantly to the Merton College community. We hope that this information will be of interest to others who may be involved in similar activities. If you have any comments, suggestions, or feedback, please feel free to contact us directly to discuss any issues that may arise.
1992 Sarah Thacker is a teacher.
1992 Simon Coburn is an accountant.
1992 Simon Jordan preached in Chapel during Trinity Term. He is to spend a year in Minnesota working for the Proclamation Trust.
1992 Timothy Brown is a teacher.
1992 Xavier Thomas is an investment banker.
1993 Christopher Lynham is a pilot in the Royal Air Force.
1993 Hannah Grant is an advertising account manager.
1993 Robin Jonas is a consultant.
1993 Till Stott is researcher in the commodities and trade division of the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations, based in Rome.
1994 Christos Agouridis is an archaeologist in Athens.
1994 Tamara Bond has obtained her D.Phil. and is a research associate.

Editor’s note
As is the case with ‘Publications and Productions’, there is a danger that ‘News of Members’ can be unrepresentative, given that a proportion of former members are maybe not of the opinion that their achievements are noteworthy, their professions sufficiently conventional, or their activities such that they would presume to tell everyone else about themselves. While having a good deal of sympathy with these standpoints, the Editor also suspects that it is precisely these members from whom it would be particularly interesting to hear, and he ventures to encourage them to respond to the invitation to submit news. ‘News’ can be interpreted in the broadest sense, to include comment, reflections, or items for discussion relating either directly to their own doings or to wider issues with which they have become involved.

Derek Conran
Obituaries

The obituaries are listed in order of the deceased's date of matriculation. An asterisk against a name indicates that a tribute or memorial is reprinted in the section following the list.

*C. L. S. Cornwall-Legh, C.B.E.
5th Baron Grey of Codnor (1921)
25 December 1996

A. A. Bushell (1922)
April 1997

P. F. Machin (1922)
1995

J. A. Haselwood (Scholar 1923)
12 May 1997

C. R. Leggatt (1923)
1996

N. G. Home (1923)
1995

G. C. Wescott (1923)
13 May 1995

L. W. G. Cameron (1926)
1996

A. Collis-Jones (Exhibitioner 1926)
5 November 1995

D. F. Evans (1926)
1996

*Sir Gaveston Bell, K.C.M.G., C.B.E., K.St.J. (1927)
28 July 1995

Canon G. K. Dixon (1927)
2 May 1997

F. D. Dawson (1927)
5 November 1995

R. W. Stafford (1928)
14 November 1995

K. S. Weit, M.B.E. (1928)
8 November 1996

J. P. Wisley (1928)
5 March 1996

A. Fletcher (1929)
16 May 1997

*His Honour R. G. Freeman (1929)
August 1996

*C. d'O. Gowan (Exhibitioner 1929)
1997

V. I. Todhunter (Scholar 1929)
1996

H. H. Betts (1930)
March 1995

G. S. Craft (Rhodes Scholar 1930)
30 November 1995

D. G. Johnson, C.B.E. (1930)
24 October 1995

*Professor J. E. Meads, C.B., F.R.A.
(Fellow 1930-7, Honorary Fellow 1965-95, a Vice-President of the Hertford Society)
22 December 1995

J. Brooker (1931)
24 March 1996

*The Reverend Canon B. B. Matthews, C.B.E. (1932)
June 1997

Sheriff R. R. Kerr, T.D. (1933)
19 November 1995

*D. Mitchell (Scholar 1933)
2 February 1997

C. T. Salkeld-Green (1934)
12 March 1996

*L. B. Walsh-Atkins, C.M.G., C.V.O. (1934)
28 April 1997

Professor G. T. Crockett (1935)
19 November 1996

J. L. Warren (1935)
11 October 1995

O. P. Simmons, M.B.E. (1936)
29 March 1997

T. L. Laugton-Locke (1936)
10 April 1996

*Professor R. R. Skemp (Scholar 1937)
22 June 1995

J. S. H. Viner-M. C. (Exhibitioner 1937)
14 December 1995

S. A. C. Arslan (1938)
July 1997

D. S. Walde, M.C. (1938)
June 1995

*M. Chandler, C.B.E. (Scholar 1937)
3 February 1996

G. M. Willan, D.P.C. (Scholar 1939)

G. A. B. Rudge, O.C. (Scholar 1940)

Dr R. E. Ellis (Exhibitioner 1940)

F. P. Rutland (1943)

H. F. M. Stanton (Exhibitioner 1943)

F. F. Webster (Exhibitioner 1943)

S. A. F. Coetzer (1944)


J. R. Holt (1947)

*Professor C. R. Ross, C.B. (Scholar 1947, Fellow 1951-63, Emeritus Fellow 1995-97)

G. W. Bales, C.B.E., V.R.D.S. (1948)

*Major-General J. B. Bowmar, C.B. (1948)

A. H. Blake (1948)

G. W. Armstrong (1951)

F. C. Ashby (1952)

*Dr. O. J. Boyle (1952)

D. J. Brindley (1956)

J. S. Taylor (1956)

J. D. Jones (1961)

Dr C. Newton (1970)

*Sir Geoffrey Warnecke (Political 1971-78, Vice-Chancellor 1981-85, Honorary Fellow 1988-95, a Vice-President of the Hertford Society)
29 March 1997

10 April 1997

22 December 1995

28 March 1996

24 October 1995

24 October 1995

3 February 1996

22 June 1997

15 September 1996

15 August 1997

9 January 1998

26 May 1996

5 October 1996

1995

8 December 1995

22 September 1995

21 February 1996

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*M. L. S. Cornwall-Levy, C.B.E. (Scholar 1921) 3 February 1996
*A. A. Bunhill (1922) 3 February 1996
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A. J. Haslwood (Scholar 1923) 3 February 1996
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A. Fletcher (1928) 3 February 1996
*His Holiness R. G. Freeman (1929) 3 February 1996
*C. D. O. Gowan (Exhibitioner 1929) 3 February 1996
V. J. Todhunter (Scholar 1929) 3 February 1996
R. H. Perry (1930) 3 February 1996
G. S. Craik (Rhodes Scholar 1930) 3 February 1996
*Professor J. E. Mawle, C.B.E., F.R.A. (Fellah 1930-2, Honorary Fellow 1969-95, a Vice-President of the Hertford Society) 3 February 1996
J. Brooke (1935) 3 February 1996
*D. Mitchell (Scholar 1933) 3 February 1996
C. T. Askeford-Green (1933) 3 February 1996
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J. L. Warren (1935) 3 February 1996
O. P. Simmons, M.B.E. (1936) 3 February 1996
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*Professor R. B. Stemp (Scholar 1937) 3 February 1996
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G. A. C. Anstee (1938) 3 February 1996
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*M. Chisnall, C.B.E. (Scholar 1939) 3 February 1996
G. M. Willan, D.F.C. (Scholar 1939) 3 February 1996
*G. R. A. Darby, G.C. (Scholar 1940) 3 February 1996
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J. B. Jones (1961) 3 February 1996
Dr C. Navarro (1970) 3 February 1996
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By a strange coincidence, these two premature deaths occurred on successive days, during the 1997 Easter weekend, and both were occasioned by transport accidents. David Jones was run over by a car in Chad, on Easter Day, and on Easter Monday, Frank Ashbee died as the result of a train mishap at Sittingbourne station.

Other deaths to be recorded are those of: Dr E. A. Radice, C.B.E., economist, who went up to Magdalen in 1925 and was briefly thereafter a Lecturer at Hertford (died 8 November 1996); and Bob Edwards, College Plumber, on Good Friday, 5 April 1996.
C. L. S. CORNWALL-LEGH, C.B.E.
5TH BARON GREY OF CODNOR
10 February 1903 — 23 December 1996

The circumstances attending the arrival seven years ago of Lord Grey of Codnor in the House of Lords must have left even those in the Labour Party who wish to undermine the hereditary element feeling that the half had not been told them. For it was achieved by means that would have to be considered quaint and eccentric even by the occasionally haphazard ways of the Upper House. In 1989 Charles Cornwall-Legh took his place on the red benches as the successor to the 4th Baron, a nephew of one of his ancestors, who had died in 1496, at which time the barony had drifted into abeyance.

Charles Legh Shuldam Cornwall-Legh was the son of Charles Cornwall-Legh, who died in 1934. His father was 6th in descent from the 16th and last Baron of Burford (so styled, though he never received a summons to Parliament, the 16th Baron being himself 16th in descent from Richard, King of the Romans, Earl of Cornwall and Provence, and Count of Poitou). His mother was Geraldine Shuldham, the daughter of an Army officer. In his early days he was educated at King’s School, Bruton, and Hertford College, Oxford. He served as a flight lieutenant in the Auxiliary Air Force and the RAF and was a recipient of the Air Efficiency Award. Otherwise he occupied himself with county affairs in Knutsford, Cheshire, where he was a landowner and farmer.

On paper this looked impressive: he was High Sheriff of Cheshire in 1939, and served as a JP from 1938 to 1974. He was a Deputy Lieutenant from 1949, a county councillor, 1949-77. He was chairman of the new Cheshire County Council, 1974-76, and of the Cheshire Police Authority, 1957-74. He was appointed O.B.E. in 1971 and advanced to C.B.E. in 1977.

The reality of the situation was, however, rather different. His home, High Legh Hall, with 100 acres of land, was compulsory purchased by the Army at the beginning of the war, though by a devious clause he inserted, he was able to repurchase it — at the same price, £20,000 — in 1962. An earnest genealogist, his lifelong ambition was to pursue his father’s quest to prove his right to the ancient barony of Grey of Codnor. In order to pay the bills of the College of Arms over a number of years, he sold land for housing, and dabbled in a number of businesses with questionable success. His father made the first claim in 1926, just before new rules were introduced to curb such claims. In future any claimant who was not a child of the last holder of the title had to represent at least ‘one third of the dignity’ and the beginning of the abeyance had to date from within 100 years. The Greys of Codnor had been in abeyance since 1496, and Cornwall-Legh’s father was one of 12 co-heirs. Nevertheless, in 1928 the barony was declared to be an ancient barony in fee in abeyance, and Cornwall-Legh one of the co-heirs. Following his father’s death, Charles Cornwall-Legh presented further petitions and undertook the costly genealogical research into the lines of the other co-heirs, until he eventually proved his right in 1989. The Greys were an ancient family, their first proved ancestor being Henry de Grey, seated at the Manor of Thorpe in 1199. The Greys of Codnor descended from his second son, Richard, whose grandson, Henry de Grey of Codnor, was summoned to Parliament in 1299. Six generations later the barony fell into abeyance, and being inextricable through the female line, was vested in his three daughters, Elizabeth, Lady Zouch, Eleanor Newport, and Lucy Lady Laslett. It was from Lucy (who left two daughters) that the 5th Lord Grey of Codnor descended.

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Died April 1997, aet. 92

Anthony Bushell, the actor and director who has died aged 92, was most familiar in military roles, notably as the sympathetic brigadier helping an RAF officer to further his romance with a Japanese girl in The Wind Cannot Read (1958).

Bushell did not always play such agreeable roles. With his good-blue eyes, bland features and stiff bearing, he was ideal for such parts as the stubborn and foolhardy Colonel Breen in Quatermass and the Pit (1967), a character who pays the ultimate price in his fight with the professor against the Martians. Earlier he had played Colonel String, the staunch sergeant dealing with unexploded bombs in Powell and Pressburger’s The Small Back Room (1949), a character who pays the ultimate price in his fight with the professor against the Martians. Earlier he had played Colonel String, the staunch sergeant dealing with unexploded bombs in Powell and Pressburger’s The Small Back Room (1949).

In parallel with his stage and film career, Bushell acted as Laurence Olivier’s general manager. He was associate producer for the film Hamlet (1948) and associate director for Richard III (1955) and for The Prince and the Showgirl (1957) with Marilyn Monroe. Bushell became a close friend of Olivier’s and in the early 1950s would join him, Roger Furse, and Cecil Tennant (Olivier’s manager), for breaks of a few days in Paris, staying at the Hotel France et Choiseul in the Faubourg St Honore. Olivier later remembered a story Bushell told him at this time about the advice an uncle had given to a comrade of his in the Welsh Guards on his 21st birthday: ‘Never hunt south of the Thames, never drink port after champagne, and never have your wife in the morning lest something better should turn up during the day’.

In 1954 Bushell spent a long time scouting around for a location for Bosworth Field to film Richard III. The real field is doubtless intersected by
a railway and a canal, so Bushell came up with the idea of Spain, a country then untouched by foreign film directors. He asked some Spanish military contacts for a place that could double for Leicestershire. Andalusia, he was told, but was it green? Oh yes, very green. When Bushell got to the suggested site he found the only shade was provided by large, green cactus plants. The next site, near the Escorial, stored more promise, and Olivier was invited over to inspect it. Certainly there was grass, if of a very silvery hue, and they were assured that the autumn rains would make it greener. Just to be certain they chose to film in the marshiest parts they could find.

Anthony Arnatt Bushell was born at Westerham, Kent, on 19 May 1904. He was educated at Magdalen College School. A predecessor there 10 years earlier had been Ivor Novello, who later became a friend. Bushell then went up to Hertford College, Oxford. There he met Evelyn Waugh, with whom he shared a taste for drinking in the company of aesthetes. He became a member of what Waugh called 'the Hertford underworld' and they both joined the Hypocrites' Club, 'that noisy alcohol-soaked rat-warren by the river' as Claud Cockburn called it.

After Oxford, Bushell pooled at KAOA and made his first stage appearance in 1924 at the Adelphi in Diplomacy. When Waugh was studying art in London he would have lunch in a pub with Bushell. But by now Bushell's acting career was prospering, and he was being amanously pursued by an actress-manager called Bill Slik. Bushell and Waugh drifted apart, though not before Waugh noted down, for later use in his memoirs, a description of a party in Belsize Park given by an avant-garde short-story writer called Mary Butt: 'I have a memory of Tony Bushell sitting on the stairs eating her face-cream, and a garden full of unlocked couples'.

In 1928 Bushell went to New York to play opposite Jeanne Eagels in Her Cardboard Lover. During a second visit to the United States to appear in The Secret Flamingo, he was advised by George Arliss to try films, and found some success, starring with a part opposite Atlas in Dionati (1929). The next year he scored in Journey's End (1930); an early C. B. Cochran talkie version of R. C. Sheriff's play, James Agate thought it had been 'transferred to the screen with the greatest possible tact and discretion'; today, though, it seems wildly overacted. Bushell appeared in some other films, including Vanity Fair, Shop Angel and Five Star Final, before returning to England in 1932. In 1933 Bushell's brother Charles was found dead in a gas-filled room. Despite his distress, Bushell appeared in Flies in the Sun at the Playhouse hours later. In The Ghoul (1933), with Boris Karloff, Bushell was the upright young hero protecting the ingenue from the Egyptologist who returns from the grave. He played Leslie Howard's friend in The Scarlet Pimpernel (1935) and appeared with Barry K. Barnes in The Return of the Scarlet Pimpernel (1937).

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Political Service. He was one of eight men selected in 1931 for the SPS corps d'élite. Bell spent 20 years in the Sudan, a period he described compellingly in his Shadows on the Sand (1983). He also had important outside assignments — in 1938, for instance, he was seconded to the colonial administration in Palestine, where he quickly found himself in the middle of a major security alert.

During the Second World War he served with the Druze Cavalry and the Arab Legion; he was appointed M.B.E. (military) in 1942. In 1944 he was posted to Egypt as Deputy Sudan Agent in Cairo. After seven years he returned to Khartoum, first as Deputy Civil Secretary and then in the sensitive post of permanent Under-Secretary to the Ministry of the Interior. It was rumoured that the Colonial Office was considering Bell for the Chief Secretarieship of Aden, but since nothing had come of this by 1955 he accepted the Foreign Office's offer of a post as Political Agent in Kuwait.

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nurtured so many of those distinctive personal qualities which his family knew intimately and which his friends were quick to recognize and respect: a keen sense of duty and service; intense humanity; modesty, humour and good cheer; and an exquisite, ever-ready courtesy. It would be no exaggeration to suggest that spiritually Gawain never left Winchester, with its legacy of those myriad meaningful ways in which Manners truly Maketh Man. Himself inspired by Winchester, he emerged as an inspiration to all who knew him and worked with him: to know Gawain was to admire him.

As we sang ‘Immortal, invisible’, some of you may have been reflecting with me how often Gawain sang and refreshed his faith from those hymns as a boy here, in this Chapel, in the 1920s. After all, with Chapel nine times a week, and house prayers daily into the bargain, Gawain would have known by heart every word of ‘Guide me, O thou great Redeemer’, every majestic stanza of I Corinthians: 13. That was part of the essential Winchester. For all his love for the Sudan, for all his achievements in Northern Nigeria and the Gulf States, for all his commitments in Ebrington, Chipping Campden, and beyond, it was, I believe, Gawain’s time at Winchester which constituted his defining days.

Gawain came to Winchester in 1922 to Kenny’s House, complete, as he told it, with regulation tuck-box containing one currant cake, three pots of fish paste, and six of jam. His uncle, Gawain Murdoch Bell — of the Bell Gate, in Old Cloisters — had been a housemaster here, was the first member of the staff to volunteer in 1914, and was the only one to be killed on active service, dying at Ypres in 1917. Thus, in Gawain’s time, the shadow of the recent war was still a palpable one. ‘The ghosts of past generations’, he once remarked, ‘were never far away’. As he walked, half a dozen times a day, to and from the classrooms, his eye would be caught by the names and the regimental badges of the five hundred Wykehamists who had given their lives in the war. He was, too, at the College when their commemoration took place, in what he always remembered as ‘the calm beauty and solemnity’ of Sir Herbert Baker’s Memorial Cloister.

But it was not only that Christian humility (without which, as Gawain maintained throughout his life, no one can rightly exercise power and authority) that Gawain learned at Winchester. He was influenced, too — which contemporary Wykehamist could not have been! — by the aristocratic and imperialist vision of Montague Rendall, the Head Master. For Rendall, and hence for Winchester, education was all about producing an elite. In return, that elite was expected to dedicate itself to public service, ‘to repay their debt by going forth to serve mankind’.

Besides Winchester and its living memory of the war dead, there was a third, lasting influence to which Gawain was exposed in his time at the College. From the moment he became Jack Parr’s pupil in the one-but-junior form which Parr taught so creatively for over a hundred terms, he
became his deep admirer. The Parr connection continued long after the
Winchester days, for it was Jack’s young brother, Martin, who persuaded
Gawain at the end of his first year at Oxford, when his thoughts were
turning away from the Army to a career in the Colonial Service, to have
a shot at the Sudan Political. And, for closer yet, it was the Parrs’ cousin
Silvia Connolly-Clyne, whom Gawain met in 1937 and was to marry
here, in Winchester College Chapel, the day after his birthday and all but
fifty-one years ago.

Marriage apart, Silvia too is linked with a fourth moulding influence
on the young Gawain, developed this time not at Winchester but at the
successor paradise of Oxford, where, as Gawain used to reminisce, one
walked down the High and laughed aloud for no other reason than that
life was good. At Hertford College he gave rein to his passion for riding
as well as indulging, with honours, in rifle shooting. His father, maybe
recalling Winston Churchill’s dictum of ‘Don’t give your son money,
give him horses’, gave Gawain a horse as his twenty-first birthday pre-
sent. Fifteen years later, in El Obeid, Silvia gave Gawain as his wedding
present the intelligent and gentle grey, ‘Cloud’. Two years on, in Kaduna, there was another grey, the handsome ‘Smoky Joe’, together
with the rather hard-mouthed ‘Oajamari’. Later still came ‘Sultan’, at
Hidcote Bartrim.

I have dwelt on Gawain’s Winchester days for three reasons. One,
every one of us who knew Gawain knew what Winchester meant to him:
Winchester was a source of inspirational strength to which, both con-
sciously and unconsciously, he continually returned. Two, it is possible
to perceive, not only in the forefront of Gawain’s distinguished career
but consistently behind it, the exercise of those sterling and steadfast
characteristics which Winchester had nurtured in him, of integrity and
service, of courtesy and charm. Those last two attributes, of charm and
courtesy, extended down to the very young. Once when Gawain was on
a gubernatorial tour in Northern Nigeria, the D.O.’s daughter, aged six,
asked him, ‘Are you really one of the Queen’s knights?’ ‘Yes’, he replied.
‘But where is your shining armour?’ Gawain bent down and gravely
whispered in the little girl’s ear, ‘Well, you see, the Queen is very under-
standing. She knows how hot it gets in Nigeria, so she allows me not to
put it on’. And thirdly, because the obituaries, which appeared so promi-
nently throughout the national quality press last July, have already pro-
vided a full, factual account of all that Gawain achieved, with such signal
ded and distinction, during his forty years of that public service to
which Winchester had pointed him. He was, as one obituarist pin-
pointedly put it, the exemplar of the generic District Commissioner and the
very model of a latticed colonial governor. Others rightly emphasized
Gawain’s contribution to more personal causes, filling the supposed
leisure of his retirement with such activities as chairing the Civil Service
Selection Boards, being national Vice-President of LEFRA, active in the
Anglo-Jordanian Society, and equally enjoying being on the Governing
Body both of London University’s School of Oriental and African

Studies and of the local Primary school; Chairman of the Desiory Synod
and playing a leading role in the creation of the Sudan Archive at
Durham University; prominent and much loved in local and parish
affairs and in vegetable gardening, though according to some local green-
fingers be often tried to grow things more suited to the soil of the Sudan
than to rural Gloucestershire, and writing books and compiling a trea-
sured Book of Remembrance for the fallen of both World Wars from the
parish of Ebrington.

Because a memorial address should arguably be more that just a
timological obituary, let me draw to a close by putting forward one
more thought. Its identification enables us to add a further dimension to
the man we have come here today to remember, with admiration and
affection. It is a tale of three unprettier imps-allials (the phrase is that
of Gawain’s long-time Winchester co-eval and Sudan Political colleague,
Sir Douglas Dodds-Parker) in the finest meaning of the term, the latter-
day Gawain and two founding provosts of an earlier era. Gawain was the
fourteenth – and last – Governor of Northern Nigeria. The first had
been Lord Lugard. Lugard knew exactly what Britain’s imperial adminis-
trators were all about: English gentlemen, with an almost passionate
conception of ‘fair play’, of protection of the weak, and of ‘playing the
game’. Again, Gawain started his career in the Sudan Political Service,
a Service which so notably realized the vision of its moving spirit, Lord
Craufurd. Gawain, too, had no doubt about what District Commissioners
should be: ‘active young men, endowed with good health, high character
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Marriage apart, Sylvia too is linked with a fourth misleading influence on the young Gawain, developed this time not at Winchester but at the succulent paradise of Oxford, where, as Gawain used to reminisce, one walked down the High and laughed aloud for no other reason than that life was good. At Hartford College he gave rein to his passion for riding as well as indulging, with honours, in rifle shooting. His father, maybe recalling Wiseton Churchyard’s dictum of ‘Don’t give your son money, give him horses’, gave Gawain a horse as his twenty-first birthday present. Fifteen years later, in El Obor, Sylvia gave Gawain as his wedding present the intelligent and gentle grey, ‘Cloud’. Ten years on, in Kaduna, there was another grey, the hardbacc Smokey Joe, together with the rather hard-mouthed ‘Gajimati’. Later still came ‘Sultan’, at Halcombe Barracks.

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Because a memorial address should arguably be more than just a chronological obituary, let me draw to a close by putting forward one more thought. Its identification enables us to add a further dimension to the man we have come here today to remember with admiration and affection. It is a tale of three unrepentant imperialists (the phrase is that of Gawain’s long-time Winchester co-colleague and Sudan Political colleague, Sir Douglas Dodds-Parker) in the fairest meaning of the term, the latter-day Lugard and two founding proconsuls of an earlier era. Gawain was the fourteenth—and last—Governor of Northern Nigeria. The first had been Lord Lugard. Lugard knew exactly what Britain’s imperial administrators were all about: ‘English gentlemen, with an almost passionate conception of fair play, of protection of the weak, and of “playing the game”’. Again, Gawain started his career in the Sudan Political Service, a Service which so neatly realized the vision of its moving spirit, Lord Cromer. Cromer, too, had no doubt about what District Commissioners should be: ‘active young men, endowed with good health, high character and fair abilities ... the flower of those who are turned out of our schools and colleges’. Those criteria of the ideal imperial administrator, set up by Cromer and Lugard, were, I believe, supremely symbolized in the life and work of Gawain Bell: the English—the Edwardian, if you wish—gentleman in his noblest and most metastable mould.

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James Edward Meade was the son of Charles Hippisley Meade of Bath and descended in earlier generations from a family of Somerset parsons, with remotest connections to Ireland. He was educated at Malvern College and Oriel College, Oxford, at both of which he held classical scholarships. After a first in Mods in 1928, he deserted the classics for economics and obtained another first in PPE in 1930. This was as a time when economists at Oxford were few, and in 1931 he spent a year at Trinity College, Cambridge, under Dennis Robertson, whose Banking Policy and the Price Level had recently started a new approach to monetary thinking. The monetary system of the world was in a state of crisis. Keynes had published his Treatise on Money only a few months before. Cambridge economics was in a ferment of argument which led on a few years later to Keynes's General Theory.

All of this gave Meade the stimulus which he needed, and he very quickly made his mark as one of the group of young economists ('the circus') who first to discuss Keynes's ideas. Out of these discussions came an article by Richard Kahn (the late Lord Kahn) which is remembered as a milestone in the history of economic thought because it was the origin of the concept of the multiplier. What was often forgotten was that it was Meade, Kahn's collaborator, who first generalized this seminal concept as 'Mr Meade's Relation' - now recognized as the seed of the Keynesian revolution in economic theory. This was quite a debut for a novice in economics, not yet 25 years old.

Meade went back the next year to Oxford to Hertford College, where he had already been elected a Fellow in 1930. He remained there until 1937, lecturing, teaching, and serving for a period as Bursar. His first book, Economic Analysis and Policy (1936), though designed as an undergraduate text, had all the qualities that he retained in later writings. At Hertford, as throughout his life, he was writing all the time. He was one of the most prolific of economists, perhaps too prolific for his ideas always to receive their due recognition. The book - the substantial book - remained his preferred medium, even in his later years, by which time the journal article had increasingly become the predominant vehicle for new ideas in economics. Despite the great amount of his writing, it was always careful, scholarly, well thought out and well presented.

By 1938 he had already achieved a reputation. In that year he was invited to join the staff of the Economic Intelligence Service of the League of Nations in Geneva, where it was his responsibility to write the then very important annual World Economic Survey.

When war came he was still in Geneva. By early in 1940 the financing of the war had come to present a problem only to be solved - as Keynes had shown in his How to Pay for the War - in terms of allocation of resources based on an accurate and up-to-date national income measurement. Some of the economists already working in the Cabinet Office persuaded Sir Edward Bridges, then Secretary of the Cabinet, to set them up in a military camp to supply 'a plausible staff to staff' for the first time in British history, official national income estimates. James Meade and Richard Stone were invited to take on the task. Meade, with his wife and infant children, made a perilous journey across France, narrowly escaping being overrun by the advancing German armies and leaving his car on the quayside at Nantes.

During the next 12 months Meade and Stone created, under immense pressure of time and insistent demands from a new impatient Treasury, a wholly original system of national income statistics which has survived in essentials ever since. Meade was the chief architect of the logical framework, Stone the statistical brickwork. But in the end the labours were shared equally between them. They saw the fulfilment of this task in the White Paper which accompanied Kingsley Wood's Budget of 1941, prepared under the influence of Keynes, who was by then in the Treasury. Over the next few years of war, Meade moved on to other ranges, playing a large part in the economic discussions and negotiations that led up to the Atlantic Treaty, to Bretton Woods, and to the White Paper on post-war employment.

In 1946 he succeeded Lionel Robbins as Director of the Economic Section of the Cabinet Office. He was quite unlike any other economist in high office in Whitehall. Where others were anxious to work shoulder-to-shoulder with their Civil Service colleagues, Meade remained detached, austere, rigid in his analytical thinking, prepared to argue with civil servants in his own terms precisely and accurately about their problems. In the early days of rationalization and public sector economics, to take one example, he was already making them think about ideal outputs and marginal cost pricing, matters which became familiar by the 1960s but which were unheard of in the 1940s. For his Civil Service work Meade was appointed C.B. in 1947, one of very few temporary civil servants to be so honoured in this way. In that year he left Whitehall to return to academic work, joining the London School of Economics to hold a Chair there. He was primarily concerned with international trade, and in the ten years that he held it he greatly enhanced his own personal reputation and that of his department. He continued to be associated with the school as a governor, and as such took a very much to the hearings and tribulations of the school and the breakdown of the human relations between staff and students in the late 1960s. Meade was a passionate defender of rational argument and democratic decision and believed that the principles of democracy, as well as the essentials of a university, were in danger of being destroyed by the use of force.
James Meade was one of the outstanding economists of his generation. The central theme of his life's work was the theory of economic policy, in all its aspects. That work was the source of many of the ideas that are now common currency among economists and policymakers. Meade was awarded a Nobel Prize in Economics in 1977, only the second British economist to have been thus honoured.

James Edward Meade was the son of Charles Hippolyte Meade of Bath and descended in earlier generations from a family of Somerset persons, with remoter connections to Ireland. He was educated at Malvern College and Oriel College, Oxford, at both of which he held classical scholarships. After a first in Mods in 1928, he deserted the classics for economics and obtained another first in PPE in 1930. This was at a time when economists at Oxford were few, and in 1931 he spent a year at Trinity College, Cambridge, under Dennis Robertson, whose Banking Policy and the Price Level had recently started a new approach to monetary thinking. The monetary systems of the world were in a state of crisis. Keynes had published his Treatise on Money only a few months before.

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All of this gave Meade the stimulus which he needed, and he very quickly made his mark as one of the group of young economists ("the circus") who met to discuss Keynes's ideas. Out of these discussions came an article by Richard Kahn (the late Lord Kahn) which is remembered as a milestone in the history of economic thought because it was the origin of the concept of the multiplier. What was often forgotten was that it was Meade, Kahn's collaborator, who first generalized this seminal concept as "My Meade's Relation" — now recognized as the seed of the Keynesian revolution in economic theory. This was quite a début for a novice in economics, not yet 25 years old.

Meade went back the next year to Oxford to Hertford College, where he had already been elected a Fellow in 1930. He remained there until 1937, lecturing, teaching, and serving for a period as Bursar. His first book, Economic Analysis and Policy (1936), though designed as an undergraduate text, had all the qualities that he retained in later writings. At Hertford, as throughout his life, he was writing all the time. He was one of the most prolific of economists, perhaps too prolific for his ideas always to receive the due recognition. The book — the substantial book — remained his preferred medium, even in his later years, by which time the journal articles had increasingly become the predominant vehicle for new ideas in economics. Despite the great amount of his writing, it was always careful, scholarly, well thought out and well presented.

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Meade was actively involved in public debate through popular books, articles in bank reviews and pieces in newspapers. Such publications, though well written, also enjoyed less influence than they might have done, partly because Meade lacked the showman's arts, but mostly because the Labour party, whose objectives he shared, failed to appreciate his 'two hearty cheers for the price mechanism'. Yet he offered the British left what it most needed: radical policies that acknowledge the value of market forces. A product of an optimistic time, James Meade believed that market failures could be corrected by what one observer has described as 'a combination of well-thought-out policy advice and sensible policy intervention by benign policymakers who can be safely charged with maximizing social welfare'.

Today this view has come to look naive. If policymakers were all like James Meade in modesty of manner, benevolence, integrity, and intellectual honesty, it might not have done so.

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THE REVEREND CANON B. B. MATTHEWS, O.B.E.
Died June 1997, aet. 83

The Reverend Canon Brian Matthews, who has died aged 83, spent almost 40 years ministering to English-speaking people living or holiday-making on the French Riviera. He was chaplain of St Paul's, Monte Carlo, from 1958 to 1983, and on his official retirement moved a few miles along the coast to Beaulieu-sur-Mer, where he served as chaplain until shortly before his death. The work of a priest in surroundings of such ostentatious wealth could never be easy, but Matthews had just the right gifts for the special ministry to which he became deeply committed. He lived simply — spartanly in the eyes of his neighbours — but his capacity for drinking whisky enabled him to mix easily with the varied, sometimes exotic, personalities who formed his congregation or belonged to the wider Monégasque community. On one occasion he sought to enter the Casino in an open-neck shirt but was refused entry. Returning in a clerical collar, he was warmly welcomed. He got on well with Prince Rainier and other members of the Grimaldi family, who much appreciated his contribution to the life of the principality.

But Matthews was also alert to the plight of expatriate widows who had fallen on hard times and who struggled to eke out a respectable existence in a world of conspicuous affluence. His Christmas lunch, held especially for them, was always a poignant occasion, replete with fascinating reminiscences of Monte Carlo's social life in the 1930s.

(N.B. This obituary is not a spoof. Ed.)

The rapid expansion of tourism in the 1960s greatly increased Matthews's workload, and in 1976 he was also appointed Archdeacon of the Riviera, with oversight of all the Anglican chaplaincies on the French and Italian rivieras, as well as in Andorra.

Brian Benjamin Matthews was born at Chigwell Szemely, Essex, on 13 March 1914. From Haileybury he went to Hertford College, Oxford, where he read Modern History. He then prepared for Holy Orders at Chichester Theological College. From 1937 to 1941 he was a curate at Aldershot, but he then entered the wartime Royal Navy as a chaplain. In 1942 he was posted to San Francisco to join the cruiser Orion, which was undergoing repairs after suffering severe damage during the evacuation of soldiers from Crete in May 1941. He remained in this ship for the rest of the war, and was present at the sheltering of the Normandy beaches on D-Day. He recounted that he was reading The Daily Telegraph in the bar when Orion was once again damaged by enemy fire.

After demobilization in 1946, Matthews spent two years as a curate at Tewkesbury Abbey. He then became chaplain of Denstone College, where he also served as a housemaster and taught religious studies. He took a great deal of trouble over the ordering of worship in the chapel, and his pastoral ministry among the boys was long remembered. During summer holidays Matthews often undertook locus chaplaincies in Europe, and it was after a ministry of this kind in Monte Carlo that he was appointed to full-time work there in 1958.

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DAVID MITCHELL
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L. B. WALSH-ATKINS, O.M.G., C.V.O.
15 March 1915 – 28 April 1997

After retiring early from the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Brian Walsh-Atkins used his experience as a senior diplomat to pilot the Abbeyfield Society through a critical period in its history. As its general secretary for nearly five years in the early 1970s, then as a consultant and eventually as vice-chairman, he saw the number of the society's homes for the elderly double from 500 to 1,000. Through skilful lobbying in Whitehall he helped to win registration for the society as a housing association and thus to make it eligible for capital grants under the 1974 Housing Act – an achievement worth millions of pounds over the next 20 years or so. Another triumph of his was to secure for these Abbeyfield residents who were eligible the right to full supplementary benefit – thus providing them with some financial comfort. Abbeyfield was the only organization specifically so designated under the benefit regulations.

But he is remembered most of all by the society as the moving spirit behind The Lights are Green, a seminal report which led to changes in its infrastructure and drew up a far-sighted 'prospectus for the society's future. After retiring as general secretary, he went on to become not only one of Abbeyfield's elder statesmen but deputy chairman of the Federation of Housing Associations – reflecting his standing among the various residential charities. Despite all this, however, Brian Walsh-Atkins still saw himself primarily as a diplomat.
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PROFESSOR R. R. SKEMP
10 March 1919 – 22 June 1995

With professional interests in mathematics, teaching, and psychology, Richard Skemp was the British father figure of the intellectual discipline known as the Psychology of Mathematics Education. His widely read and often-quoted book, The Psychology of Learning Mathematics (1971), was written in a time when links that tied together the strands of the new theory had not previously been expressed so clearly or so simply. He was a leading figure in the foundation of the International Group for the Psychology of Mathematics Education in 1976 and its president from 1980 to 1982. His life was devoted to understanding how individuals learn and how they could be encouraged to reflect on their learning for self-improvement.

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(1979) and corresponding practical curriculum texts such as Understanding Mathematics at secondary level and Mathematics in the Primary School. He had a special gift for expressing the essence of ideas in simple language. For example, he gently criticized curriculum reformers who introduced the 'new mathematics' as a logical development by saying that this 'teaches the product of mathematical thought, not the process of mathematical thinking'. Many of his ideas have passed into the folklore of the subject, including his distinction between 'instrumental understanding' in which the individual knows how to perform a particular task and 'relational understanding' in which the concepts are part of a meaningful conceptual structure.

What is less well-known is that for 21 years he spent five weeks every summer running camps for up to 45 boys a week, taking delight not only in teaching camping, cooking, and sailing, but also leading the campfire singing in his mellifluous, well-rounded voice.

He will be remembered with affection by those who knew him, not only for the rich legacy of ideas he has left in the psychology of mathematics education, but also for his unburdened old-fashioned English courtesy and charm, and for his clarity in presentation which made him a great favourite on international speaking tours. He continued to lecture around the world until the end of last year when he was taken ill with what was diagnosed in January as non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. Chemotherapy was to no avail, but he remained in relative comfort in his own home, nursed by his wife Valerie, who survives him, together with their son.

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Editor's note

The Editor well remembers 'Skemp' from his schooldays. Understanding mathematics, then recently published, seemed to go on for ever, and there was always another, subsequent volume to follow. Even at the age of twelve, we were wary of the style, which was obviously inspired by some psychological theory or teaching 'method'. Everything had to be a member of a {set}, enclosed within curly brackets. It was truly a 'set' text. We spent quite a bit of time endeavouring to work out Skemp's mind, rather than the mathematics, in order to crack the really obscure bits and discover what on earth he was trying to get you to do. But boys seldom allow that their school textbooks possess any tolerable features. Locally, in the end, 'Skemp' was promptly dropped at the start of the year before O level, and we were taught proper mathematics in great speed in order to give us a chance of passing the exam.

MAURICE CHANDLER, C.B.E.
31 October 1920 - 3 February 1996

Maurice Chandler, who was aged 75, was an enigmatic and secretive figure passionately attached to the Church of England. As a member of the General Synod he was a familiar sight in clothes that might have come from Oxfam. He was a prominent Anglo-Catholic churchman, tenacious in his defence of tradition. He belonged to a multitude of other organisations and found his way into diplomatic circles as honorary consul of the tiny Commonwealth state of Kiribati, an office he exercised from rooms over a High Church bookshop in Westminster. He worked as a public relations consultant, but mystery surrounded the full scope of his professional life. He kept much secret even from close friends and this inevitably led to speculation. The nearest Chandler came to lowering his guard was in 1984 when, following his appointment as C.B.E. 'for political and public services', he was asked if this was a reward for his services to MI5. He replied 'Not to MI5' with heavy emphasis on the 'five'.

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Most of this activity could be disclosed with him, but there remained an element of secrecy. His reputation as a 'fixer' aroused constant suspicion, as did his ability to turn up unexpectedly in high places — most recently, in the royal box at last year's VJ-Day celebrations. Chandler did a great deal of good by stealth and his life was informed by a deep Christian faith.

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Editor's note

Derek Corson attended the Solemn Requiem and Funeral at the Church of St Mary de Castro, Leicester, on 17 February 1996, on behalf of the College. He reminded the Editor that Maurice Chandler was entirely responsible for the Curators benefactions; several Fellows will recall Maurice's work on behalf of

Leicester Grammar School. He certainly enjoyed being a professional dark horse and really rather liked it when people thought he was up to something. The Independent, in the course of a rather racy article, "Sex, personality and priesthood" (10 February 1996), recalled Maurice as 'a characteristically equivocal operator in the Anglo-Catholic shadows of the General Synod . . . it was not so much scandal that clung to him as a rather gamy whiff of intrigue'.

GERALD DARLING, Q.C. 8 December 1921 – 13 September 1996

Among the many cases in which Gerald ('Bunny') Darling participated as leader of the Admiralty Bar was the formal investigation in 1983 of the disaster involving the loss of the Penlee lifeboat and her crew in December 1981. In this hearing he appeared for the Department of Trade. A case of a very different kind was the salvage award he made in 1986 for the rescue by a Spanish ship of a Harrier jump jet which had landed unexpectedly on her fo'c'sle. More recently he conducted the formal investigation in 1988 into the mysterious loss in a typhoon in the South China Sea of the British bulk carrier Derbyshire and her crew. The vessel had sunk in more than two miles of water and Darling and his assessors decided on the evidence before them that the precise cause of the loss could not be established. Remarkable developments in diving technology since 1988 may enable more to be discovered about the recently located wreck than was known to the court.

Gerald Ralph Auchinleck Darling was the elder son of Lieutenant-Colonel R. R. A. Darling and his wife Moira (née Moriarty). When his father died in 1958 he inherited Crevenagh House, Omagh, and was proud of his descent from the Auchinleck family. He was most at home in the countryside of Co. Tyrone for which he had a lifelong affection. He gained a scholarship to Harrow and then a Classics scholarship to Hertford College, Oxford, but volunteered for wartime service with the Royal Navy before leaving school. On reaching his eighteenth birthday at the end of his first term at Oxford, he was called up and in 1941 went into the Fleet Air Arm as a fighter pilot.

Very few of his contemporaries who trained with him survived the War but, thanks (he believed) to the lucky black shamrock painted on the side of his aircraft, he survived several close shaves. When training, he crashed and suffered severe injuries and was told by his doctor that he would never walk again. In defiance of this verdict he was to resume not only walking but also his flying career. However, his injuries were to cause him great pain in later life. Later he was forced to crash-land in the Mediterranean and spent almost a day in the sea before being rescued. He was Fleet Fighter Pilot with 807 Seafire Squadron in the aircraft carriers Furious, Indomitable, Indefatigable, Battle, and Hunter. Later he became Test Pilot of the Eastern Fleet and Chief Test Pilot of the British Pacific Fleet in HMS Unicorn - a high-risk appointment as the aircraft were hastily assembled on board ship before being tested. He retired in 1968 as a lieutenant-commander.
After the War he had returned to Oxford to read law and was called to the Bar by the Middle Temple in 1950. He became a pupil of Bushby Hewson (who was later to become, with his seagoing experience, a great Admiralty Judge). Darling joined the same chambers, then headed by Kenneth Carpmael, Q.C. and remained there throughout his professional life. He soon developed an outstanding Admiralty practice. Those who were in court or who worked with him soon recognized his powers of advocacy, his courteous but penetrating cross-examinations, his eloquence and his felicitous command of the English language (which he always attributed to his classical education). He was appointed to the Panel of Wreck Commissioners in 1967, took silk in 1968 and the same year became a Lloyd’s Salvage Arbitrator (becoming Appellate Arbitrator in 1978, a position he held until he retired in 1991).

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He was a historian of unusual quality and originality. His study of the Elizabethan militia illuminated government and society. Other investigations, notably into marital law in the 1620s, combined mastery of a second subject with the ability to draw out far-reaching implications. In this he was a herald, together with Menma Preswick, of the revision of older Whigish interpretations of the conflict between the early Stuart and parliament that has hitherto been pursued. But his enthusiasm for the lavish banquets and private musical performances by artists such as Handel betrayed his own love of a good dinner and passion for music. In recent years Boynton concentrated on the Gillow family of furniture designers, working in London and Lancaster in the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries. This long-understanding began in 1967 when he initiated moves to save an archive of Gillow's business activities from export. He built up an invaluable visual record of the firm's work. Last year saw the publication of the first of two planned volumes on Gillow: Gillow furniture designs 1760-1800. A complementary study of the history of the firm was in preparation at the time of Boynton's sudden death.

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Geoffrey Warnock pursued two parallel careers at Oxford, as an eminent philosopher and a talented administrator at college and university level. He was a member of that group of young Oxford philosophers who were greatly influenced in the immediate post-war years by the work of J. L. Austin; and one of the services he performed to the memory of that remarkable man was to reconstruct, from fragmentary manuscript notes, a convincing characteristic text (published in 1962) of the lectures which the latter regularly gave under the title Sense and Sensibilia.

 Warnock's own work was distinguished by supreme lucidity of expression, an urbane style and moderation. His contributions covered a wide range. In his books on ethics and the history of philosophy, he published numerous elegant and persuasive papers in epistemology and the philosophy of language, edited a comprehensive and successful series of anthologies under the title Oxford Readings in Philosophy and gave, and took part in, many broadcast talks and discussions. His Berkeley (1953) remains an excellent introduction to the work of that philosopher. His second book, English Philosophy since 1900, published in 1958, apart from its intrinsic merits as a survey of earlier works of the period, possesses a particular interest in marking the moment of pause, of deliberate limitation of objectives, which preceded the renewal of more systematic endeavours in the later part of the century. In Contemporary Moral Philosophy (1967) Warnock subjected some current views to a devastating critique; and this he followed up, in The Object of Morality (1971), with a positive account which, in its coolness and balance, sensitivity and humanity, was typical of the man, and may well be close to the truth. He also published, in two different general surveys of the subject, summary yet comprehensive accounts of unsurpassed excellence of the philosophies of Kant and of Berkeley, the former of which has inspired more than one young philosopher with lasting enthusiasm for the work of that great man. His last and perhaps most impressive contribution, written in retirement and published in 1989, was a book on the work of J. L. Austin. Warnock was among Austin's greatest admirers, but while he showed full appreciation of Austin's originality, his fastidious concern for accuracy led him to draw attention also to the mistakes which Austin, like all philosophers, sometimes made. The result is a model of balance and lucidity.

 Warnock possessed another side to his nature which revealed itself in the elegant quality of his own verse and in his love of Italian opera. He published his Poems in 1956 (1955, E6). He retired in 1988, and said he was looking forward to 'pottering about' at his home near Marlborough, Wiltshire, although he continued his work on J. L. Austin. He bore his final, disabling illness with stoicism; and showed his courage by attending the opening of Hertford's new student block — named Warnock House — only twelve days before his death. He made, on that occasion, an eloquent, witty and moving speech.

 During his tutorial years he made several visits to the United States and taught and lectured as a number of American universities. In 1973 he was elected to an Honorary Fellowship at New College, and also of Magdalen in 1980. The other reward to Warnock's career, that of College and University administration, was pursued with equal vigour. During his nearly two decades as Principal of Hertford, 1971-88, the College leapt spectacularly from the bottom to near the top of the University's academic league table. This was in part due to an unusual unconditional entrance scheme, encouraged by Warnock, which made it possible for some of its undergraduates to be accepted on the basis of an interview and school report done, and without the need to take the entrance examination or to achieve A-level grades other than the two E grades required for University matriculation. It was a policy designed to attract pupils from the sixth forms of the new comprehensive schools with no Oxford tradition, and it worked as well as Warnock had hoped. During his time there, the College also started to accept women in 1974, one of the first five Oxford men's colleges to do so, and eventually became completely co-educational.

 Warnock served as Vice-Chancellor of the University of Oxford from 1981 to 1985, the first time for nearly a century that a Principal of Hertford had been chosen, succeeding the chemist Sir Rex Richards. It was a difficult period to hold the offices, and on which was overshadowed by the gradual erosion of government funding of higher education, a development which Warnock publicly deplored. He was knighted in 1986.

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The other strand to Warnock's career, that of College and University administrator, was pursued with equal vigour. During his nearly two decades as Principal of Hertford, 1971-88, the College leapt spectacularly from the bottom to near the top of the University's academic league table. This was in part due to an unusual unconditional entrance scheme, encouraged by Warnock, which made it possible for some of its undergraduates to be accepted on the basis of an interview and school report alone, and without the need to take the entrance examination or to achieve A-level grades other than the two E grades required for University matriculation. It was a policy designed to attract pupils from the sixth forms of the new comprehensive schools with no Oxford tradition, and it worked as well as Warnock had hoped. During his time there, the College also started to accept women in 1976, one of the first five Oxford men's colleges to do so, and eventually became completely co-educational.

Warnock served as Vice-Chancellor of the University of Oxford from 1981 to 1985, the first time for nearly a century that a Principal of Hertford had been chosen, succeeding the chemist Sir Rex Richards. It was a difficult period to hold the office, and on which was overshadowed by the gradual erosion of government funding of higher education, a development which Warnock publicly deplored. He was knighted in 1986.

Unfailingly courteous and controlled in manner, free from affectation or pretentiousness, efficient in action, witty and just in observation, Warnock possessed another side to his nature which revealed itself in the elegiac quality of his own verse and in his love of Italian opera. He published his Poems in 1956 (1955, Ed.).

During his time at Hertford, Warnock's role as an administrator was not without its challenges. The College was facing significant financial difficulties, and Warnock's actions were often criticized by other members of the University. However, under his leadership, the College saw a period of significant growth and expansion, particularly in terms of its academic standing.

Warnock's influence extended beyond his administrative responsibilities. He was a well-respected figure within the University, respected for his intellect and his ability to handle complex issues with ease. His contributions to the academic community were significant, and his legacy continues to be felt today.

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During the twenty-five years or so after the Second World War, Oxford was undoubtedly the centre of the English-speaking world — in that then influential trend in philosophy, variously known as analytic, linguistic, or simply Oxford philosophy, Gilbert Ryle, Isaiah Berlin and others were at their peak but Geoffrey Warnock, who has died aged 72, was particularly associated with a group of younger philosophers including Herbert Hart and Paul Grice, and the most influential of all, J. L. Austin. Oxford philosophy was analytic but anti-speculative, in that it denied any aim of providing new knowledge or new facts. However, while Wittgenstein's language studies aimed to 'let the fly out of the fly-bottle' as he put it, and resolve confusions which both generated and were generated by speculation, Austin studied to achieve a clearer vision of the way we conceptualize the world — as enshrined in ordinary language, and therefore thoroughly serviceable. There can be no doubt that Austin had a great influence on Warnock, deepened by the fact that he was for a time at Magdalen College with Austin, first as a junior research Fellow and later as a tutorial Fellow. But he was no mere acolyte, and later published articles critical of Austin. Geoffrey, whose professional career began post-war, soon became a powerful member of the group.

A keen analytic intelligence, allied to an often mordant wit and an elegant but economical literary style, enabled him to make clear and incisive contributions and also to reveal the errors of others with quite devastating finality. He had no time for the apparent profundity which requires intellectual fog. Two of his earliest writings were on the philosophy of perception and quickly attained a wide audience. Berkeley, pub-
lished as a Penguin original in 1953, made no attempt to present a rounded picture of his subject, but was a clear and thorough examination of the relations between subjectivism, phenomenalism, and commonsense belief about perception. On the whole, and typically of those with his philosophical sympathies, he took the line that when Berkeley and the subjectivists talked in terms of ideas of sense and sensations, and phenomenalists of sense-data or sensa, all they had to say that was worth saying was expressible in everyday language. If one says: 'I have an elliptical sense-datum of a round penny,' it is no more true or profound than: 'I see a penny that looks elliptical'.

The other book published in 1960, was a tour de force. Austin, who had died aged 56 in 1960, had given lectures typically entitled Sense and Sensibilia. From fragmentary notes by Austin and other auditors, Warnock reconstructed these lectures under the same title. Not only the thought but also Austin's idiosyncratic literary style were reproduced with unbelievable accuracy; moreover, Warnock sets out some considerable criticisms of his own book, Sense and Sensibilia, from his list of writings in Who's Who: Who no one else would do so. Nobody else could have done what Warnock did.

Warnock was a professional philosopher in the fullest sense. He published The object of morality in 1971 and many articles in academic journals. He was a teacher, and not only of his Oxford pupils. His English philosophy since 1950, and Contemporary moral philosophy, are not popularization but they have a mainly pedagogic intent.

His clear intelligence and calm, objective outlook made him liable to calls from elsewhere. After 1971 he was Principal of Hertford College and Vice-Chancellor of Oxford University, both in difficult times. Though his interest in philosophy did not wane, he had little time to spare for it in his last 25 years.

In 1949, Geoffrey married Mary Wilson, now Baroness Warnock, herself a professional philosopher who became Mistress of Girton and was much involved publicly outside her professional career. In spite of the close parallel between the courses of their lives, it is hard to detect any mutual influence in their philosophical work.

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In private conversation or at the dinner table, Geoffrey was a charming companion. He enjoyed the eccentricities of human nature and delighted in ‘characters’. He took great pleasure in the conversations and anecdotes of Oxford’s then Chancellor, Harold Macmillan. He walked quickly, like an athlete. He was a keen cricketer. In winter he would venture forth in what looked like his old army coat — a ‘British warm’. An unmistakable figure.

The Guardian 11 October 1995

John Torrance contributed the following note to the obituary in The Independent:

As Principal of Hertford College from 1971 to 1988 Geoffrey Warnock presided over a crucial stage in the transformation of what was once one of smallest, poorest, and least regarded of Oxford men’s colleges into a mixed, middle-sized college with sound finances, new buildings, an expanding fellowship, a progressive admissions policy and good academic results. Although some of the measures that benefited Hertford were in place before his arrival, their successful fruition owned much to his careful, clear-sighted and good-humoured government. Already known for his administrative efficiency while Senior Tutor at Magdalen, he now showed rare qualities of chairmanship and leadership which led to his choice as Vice- Chancellor of the University in 1981.

He steered Oxford’s Hebdomadal Council, as he had the College, with an imperturbable authority that minimalized debate by the unfailing fairness and reasonableness with which it was exercised. His clarity of presentation, shrewd judgement, modest dignity, and friendliness were widely appreciated, both in and outside the University. The least pompous of men, given to almost self-caricaturing understatement in matters of personal conviction, his conduct of business nevertheless left no one in doubt of his awareness that questions of expediency often conceal deeper issues involving the values of which universities are guardians. His sense of right
and wrong, when roused, was robust and unerring. His four years in office coincided with the first round of cuts in university funding, heralding the campaign by successive Conservative governments to reduce the cost to the taxpayer of higher education. Although Oxford’s official response to the cuts was measured, in unofficial pronouncements Geoffrey Warnock made no secret of the serious view he took of the future of British universities if it were to depend wholly on such considerations.

He returned to this theme briefly in his last speech, delivered at the opening of Warnock House, Hertford’s new student residence on the Isis near Folly Bridge. The speech finished on a valedictory note, and when he died twelve days later it was hard not to believe that, with characteristic firmness and courtesy, he had held off the advance of an unrelenting illness just long enough not to disappoint his family and many friends, colleagues, and well-wishers gathered for the occasion.

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ADDRESS

Delivered at the Memorial Service for Sir Geoffrey Warnock held in the University Church of St Mary the Virgin on 2 December 1995

Sir Peter Strawson.

Geoffrey Warnock wrote, of another philosopher, George Berkeley, the following words: ‘He was the most acute of thinkers, a writer of perfect grace and lucidity, and by temperament an enemy to all dullness, pedantry, and needless sophistication.’ The words can be applied, with even greater justice, to their author. While the good Bishop was led, in the end, to embrace a fantastical metaphysics, Geoffrey Warnock never deviated from the clear and literal truth. And so be able to tell the literal truth in philosophy requires qualities which he possessed in an almost unique degree: above all, a concern for absolute accuracy and precision in statement — just the qualities necessary to correct the looseness, the grosser divisions, and assimilations to which most of us are unfortunately prone. It might seem that the persistent exercise of these qualities was at risk of incurring the penalties or faults, to which I declared him an enemy, of dullness and pedantry. But this, in Geoffrey’s case, would be the reverse of the truth. Rather, in his writings on perception and the philosophy of language, the exercise of drawing clear distinctions, of rejecting over-hasty conclusions or false assimilations is conducted with such an absence of fussiness, with such coolness, sobriety, and elegance that the result gives not only profound intellectual satisfaction but, it is not too much to say, acute aesthetic pleasure.

Neither should it be thought, as concentration on his critical work might suggest, that Geoffrey was an unadventurous philosopher. On the contrary, he devoted an entire book to a tricky and highly contentious subject — one which has engaged philosophers throughout the ages and probably now engages the feelings of people more profoundly than any other philosophical topic — namely, the nature of the real. I said the subject is contentious; some might even object to the substance of the book’s title, The object of reality, but, in my personal view, Geoffrey comes closer in this book to the truth of the matter than any other writer of our age — or perhaps of any age.

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Geoffrey also showed his venturesomeness in another and very different way. Of all the philosophers of our time the one he rightly admired more than any other was J. L. Austin; and Geoffrey undertook, and published as his last book, a critical study of Austin’s work. This was preceded much earlier by his brilliant reconstruction, from very fragmentary notes, of Austin’s famous lectures on perception, delivered under the characteristic title, _Sense and Sensibilia_. In this Geoffrey captured, not only the substance of the lectures, but the personal style, the total originality, the devastating force, the extreme sensitivity to the nuances of language. The reconstruction was a wonderful revelation of these qualities. It was also a tribute. So too, in its way, was his final study of Austin’s entire oeuvre. But it was not merely a tribute; for here Geoffrey gave his own critical, as well as expository, powers their full scope. His concern for accuracy, precision, and literal truth were brought to bear, and most tellingly brought to bear, on his subject. The necessary corrections and qualifications were duly and decisively made; but this without any abatement of recognition of the power, originality, and enduring value and influence of Austin’s work. The book, in fact, is a demonstration that a sincere and discriminating admirer of a great and original philosopher need not be, and should not be, a mere disciple.

What I have said so far, about Geoffrey Warnock exclusively in his professional philosophical role, may give a misleading impression — an impression of austerity, even of severity, as dominant characteristics. But though he could be severe when severity was called for, such an impression would be quite wrong. He was, indeed, splendidly unflappable. But he was far from austere. On the one hand, he had a very lively sense of the ridiculous — he could be vastly and delightfully amused by the absurdities which so often crop up in human speech and behaviour. And on the other he was invariably considerate and courteous, indeed chivalrous, in personal relations. And he was, above all, to use an old expression, ‘a man of feeling’. I shall never forget the warmth of his response to the charm and beauty of Italy when he visited that country, I think for the first time, in the company of myself and a friend. And as it was with architecture and opera there, so it was with English prose and poetry here. He himself wrote and published distinguished poems in which his own characteristic combination of sense and sensibility, realism and restraint, found happy expression in polished and elegant forms. Again he had — what we would desire in all our friends — a great capacity for enjoyment of the simpler and more immediate human pleasures; and this, combined with his wit and clarity of vision, made him one of the pleasantest people in the world to be with and to talk with.

In company with many others, I shall miss him very much indeed.
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delivered on the same occasion by John Torrance.

Perhaps we in Oxford are influenced by the past even more than we think. Long ago Magdalen College regarded the Principalship of Magdalen Hall as a perquisite of its fellows. Then, in the last century, Magdalen Hall threw off this patronage and moved to the site of the old, dissolved, Hertford College, only to be swallowed up later by a new, resurgent Hertford. It is curious therefore to find Magdalen and Hertford once again, in this century, trafficking in heads of house. Having given Magdalen Thomas Booth, Hertford has chosen three Magdalen fellows in return.

This story has its sad side. It is not many months since many of us gathered here to honour the memory of Angus Macintyre, history Fellow of Magdalen and Principal-elect of Hertford. And Sir Lindor Brown, formerly of Magdalen, died suddenly after only three years as Principal of Hertford. When Geoffrey Warnock came from Magdalen to succeed him, in 1973 he was immediately asked to sit to David Hockney, because the Hertford fellows were unused to Lindor Brown’s having left them with the option of a good-humoured portrait. Geoffrey was not at all put out by this pre-emptive attitude, and relished the advice given him by John Armstrong: ‘Oh yes, have it done soon, before you get any worse’. He then went on to enjoy a splendid Principalship of seventeen years.

These were important years for Hertford. Geoffrey Warnock presided over a crucial stage in the transformation from one of the smallest and poorest of men’s colleges into a middle-sized college with sound finances, new buildings, an expanding fellowship, a progressive admissions policy, and good academic results — never better, in fact, than in his time. Partly, this was the fruition of measures put in place before his arrival, on account of the Franks Commission, to initiatives taken by his predecessors and by College officers, and to the support of benefactors and a loyal society of old members. But Geoffrey himself was not at all put out by this precautionary attitude, and relished the advice given him by John Armstrong: ‘Oh yes, have it done soon, before you get any worse’. He then went on to enjoy a splendid Principalship of seventeen years.

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Though cheerful and amusing in private life, in public matters Geoffrey rather adhered to the role of statesman. This partly expressed and partly concealed the foresight and caution that made him such a judicious and admirable leader. When, for example, in 1976, with the College near the top of the University’s list of firsts, he was faced with a financial crisis, he advised the College to keep its finances sound. He was not a man to be overawed or unduly influenced by the opinion of others, and he never shut his mind to the possibility of change. His principal aim was always to secure stability. Under his administration, Hertford College continued to be an academic success story, and its reputation as a constituent college of Oxford University continued to grow. Geoffrey Warnock was a man of great intellect, great humanity, and great integrity. He will be missed by all who knew him, and his memory will live on in the College he loved and served so well.
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Over me on the dimly glowing bold
And remove in pattern, the kindness
Of your life to mine -

Until it is dark, and you
Have found in some other place, fires for your brief
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the late Chancellor and Visitor of Hertford, Harold Macmillan, whose
shy wit, unreliable reminiscences, and irresistible eloquence delighted
him. He loved complex and eccentric characters, and anecdotes and wit-
ticisms gained zest from his telling, because it often revealed where his

own deeper tendencies lay. Geoffrey was not the first to pass on to me
the description (I believe by Keynes) of an American politician as ‘having
his ear so close to the ground he couldn’t hear what an upright man was
saying’, but his tellin stuck in my mind because Geoffrey himself was,
precisely, an upright man, erect in carriage and honourable in conduct.

Many here heard Geoffrey’s last speech, in September, at the opening
by the Chancellor of Warnock House, Hertford’s new building by the
river which will perpetuate his name. It was in his best manner, unscript-
ed, humorous, reflective, but also valiant and profoundly moving in
its circumstances. When he died twelve days later it was hard not to
believe that he had fought off his long illness just long enough not to let
us down. I don’t know what his last words were, but I feel they could
well have been those which ended his last vice-cancellorial oration: ‘I go
out without despondency’.

The Editor is grateful to David Carter (1974) for kindly supplying a
short appreciation of Geoffrey Warnock as poet, following the situation in
the penultimate paragraph of John Torrance’s Address:

‘In his early years as Principal, Geoffrey Warnock was admired by many
of us reading philosophy as a deft stylist. His prose was often complex,
but always lucid and a joy to read. This was true for some sound reasons,
as we fortuitously discovered in late 1976 or early 1977. The Principal,
who had once introduced Kant as a professor who wrote like a professor,
was himself a scholar who could write with the timing and nuance of his
other serious pursuit of more than twenty years – poetry. In 1955,
Blackwell’s published Poems, a slim but delightful quarto containing
much of his best verse. Two decades later, copies were circulated approv-
ingly amongst many of us, and with increasing interest. Eventually the
Principal agreed to a reading and discussion of eleven of his poems, even
though ‘the rational emotion of all honest, live-born Britons is embarrass-
ment, and everyone knows that poetry is embarrassing’. To the contrary,
however, his ear, eye, and voice were, as always, adroit and astute and
inspiring. The only shame is that he is not with us still as are so many of
his works. Listen to an expert from Youth, one of his earliest poems:

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A Development Office was established, with Adele Smith as Director and Charlotte Dewhurst as Assistant, to support the Campaign, as well as to organize and run the College’s alumni events and database, under the direction of first, John Torrance, and then Sir Walter Bodmer, the new Principal, working with the College Campaign Committee. A Junior Consultative Committee of distinguished members was formed, presided over by Sir Nicholas Henderson (1937) to advise and to solicit contacts for the College; there was support also from other groups of alumni. Throughout the preparations for the initial Launch of the Campaign, the Development Office had the help and advice of Derek Casson (1944), who led the last College Appeal with great success in the 1970s, and of other officers of the Hertford Society, notably Sir John Whitbread (1952) and Anthony Hafez (1959).

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Nancy Giles writes: Since this article was written, summarizing activity during 1996-7, Adele Smith has retired as Director of Development. In April 1998, Nancy Giles took up the position to carry on the Campaign, and, with Charlotte Dewhurst, Assistant Director of Development, to run our Alumni Office. The Ground-breaking for the new Graduate Centre at Folly Bridge took place on 18 June 1998. With building work now well under way, the Campaign is actively seeking funding from outside sources for this existing £5.5 million projects, and attractive sponsorship opportunities are available. An up-to-date report on Development Office activities will be included in the 1997-8 Magazine, scheduled for publication by the end of the year.

The Launch of Campaign 2000

A Reception to launch Campaign 2000 was held in Drapers' Hall, Throgmorton Avenue, on 16 April 1997 at the invitation of the President, Sir Nicholas Henderson, and the Principal and Fellows of the College, in the presence of the Chancellor. Derek Cowen writes, 'The opportunity for a large number of old members, with Fellows, and representatives from the MCR and the JCR to gather together is rare. So it was a particular pleasure to see nearly 200 at the Drapers' Hall on 16 April. We immediately felt at home, as the influence of the architect, Thomas Graham Jackson, was very evident in the splendid — indeed, splendidous — splurge of Victorian Livery grandeur. It was a pleasure to have his grandson, Sir Nicholas (past Master), present; he is a distinguished musician, and music from the semi-professional College Music Society added to the flavour of the event. The Chancellor, in his usual, spoke, as did Sir Nicholas Henderson, the President of the Campaign, the Principal, and Paul Manduca (1970), who heads up the City
Committee. Progress was reported, plans outlined, and donations encouraged. Historically it was certainly the right setting for the Launch. The Drapers’ Company have been firm supporters of Hertford since the days when Henry Boyd happily combined the Principalship with being a very distinguished Master.

Sir Nicholas Henderson delivered the following speech:

With the launch of this appeal and the foregathering here of so many Hertford graduates, let us take stock very briefly of what Hertford has become and where it is going.

The change: I suppose that over the past generation no Oxford College has changed so much as Hertford materially and academically. Some thirty years ago it was one of the poorest and one of the smallest colleges.

Finance: Since then its finances have been transformed. Our investment capital has greatly increased. It has invested no less than 10 times in this period. Apart from investment income, we have led other colleges in making our premises available for conferences. As I am sure you know, this is thanks to the skill and application of Roger Van Noorden. He is the most modest and least vainglorious of men which makes it all the more appropriate that we, this evening, should seize the occasion to pay him tribute and to express our thanks.

Size: Now about size: Hertford now has 355 undergraduates compared with 157 a generation ago, 104 graduates compared with 18 earlier, and 37 Fellows compared with 10. What is significant about these figures is that the proportion of graduates to undergraduates has grown enormously and that the undergraduates now get more attention from the dons.

Housing: All the undergraduates and one-fifth of the graduates are housed in College accommodation. The undergraduates greatly benefit financially from having College accommodation. The aim is to accommodate all the graduates, which explains the importance attached to the purchase of Salter’s Boat Yard. This is a truly magnificent site — for which we need a truly magnificent donor. Our College, whatever the vicissitudes in its fortunes, appears always to have had an uncanny nose for real estate.

A Graduate Centre: We want to create at Salter’s Yard a Graduate Centre that will be a match for anything of the kind in Oxford. This is an integral part of Hertford’s determination to achieve excellence.

Academic achievement: As someone who, in Schools, achieved one of those generalized War degrees that now will have saved many a recipient from the disciplines of class, I don’t want to brag too much about Hertford’s recent dramatic ascent in the Norrington Table. This Table, and the attitude of authority towards it, is, I suggest, a certain resemblance to another index in a very different world— that of women’s devils.

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The vital statistics measuring the size of certain proportions of the female anatomy are no longer regarded by the trade as of definitive importance, yet—so I am told (and this is not to me surprising)—for many, they remain of great interest. So it is with Norrington, which continues, however unofficially, to be regarded as a useful guide to academic achievement. Certainly, we have to be proud of Hertford's success in Schools last year when no fewer than 29 Firsts were achieved. We came fifth in the Norrington Table, whereas thirty years ago we were bottom.

Intake from state schools One of the causes of the great change in Hertford's academic standing was the encouragement the College started to give, some thirty years ago, to state schools to put students up for entry. This greatly expanded the catchment area for talent. Over 60% of the annual intake is now from state schools. Hertford was the pioneer College in Oxford in this respect.

Admission of women It was also a pioneer over the admission of women. Hertford was in the first batch of colleges to admit women.

The distinction of our Fellows One last statistic I must give you in this context relates to the Fellows. Hertford has a higher proportion of Fellows who are FRs or FBA than any other Oxford college. These may reflect a singular feature of the College; what I might call the oecumenical nature of its academic syllabus. To be sure, traditional academic subjects are not supplanted or neglected, but new emphasis is placed on the sciences and engineering as the appointment of a most distinguished geneticist, you Walter, as Principal, surely attests.

We should not hide the light of our achievement under a bushel You know, Principal, I really think that this metamorphosis in our financial and academic condition deserves to be written up for wider interest, not to say, inspiration.

The character of the College But it is typical of Hertford, typical of its character, not to seek the limelight. I wanted to say something on that which has not altered about Hertford, despite all the changes I have just mentioned. I do not find that the character of the College has altered—not fundamentally—and this to me is heartening. I mean in my day we may not have been grand, and, despite our central geographical position and photogenic Bridge and the recent presence amongst us of Evelyn Waugh, nobody could accuse us of arrogance or panache, compared for instance with a college such as . . .. No, I must not make comparisons, which, as Dorothy Parker said, can be odorous. But, if not glamorous, we nevertheless had certain distinctive qualities: there was something dogged about us; we did not think that our style—exclusiveness and getting on with it—required a high profile. But we were not down-trodden, let alone down-hearted. How could we be with a Senior Common Room of distinguished dons under a Principal, Cruttwell, who incidentally featured under that name in Evelyn Waugh's novels. Cruttwell was a
man renowned in Oxford — by Town and Gown — for his towering personality and for his no less towering rage.

Cruttwell I used to play golf with Cruttwell. Yes, I mean with him as a partner in foursomes. It was just as well to be on his side. On one occasion, as we approached the tee, a couple of men cut in in front of us and started to drive off from the ladies' tee. Naturally, this invoked Cruttwell's fury. 'Ill-mannered swine', he shouted, 'and confessed hermaphrodites into the bargain'.

The Appeal From what I have said you will see that I think that as a College we are both very much the same and very different from what we were a generation or so ago. I hope you feel, as I do, that our character should not, and will not, change, but that we have to sustain and indeed enhance the high level of excellence we have now reached. This will not happen without a great effort on the part of all those who have the College at heart. The Principal will tell you about the Appeal. It is a noble cause. May I ask you to respond to it in the spirit that it so heartily deserves?'

The Chancellor, the Rt Hon. Lord Jenkins of Hillhead, spoke as follows:

'Hereford is one of the five colleges of which, as Chancellor, I am Visitor. They are a somewhat heterogenous group, comprising in addition, St Edmund Hall, Pembroke, Lady Margaret Hall, and Somerville. It is difficult to see the sinews of logic running through them, as the then Bishop of Winchester, my only equal as a pluralist, once deliberately pointed out to me. His poker hand comprised New College (obviously) and the four `presidencies', Magdalen, Corpus, Trinity, and St John's, which were founded in the wake of New College and broadly with its statutes.

'Of my five, Hereford has on the whole given me the most trouble but also provided the greatest interest. The only possible short-term rival was Somerville, when the decision of its governing body that it should become co-educational caused much internal upheaval, leading to my being to hold a quasi-judicial hearing with counsel on both sides. In Hereford — now how shall I most tactfully put it? — the high quality of recent Principals caused some hesitation in deciding on a successor. An impasse developed. And the Statutes are bluntly: `the Principal shall be appointed by the Chancellor . . . of the University' (not the Visitor of the College).

'I felt the duty descending on me to cut through the impasse. But I did not do so without appropriate caution. This had the advantage that I got to know more of the Fellows of Hereford than of those of any other College and to form a very high regard for them. I was convalescent at that time and the consultations — mostly in our East Hendred garden on long summer evenings — led to a decision on the new Principal. Then fate struck with a heavy hand, and we lost Angus MacIntyre before he was installed. Sir Walter Bodmer was then chosen without my having to play any further role, and my main function in relation to the College since then has been to preside over the opening of the new Wadham building near Oxford Bridge. The occasion was memorable by a moving address by the Rector of Wadham within a few days of his death. He had clearly resolved to put all his remaining energy into that achievement, for such it was.

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Beyond any question of sites and buildings I have been enormously struck during my ten years of Chancellorship by the intellectual vitality of Hertford. Thirty-five years ago I probably was not much aware of the College except as the Alma Mater of Nicko Henderson, then gradually becoming my closest all-round male friend, and of Evelyn Waugh, emerging in the greatest novels of the middle two quarters of the twentieth century (although also, whatever I may be, being a remarkably disagreeable man). But both of these claims to fame have been recently greatly buttressed. I think the College has greatly gained from its Irish connection. The President of Ireland, who was I think our most successful Head of State visitor of the past five years, had become a sort of patron saint of Hertford — I will not say a mother superior, for that would be inappropriate to the new spirit of Ireland. What will happen if she is replaced by some ward-heeling politician from North Dublin I do not know.

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Gaudies

The 1995 Gaudy was held on 29 September. Former members from the years 1967, 1968, and 1969 were invited. Mr Tim Ross replied on behalf of the guests, and the toast to the College was proposed by Professor Thomas Wiedermann. The 1996 Gaudy, to which those who matriculated in 1970, 1971, and 1973 were invited, took place on 4 October. It was good to have such a strong turn-out of Fellows (twenty-four); Lindsay Forbes replied on behalf of the guests, and the toast to the College was proposed by Dr John Louden.

Notices of forthcoming gaudies will appear in the Campaign 2000 Newsletter, and groups of former members will receive invitations to events organized on a subject basis, which it is the intention to hold from time to time. This may depend on whether the College survives the Gilbert Club Twenty-fifth Anniversary Dinner, fixed for Saturday 3 October 1998. This follows the very successful twenty-first anniversary, celebrated in 1994; this was the first event of its kind in Hertford, and the Club (named after E. W. Gilbert, former Professor of Geography) was the first College geography society to be founded in Oxford. Hertford Geography, which can boast a long tradition (Plate 13), if characteristically for the College, a somewhat interrupted one, maintains its trail-blazing reputation.

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The Editor hopes that members will enjoy reading this Magazine. He trusts that it is, in the main, literate, but he is obliged to report that much of the copy submitted (by the old, on occasion, as well as by the young) was, frankly, so indifferently written that he would not care to vouch for its translation (‘literally’, as we have to say these days) into half-decent English. The Editor, by merit of constant reference to the OED, The Oxford dictionary for writers and editors, Hart’s Rules, Who’s Who, the DNA, Oxford University’s form, and all the rest, has attempted a measure of consistency and general accuracy. (Even proper names are not sacrosanct. For all those who expounded in this issue about Cruttwell, only one could spell his name correctly; the same is true for the late Dr Macintyre, and the late Professor Gottmann suffered in the same way.)

History demonstrates that in the decline into barbarism, the language is usually the first thing to go. In that case, we must be well on the way: reason enough for the Editor to strive to produce another Magazine before the end of the year. But that sounds of ‘forward planning’ is a particularly stupid one, this — what other kind of planning can there be? — and one which, regrettably, is enshrined in a College document, the Hertford College Forward Plan 1995-2005. We should perhaps, therefore, ‘revise back’ (an even more ludicrous tautology, I aver, clumsy, fashionable committee jargon). Those who have been kind enough to pursue this screed thus far might find both solace and sound practical advice in Jeremiah 51:63 (in the AV, of course).
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The Chairman's Letter

This is my first letter since becoming Chairman of the Hertford Society, though I have now been in office for three years. My initial duty must be to thank my predecessor (though my contemporary in the College), Jeffrey Preston, for all that he did as Chairman in his eight years of office. Despite working for some of that time in Cardiff and despite some ill health, he was assiduous in his attendance at functions and Committee meetings and in otherwise devoting the necessary time to the Society's affairs. I am delighted that he remains a member of the Committee.

Sir John Whitehead marked the end of his term of office as President last year and I thank him for his regular and genial participation in our gatherings, including Committee meetings. We are fortunate that Lord Waddington returned from his Governorship of Bermuda at just the right time from our point of view in order to be able to succeed Sir John. He has already involved himself wholeheartedly in our affairs and we are delighted that the College has elected him as an Honorary Fellow.

Following a number of deaths, most recently those of Professor James Meade and Sir Geoffrey Warnock, we felt last year that we should elect some additional Vice-Presidents and I am glad to say that Derek Conran, Sir Geoffrey Ellerton, John Torrance, and Roger Westbrook all agreed to accept office. Fortunately, Derek continues as our Oxford Representative and we are much in his debt for all that he does to promote the aims of the Society by helping to keep members in touch with the College and with each other. Sir Geoffrey and Roger are also old members of the College, the former having been Chairman of the Local Government Boundary Commission and the latter, once a Committee member, being at present H.M. Ambassador in Lisbon. John has now retired after many years as Fellow and Tutor in Politics and also served on two occasions as Vice-Principal.

Committee members and officers naturally come and go. I thank them all, particularly Graham Jones, the Secretary, and Anthony Swing, who has organized our social functions so meticulously for many years. The Treasurership has changed hands twice since the last report. Stephen Kinsey was succeeded by Nigel Brown, and Robert Seymour kindly filled the breach when Nigel's work took him to Canada. I am delighted that Angela Fane has joined the Committee, Haidee Schofield having been its sole lady member for too long. I must also thank Tony Ryder for his services as our Honorary Auditor. The Principal is of course ex officio a member of the Committee, Sir Walter Bodmer is already taking a role in our discussions as did his predecessor, Professor Sir Christopher Zeeman.

Our social programme continues on its well-known pattern with a dinner and a lunch in College in alternate years. Both of these are now open to guests as well as to members. Our annual drinks party for prospective...
members who are in their final year in College continue. From time to time we hold functions in London and we hope, through the good offices of Lord Waddington, to hold a reception in the House of Lords in September, 1999.

The College, as members will know, is actively prosecuting its Campaign 2000, with the principal aims of building a Graduates Centre and of endowing certain fellowships. It goes without saying that we wish it well, and a number of our members are assisting in the necessary fundraising for it. No doubt many members have personally contributed to this end, but the Committee did not feel that any contribution from the Society's funds would be appropriate. Instead, we have recently made gifts to the College for the labelling and lighting of the portraits in Hall and towards the purchase of certain other pictures.

The Hertford Bridge is a new edifice by Oxford standards, but it has for some time made the College the most recognizable symbol of both the University and the City. It is only 84 years old and it is noteworthy that Bob Jackson, one of our Vice-Presidents and a former Chairman, who still regularly attends our functions, was already six years old when the Bridge was built. We congratulate him on his longevity and are delighted that on more than one recent occasion all five of the Society's Chairmen during the 36 years of its existence have been present together (Plate 16).

The College has this year taken an initiative which is to be welcomed. It has offered, and the Committee has accepted the offer, to hold for the first five years after College members have gone down (and for a trial period of five years) their automatic membership of the Society. It is felt that it will be to the benefit of the individuals, the College and the Society for those individuals to be kept in touch with Hertford without action on their part (apart from the necessity to notify changes of address) during what is possibly a difficult period of their lives. We hope that a high proportion of them will renew their membership when it falls on them to do so, and that a higher proportion of that age group will support our activities than has hitherto been the case.

Finally I must thank the College for the friendly and generous attitude which it constantly takes towards all its old members and particularly towards those of us who are for the time being their representatives.

Anthony Eady

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With the new boathouses comes new responsibilities and opportunities. One of the more exciting problems for the Boat Club Society is the situation of the club room and display of club memorabilia. Anyone wishing to donate to the Boathouse or pictures or pieces of eight should contact the Society.

There will be a greater financial burden on College, Club, and Society in the year or so following the building. As the Boat Club has an income from renting lock space to other Colleages, and if a sub-committee of the Boat Club is to be appointed to handle new business, etc., its salary must be raised. John Marsh, the HBCB Treasurer, has been working hard to build up the Society income to meet the new situation.

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Jon Billowes
If you have anything which ought to be or might be recorded in the next issue of the Magazine please enter it on this sheet and send it to the Editor at Hertford College, Oxford OX1 3JW. 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.

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