THE ROYAL ARCHAEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND (INCORPORATED)

C/O THE LONDON MUSEUM, KENSINGTON PALACE, W.8

THE ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH REPORT OF THE COUNCIL

FOR THE YEAR 1952

The Council has the honour to present its report for the year 1952.

Loyal Addresses were laid before Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Elizabeth II expressing the sincere and loyal devotion of the Institute on her accession; and also to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, a message of sympathy in the death of His Most Gracious Majesty King George VI. Her Majesty the Queen has been graciously pleased to continue the favour of the Royal Patronage.

During the year the Institute has lost four Ordinary Members by death. Amongst its losses, the Council records with especial regret the death of Professor Hamilton Thompson, a Past President of the Institute. Nine members have resigned. Thirty-six new members have been elected. Six libraries have become regular subscribers to the Journal; seven libraries have ceased to subscribe, and the British Council has withdrawn payment on behalf of a further three.

The total membership at the end of December was as follows :-

612 Subscribing Members.

168 Libraries.

2 Honorary and Corresponding Members.

On May 6th a visit was made to Hatfield and district, and the Council wishes to place on record its indebtedness to the Most Hon. the Marquess of Salisbury in allowing the Institute to visit Hatfield House, and to Professor N. Pevsner who acted as Guide; to the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Caledon for permission to visit Tyttenhanger Park, and to Mr. G. F. Webb for acting as Guide; and to the incumbents of churches at Hatfield and Ayot St. Lawrence, and to Professor N. Pevsner and Mr. Marcus Whiffen for acting as Guides.

The Summer Meeting was held at Hereford in July and the Council wishes to record its especial indebtedness to the Mayor and Mayoress of Hereford; to the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral; to the Patrons of the Meeting; to the Local Committee for the Meeting, and particularly to the Chairman, Major A. E. W. Salt, M.A.; to the Woolhope Naturalists' Field Club for co-operation and hospitality; to the Bishop of Hereford and to the incumbents of churches, especially to the Ven. Archdeacon A. J. Winnington Ingram; to the owners of houses for their kindness in allowing the Institute to visit them, and particularly to the Corporation of Hereford, the Hon. Mrs. Copland-Griffiths, Sir Derrick Bailey, Bt., and to Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Sandford for their hospitality; to Mr. V. H. Coleman who did so much to make the Meeting a success; and to those members and others who conducted the parties round the various buildings and sites.

The Autumn Meeting was held in London on October 24th. The Council is much indebted to Mr. W. F. Grimes who showed members the results of the recent excavations at St. Bride's Church, Fleet Street, and to the Vicar for kind permission to view; to Mr. W. D. Clark for kindness and help in allowing members to visit No. 44 Berkeley Square and to Dr. Wittkower for acting as Guide; to Lord Kemsley for kind permission to visit Chandos House, Queen Anne Street, and to Dr. M. Whinney for acting as Guide.

The Council much appreciates the work of its Local Meetings Secretary, Mr. Denys Spittle, in organising the Spring and Autumn Meetings.

The following papers were read during the year:

- January 16th. 'Hill-slope Forts and related types of Earthwork in S.W. England and S. Wales', by Lady Fox, M.A., F.S.A., Lecturer in British Archaeology in the University College of the South West.
- February 19th. 'Excavations at Charroux, Poitou'. by M. Pierre Auzas, of the Service des Monuments Historiques, Paris.
- February 27th. 'New Finds in the Harran Region', by Seton Lloyd, Esq., O.B.E., F.S.A., A.R.I.B.A., Director of the British Institute of Archaeology at Ankara.

March 5th. 'The North Downs Main Trackway and the Pilgrims' Way', by I. D. Margary, Esq., F.S.A.

March 26th. 'The Oxford Master-Masons, 1370-1530', by E. A. Gee, Esq., D.Phil.

April 30th. 'Cufic Lettering in Christian Art', by S. D. T. Spittle, Esq., M.A., A.R.I.B.A.

May 7th. 'Lamport Hall', by Sir Gyles Isham, Bart.

May 14th. Annual General Meeting. Address by Sir Mortimer Wheeler, C.I.E., M.C., F.B.A., F.S.A., President.

October 22nd. 'Decorative Sculpture in England during the second quarter of the 13th century', by Miss P. Wynn Reeves, B.A., Ph.D.

November 12th. 'Two Scottish Shrines: St. Andrew's and Jedburgh', by C. A. R. Radford, Esq., M.A., F.S.A.

December 3rd. 'The Chichester Reliefs', by G. Zarnecki, Esq., Ph.D., of the Courtauld Institute.

Volume CVII of the Journal was published in March followed by Volume CVIII in November.

The Accounts for the year 1952, which have been prepared by Messrs. Whinney, Smith and Whinney, Chartered Accountants, are attached to the report. The Council is indebted to Sir Alfred Wood, F.C.A., and to Dr. Philip Corder, Honorary Auditors, for their services.

The Senior Vice-President, Mr. L. E. Tanner, M.V.O., M.A., V.-P.S.A., retired and was appointed an Honorary Vice-President. Mr. C. C. Oman, M.A., was appointed a Vice-President in his place.

The members of the Council who retired in rotation were: Professor J. G. D. Clark, M.A., Ph.D., F.S.A.; Mrs. E. M. Clifford, F.S.A.; Mr. C. C. Oman, M.A.; Miss K. M. Richardson, B.A., F.S.A.; Mrs. E. G. Kaines-Thomas, M.A., D.Lit., F.S.A.; and Mr. R. J. C. Atkinson, M.A., F.S.A.; the following were elected to take their places: Mr. J. Charlton, M.A., F.S.A.; Mr. H. M. Colvin, M.A.; Mr. W. E. Godfrey, B.A., A.R.I.B.A.; Mr. E. M. Jope, M.A. B.Sc., F.S.A.; Mr. A. Oswald; and Mr. R. B. K. Stevenson.

The Council appointed Mr. H. C. Bowen to fill the vacancy on the Council caused by the appointment of Mr. J. Charlton as Honorary Secretary.

The members of the Executive Committee who retired in rotation were Miss M. D. Whinney, D.Lit., F.S.A., and Mr. P. Corder, M.A., Litt.D. Mr. I. D. Margary, M.A., F.S.A., and Mr. C. A. R. Radford, M.A., F.S.A., were appointed to take their places.

The Council appointed Mr. C. C. Oman, M.A., and Mr. C. A. R. Radford, M.A., F.S.A., to take the places of Miss M. D. Whinney, D.Lit., F.S.A., and Mr. P. Corder, M.A., Litt.D., on the Editorial Committee.

The resignation of the Honorary Editor, Miss B. de Cardi, B.A., F.S.A., was received with profound regret and it is desired to place on record the Institute's debt to Miss de Cardi for her services. At the same time the Honorary Secretary, Mr. A. R. Dufty, F.S.A., A.R.I.B.A., and the Assistant Secretary, Miss V. M. Dallas, F.S.A., were at their request relieved of their duties; they were appointed Joint Editors in place of Miss de Cardi. Mr. J. Charlton, M.A., F.S.A., was appointed Honorary Secretary and Miss P. Wynn Reeves, B.A., Ph.D., Assistant Secretary to take their places. Mr. S. D. T. Spittle, M.A., A.R.I.B.A., was appointed Meetings Secretary in order to organize the Summer Meetings as well as the Local Meetings.

Sir Alfred Wood, F.C.A., and Dr. P. Corder, M.A., Litt.D., were reappointed Honorary Auditors.

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REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL ARCHAEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND (INCORPORATED).

We have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit. In our opinion proper books of account have been kept by the Institute so far as appears from our examination of those books. We have examined the above Balance Sheet and annexed Income and Expenditure Account which are in agreement with the books of account. In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us the said accounts give the information required by the Companies Act, 1948, in the manner so required, and the Balance Sheet gives a true and fair view of the Institute's affairs as at 31st December, 1952, and the Income and Expenditure Account gives a true and fair view of the deficit for the year ended on that date.

A. R. DUFTY
C. A. RALEGH RADFORD Members of Council.

ALFRED WOOD, PHILIP CORDER,