

REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

1936

THE ANNUAL EXCURSION was held on June 10th at Chiddingfold and Dunsfold under the direction of Mr. V. J. B. Torr, who spoke at the places visited, which were *Hawlands, Chiddingfold*, by kind permission of Mr. and Mrs. C. Turner. A small half-timbered house of the early sixteenth century, with the first floor over-sailing throughout; of particular interest are the diagonal mullions in the attic window and the dragon beams which run the entire width of the house.

The *Crown Inn, Chiddingfold*, where the party took lunch. This is a very ancient hostelry rebuilt in the fifteenth century, with a half-timbered annexe of later date at the back. Despite considerable alterations the central hall may be traced on the ground floor. Of special interest are the oak buttery and pantry door-cases, the stone Tudor fireplace combining Gothic survival with ornament of Jacobean character, and the king-post roof which once spanned the open hall.

Burningfold Place, Dunsfold, by kind permission of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Mars. An important fifteenth-century timber house described in *Surrey Archæological Collections*, Vol. XXIII.

Dunsfold Rectory, by kind permission of the Rev. A. E. and Mrs. Hollins. An attractive old house of the late seventeenth century.

The Churches at Chiddingfold and Dunsfold were also visited.

AN EXCURSION was held on July 10th at Winchester. Members visited St. Cross and Wolvesey Castle. After lunch the party perambulated the city.

AN AFTERNOON MEETING was held on September 23rd at West Wickham and Chelsham, conducted by Mr. Arthur Bonner, F.S.A. The places visited were Chelsham Church, West Wickham Church and the School and Parish buildings.

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During the Spring a series of local excursions was held under the general direction of Mr. Edwin Hart, F.S.A.

On February 6th and 20th, Mr. Edwin Hart conducted parties along the line of the Pilgrims' Way from Charing to Postling, thus concluding a series of walks begun in 1935 to follow the line of the Way through the county to its end in Kent.

On February 27th and March 13th, Mr. James Graham, C.B.E., conducted members of the Society along the line of the Roman Road on the county boundary from West Wickham to Crockham Hill, with visits to the site of the Romano-Celtic temple at Titsey and the Roman villa in Titsey Park.

On April 3rd, Dr. J. H. Gibson conducted a party along the Maulth Way from Well to Bagshot, and through Windsor Forest to the important sites of "The Town," "The Cuckoo Pen" and "Cæsar's Camp."

On April 24th, Dr. Wilfred Hooper, F.S.A., conducted a party to Stane Street in Redlands Wood, Dorking, Anstiebury Camp and Friday Street.

THE SPRING MEETING in London was held on April 10th at the Tallow Chandlers Hall. The party was received and addressed by Mr. Randall H. Monier-Williams, Clerk of the Company, and was afterwards entertained to tea by invitation of the Master and Wardens.

AN AFTERNOON MEETING was held on April 28th at Godalming, and was conducted and addressed by Dr. W. E. St. L. Finny, J.P., F.S.A. The places visited were the Church, the Old Town Hall, the King's Arms Hotel, the Municipal buildings and Wyatt's Alms-houses. During tea at the King's Arms Hotel, Dr. Finny read a paper on the history of Godalming.

THE EIGHTY-SECOND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING was held on June 12th at the Guildhall, Guildford, by permission of His Worship the Mayor, and was presided over by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Onslow, F.S.A., President of the Society. The minutes of the last Annual General Meeting were read and approved and the accounts and Report of Council for the year ending December 31st, 1936, were presented.

Report of Council

for the year ending December 31st, 1936.

THE COUNCIL OF THE SURREY ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY has much pleasure in presenting its EIGHTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT, together with the CASH ACCOUNT and STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES FOR THE YEAR 1936.

PUBLICATIONS.—During the year Volume XLIV of the *Surrey Archæological Collections* was issued to Members. It contains the following articles: Racing in Surrey, by the Earl of Onslow, F.S.A.; A Mesolithic Site at Farnham, by W. F. Rankine, F.S.A.Scot.; The Pilgrims' Way and its Supposed Pilgrim Use, by Wilfrid Hooper, LL.D.; A Romano-Celtic Temple at Titsey and the Roman Road, by James Graham, C.B.E.; Mediæval Games and Gaderyings at Kingston-upon-Thames, by W. E. St. L. Finny, M.D., F.S.A.

The Council regrets to announce that Miss M. Giuseppi is unable to undertake the editing of Volume XLV, and takes this opportunity of recording its thanks to her for her valuable services to the Society as Hon. Editor. The Council is glad to report that Mr. T. E. C. Walker has generously offered to act as Editor for the next volume.

EXCURSIONS.—Excursions were held during the year at the following places:

The Public Record Office, on March 21st. The party was received and conducted by Mr. Hilary Jenkinson, F.S.A., and Mr. R. L. Atkinson, M.C. Members inspected the Museum and a special exhibition of documents relating to Surrey, which was prepared for the occasion.

Walton-on-Thames, on May 20th. Mr. J. R. Warburton conducted this excursion. Members visited the Church, Manor House and Site of Cowey Stakes. By invitation of Mr. Percy H. Webb, M.B.E., members were also enabled to inspect his collection of Roman Coins.

Chiddingfold and Dunsfold, on June 10th. Mr. V. J. B. Torr conducted the excursion. Four early houses were visited—Hawlands, The Crown Inn, Burningfold House, and the Rectory, Dunsfold, and the Churches of both parishes.

Winchester, on July 10th, where members visited St. Cross and Wolvesey Castle, and various places of interest in the City.

West Wickham, on September 23rd, conducted by Mr. Arthur Bonner, F.S.A. Members visited the Churches at Chelsham and West Wickham, West Wickham Court and the School and Parish buildings.

Many members also attended by invitation the Autumn Excursion of the Royal Archæological Institute to Maiden Castle on September 26th.

EXCAVATION AND PRESERVATION WORK.—*Long Barrow at Farnham*. During August the Society undertook the excavation of a neolithic site on Badshot Lea Farm, Farnham, which had been discovered by Mr. W. F. Rankine when visiting a chalk quarry. The work was undertaken for the Society by Mr. A. W. G. Lowther, F.S.A., A.R.I.B.A., Mr. Alex. Keiller, F.S.A., and Mr. W. F. Rankine, F.S.A.Scot. An account of the work is in preparation and will be published by the Society. A collection of the "finds" will be placed in the Guildford Museum. The site is an important one, as it is believed to be the only Long Barrow so far reported in the County. The thanks of the Society are due to Mr. Tice of Badshot Lea Farm for facilities granted for the excavation and to the Farnham Urban Council, who assisted the work by supplying tools and the extra labour for refilling.

Roman Brick Kiln, near Ewhurst. During the summer the Cranleigh School Archæological Society excavated a very well-preserved brick kiln near Ewhurst, near the line of the Rowhook-Farley Heath Roman road. A collection of specimens has been presented to the Society and an account of the excavation will be published in the next volume of the Society's *Collections*.

MUSEUM, LIBRARY AND MUNIMENT ROOM.—The alteration for the enlargement of the Museum was finished during the year and considerable progress has been made with the rearrangement of the exhibits. The extra accommodation now available has made possible a fuller display of exhibits and a more satisfactory grouping of material in different sections. The Society is much indebted to Mr. A. W. G. Lowther, Mr. W. F. Rankine, and Mr. H. Nevill, the Hon. Secretary, for the time and care they have given to the rearrangement.

The Council records its thanks to Mr. M. Young, chairman of the Museum Committee, the members of the Committee and the Guildford Corporation for their interest in the Museum, which has made this much-needed extension possible.

The following exhibits have been added to the Museum during the past year :

Four Roman Coins from Cobham by Mr. E. Partridge.

A Collection of Surrey Traders' Tokens by Mr. Percy Webb, M.B.E.

Roman Chisel from Farley Heath by Mr. R. Goodchild.

Specimens from the Roman Kiln, near Ewhurst, by Cranleigh School Archæological Society.

Old Cottage Dresser from Thursley by Lieut.-Colonel Rushbrooke.

A large collection from the Roman Villa at Ashted by Mr. A. W. G. Lowther.

Bronze Age Spearhead from Chertsey by Lady Camrose.

Besides the usual volumes received in exchange from other Societies, the following books have been presented by the authors to the library :

Mediaeval Farnham, by Robo Etienne ; *With a Spade on Stane Street*, by S. E. Winbolt ; *The Place of Surrey in the History of England*, by Professor F. J. C. Hearnshaw ; *Pedigrees of Whyte of Farnham, and a note on the Yateley Cup*, by H. Curtis, F.R.C.S.

MUNIMENT ROOM.—Though there has been no accession of outstanding importance, deeds continue to come in steadily and the cataloguing is progressing satisfactorily. There has been a small increase in enquiries from students and others during the year.

The Hon. Archivists are Miss D. M. King-Church and the Rev. J. Purvis, F.S.A.

The following members were appointed to serve on the Museum Committee :—Lord Farrer, F.S.A., Lieut.-General Sir Alfred Bingley, K.C.I.E., C.B., Miss D. M. King-Church, and the Hon. Secretary.

FINANCE.—It is satisfactory to report that the number of subscriptions received has increased, but there are still many in arrear, and if Members would pay by means of Bankers' Orders, it would save themselves and the Honorary Treasurer a great deal of trouble, and the Society some expense.

The balance in favour of the Society has created a new record, but if the Council carries out its intention of publishing an additional volume for the year 1936, it will be seriously depleted.

MEMBERSHIP.—The loss this year by death has been 8, and by resignation 23, and 48 new members have been enrolled, showing a gain of 17, and bringing the total up to 700. The highest number previously recorded was 687 in 1933. The "Life" Members number 47.

VICE-PRESIDENT.—Under Rule IX, the Council has appointed Mr. Arthur Bonner, F.S.A., a Vice-President of the Society.

COUNCIL.—Under Rule IV, the following members of Council retire and are ineligible for re-election for the ensuing year:—

Eric Gardner, M.B., F.S.A., H. T. Chalcraft, Miss D. M. King-Church, Rev. H. P. B. Chubb, A. W. G. Lowther, F.S.A., A.R.I.B.A.

There is also a vacancy caused by the appointment of Mr. A. R. Cotton, F.S.A., as Hon. Treasurer.

The Council recommends that the following members be elected to the Council:—W. Bacon, Miss O. M. Heath, W. Hooper, LL.D., C. S. Willis, James Graham, C.B.E., and H. Uvedale Lambert.

The Council appointed the following members as its Executive Committee:—M. S. Giuseppi, F.S.A., Edwin Hart, F.S.A., Wilfrid Hooper, LL.D., Hilary Jenkinson, F.S.A., and the Hon. Officers of the Society.

The Council records with deep regret the death of Mr. P. M. Johnston, F.S.A., F.R.I.B.A., a vice-president of the Society, which occurred on 17th December, 1936. A memoir will appear in Volume XLV of the *Collections*.

The Report and Accounts were duly adopted. Lord Onslow was re-elected President. The new members recommended to serve on the Council under Rule IV were elected; Mr. A. R. Cotton, F.S.A., Hon. Treasurer; Mr. H. Nevill, Hon. Secretary; Miss M. Giuseppi, Hon. Editor; Mr. R. W. Strickland, Hon. Excursion Secretary; and the Hon. Auditors, Mr. R. Sadleir and Lt.-Col. L. A. Allen, D.S.O., were re-elected.

After the meeting tea was taken at Abbot's Hospital by permission of the Master.

After tea members visited the ruins of St. Catherine's, where the Town Council had recently carried out extensive preservation works. Lt.-Gen. Sir Alfred Bingley, K.C.I.E., C.B., gave an address on the history and architecture of the Chapel.

The meeting concluded with a visit to the Museum.

SURREY ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Cash Account for the Year ending 31st December, 1936.

RECEIPTS.		£	s.	d.	EXPENDITURE.		£	s.	d.
To Balance in hand, 1/1/36:	Bank	139	12	5	By Castle Arch: Rent		12	0	0
	Cash	17	8	6	Fire Insurance (Exhibits)		1	10	0
	Excavation Fund	1	0	0	Librarian Honorarium		15	0	0
					Caretaker (Special Services)		10	0	0
" Subscriptions: 1932,	1				Prints and Postages		4	2	6
1933,	1								
1934,	3				Publications: S.A.C., XLIV: Printing and Postages		191	15	4
1935,	25				Illustrations		18	9	8
1936,	610				Indexing		5	5	0
1937,	15				Editorial Postages, etc.		3	10	0
	655 at 10s.								
	Entrance Fees: 48	327	10	0	" Printing and Stationery		219	0	0
	Payments in Excess	24	0	0	" Postages, Petty Disbursements		27	11	10
	Life Compositions (2)	10	0	0	" Clerical Assistance and Typewriting		23	3	1
		16	0	0	" Excursions and Annual Meeting		17	0	9
" Sales of Publications					" Annual Subscriptions: Archaeological Congress		1	0	0
" Excursions: Sale of Tickets, etc. (Balance)		363	0	0	Surrey Record Society		1	0	0
" Interest on Consols		12	15	3	British Record Society		1	0	0
" " War Loan		10	15	4	English Place-Name Society.		15	0	
" " Local Loans, 3 per cent.		6	1	8					
" Overpayment in error		3	2	4	Amount transferred to Excavation Fund		217	6	3
" Receipts, Excavation Fund		9	18	8	" Balance in hand, 31/12/36: Bank		£4	9	7
		10	0	0	Cash in hand of Officers		12	8	
		8	1	0			14	10	
							5	17	1
							223	3	4
							£568	1	2

A. R. COTTON, M.B.E., F.S.A.
Hon. Treasurer.

Audited and found correct, 12th June, 1937.

RICHD. J. SADLER

NOTE. The general balance includes £3 2s. 6d. due to the Excavation Fund.

SURREY ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Statement of Liabilities and Assets at 31st December, 1936.

LIABILITIES.			ASSETS.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Subscriptions for 1937 (15)	7	10 0	By Investments :—		
" Amount earmarked for Deeds Purchase		43 8 0	2½ per cent. Consols, £316 4s. 8d. (at cost in 1855-1858) about	232	0 0
" Amount due to Excavations Fund		3 2 6	3½ per cent. War Loan at cost	21	2 10
" Balance in favour of the Society	677	1 9	3 per cent. Local Loans (£104 0s. 6d. at cost)	100	0 0
			" National Savings Certificates :—		
			31 (Issued 5/5/23) at 28s. 7d.		£ s. d.
			60 (Issued 20/7/33) at 16s. 10d.		= 44 6 1
					= 50 10 0
			" Balance in hand, 31/12/36 :—	94	16 1
			At Bank		217 6 3
			Cash (3 officers)		5 17 1
				223	3 4
				<u>£731</u>	<u>2 3</u>

The Library was valued at £550 in April, 1934. The stock of Publications and the Society's exhibits and furniture are not valued. At 31st December, 1936, the Subscriptions in arrear numbered 52, and the number of "Life" Members 47.

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Excavation Fund Account, 1936.

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