

REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

1943

THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING was held on 1st May at the Guildhall, Guildford, by kind permission of His Worship the Mayor, Lieut.-General Sir Alfred Bingley, K.C.I.E., President-elect, in the chair. The Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting were read and approved and the Accounts and Report of the Council for 1942 were presented.

Report of the Council

for the year ended 31st December, 1942.

THE COUNCIL OF THE SURREY ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY has much pleasure in presenting its EIGHTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT.

PUBLICATIONS.—The preparation of Volume XLVIII of the *Surrey Archæological Collections* for 1941 and 1942 is in hand under Mr. Rackham's editorship and will, it is hoped, be issued in the course of 1943. In the interests of economy the rules will be omitted from the volume, but it is proposed to print a limited number of copies of these. Members requiring copies should apply to the Hon. Secretary, enclosing a stamped and addressed envelope for reply. The complete list of members will also be omitted and instead will be inserted a list of the alterations that have occurred since the list which appears in Volume XLVII.

EXCURSIONS.—The following excursions have been held during the year :—

14th January. To Guildford, conducted by Dr. Finny, F.S.A. Visits were paid to Abbot's Hospital, the Grammar School, St. Mary's Church and the Museum at Castle Arch.

12th February. To Guildford, where Dr. Billingham gave an address on St. Nicolas Church and Mr. Pointer described the monuments in the Loseley Chapel. Later the party proceeded to Loseley Park, where they viewed the house, by permission of Brig.-Gen. and Mrs. More-Molyneux, and inspected some of the MSS. from the muniment room, which were explained by Mr. R. L. Atkinson.

11th March. To Reigate, conducted by the Hon. Secretary, Dr. Hooper, F.S.A. The party visited the site of Reigate Castle and The Barons during the morning and the Church and Priory in the afternoon.

11th April. To London, to inspect some of the City Churches destroyed by enemy action. Conductor, Mr. Edward Yates, F.S.A.

13th May. A party, conducted by Mr. F. G. Carruthers, inspected the site of the Romano-British temple at Farley Heath and then walked via Hurt Wood to the escarpment and Pitch Hill to see the course of the Roman Road, returning to Abinger Hatch for tea.

13th June. To Guildford, visiting in the morning the Society's Museum and Library, where exhibits were explained by Mr. Elsley, the Curator, and Mr. Bernard Rackham, F.S.A. After lunch, at which Mr. F. E. Bray gave a talk on "Notabilities of Sutton Place," the party proceeded to that mansion, where the architectural features were described by Mr. Sidney Toy, F.S.A., and Mr. Sidney Turner.

15th August. To Stoke d'Abernon and Leatherhead, visiting Stoke Church and Manor House, which were explained by Mr. Ralph Morrish, F.S.A., and Mr. J. R. Warburton, F.S.A., also Slyfield House, which was shown by Mrs. Rowan-Hamilton, and thence proceeding on foot to Leatherhead, where the Church was described by the Vicar, the Rev. G. H. B. Coleridge.

16th September. To Lower Kingswood, Banstead and Chipstead. At Kingswood, Dr. E. H. Freshfield, F.S.A., described the modern Church of the Wisdom of God. Mr. Sidney Toy, F.S.A., described the Churches at the two latter places. Others taking part were the Rev. R. F. Cartwright, Canon Dunn, Canon Skene and the Rev. T. Grigg-Smith.

3rd October. To Gatton, Merstham and Chaldon. At Gatton, the Church and Hall were described by Mr. Sidney Toy, F.S.A. Mr. Ll. E. Williams gave an account of Merstham Church. Mr. Kenneth Ryde explained Chaldon Church and its famous wall-painting. Mr. C. E. Sexton acted as leader of the walk.

Some excursions have been planned for 1943, commencing with a meeting at Guildford on 13th March.

MUNIMENT ROOM.—Accessions during the year were mainly from the British Records Association, and these are being dealt with, but, owing to war conditions, somewhat slowly. The Society received gifts of seven deeds chiefly relating to Pirbright, and a draft Agreement with two plans dated 1805, relating to the Chilworth powder mills.

MUSEUM.—The Society's representatives on the Museum Committee are Sir Alfred Bingley, Miss D. M. King-Church, Archdeacon Newell and Mr. Rackham.

Accessions during the year comprise: A linen press (c. 1790), presented by Capt. and Mrs. T. Rich; an old odometer, or measuring wheel, presented by Mr. F. Oliver; a pair of fire dogs (c. 1800), presented by Mr. H. E. Cooke; and a number of old deeds and cards relating to Cranleigh, presented by Sir A. Bingley.

The attendance during the year, excluding members of the Society, reached just over 11,000, which marks a new and very gratifying record.

LIBRARY.—Accessions during the year comprise: *Castles*, by Sidney Toy, F.S.A.; *History of Bookham Common* (MS.) by J. H. Harvey; and two volumes of *Memoirs of the Geological Survey*, viz., *The Geology of the Country around Aldershot and Guildford* (1929) and *The Geology of the Country around Reigate and Dorking* (1933).

POST-WAR ARCHÆOLOGY.—The Council has elected a special Committee to consider the many important problems that will call for urgent attention after the cessation of hostilities. The members elected to serve on this Committee are: S. S. Frere, W. F. Rankine, F.S.A.(Scot.), Miss Kenyon, F.S.A., A. W. G. Lowther, F.S.A., W. C. Berwick Sayers, W. Scott Henderson, F.S.A., T. E. C. Walker, and A. E. P. Collins, with power to add to their number. Mr. S. S. Frere, of 218 Goldhawk Road, W.12, has consented to act as Hon. Secretary, to whom all communications should be addressed. He will be glad to be informed of any discovery of objects or sites of possible archæological interest in the County that have not yet been reported, and will welcome any suggestions as to work that should be undertaken.

PRESIDENT.—After careful consideration the Council decided to recommend Lieut.-General Sir Alfred Bingley, K.C.I.E., C.B., as President in succession to Lord Onslow, and has much pleasure in nominating him for election. Sir Alfred has been a Vice-President of the Society since 1935, and has invariably taken a keen and active interest in its work.

COUNCIL.—Under Rule IV the following members of the Council retire and are ineligible for re-election for the ensuing year: Lieut.-Col. Bidder, R. H. G. Leveson-Gower, C. D. Hawley, F. E. Bray, Mrs. F. Gibson, and W. Scott Henderson, F.S.A. There is also a vacancy caused by the election of Mr. Rackham as Hon. Editor. The Council recommends the election of the following members: Miss D. M. King-Church, H. W. Pointer, A. W. G. Lowther, F.S.A., R. G. Goodchild, F. E. Box, J. A. Gibbs, and C. E. Sexton. The

Council co-opted Mr. W. C. Berwick Sayers and Mr. Ralph Morrish, F.S.A., in place of Dr. Finny, elected a Vice-President, and of Mr. Graham, who resigned owing to his inability to attend the meetings.

The Council recommends the election of Mr. Edwin Hart, F.S.A., as a Vice-President, in view of his long connection with and services to the Society.

The Council regrets to record the death, on 14th February, of the Earl of Midleton, one of the Vice-Presidents and son of the late Viscount Midleton, a former President of the Society.

FINANCE.—The accounts and balance sheet are not being printed, but will be presented at the Annual Meeting.

HON. REMEMBRANCER OF GUILDFORD.—The Council has heard with much pleasure that Mr. Elsley, the Society's Librarian and Curator, has been appointed by Guildford Corporation to this position in succession to the late Dr. G. C. Williamson, who died 4th July.

CONGRESS OF ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETIES.—The Society has a small supply of copies of the Report for 1939, which may be had gratis by members by applying to Mr. F. H. Elsley at Castle Arch, enclosing a stamped and addressed envelope.

PHOTOGRAPHS OF SURREY CHURCHES AND PARISH REGISTERS.—Mr. L. A. Ellwood, a member of the Society, has microfilmed the earlier registers of the following parishes: Albury, Great Bookham, Crowhurst, Egham, Epsom, Godstone, Limpsfield, Lingfield, Merton, Oxted, Peperharow, Shalford, Shere, Thursley and Wonersh. The work was sponsored by the Committee for the Microfilming of Parish Registers, c/o The Society of Genealogists, Chaucer House, Malet Place, W.C.1, with which some of the films are deposited, the remainder being at Diocesan House, Guildford. Mr. Ellwood is prepared to undertake the filming of the registers of other Surrey parishes without charge. The Council warmly commends his enterprise and trusts that further parishes will take this opportunity of securing exact copies of their registers.

Mr. Ellwood has also compiled a list of the Diocesan House collection of photographs of churches in West Surrey and has deposited a copy at Castle Arch.

The Accounts and Reports were adopted. On the proposal of Mr. Hilary Jenkinson, Sir Alfred Bingley was elected President in place of Lord Onslow, resigned, and Sir Alfred returned thanks for his election. Mr. L. R. Stevens, F.C.A., was elected Hon. Treasurer, in place of Mr. Cotton, resigned, and in thanking the meeting for his election he appealed to the Members to pay their

subscriptions by banker's orders wherever possible. Dr. W. Hooper, F.S.A., Mr. Bernard Rackham, C.B., F.S.A., and Mr. Wilson-Haffenden were re-elected Hon. Secretary, Hon. Editor and Hon. Excursions Secretary, respectively.

On the proposal of the President a resolution of thanks to Mr. Cotton for his services as Hon. Treasurer since his appointment in 1936 was carried unanimously. Mr. Cotton returned thanks and expressed regret that his other duties had compelled him to resign.

In regard to the proposed election of six members to the Council, under Rule IV and one other to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Rackham's election as Hon. Editor, Miss Farewell Jones moved an amendment that Mrs. Rowan-Hamilton be elected in place of Mr. Lowther, owing to his absence on military service. The amendment being put to the Meeting was lost and the seven candidates nominated by the Council were elected. Lieut.-Col. Allen, D.S.O., and Mr. G. O. Jackson were re-elected Hon. Auditors.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Mayor for the use of the Guildhall and to the President for presiding. Mr. Hilary Jenkinson then addressed the Meeting on behalf of the Surrey Record Society.

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THE EIGHTY-NINTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING was held on 8th July at the Guildhall, Guildford, by kind permission of His Worship the Mayor. Mr. Hilary Jenkinson, C.B.E., F.S.A., was elected to the chair and referred with deep regret to the loss which the Society had suffered by the death of the President, Sir Alfred Bingley, in April last. Those present stood as a mark of respect to the deceased. The Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting were read and confirmed and the Accounts and Report of the Council for the year ended 31st December, 1943, were presented.

Report of the Council

for the year ended 31st December, 1943.

THE COUNCIL OF THE SURREY ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY has much pleasure in presenting its EIGHTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT.

PUBLICATIONS.—Volume XLVIII of the *Surrey Archæological Collections* for 1941 and 1942 is in the press and will be issued early in 1944.

The Berkshire Archæological Society has been added to the list of societies which exchange publications.

EXCURSIONS.—The following meetings have been held during the year and attracted large attendances :—

13th March. Guildford. In the morning Mr. R. S. Morrish, F.S.A., gave a talk at the Museum on the Penfold Collection of Surrey Seventeenth Century Tokens recently acquired by the Society. In the afternoon a lantern lecture entitled "Hidden Sculptures in the Roofs of Cathedrals and Churches" was given by Mr. C. J. P. Cave, F.S.A., to an audience of some 200 members and visitors.

14th April. Croydon and Beddington, under the leadership of Mr. Kenneth Ryde and Mr. Molesworth Roberts.

15th May. Kew and Kew Palace, conducted by Miss M. S. Johnston and Mr. A. B. Cotton. Later Miss Johnston received the party at her house and showed her collections of local prints and sketches and other things of interest.

16th June. Holmbury Camp, Winterfold Heath and neighbourhood. Leader, Mr. F. G. Carruthers.

17th July. Waverley Abbey and Moor Park. Leader, Mr. J. R. Warburton, F.S.A., assisted by Dr. Billinghamurst and Mr. A. Rowntree.

18th August. Wotton and Abinger. Leaders, Miss J. L. Wood and Miss Hudson. Wotton Church was shown and described by the Rector, Canon Parsons, and Wotton House by Mr. C. J. A. Evelyn. Mr. J. A. Gibbs spoke on Abinger Church.

18th September. Wintershall and Wonersh. Leader, Dr. Billinghamurst, assisted by Mr. Tadgell and Mr. Sidney Toy, F.S.A. Wintershall House was shown by the owner, Sir Keith Price, and the Old Mill House, Wonersh, by the owner, Mr. R. S. Haslam. Wonersh Church was explained by Mr. G. M. Scales.

15th October. Southwark. The Vice-Provost, Canon FitzGeorge, received the party at the Cathedral, which was described by Canon T. P. Stevens. The party also visited the Chapter House, remains of Winchester Palace, crypt of Guy's Hospital, and St. George's Church, where the plate was shown by the Rev. B. Gale.

A series of excursions has been planned for 1944, commencing with a meeting at Guildford on 11th March.

WINCHESTER PALACE.—A small committee, consisting of Messrs. Toy and Sexton and Canon Stevens, has been appointed to survey and report on the existing remains of this building, particularly those of the rose window.

POST-WAR ARCHÆOLOGY.—Miss Kenyon and Mr. S. S. Frere have been appointed the Society's delegates to the newly created Council for British Archæology, and they and Mr. Hilary Jenkinson have been appointed its representatives on the Regional Group formed for Kent, Surrey and Sussex. The object of these new bodies is to co-ordinate and strengthen, and not to supersede, the work of the county and local archæological societies, and the Society's Committee for Post-War Archæology, of which Mr. Frere is Hon. Secretary, will continue the work for which it was formed.

MUNIMENT ROOM.—Deeds to the number of 1,000 have been catalogued during the year, but many more remain to be done. Accessions include a deed of 19 George III, presented by the President, Sir A. Bingley, and a collection of deeds relating to Blechingley and other places (1403-1690), and nineteenth-century papers on Blechingley, the gift of Mr. Edwin Hart, F.S.A.

MUSEUM.—The Council much regrets to record the death, on 15th April, of Mr. A. Seymour, the caretaker and attendant at Castle Arch. Mr. Seymour took a keen interest in the Museum and Library, and his unfailing courtesy and helpfulness will cause him to be greatly missed by members and visitors. His widow has succeeded to the post of caretaker.

Donors of objects to the Museum will greatly oblige if they will kindly state, when making their gifts, whether these are intended for the Society or the Borough Council.

COUNCIL.—Under Rule IV the following members retire and are ineligible for re-election for the ensuing year: R. L. Atkinson, W. C. Berwick Sayers, W. J. Pickering, T. Gatton Swayne, J. R. Warburton, F.S.A., and C. E. Sexton. Mr. Scott Henderson, who was co-opted by the Council for one year, also retires, but is eligible for re-election. The Council recommends the election of the following members to fill the six vacancies: C. D. Hawley, F.R.I.B.A., F. E. Bray, Mrs. F. Gibson, W. Scott Henderson, F.S.A., Dr. J. F. Nichols, F.S.A., and Mrs. Rowan-Hamilton.

The Council records with regret the death, on 16th November, of Mr. R. W. Strickland, who for some years served as Excursions Secretary; also the death, on 26th November, of the Rev. E. E.

Dorling, F.S.A. Mr. Dorling, who was a leading authority on heraldry, died very shortly after he had accepted an invitation by the Council to be a Vice-President of the Society.

The Council is glad to announce that Mr. C. J. A. Evelyn, of Wotton, has consented to be a Vice-President.

Mr. Sidney Toy, F.S.A., F.R.I.B.A., was co-opted by the Council in place of Mr. Edwin Hart, elected a Vice-President.

MEMBERSHIP.—The Society continues to grow, and the year ended with a total membership of 727. The large number of 108 new members elected during the year resulted, after allowing for 15 deaths and 20 resignations, in an increase of 73 over the previous year's total.

FINANCE.—The accounts, which are not being printed, but will be presented at the Annual Meeting, disclose a most satisfactory position, the best for many years. In addition to a substantial sum derived from Entrance Fees, £56 was received for Life Compositions, while Subscription arrears collected during the year produced no less than £133. These arrears had been accumulating for several years, and to avoid a recurrence of these in the future, members are again urged to pay their subscription by Banker's Order, thus eliminating the risk of oversight.

The Assets exceed the Liabilities by £1,779, an increase of £424 over the previous year.

The Report and Accounts were adopted. The Chairman alluded in sympathetic terms to the death last month of Mr. Elsley and moved the following resolution which was carried unanimously: "This Meeting has heard with deep regret of the death of Mr. F. H. Elsley who for over forty years had served the Society as Librarian and Curator and offers his family its most cordial sympathy in their bereavement."

The Chairman moved and the Hon. Treasurer seconded the election of Sir Frederic George Kenyon, G.B.E., K.C.B., F.B.A., F.S.A., as President of the Society. This was carried unanimously and Sir Frederic took the chair and returned thanks for his election.

The Vice-Presidents, with the addition to the list of Lord Onslow, were re-elected. The following officers were re-elected and thanked for their past services: Hon. Treasurer, Mr. L. R. Stevens, F.C.A.; Hon. Secretary, Dr. W. Hooper, F.S.A.; Hon. Editor, Mr. Bernard Rackham, C.B., F.S.A.; Hon. Visits Organizer, Mr. J. Wilson-Haffenden. The candidates recommended to serve on the Council under Rule IV were elected. Lieut.-Col. L. A. Allen, D.S.O., and Mr. G. O. Jackson were re-elected Hon. Auditors. Votes of thanks were passed to the Mayor for the use of the Guildhall and to Mr. Jenkinson and the President for presiding.

At the close of the Meeting a Special General Meeting was held at the Guildhall, the President, Sir F. G. Kenyon in the chair.

The Hon. Secretary moved the following amendment, proposed by the Council, to Rule IV: To add at the end of this Rule the following paragraph: "Every person whom it is intended to nominate as a candidate for election to the Council (other than candidates nominated by the Council) shall be nominated in writing by not less than two members of the Society, and the nomination shall be sent to reach the General Secretary not later than the 31st day of January preceding the next Annual General Meeting, and shall be accompanied by the written consent of the person so nominated to serve if elected. If the number of candidates for election to the Council at the Annual General Meeting exceeds the number of vacancies, the election shall be by ballot by members of the Society present at the Meeting, and the ballot shall be held in such manner as the Council may determine. No person shall be eligible for membership of the Council who is not a member of the Society." This was seconded and carried.

The Hon. Treasurer moved the following amendment, proposed by the Council, to Rule VI: To delete the first sentence and substitute therefor the following: "Each member elected before the 1st of January, 1945, shall pay an annual subscription of ten shillings, to be due on the 1st of January in each year, and an entrance fee of ten shillings, or £8 in lieu thereof as a composition for life. Each member elected after the 31st December, 1944, shall pay an annual subscription of one pound and an entrance fee of ten shillings, or £16 in lieu thereof as a composition for life. The first subscription and the entrance fee or composition for life shall be due on election and every subsequent subscription shall be due on the 1st of January in each year in advance."

This was seconded by Mr. Wilson-Haffenden. Mr. Pickering moved and the Hon. Secretary seconded as an amendment: "That the proposal be deferred for 5 years." A lively discussion followed in the course of which the President suggested the substitution of the words "the end of hostilities" for the period of five years. This was agreed to by the proposer and seconder of the amendment, and the amendment "That the proposal be deferred to the end of hostilities" was then put and carried by a very large majority on a show of hands.

1945

THE NINETIETH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING was held on 15th June at the Guildhall, Guildford, by kind permission of His Worship the Mayor, and was presided over by Sir Frederic Kenyon, G.B.E., K.C.B., F.S.A., President of the Society. The Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting and of the Special General Meeting held 8th July, 1944, were read and confirmed, and the Accounts and Report of the Council for the year ended 31st December, 1944, were presented.

Report of the Council

for the year ended 31st December, 1944.

THE COUNCIL OF THE SURREY ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY has much pleasure in presenting its NINETIETH ANNUAL REPORT, with the ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR 1944.

PUBLICATIONS.—Volume XLVIII of the *Surrey Archæological Collections* for 1941 and 1942 was issued to members in February. The task of editing the volume was ably discharged by Mr. Rackham, and he has now sufficient material in hand for Volume XLIX, which will be sent to press as soon as the paper supply and other difficulties permit.

As the result of a recent stocktaking, kindly undertaken by the Hon. Treasurer, the Council has prepared a new price list of the Society's publications, which has been circulated to members. The prices show a considerable reduction and have been revised to enable members to form or complete sets of the Collections.

MEETINGS.—The following meetings and visits were held during the year :—

11th March. Guildford. In the morning, at Castle Arch, Mr. J. R. Warburton, F.S.A., gave a lecture on "The Beginning of Human Civilization," which Mr. D. H. S. Frere illustrated with specimens in the Museum of prehistoric implements, etc.

In the afternoon, Mr. C. J. P. Cave, F.S.A., gave a lecture, illustrated with lantern slides, in the Great Hall of the Technical College, Stoke Park, entitled "Hidden Sculptures in the Roofs of Cathedrals and Churches." Two hundred and seventy-one tickets were issued.

13th April. In the morning, Petersham, conducted by Miss Mary S. Johnston. The walk along the river was led by Mrs. Ogburn.

In the afternoon at Kingston, Dr. Finny, F.S.A., lectured on Lovekyn's Chapel, Alderman Cleave's Almshouses (1668), and All Saints' pre-Conquest Church, where Dr. Finny's diagram sheets were displayed. Ninety-two tickets were issued.

13th May. In the morning, Brabœuf Manor, Guildford, by kind permission of Col. J. A. C. Younger, who personally showed to parties of thirty the features and contents of his house, assisted

by Mr. Sidney Toy, F.S.A. The waiting parties heard a lecture by Dr. W. B. Billinghamurst on the history of St. Catherine's Chapel, which is opposite the Manor House.

In the afternoon a visit to Tangley Manor, by kind permission of Lieut.-Col. Armstrong, where Mr. Toy explained its architectural features and Dr. Billinghamurst its history.

As the applications were 164, both owners and lecturers kindly consented to the visit being repeated on 20th May, 82 members being allotted to each date.

13th June. To Witley, conducted by Archdeacon E. J. Newill (Vicar of Witley, 1909-27). Miss Howson led the first party and Mr. C. E. Sexton the second. The Church, and Witley and Rake Manors were visited. Ninety tickets were issued.

15th July. In the morning, Polesden Lacey, by kind permission of the National Trust. The first section was led by Miss K. L. Wood, and the second by Miss Hudson.

In the afternoon the Churches of Great and Little Bookham were described by Mr. Ralph S. Morrish, F.S.A. Ninety-two tickets were issued.

15th August. Okewood Church. In the absence of the Vicar, the Rev. O. Stanoway, the Churchwarden, Mrs. Trotter, described the history of the Church and Mr. Sidney Toy its architectural features. The route was planned by Mr. Sidney Jacobs. Miss Monro's fifteenth-century cottage and Ockley Green were also visited. Ninety-one tickets were issued.

16th September. Pyrford and Ripley Churches and Newark Priory remains, conducted by Mr. J. R. Warburton, F.S.A., assisted by Mr. F. E. Bray. Sixty-eight tickets were issued.

14th October. The final meeting was at the Great Hall of the Technical College, Stoke Park, Guildford.

In the morning a lecture, with lantern slides, on the "Treasures of Surrey Churches in the Guildford Diocese" was given by the Rev. C. K. Francis Brown (author of the book of that title). Archdeacon E. J. Newill took the chair. Later in the morning, Canon T. P. Stevens, Editor of the Southwark Diocesan Gazette, gave an address on the treatment, furnishing and glazing of old churches.

In the afternoon a lecture, with lantern slides, was delivered by Mr. O. Sallman, entitled "The Progresses of Queen Elizabeth in Surrey," at which the President, Sir Frederic Kenyon, presided. Four hundred and eighteen tickets were issued.

As numbers are now so large it is regretted that ONLY MEMBERS or prospective members can be accepted for visits, but visitors are welcomed to meetings at the Hall of the Technical College, Guildford, which seats over 900.

A series of meetings and visits have been planned for 1945.

EXCAVATIONS.—A fourth-century Roman bath-house was discovered at Chatley Farm, near Cobham, in 1942, and has since been excavated under the direction of Mr. S. S. Frere, F.S.A., on behalf of the Society. Part of the building has been eroded by the River Mole, but portions of the four rooms and a stokehole and furnace remained. The building had been erected about A.D. 320 and, after receiving some alterations, was abandoned soon after A.D. 360. The remains were not impressive, owing to subsequent extensive robbing of the building materials.

At Thorpe, near Chertsey, excavations directed by Mr. W. F. Grimes, F.S.A., have been carried out by the Ancient Monuments Department of the Ministry of Works on the site of an Iron Age and Romano-British village at a gravel pit near Mixnams Farm. Post-holes of huts and shallow storage pits and ditches have been revealed; there are traces of Neolithic "B" occupation, but the main settlement dates from Iron Age "A" times and extends through the "AB" phase. Roman occupation dated from the first century A.D., possibly continuously down to the fourth century. A late Bronze Age hut has been found at another gravel pit in the parish.

POST-WAR PLANNING COMMITTEE.—The circular issued with last year's notice of the Annual General Meeting, appealing for volunteers to watch for and record discoveries made in building sites, gravel pits and other excavations, resulted in 46 replies. The Committee is keeping in touch with the County Planning Authorities, and has also been assured of the co-operation of Borough and District Surveyors throughout the County, who will report finds which come to their notice. In many cases immediate contact with the Society will best be made through members in the district who have offered their help in this way; their addresses are being supplied to local authorities. If any further members can undertake this work their help would be welcome. They should communicate with Mr. S. S. Frere, F.S.A., from whom further details of the scheme can be obtained. Helpers are particularly needed in the Mitcham, Beddington, Wallington, Merton and Morden, Banstead, Barnes, Surbiton, Egham, Chertsey, Bagshot, Frimley and Camberley areas; and in the Coulsdon and Chessington areas, where building operations will rapidly begin after the war. The sites of new roads, and even rebuilding on old sites, will also need to be watched.

The Committee also draw attention to the need for recording (by photographs, notes and drawings) all buildings of interest which are due for demolition. Notes have been prepared by Mr. J. H. Harvey for the guidance of members willing to help in this way, and can be obtained from Mr. Frere, The College, Epsom,* to whom all communications should be addressed. Mr. Frere is also honorary secretary of the Kent, Surrey and Sussex Regional Group of the Council for British Archaeology, to which the Society is affiliated.

* Present address, Lancing College, Shoreham-by-Sea.

MUNIMENT ROOM.—There were no gifts to the Society during the year, but accessions to the room consisted of : Eighteen Surrey deeds, a fourteenth-century deed relating to Alfold, and a small collection of deeds and other documents relating to Sir Richard Cowper, of Temple Elfant, Capel.

On several occasions deeds of special interest have been shown to members of the Forces overseas.

MUSEUM.—Guildford Corporation, at its meeting on 29th February, passed a resolution dissolving the Library and Museum Committees and replacing them by a new Committee designated "The Library, Museum and Arts Committee." The Society has been allotted the same number of representatives on this new Committee as on the former Museum Committee, namely four ; but owing to a provision of the Local Government Act, 1933, these can exercise but one vote between them. They are, however, entitled to full voting powers on the newly formed Museum, Art, Ancient Monuments and General Amenities Sub-Committee, to which they have also been elected, and it is this Sub-Committee that primarily deals with matters affecting the Museum. The Society's representatives are Miss D. King-Church, Archdeacon Newill, Mr. Rackham and Mr. Gatton Swayne. Miss M. D. Liggett, Chief Librarian of Guildford Public Libraries, has been appointed Acting Executive Officer of the new Committee and has undertaken the work of revising the register of objects in the Museum, distinguishing those belonging to the Corporation from those belonging to the Society. These changes will entail some alterations in the Agreement of 1933 between the Society and Corporation in regard to the Museum and Library at Castle Arch.

LIBRARY.—The Council records with deep regret the death of Mr. F. H. Elsley on 10th June. Mr. Elsley, who came of an old Guildford family, was appointed the Society's Librarian and Curator in 1902 at a small salary, and held that office till his death. He also held other responsible positions in the town, including that of Clerk to the Governors of Abbot's Hospital.

PRESIDENT.—The year has been overshadowed by the death of Sir Alfred Bingley on 20th April, followed by the death of Mr. Elsley as already mentioned. Sir Alfred was elected President of the Society at the Annual Meeting on 1st May, 1943, and had thus held the position for barely one year. He had during that short space shown marked ability and keenness in the exercise of his office in spite of failing health, and the news of his sudden death came as a great shock to the Council. Sir Frederic Kenyon was invited to fill the vacancy, and the Council was fortunate in securing his consent to stand.

COUNCIL.—Under Rule IV the following members of the Council retire and are ineligible for re-election for the ensuing year : G. C. B. Poulter, F.S.A.(Scot.), Miss K. M. Kenyon, F.S.A., Archdeacon Newill, T. E. C. Walker, L. Collison-Morley, and Sidney Toy, F.S.A. There are also three vacancies caused by the resignations of Mr. F. E. Box and Miss Lees and the death of Mrs. Rowan-Hamilton. The Council recommends the election of the following members : R. L. Atkinson, W. C. Berwick Sayers, W. J. Pickering, T. Gatton Swayne, C. E. Sexton, W. F. Rankine, F.S.A.(Scot.), Miss M. Farewell Jones, F. Edmund Bray and Philip Corder.

Dr. Eric Gardner, F.S.A., has accepted an invitation by the Council to become a Vice-President and has offered to present the Society with his collection of Surrey maps.

HON. REMEMBRANCER OF GUILDFORD.—The Council has noted with much pleasure the appointment of Mr. Rackham, the Society's Honorary Editor, to the position of Honorary Remembrancer in succession to Mr. Elsley.

MEMBERSHIP.—The total number of members at 31st December was 774, an increase of 47 during the year. The encouraging number of 92 new members were elected, 29 terminated their membership by resignation, removal or otherwise, and 19 died, including 5 life members.

FINANCE.—The accounts show that the Society continues to be in a sound financial position.

The balance, amounting to over £350, of the cost of producing Volume XLVIII was provided, and £650 was invested during the year in Government securities. Subscription arrears showed a welcome reduction—receipts from this source being only £18 as against £133 the previous year—and many more members are now paying their subscriptions by Banker's Order. Those who have not yet availed themselves of this method are again urged to do so.

The balance of assets over liabilities on General Account amounts to £2,058.

The Report and Accounts were adopted. Sir Frederic Kenyon was re-elected President and the Vice-Presidents were re-elected. The following officers were re-elected and thanked for their services : Hon. Treasurer, Mr. L. R. Stevens, F.C.A., F.S.A. ; Hon. Secretary, Dr. W. Hooper, F.S.A. ; Hon. Editor, Mr. Bernard Rackham, C.B., F.S.A. ; Hon. Visits Organizer, Mr. J. Wilson-Haffenden. The ten candidates recommended to serve on the Council under Rule IV and to fill four additional vacancies were elected. Lieut.-Col. L. A. Allen, D.S.O., and Mr. G. O. Jackson were re-elected Hon. Auditors.

Mr. Sydney Jacobs proposed the following resolution and spoke in its support: "That in order to interest members unable or unwilling to undertake visits to distant places a series of at least two lecture meetings a year should be arranged at Stoke Park Technical College, Guildford, if available, to discuss archæological subjects, including on occasions those of general archæological interest outside Surrey." After this had been seconded, Mr. Pickering moved and the Hon. Secretary seconded that the resolution be amended by adding the words "if conveniently possible" after the word "should" and before the words "be arranged," and by omitting the words "at Stoke Park Technical College, Guildford, if available." This amendment was accepted by Mr. Jacobs and his seconder and on being put to the Meeting the resolution, as amended, was carried without dissent.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Mayor for use of the Guildhall and to the President for presiding.

During the afternoon an exhibition was held in the Council Chamber of the Guildhall of prints and drawings relating to Surrey, selected and arranged by Mr. Rackham with the help of Mr. Pointer and Dr. Billingham.

SURREY ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Statement of Liabilities and Assets as at 31st December, 1942.

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.	
	£	s.	d.
To Subscriptions for 1943 (paid in advance)	11	0	0
" Amount earmarked for Deeds purchase	36	8	0
" Amount of Excavation Fund	98	12	5
" Estimated Cost of Vol. XLVII	300	0	0
" Balance in favour of the Society	1,355	9	3
	<u>£1,801</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>8</u>
By 2½ per cent. Consols	259	6	3
" 3½ per cent. War Loan	22	3	11
" 3 per cent. Local Loans	209	17	1
" National Savings Certificates	117	13	1
" 3 per cent. Defence Bonds	915	0	0
" Balance at Bank	271	5	8
" Balance in Hand	6	3	8
	<u>£1,801</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>8</u>

The Library was valued at £650 0s. 0d. in April, 1934. The Stock of Publication and the Society's Exhibits are not valued.

ARTHUR R. COTTON,
Hon. Treasurer.

Audited 29th March, 1943, and found correct.

L. A. ALLEN, (*Lieut.-Col.*)
G. OGILVY JACKSON.

SURREY ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Statement of Liabilities and Assets at 31st December, 1943.

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
To Entrance Fees and Subscriptions for 1944, paid in Advance	25 0 0	By Investments —	
" Amount earmarked for Deeds purchase	36 8 0	2½ per cent Consols (£316 4s. 8d.)	251 8 1
" Amount of Excavation Fund	104 18 1	3½ per cent. War Loan (£21 2s. 10d.)	21 17 1
" Estimated Expenditure incurred in the production of Volume XLVIII	310 0 0	3 per cent. Local Loans (£216 6s. 11d.)	203 18 1
" Balance in favour of the Society	1,779 6 2	9½ National Savings Certificates	123 4 1
		Defence Bonds (£915)	915 0 0
		Cash: At Bank	728 13 10
		" In hand	11 11 1
	<u>£2,255 12 3</u>		<u>740 4 11</u>
			<u>£2,255 12 3</u>

The Library was valued at £650 in 1934. The Stock of Publications and the Society's Exhibits and Furniture are not valued. At 31st December, 1943, members whose subscriptions are in arrear numbered 36, and there are 50 Life members. During the year 15 members died, 20 resigned, and 108 new members were elected.

L. R. STEVENS,

Hon. Treasurer.

Audited 15th February, 1944, and found correct.

L. A. ALLEN, (*Lieut.-Col.*).

G. OGILVY JACKSON.

SURERY ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY.
Excavation Fund Account, 1943.

RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.
To Balance in hand, 1st January, 1943	98 12 5	By Cobham Excavations	10 0 0
„ Contributions:—		„ Balance in hand, 31st December, 1943	104 18 1
1 of 2	0 0		
3 „ 1	2 0 0		
11 „	5 10 0		
1 „	7 6		
8 „	2 0 0		
10 „	1 5 0		
1 „	2 0		
Sundries	2 1 2		
	<u>16 5 8</u>		
	£114 18 1		£114 18 1

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SURREY ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Cash Account for the Year ended 31st December, 1943.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Balance in hand, 1st January, 1943 :	271	5	8			
Cash :	6	3	8			
Less Entrance Fees and Subscriptions—	277	9	4			
paid in advance	19	10	0	257	19	4
Subscriptions—						
Arrears,						
1937	£1	10	0			
1938	2	0	0			
1939	7	10	0			
1940	14	10	0			
1941	39	10	0			
1942	68	10	0			
Current,	133	0	0			
In advance,	336	0	0			
1944	18	0	0			
1945	1	0	0			
1946	10	0	0			
1947	10	0	0			
1948	10	0	0			
Entrance Fees—	20	10	0	489	10	0
Arrears,						
1942 (3)	1	10	0			
1945	48	0	0			
Current, (101 less 5 remitted)						
In advance, 1944	4	10	0			
(11 less 2 remitted)						
Life Compositions—New (5)	54	0	0			
Converted (2)	40	0	0			
Converted (2)	16	0	0			
Payments in excess	56	0	0			
.	3	16	3			
Sale of Publications				603	6	3
Meeting Tickets and Registration Fees				16	11	11
Interest on Investments				95	13	0
Receipts, Excavation Fund				33	12	2
Waynlete Tower Fund Contributions				16	5	8
.				6	3	0
.				6	3	0
Total				£1,029	11	4

PAYMENTS.

By Castle Arch : Rent	12	0	0	£	s.	d.
Fire Insurance (Exhibits)	1	10	0			
Librarian Honorarium	15	0	0			
Caretaker (Special Services)	10	0	0			
Publications : S.A.C., XLVIII : Illustrations	39	16	4	38	10	0
Editorial Postages and Sundries	4	4	5			
Printing and Stationery				44	0	9
Postages, Telephone and Petty Disbursements				61	13	10
Clerical Assistance and Typewriting				65	7	4
Excursions, Sundry Expenses				41	15	9
Annual Meeting	14	15	1			
.	6	17	1			
Payments, Excavation Fund				21	12	2
Annual Subscriptions :—				10	0	0
Archæological Congress				1	10	0
Surrey Record Society				1	0	0
British Records Association				1	0	0
English Place Names Society				15	0	0
Commons and Footpaths Society				10	6	0
Congress of Archæological Societies				16	1	0
S.E. Union of Scientific Societies				15	0	0
Balance in hand, 31st December, 1943 : Bank	728	13	10			
Cash	11	11	1	740	4	11
Total				£1,029	11	4

L. R. STEVENS,
Hon. Treasurer.

Audited 16th February, 1944, and found correct.
L. A. ALLEN (Lient.-Col.).
G. OGILVY JACKSON.

SURREY ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Statement of Liabilities and Assets at 31st December, 1944.

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
To Entrance Fees and Subscriptions paid in advance	37 10 0	By Investments:—	
" Amount earmarked for Deeds purchase	36 8 0	2½ per cent. Consols (£316 4s. 8d.)	300 0 0
" Purchases during year	5 18 0	3½ per cent. War Loan (£21 2s. 10d.)	20 0 0
		3 per cent. Local Loans (£480 6s. 2d.)	450 0 0
" Amount of Excavation Fund	30 10 0	9½ National Savings Certificates	72 16 0
" Balance in favour of the Society	116 10 7	Defence Bonds (£915)	915 0 0
	2,058 6 4	3 per cent. Savings Bonds 1965/75 (£400)	400 0 0
		(Market Value, £2,175 7s. 8d.)	2,157 16 0
		" Cash—	
		At Bank	85 0 11
			<u>£2,242 16 11</u>

The Library was valued at £650 in 1934. The Stock of Publications and the Society's Exhibits and Furniture are not valued. At 31st December, members whose subscriptions are in arrear number 19, and there are 46 Life members. During the year 19 members died, 24 resigned, 3 were removed under Rule 7, 1 withdrew his application, 1 was transferred to the Exchange List, and 92 new members were elected.

L. R. STEVENS,

Hon. Treasurer.

Audited 19th February, 1945, and found correct.

L. A. ALLEN (Lieut.-Col.).

G. OGILVY JACKSON.

SURREY ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Cash Account for the Year ended 31st December, 1944.

RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.	
	£	s.	d.
To Balance in hand, 1st January, 1944	740	4	11
Less Paid in Advance—			
Entrance Fees	4	10	0
Subscriptions	20	10	0
	25	0	0
			715 4 11
„ Subscriptions:—			
Arrears, 1939		1	10 0
1940		1	10 0
1941		2	0 0
1942		3	0 0
1943		10	0 0
Current, 1944 (730)	18	0	0
In Advance, 1945	365	0	0
1946		1	0 0
1947		10	0 0
1948		10	0 0
	26	0	0
„ Entrance Fees—			
Arrears, 1943		10	0 0
Current, 1944		43	0 0
(93 less 7 remitted)			
In Advance, 1945		11	10 0
(28 less 5 remitted)			
	55	0	0
„ Life Compositions—New (1)		8	0 0
„ Payments in Excess		1	2 3
			473 2 3
„ Sale of Publications		8	10 3
„ Meeting Tickets and Registration Fees		153	7 4
„ Interest on Investments		37	7 2
„ Receipts—Excavation Fund		11	12 6
			£1,399 4 5
		12	0 0
		1	10 0
		6	13 6
		35	16 5
		77	12 10
		68	12 5
		47	19 5
		27	7 11
		6	16 0
		34	3 11
		20	11 6
		10	9 6
		5	18 0
		2	2 0
		1	0 0
		1	0 0
		15	0 0
		10	6 0
		2	2 0
		7	6 0
		3	3 0
		1	5 0
		1	1 0
		10	4 0
		250	0 0
		400	0 0
			650 0 0
			85 0 11
			£1,399 4 5

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