



THE BERKSHIRE ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Patron :
H.M. THE KING.

The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Berkshire Archaeological Society was held at Reading University on Saturday, April 18th, 1942, at 3.0 p.m. and the following business was transacted.

1. The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on April 26th, 1941, were read and confirmed.
2. The Report of the Council for 1941-42 and the Statement of Accounts for 1941 were adopted.
3. Election of Officers.

The following officers were elected :—

President :
A. T. LOYD, O.B.E., J.P., LORD LIEUTENANT OF BERKSHIRE.

Vice-Presidents :
THE RIGHT REVEREND THE LORD BISHOP OF OXFORD.
THE RIGHT REVEREND THE BISHOP OF READING.
THE VERY REVEREND THE DEAN OF WINDSOR.
THE REV. CANON S. L. OLLARD, M.A.
THE REV. CANON R. WICKHAM LEGG, M.A.
THE RIGHT HON. LORD ILFFE, C.B.E.
SIR EDWARD BARRY, BT.
A. E. PRESTON, F.S.A.
THE REV. B. H. B. ATTLEE, F.R. Hist.S., D.D.
MISS BAILY, F.Z.S.
L. BINYON, C.H.
THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR OF READING.
THE VICE-CHANCELLOR OF READING UNIVERSITY.

Hon. Secretary :

H. T. MORLEY, F.S.A., (Scot.), F.R.Hist.S., J.P.

Hon. Treasurer :

F. M. UNDERHILL.

Hon. Editor :

STUART PIGGOTT, F.S.A.

Hon. Acting Editor :

P. S. SPOKES, B.Sc., M.A., F.S.A. :

Hon. Librarian :

F. M. BUNCE.

Council :

MISS M. M. SWADLING

LL. TREACHER, F.G.S.

C. H. INGE

COL. C. J. WEST, O.B.E., M.D.

THE REV. S. E. CHEVASSE, M.A.

C. B. WILLCOCKS, F.S.A., F.R.I.B.A.

MISS E. CARLETON WILLIAMS, M.A.

E. W. DORMER, F.R.Hist.S.

THE REV. W. F. WOOD, M.A.

THE REV. B. S. SPENCER, M.A.

MISS L. F. CHITTY, F.S.A.

P. S. SPOKES, B.Sc., M.A., F.S.A. (*Chairman*)

H. G. GRAYSON, F.R.I.B.A., M.A.

J. W. DODGSON, B.Sc.

A. T. HEELAS

MRS. E. HOLDEN

MRS. M. RIVERS-MOORE

MISS E. BEACH

COL. C. N. RIVERS-MOORE

E. T. LONG, F.S.A.

} Retire in 1943.

} Retire in 1944.

} Retire in 1945.

} Retire in 1946.

After the business of the Annual General Meeting had been concluded a LECTURE was given by

J. W. DODGSON, Esq., B.Sc.

on

“NOTES ON THE NAMES OF THE OLD STREETS OF READING.”

After the lecture Tea was provided by the kind invitation of Miss A. Baily.

10. PRIZES FOR MEASURED DRAWINGS.

The prizes offered annually by the Society were awarded as follows:

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As buildings in this district are still liable to be damaged by enemy action, the Council venture to suggest that many more students should endeavour to make drawings and records of the Churches and Buildings which are of historic interest.

11. BERKSHIRE ARCHITECTURAL RECORDS COMMITTEE.

This Committee, our members will be glad to know, has made excellent progress and up to the end of last year had obtained 2130 photographs and other illustrations of Berkshire buildings, mostly in duplicate, and about 1800 negatives.

In the Committee's Annual Report special reference is made to and gratitude expressed for the assistance given by the Berkshire Archaeological Society to the Committee. Our gift of back numbers of the Journal helped considerably with the surveys of a number of churches and the donations sent by some of our members in response to the recent appeal were much appreciated.

More photographic helpers are urgently required, as there is a great deal of work waiting to be done and the Records Committee will be very glad of the assistance of any of our members who take photographs. Arrangements can be made with regard to materials.

12. THE JOURNAL.

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8. Again owing to the War, the usual programme for the Summer Meetings could not be carried through. Two half-day excursions only were arranged:—

On July 22nd over 30 members and friends journeyed to Guildford, where they were received in the old Guildhall by The Mayor, Alderman V. G. Wilkinson, J.P., C.C., and then, under the guidance of F. H. Elsley, Esq., Curator of the Museum, visits were paid to Archbishop Abbot's Hospital (described by the Master, E. G. R. Mole, Esq.), Holy Trinity Church, St. Mary's Church, The Castle and Museum. A very instructive and interesting day.

On September 20th over 40 Members and friends visited Abingdon, where they were received by the Mayor and Mayoress (Coun. J. C. and Mrs. West).

The unique collection of the Borough's Silver and Pewter were exhibited and explained and visits paid to the Royse's Old Grammar School, Christ's Hospital Hall, Long Alley Almshouses and St. Helen's Church with its wonderful roof paintings.

In the absence of Mr. A. E. Preston, Miss Agnes C. Baker proved a most efficient cicerone, her knowledge and explanation being much appreciated.

9. The following Lectures have been given during the Winter Session, 1941-1942:—

1941.

Oct. 26th. "*Antiquities of Hagbourne Hill, Berkshire*" by Miss Lily F. Chitty, F.S.A.

Nov. 15th. "*The Story of Royal Lodge, Windsor Great Park*" by O. F. Morshead, Esq., Librarian to H.M. The King.

Dec. 6th. "*Furniture Making in the 18th Century*" by Miss M. Jourdain.

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Jan. 10th. "*Mary Russell Mitford*" by W. J. Roberts, Esq.

Feb. 14th. "*Campanology in Berkshire*" by F. Sharpe, Esq.
 "*Some Curious Playing Cards*" by H. T. Morley, Esq.

Mar. 21st. "*Lost Berkshire Churches*" by F. M. Underhill, Esq.

The Annual Meeting of the Berkshire Branch of the Local History Recording Scheme was also held on this date.

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Year Ending 31st December, 1941.

EXPENDITURE.				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By PRINTING—									
Journals :									
	Vol. 44, part 2	58	9	6	
	Vol. 45, part 1, and Report	72	0	3	
	Vol. 45, part 2, and Index	63	16	3	
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	General Account				29 12 9
„	Postages				7 19 2
„	Teas at Reading University Buttery				9 10 0
„ SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS—									
	L.H.R.S.	..	..	..	..	2	2	0	
	Bisham Church (Per Rev. J. D. de Vitre)	..	..	..	..	2	0	0	
	Society for Protection of Ancient Buildings	..	..	..	..	1	1	0	
	English Place-name Society		15	0	
	British Records Association	1	0	0	
	Friends of Reading University	3	3	0	
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„	Prizes. Berkshire Society of Architects				3 3 0
„	Lecturer's Expenses				1 15 0
„	Rent—Watlington House				2 0 0
„	Excursion Expenses				3 19 0
„	Cheque Book				5 0
„	Working Epdiascope				3 15 0

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31st December, 1941.

ASSETS.				£	s.	d.
Per Receipts and Expenditure Account	1	7 10
Balance of Deposit Account	100	0 0
Balance of Current Account	3	17 11
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Investment £100. 3% Defence Bonds	100	0 0
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Examined, compared with all necessary books and vouchers, and found correct.

9th March, 1942.

MINNIE M. SWADLING.