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Edited by Rosamond Hanworth, Folly Hill, Ewhurst, Surrey

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Surrey Archaeological Society, to receive and consider the Report of the Council and the Accounts for the year 1971, will be held, by kind permission of His Worship the Mayor of Guildford, in the Courtroom of the Guildhall, Guildford, on Saturday, 29th April, 1972, at 3 p.m. The Society's President, Mr. John L. Nevinson, M.A., F.S.A., will be in the chair.

D. J. Turner, Honorary Secretary.

AGENDA OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

1. The Honorary Secretary to read the notice convening the Meeting.
 2. Apologies for absence.
 3. The Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting.
 4. Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for the year 1971.
 5. Election of President.
The Council of the Society have the honour to nominate Mr. J. L. Nevinson, M.A., F.S.A., for re-election as President for the coming year.
 6. Re-election of Vice Presidents.
 7. Election of additional Vice President.
The Council has the honour to nominate Miss M. Gollancz, M.A., for election as Vice President.
 8. Election of Honorary Officers.
 9. Election of Council Members.
There are six vacancies to be filled under Rule 11. The following members have been nominated by Council for election: Mr. M. E. Blackman, L.I.B.; Mr. R. M. S. Hall, M.A.; Miss Joan M. Harding, A.L.A., F.S.A.; Mr. N. H. Nail; Miss Clare Smith; and Mr. G. H. Underwood.
Further nominations should be accompanied by the written consent of the nominee and must reach the Honorary Secretary not later than 22nd April, 1972.
 10. Election of Honorary Auditor.
 11. Vote of thanks to the Mayor of Guildford.
 12. Any other business.
- Tea will be served after the meeting in the Old Council Chamber, at a price of 25p per head. It is not necessary to send any money in advance.

EXHIBITION

A small exhibition illustrating the archaeological challenge presented by the construction of motorways in Surrey will be shown at the Annual General Meeting.

EXCAVATION NOTICES

The M.23 and M.25 Rescue

The Department of the Environment has now promised substantial support to the Society's programme of observation and rescue in advance of the construction of the M.23 and M.25 motorways. This promise was made in response to a budgeted scheme put before the Department following the announcement of an increase in the amount of state money that was to be made available for similar work (see Bulletin 85, February).

Mr. Harvey Sheldon and his team of free-lance professional archaeologists will be handling the observation and will co-ordinate any rescue excavations that will be found to be required. Work will not be continuous but will have to be phased according to the progress of the civil engineering. Mr. Sheldon's team started work in the field during the first week in March and met members of local societies in Reigate at a meeting on 3rd March arranged by the Holmesdale Archaeological Group.

Volunteers will still be needed in all aspects of this work and anyone able to take part, either at week ends or during the week, should contact Brian Kirsop, The Rookery, King's Cross Lane, South Nutfield.

(D. J. Turner).

Sandown Park and Esher Bypass Excavations

Volunteers will be needed at short notice to assist in excavations connected with these proposed developments. Help will also be needed with field surveys of various kinds along the route of the bypass. Would all members and their friends who may be able to help during the coming months, please contact the Hook and District Archaeological Group, 8 Kelvin Grove, Chessington.

(R. J. Webber).

ANSTIEBURY IRON AGE HILL-FORT (TQ 153440)

Director: Mr. F. H. Thompson

A first season of excavation at this site will take place from Monday, 10th July to Saturday, 5th August. It is hoped to arrange week-end work for volunteers unable to spend a week or a fortnight full-time on the site. It is possible that a camping site may be available, without equipment. The site is 4 miles from Dorking station and 1 mile from Holmwood station.

Apply to: F. H. Thompson, Society of Antiquaries, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London, W1V 0HS.

CRAWLEY, Sussex, ROMAN BLOOMERY SITE (TQ 258353)

Director: Mr. J. Gibson-Hill

Full details are given in a note elsewhere in this Bulletin.

CROYDON OLD TOWN (22-29 St. John's Road, inclusive)

Director: Mr. R. Savage

The Archaeology Section of Croydon Natural History and Scientific Society have started a series of week-end excavations on the line of the new section of the Ring Road, from the roundabout under the Flyover, northward to Pittlake, and will be based on the above named boarded-up properties. Work is from 9.30 a.m. till dusk.

Enquiries to the director, telephone 01-654 5779.

PUTNEY, ROMANO-BRITISH SETTLEMENT SITE AT THE PLATT AND WATERMAN STREET

Rescue excavation by the Wandsworth Historical Society is being carried out alongside the contractors, in an effort to recover and record as much information as possible from this area from which most of the evidence for a Romano-British settlement has come. The area lies between The Platt and Waterman Street, surrounded by corrugated iron fencing. Entrance is in The Platt, second turning on the left along Lower Richmond Road, when coming from Putney Bridge.

Work is from 9 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. on Saturdays only; as this is the only time available there will be no let-up apart from a mid-morning five minute break. Car parking available in nearby streets.

Enquiries and further information from Nicholas Farrant, 7 Coalcroft Road, S.W.15. Tel. 01-788 0015 (up to 11.15 p.m.)

NOTES

Obituary

It is with deep regret that I have to record the death of Miss Beatrice Smith, who died in hospital on Friday, 21st January, 1972. My first acquaintance with her was in 1954 when we began a four-year Diploma Course in Archaeology, held by the University of London Department of Extra Mural Studies at Surbiton. Beatrice had long had an interest in Archaeology, having been a member of the Surrey Archaeological Society since 1921. Only three surviving members of the Society joined at an earlier date than this.

She worked under Sir Mortimer Wheeler at Maiden Castle in the 'thirties, and at Padesham with Mr. Lowther after the war, but will probably be best remembered for her more recent work at the Rapsley Roman Villa, working with Rosamond Hanworth, she was responsible for the pottery and small finds. Her long experience was helpful on any excavation. She worked quietly and unobtrusively, but to her friends she will always be remembered as a very special person.

(F. A. Hastings).

New Members as from 1.1.72

R. E. Kilsby, Esq., Banestree, Jacobs Well Road, Jacobs Well, Guildford, Surrey.

R. W. Lee, Esq., 149 Weston Road, Guildford, Surrey.

C. R. Orton, Esq., 39a Benhill Wood Road, Sutton, Surrey.

Mrs. M. Atkins, 13 Downs Wood, Epsom Downs, Surrey.

The Hon. Secretary, Puttenham and Wanborough History Society, 81 The Street, Puttenham, Guildford, Surrey.

Miss H. E. Marvell, 6 Tormead Road, Guildford, Surrey.

as from 1.2.72

D. R. Rudling, Esq., 6 Crewes Avenue, Warlingham, Surrey CR3 9NY

Mrs. S. Corke, Eversheds, Abinger Hammer, Dorking, Surrey RH5 6QA

Mrs. P. M. Moxey, 16 St. James' Close, St. John's, Woking, Surrey.

Miss B. M. Burton, B.A., Fendene, Institute Road, Westcott, Dorking, Surrey.

Mrs. A. H. Waugh, 52 Tormead Road, Guildford, Surrey.

The Curator, Chertsey Museum, The Cedars, Windsor Street, Chertsey, Surrey.

Mrs. K. A. Wilkinson, 5 Echo Hurst, Hurstcroft, Warwicks Bench Road, Guildford, Surrey.

Commander and Mrs. B. J. J. P. Robinson, Weycote, Parvis Road, Byfleet, Weybridge, Surrey.

Southlands College of Education (Mr. J. F. Clarke, B.A., A.L.A.), Wimbledon Park Side, London, S.W.19.

Mrs. K. Foster, 7 Elmleigh Court, Midhurst, Sussex.

Mrs. S. F. Delaval, B.A., A.M.I.P.M., 12 The Green, Reigate Road, Burgh Heath, Surrey.

P. D. B. Clark, Esq., 28 Bell Road, East Molesey, Surrey.

Mrs. A. H. Brewis, B.Sc., Ebbisham, Egmont Park Road, Walton on the Hill, Tadworth, Surrey.

Miss J. M. Kent, Little Rosewarne, Potteries Lane, Mytchett, Camberley, Surrey.

C. D. Fleming, Esq., 57 Chapel Lane, Fox Lane Estate, Farnborough, Hants.

Resignations from 1.1.72

H. H. Sullivan, Mrs. J. Graham, Mrs. B. R. Roberts, Mr. G. Styles, Mr. J. H. Holland, Mrs. B. Holland, Mrs. J. Bassett-Powell, Mr. J. G. Fairclough, Mr. James Hayes, Mr. C. M. Dent, Mr. G. H. J. Parsons, Mr. R. G. Miller, Miss P. Renold, Mr. T. L. Ogden, Mrs. L. Ingram, Mr. and Mrs. Masterson.

Deaths: Miss B. J. Smith, Mr. R. S. Scragg, Mr. H. R. Tadgell.

RECENT ACCESSIONS TO THE SOCIETY'S LIBRARY

Previous list in Bulletin 85 (Feb., 1972)

1. GENERAL

- Brears, (P. C. D.), *The English country pottery*. Newton Abbot, 1971.
Council for British Archaeology. *Handbook of scientific aids for archaeologists*. London, 1971.
do. *Site index to radio-carbon dates for Great Britain and Ireland*. London, 1970
Greater London Industrial Archaeology Society. *Membership list*. London, 1971.
Institute of Geological Sciences. *Memoirs*. 1in. sheet series. Sheet 301—Haslemere. London, 1969.
do. *Records of wells—Reigate and Sevenoaks*. London, 1968.
do. *Records of wells—Haslemere and Horsham*. London, 1968.
National Council for Social Service. *A directory for local historians*. London, 1970.
Society of Genealogists. *Parish register copies, pt. 1. Society of Genealogists' collection, ed. 3*. London, 1970 (with a copy of the Surrey section of the list of copies in other collections).
Wainwright (G. J.) and Langworth (I. H.). *Durrington Walls excavations, 1966-68*. Society of Antiquaries, London, 1971.

2. LOCAL

- Bookham, Gt.—Fortescue (S. E. D.). *The gigantic fete—Great Bookham, 1922*. Gt. Bookham, 1971.
Dunsfold—Hampton and Sons. *Marrow Farm, Dunsfold (Sale prospectus)*. London, 1971.
Esher—Esher Central Library. *Local organisations and their secretaries*. ed. 2., Esher, 1969.
Farnham—Hicks (S. E.), *Wrecclesham and its roundabouts*. Farnham, 1939.
Godalming—Birley (Sir R.). *Exhibition of books in Charterhouse Library*. Godalming, 1971.
Horley—Surrey C.C. *London-Gatwick Airport: an environmental study: summary*. Kingston, 1970.
Ockham—Winnett (A. R.). *All Saints' Church, Ockham*. Ockham, 1971.

3. NEW PERIODICALS

- Devon Archaeological Society. *Transactions*. vol. 1- .
Kingston-upon-Hull Museums Bulletin. no. 3/4,7- . 1971- .
Southwark and Lambeth Archaeological Society. *Newsletter*. no. 30- . 1972- .

Wandsworth Historian. Wandsworth Historical Society. no. 1- . 1971- .

4. MAPS, ILLUSTRATIONS, ETC.

Postcards of Marrow Church (c. 1930); Guildford High Street/Quarry Street (c. 1930); collapse of Guildford Bridge (1901).

Some extracts from an index to depositions in the Court of Exchequer relating to Surrey. P.R.O.E. 134 (Res. Mat. 185)
Council for British Archaeology draft minutes and associated papers 1961-69. (Res. Mat. 186).
Notes and traces of wall paintings at 174 St. John's Road, Woking and brief description of the house. J. L. Nevinson and L. E. Quelle. (Res. Mat. 187)
Note on wooden sluice paddle fund at Chobham. R. M. S. Hall. (Res. Mat. 188).
Old list of brass rubbing collections used by J. M. Blatchly in revision of Mill Stephenson's catalogue. (Res. Mat. 189)
Ordnance Survey. Nine 6inch maps, various areas, 1911-38.
Geological Survey. 1inch maps. New series. 286: Reigate, rev. 1967. 301: Haslemere, 1967.

Missing Library Book

The last record of P. A. L. Vine's *London's Lost Route to the Sea* which the library has is of its return by a member in December, 1969. Members are asked to search their memories and their bookshelves in case it was borrowed without a record being made, and the Hon. Librarian would be most grateful for the book to be returned as soon as possible.

(R. A. Christophers).

Sale of surplus brass-rubbings

Copies of brass-rubbings surplus to the Library's needs will be on sale in the Library from 9.30 to 4.00 on Saturday, 22nd April 1972. The rubbings are mainly of Surrey subjects and many are not of very good quality although of some historic interest. Prices range from £1.50 to 2p. There will also be the opportunity to inspect the remaining books, pamphlets and prints still available for sale.

(R. A. Christophers).

Help needed in S.A.S. Library

Mrs. Cook, who has been a library helper for the months of December and January for about ten years, has now found she will have to give it up. It would be greatly appreciated if someone would volunteer, sometime before December, to take her place. Volunteers should get in touch with the Curator, Guildford Museum, Castle Arch, Guildford, in the first instance.

(R. A. Christophers).

Recording of Buildings of Architectural and Historic Interest in Surrey

A Scheme for the Woking Urban District was entrusted, in 1970, to the Mayford History Society, who enrolled thirty of their members as Volunteer Observers. The work is being carried out in three stages. Stage I, the checking of buildings on the Ministry's List of 1950, and of those not on this list, but included in the County Council's List of 1965, was completed by the end of 1970. Stage II, the searching of the whole Urban District for buildings of apparent interest not included in either of the official lists, was then commenced. For the purposes of this survey, which necessitated checking every road in the closely built-up part of the town, as well as the surrounding countryside, the District was sub-divided into five Areas, and the searches were completed by the end of 1971.

In Stage I it was found that of the 97 buildings shown on the two official lists 13 had been demolished, leaving 84 still standing, and in Stage II 88 buildings of apparent interest were discovered. The buildings in Stage II are now being classified as follows: (i) Those which are definitely of sufficient interest to be recorded, and (ii) Those of less interest, which may be recorded later. This classification is about fifty per cent completed. Stage III, the preparation of Record Cards for all buildings in Stage I, and for those in Stage II classified as (i), and marking their position on

six-inch O.S. Maps, will be undertaken as soon as possible. The buildings in Stage II (ii) will only be dealt with after the recording of those in Stage I and Stage II (i) has been completed. This will ensure that all the more important buildings are recorded without the unnecessary delay which would be caused by including in the first recording a number of buildings of only minor interest.

(L. E. Quelle).

This project was designed as a pilot scheme for the County of Surrey, so that with the co-operation of a Local Society, the records in respect of buildings could be brought up-to-date. The splendid work undertaken by the Mayford History Society is commended to other groups, and it is hoped that eventually the whole of the County will be so covered. The basic tools for this exercise are a pair of sharp eyes: other material—lists, maps, etc. can be supplied by the Society. If any group or individual is interested in following this example please contact J. N. Hampton, 5 Lindsay Close, Epsom, Surrey.

Southwark Archaeological Excavation Committee and the next five years

Much of London's riverside area, including the archaeologically crucial part round London Bridge, will be redeveloped in the next few years. S.A.E.C. has been concerned about the prospect that the archaeological evidence in Southwark will thus be destroyed. It has therefore produced a policy paper, outlining the current state of research in Southwark's archaeology, the nature of the threat to the surviving evidence and a practicable policy to rescue at least some of it before it is destroyed. The work envisaged will naturally cost much more money than the Committee has hitherto raised, but Southwark has been very fortunate in having two enlightened supporters, in the London Borough of Southwark and the Department of the Environment, who have agreed substantially to increase their grants over the next five years to the Committee's work. The principal change this will make possible will be that the Committee will be able to employ, for the first time, a full-time Officer to direct excavations, and we hope someone will be appointed in time to start work in April 1972.

(G. J. Dawson).

Croydon: Excavation at No. 1 Rectory Grove (TQ 318654)

A ten-foot square trench was dug by the Archaeology Section of the Croydon Natural History and Scientific Society in the rear garden of this demolished house, in advance of the construction of the new ring road through Old Town, Croydon. A structure was found which does not correspond to that shown on the 1894 edition of the O.S. map.

The top layers revealed the foundations of a coal cellar in the north-east corner and a hitherto unrecorded sewer running east-west near the southern edge of the trench. At a depth of 2 feet 8 inches a floor of rammed chalk was found. A layer of dirty chalk crumble and flint cobbles separated it from a lower and more substantial floor which was contained within a fragmentary brick wall of English bond, 14 inches wide, standing two to four courses high. A parallel wall six feet away projected from the west face of the trench, it stood seven courses high in places. There were two gaps in each of the walls which it is conjectured held the ends of wooden floor joists. One pair of these gaps occurred above a third dwarf wall, three courses high, which joined the two main walls, not at right angles. Thus the joists could have been set in the mortar on top of this cross wall. The second gap could have held a joist parallel to the other. Set in the mortar of the cross wall were two large iron bolts, 27 inches apart, indicating a threshold.

Excavation continued to a depth of 5 feet 6 inches before the Taplow gravels were reached. The fill was mostly nineteenth century, of a very mixed character, building debris, eighteenth and nineteenth century sherds, clay tobacco pipes, bones and oyster shells, but material from under the lower chalk floor gives reason to think that the original structure was late seventeenth or early eighteenth century. The upper chalk floor and a secondary piece of brick walling associated with it,—on top of the eastern end of the south wall but differently aligned,—are thought to be middle late eighteenth century.

The buildings was probably demolished in the nineteenth century, prior to the building of other houses; the sewer must predate 1900, when Croydon Council's records start, and probably was part of work carried out when the area was drained after the formation of the Croydon local board of health in 1849. It inclines towards the area known to have been occupied by a mill pond to the west.

The dearth of earlier pottery was surprising in view of the large amount found in the previous excavation at No. 2 Rectory Grove, on the opposite side of the road (*London Archaeologist*, 9, Drewett, P. p.204), (*S.A.C.*, forthcoming). Only two medieval sherds were found, a base of fourteenth century Surrey off-white ware in the nineteenth century in-fill, and a base of thirteenth century hard grey ware from below the lower chalk floor. Either the medieval settlement did not reach so far, or the area has been so disturbed as to yield misleading information. (Lilian Thornhill).

Crawley: Roman Bloomery site at Broadfields (TQ 258353).

This short summary of the 1971 excavations at Broadfields deals with the major archaeological discoveries, the geography and geology of the site having been adequately dealt with by Mr. B. C. Worssam, in his paper on Iron Ore working in the Western Weald (to be published in the forthcoming *Proceedings, Geological Association*).

Work by the Crawley & Mid-Sussex Archaeological Group during the 1971 season was concentrated on the south-west corner of the settlement, where they discovered twenty-seven small bloomery furnaces (Holbeanwood type) of clay, with an average internal diameter of 18in. These were ranged along both sides of a slag-filled ditch, terminating in a pit, some eighteen feet in diameter, which had no doubt been used as a water reservoir for iron working in the immediate area. Nearby a charcoal-filled pit was revealed, it was surrounded by sandstone blocks and lined with clay, both the clay and sandstone had been exposed to fairly high temperatures. At one time this pit was thought to be an ore roasting furnace (Cleere, *Bulletin of Wealden Iron Research Group No. 2*) but is now thought to represent the remains of a forging hearth.

The remains of a rectangular timber-framed building about 8ft x 6ft. was unearthed within a few feet of the forging hearth, orientated north/south and open to the elements on three sides.

After a provisional analysis of the pottery, tentative dating of the occupation starting during the later part of the first century and terminating about the middle half of the second century seems in order.

One really significant group of small finds from the site consists of ten Double Tuyeres. These are clay nozzles, that were inserted into the lower sides of smelting furnaces to allow the access of air through bellows into the combustion zone of the furnace, (for parallels see Cleere, *Sussex Arch. Collections* 101 and Tylecote, *Metallurgy in Archaeology*). It is of interest to note that besides the purpose-made tuyeres, a flagoon neck had been trimmed and put to the same use in one of the furnaces.

Part of the site has already been destroyed by a substantial housing development and the balance will soon meet the same fate.

The excavation of this important site is in progress and will continue every weekend until the end of November, but there will also be a more intensive season from 22nd July to 12th August 1972, Volunteers should contact Mrs. Jean Morgan, 1 Colet Road, Tilgate, Crawley 32080.
(J. Gibson-Hill).

Ewell: Excavation in Grove School grounds (TQ 219624)

With the co-operation of the Surrey County Council and the Headmistress, excavation at this site by members of the Nonsuch & Ewell A.S. has been in operation since August, 1970.

The Romano-British boundary ditch, which was known to enter the site from the south-east, appears to follow a north/south alignment. A section across this ditch shows a 'U' shaped profile, three metres wide by one metre deep.

Two other areas have been opened: one on either side of the ditch. To the west, a fairly dense scatter of flint-tempered pottery associated with fire-crackled flints has been found overlying a Mesolithic stratum. These sherds vary between fine black ware and a red fabric, and appear to be similar to Late Iron Age (or so-called Wealden) material found in the district. Beneath this assumed Iron Age surface, and at other places around the site, occur sporadic clusters of Mesolithic flintwork. Although these knapping areas have been disturbed in antiquity, some areas have produced stratified debris, just above the Thanet Sand.

Clumps of cob in the primary silting of the ditch are the only evidence of building in the vicinity. A wide, shallow sump with a few Romano-British sherds has been located in the eastern area of the site.
(F. F. Pemberton).

Farnborough Hill: Excavation of a Medieval and Post-Medieval Pottery Site (SU 875566)

The excavations notified in the July Bulletin resulted in the completion of work on the third kiln found in 1970, and in the discovery of a fourth kiln. The third kiln had been almost completely destroyed but its size and plan could be estimated from what remained. It had two flues and an approximately circular oven about seven feet wide and six feet long. The oven floor, originally on ground level, had been raised by about four inches probably to prevent rainwater from collecting in the kiln when the level of the ground outside had risen as a result of the accumulated ash and wasters: a ditch dug close to the side of the kiln emphasized the drainage problems of the site. Five large pipkins were left on the kiln floor in the position of firing. Pottery in the ditch had somewhat later features than the material from the two previously excavated kilns, but was probably not later than 1600.

The foundation of a late 15th century kiln was discovered about thirty yards from the main excavation by a flux-gate gradiometer survey, but the oven had been completely dug away by a trench which seemed likely to date from the last war. The kiln was horse-shoe shaped with a maximum width of six feet externally, and the oven length was about the same. It appeared to have had a tongue-shaped pedestal projecting from the rear wall, but this had been cut off short by the modern trench. Pottery buried in the wall foundation was all white ware and included some in a very thin untempered fabric as well as the usual sandy medieval fabric. A further excavation in the area of this kiln is proposed in 1972. (F. Holling).

Egham: Excavation at 174 High Street.

Work by members of the Egham-by-Runnymede Historical Society on a trial trench, in advance of the new ring road, at 174 High Street. Egham has been completed.

The mid-Georgian house, demolished in 1970, was set back from the High Street and it was thought a section through the front garden would show evidence of early occupation undisturbed by cellar digging. A series of layers containing a mass of mid eighteenth century domestic rubbish was cleared first, such as bones and fragmentary wine bottles, beer mugs and clay pipes, clearly from a public house. A large variety of small finds also came from this area, among them bone 'pistol grip' knife handles and blades, bronze harness mounts, wig curlers, a bronze shoe buckle, a rasp and a decorated bronze button. This rubbish covered a series of gravel road surfaces with associated side ditches, date range 1680-1760. In the fill of one was found well preserved shoe leather and wood, including six complete soles and part of a wooden spinning top. More leather work and a fine series of pipe bowls, date range 1620-1680, were recovered from a clay layer sealed by the road metalling. This area in turn covered yet another road surface, the side ditch of which, 1 metre deep and 2 metres across, was cut into the natural gravel.

No intact structures were found on the site but a robber trench cut into the natural gravel and abutting the earliest road ditch seems to represent a front wall demolished c. 1690.

Worn medieval sherds were present in all the layers but no early features were located in the small area excavated, due perhaps to the extensive levelling and demolition at all periods. (D. Barker).

Limpsfield: Recent structure at Granville Road (TQ 399530) together with observations on Tanners at Oxted.

A recent excavation in the garden belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Marsh of Granville Road, Limpsfield, led the writer to believe, before the digging was accomplished, that the finds might have been remains of an old tannery. Actually the consensus of opinion points to the fact that the discovery is part of an old ornamental garden.

Be that as it may there is no doubt that tanneries existed in this district. There is mention of glove makers and general leather industries which were widespread in the county of Surrey. We have the evidence of names which have come from medieval times to this day. There is a Tanhouse in Oxted and Tanners Mead was the name of a pasture in Barrow Green.

Other records show that in 1437 Richard Couper, a tanner of Oxted, was involved in a legal case and in 1450 two other Oxted tanners, John Couper and his son (possibly relatives of Richard because very often tannery went in families) took part in Jack Cade's Rebellion. Just before the time of the Spanish Armada (1588) Edmund Stacey was referred to as a "tanner of Oxted".

(F. R. Wright).

(The excavation revealed an area 15 feet by 12 feet of rough mortar, surrounded by a wall 9 to 10 inches high. In the centre was a trough, 7 feet 6 inches by 4 feet with an iron outlet pipe in one corner. Suggestions as to its purpose vary between a sheep dip and an ornamental pool. While work was being done, Miss L. Ketteringham, Mrs. K. Percy and Mrs. C. Feagan visited the site and observed. They each formed the opinion that the structure was modern. The find was reported fully in the Surrey Mirror—Editor).

Recent Publications

Anon (1972). Public Enquiries, presenting the Conservation case. C.B.A. Pamphlet. 20p plus postage from Council for British Archaeology, 8 St. Andrew's Place, London, N.W.1.

Anon (1971). Southwark's Archaeology, The Final Decade? Southwark Archaeological Excavation Committee Policy Paper. Obtainable from The Cuming Museum, Walworth Road, London S.E.17.

COURSES

Department of Adult Education, Keele University

TRAINING SCHOOL IN EXCAVATION. At Keele, 12-26 August. Fee £32.00. Suitable for beginners, this course offers a complete range of training from site survey to excavation, finds processing and writing-up. This year emphasis will be on pottery studies and surveying. Facilities for studies or projects will be in post-medieval pottery or Roman coarse ware. Computing techniques are a normal feature. The dig will be a rescue site assigned by a local museum, but the work will be conducted on a research basis. Periods will range from Roman to Medieval.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXPLORATION COURSE. At Coniston, 29 July-5 August. Fee £19.50. Beginners wishing to learn archaeological exploration, recording and elementary surveying, will find this one-week residential course in the Lake District stimulating. Some of the terrain to be traversed will be rough.

Further details from: Adult Education, The University, Keele, Staffs ST5 5BG, Tel: Keele Park 313. Places are limited—please book as soon as possible.

Department of Extra-Mural Studies, University of London

A course of six University Extension Lectures on **EUROPEAN MEDIEVAL POTTERY** by J. G. Hurst, M.A., V.P.S.A. at The Extra-Mural Centre, 32 Tavistock Square, W.C.1. Thursdays, 20 April-25 May, 1972; 7 p.m.-9 p.m. Course fee: £1.75.

This course will examine the development of pottery in the four main areas of Europe from A.D. 400 to 1500 with special reference to influence on and imports to Britain. Subjects to be studied will include Merovingian and Carolingian pottery, the origins of red paint and glaze, the tin-glazed and lead glazed wares of the Mediterranean, the decorated jugs of France and the North Sea area, early stonewares and the Slav wares of Central and Eastern Europe.

Apply to: Deputy Director (Extension), Department of Extra-Mural Studies, 7 Ridgmount Street, London WC1E 7AD.

MEETINGS

MARCH

Tuesday 28th, 8 p.m.

RESCUE. Talk by Dr. John Alexander to Kingston-upon-Thames Archaeological Society at the Lecture Hall, Central Library, Fairfield Road, Kingston-upon-Thames. Please note this alteration in the published programme.

APRIL

Saturday 8th, 3 p.m.

THE VALE OF THE WHITE HORSE, BERKSHIRE. Talk by Mrs. Enid Butler to the Beddington, Carshalton & Wallington A.S. at Darby & Joan Club, Cooper Crescent, Nightingale Road, Carshalton. Visitors 5p Tea 10p.

Wednesday 12th, 8.15 p.m.

BROOKLANDS RACE TRACK. Talk with films by Mr. D. Gahagan to Walton & Weybridge L.H.S. at the Lecture Hall, Weybridge Library.

SATURDAY 15th

SURREY A.S. SYMPOSIUM—RESCUE AND CONSERVATION at Charterhouse, Godalming, 11 a.m.-5.15 p.m. Admission 40p at the door, including coffee and tea (students 30p). No advance booking. Full details were enclosed with Bulletin 85.

Tuesday 18th, 8 p.m.

MEDIAEVAL POTTERY KILNS. Talk by Mr. J. W. G. Musty to Kingston-upon-Thames Archaeological Society at the Lecture Hall, Fairfield West, Kingston.

Friday 21st, 7.45 p.m.

THE ROMAN ROAD FROM SILCHESTER TO CHICHESTER. Talk by Dr. G. Rolston to Farnham Museum Society at the Institute of Further Education, Potters Gate, Farnham.

Saturday, 22nd

S.A.S. VISIT—TOUR OF HISTORIC AND MODERN GUILDFORD

Arranged by Miss J. Carter and guided by Mr. D. M. Sturley

10.45 a.m. Meet in Guildford High Street, at the end of the Town Bridge nearest St. Nicholas Church.

12.30 p.m. Separate for lunch in the various restaurants near the High Street.

2.30 p.m. Meet under the Tunsgate Arch.

The tour will finish between 4.30 and 5.00 p.m.

The cheaper and less crowded car parks in Guildford are:—

The Old Cattle Market—Entry in Bedford Road, a left-hand turn from the one-way system starting from the bottom of North Street.

Guildford Park—by the Station, cross the bridge over the railway into Farnham Rd., and take the first turn right. Use the second Car Park on the right, beyond the station entrance.

Tickets (members 15p, visitors 20p, students half price, children under 16 accompanied by an adult, free) from Mrs. J. Major, 3 Riversdale Road, Thames Ditton, KT7 0QL.

Friday 28th, 7.45 p.m.

METALWORK IN BRONZE AGE ENGLAND. Talk by Mr. A. Booth to Farnham Museum Society at the Institute of Further Education, Potters Gate, Farnham.

Friday 28th, 8 p.m.

EXCAVATION OF ROMAN STAINES. Talk by Maureen Rendell to Wandsworth Historical Society at The Friends Meeting House, Wandsworth High Street.

Friday 28th, 7.45 p.m.

THE ARCHAEOLOGY AND GEOLOGY OF THE BERKSHIRE AREA. Talk by Mr. and Mrs. Butler to the Archaeology Section, Croydon N.H. & H.S. at Purley Library, to be followed on Sunday 14th May by a coach outing.

MAY

Monday 1st, 8 p.m.

AND SO TO MAINEFFORT. Illustrated talk on Woking Diary of the 1830s by Mr. R. O. Chalkley to Mayford History Society at Mayford Village Hall, Saunders Lane, Mayford.

Monday 8th, 8 p.m.

THE WESTONS OF SUTTON PLACE. Talk by Canon Gordon Albion to the Ockham Local History Society at the Parish Room, Ockham.

Tuesday 16th, 8 p.m.

INDUSTRIAL HISTORY OF THE NORTH DOWNS. Talk by Mr. P. W. Sowan to Kingston upon Thames Archaeological Society at the Lecture Hall, Fairfield West, Kingston.

Wednesday 17th, 8.15 p.m.

A.G.M. WALTON & WEYBRIDGE L.H.S. at Elm Grove, Hersham Road, Walton-on-Thames.

Monday 22nd

S.A.S. VISIT TO THE CITY OF LONDON AND SOUTHWARK

Arranged by Mrs. V. Steward

10.45 a.m. Meet at St. Helen's Church, Bishopsgate. (nearest Underground Station—Bank).

11.30 a.m. Visit The Merchant Taylors' Hall and its Treasures, Thread-needle Street.

12.30 p.m. Lunch.

2.00 p.m. Re-assemble in gardens on the south side of Southwark Cathedral. Walk round the area of the Old Palace of the Bishops of Winchester, The Clink, and Globe Theatre, and bank-side Georgian houses. If wet, visit and talk in the Cuming Museum.

Party limited to 24.

Tickets (members 15p, visitors 20p, students half-price, children under 16 accompanied by an adult, free) for this visit only, from Mrs. Steward, Normanton, Reigate Heath, Reigate.

Friday 26th, 8 p.m.

EXCAVATION AT MONTAGUE CLOSE, SOUTHWARK. Talk by Mr. G. Dawson to Wandsworth Historical Society at The Friends Meeting House, Wandsworth High Street.

Advance Notice

Croydon N.H. & H.S. Archaeology Section will be holding a Symposium on Saturday, 16th September, 1972

Next Issue

The next issue of the Bulletin will be in May. Copy for this issue is required by 5th April. Please quote National Grid references when describing sites.
