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S.A.S. VISITS

September 19th. Visit to Richmond.

Details were given in **Bulletin 80.**October 9th. Visit to Crowhurst.

Details of this and other Meetings are given elsewhere in this Bulletin.

NOTES

Field Courses: Bursaries

Two members have, this summer, attended one of Dr. Alexander's field courses for Excavation Directors and Site Supervisors, assisted by bursaries from the Society. Nominations for bursaries had been invited from institutional members of the Society and three of the five persons nominated were individual members. One of the unsuccessful nominees was able to attend one of the courses with the aid of a grant from another source.

Nominations for next year's course should be sent to the Hon. Secretary. They should be accompanied by a letter of recommendation from an established excavation director or from an officer of an institutional member society or a society in union. At a later date the Council will decide on the number of bursaries to be granted next year.

(D. J. Turner).

Surrey Record Office-Saturday Opening

For the benefit of searchers unable to visit the Surrey Record Office at County Hall, Kingston upon Thames, during the week, for an experimental period of six months starting on 25th September, 1971, the Search Room will generally be open on second and fourth Saturdays of the month (except 13th November) 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. This is a restricted service. It is essential, therefore, that names and addresses of searchers and references to documents required be received by letter or telephone (01-546 1050, ext. 179) by noon on the Thursday before the proposed visit.

(Marguerite Gollancz).

Rescue-Issue of an Interim Newsletter

Everyone who has subscribed to Rescue will by now have received their first Interim Newsletter. The following excerpts may encourage others to do so:

"Our first fund raising campaign has been directed at the committed and interested archaeological public through the societies, groups and journals, but the second phase, with a more appropriate leaflet, will be aimed at the uncommitted public. Meanwhile, we are seeking publicity of all kinds, in newspapers, on radio and television and by a series of Rescue meetings up and down the country. A group of "horror slides" of destruction in town and country is being collected for multiplication into a number of sets of slides which can form, with their captions, the basis of lectures to be given by Rescue supporters to groups and meetings of

all types. .

"The part which Rescue can play in British field archaeology will depend entirely on how much moral and financial support it gets. A deputation has been invited to put to the Minister various proposals for the solution of the crisis, and to suggest ways in which the public and private sectors can co-operate to the fullest extent in providing money, manpower and expertise to rescue the evidence of Britain's past before it is obliterated.

"Rescue intends to work closely with the Inspectorate of Ancient Monuments, as well as supporting rescue work of all kinds in the field, in the laboratory and in publication. At the same time, it must mount a vast educational programme, since we have already found that much of the destruction now going on is due rather to ignorance than to vandalism. In addition, the large membership which we hope to achieve will provide a strong body of informed public opinion which will be able to press for better and more stringent legislation to protect what is left of our sites and settlement areas. . . ."

Woking: Cripplegate Cottage (SU 992581)

The owners of Cripplegate Cottage, Dr. and Mrs. D. A. Martin, reported that traces of wall paintings had been found during re-decoration. As a result of this report the house was visited by the President of the Society, Mr. J. L. Nevinson, who found dull red oil-bound paint on plaster underneath later layers of wallpaper and paint on a dado. Above this dado, showing through plaster, were traces of oblong panels, with double frames (wreath or ribbon) all round, quarter circle sectors at each corner, and in one case a full circle double-line medallion in centre. Although these frames probably contained pictures, these were not visible through the plaster and it was not considered that the expense of stripping was warranted. It was suggested, however, that, as the house itself was interesting, it should be visited by the Mayford History Society, and a note on it written for this Bulletin.

Cripplegate Cottage is a two-storey timber-framed building facing North, and comprises two bays on the West, a narrow bay containing the chimney stack in the middle, and a cross wing at the East end. Externally the two bays on the West have the timber-framing exposed, but the cross wing has no structural timber visible. The West gable end is half-hipped

with gablet.

In the interior there is a considerable amount of timber visible in the walls of both parts of the house, and on the ground floor the beams and joists supporting the upper floor are unceiled The ground floor room at the West end is very low pitched, and this was presumably the service end of the original house. A beam a few feet from the West wall of the next bay shows that there was a cross passage, which still has a doorway at its South end. The joists across the larger part of the room are mortised into this beam, but rest on the top of the beam in the East wall. Although this would seem to indicate an open hall, chambered over when the chimney was added, and the gablet would support this theory, no trace of soot could be seen on the roof partitions to confirm it.

From the evidence available, of which a brief summary has been given above, it appears possible that the original house consisted only of the two West bays of the present building, and that it may have had an open hall, in which case it is unlikely to have been built later than the middle of the 16th Century. If this supposition is correct, the chimney bay, and the cross wing, would have been added later, perhaps in the next century. Full notes, made by the writer, have been deposited at Castle Arch.

(L. E. Quelle).

Limpsfield: Medieval Coin from Lankeys Mead (TQ 402527)

A silver half groat of Edward III from the London mint (Pre-Treat, Series C (1351-2), cf., J. J. North, English Hammered Coins Vol. II, no. 1148) has been found at Lankeys Mead, Limpsfield, by Mrs. Doreen Jarrett in whose posession it remains. The coin was identified by Mr. Stewart Lyon, M.A.

(Mrs. K. Percy).

Lambeth: Stockwell Park Road (TQ 309762)

Following a report by the owners of the discovery of a brick structure and pottery fragments in the back garden of 84 Stockwell Park Road, the Southwark & Lambeth Archaeological Society undertook a one day rescue

excavation on the site.

A horizontal circular brick drain 10in, in diameter was uncovered and a layer of stoneware kiln waste material was found stratified above the drain. Three types of kiln furniture were found, rods, bars and props or pads, together with fragments of kiln bricks. The pottery consisted of small storage bottles, jugs, large wine or spirit containers, and spirit or wine flasks. The latter were impressed with the names addresses of wine or spirit merchants. On the evidence of the marked pieces the group can be dated to c.1837-46, which would appear on documentary evidence immediately to predate or be contemporary with the construction of the house and therefore also the drain. No known stoneware existed in the area and thus this, and the absence of other types of stoneware kiln furniture, such as saggers, would suggest that the material was probably sold as hard core, presumably from one of the Lambeth stoneware potteries.

(J. Bloice and D. Imber).

Wimbledon and Putney Commons Centenary Celebrations

A 100 years ago a seven years battle to save Wimbledon Common from enclosure and building ended with victory for the small group of local residents who had fought the proposals of the Lord of the Manor. Though the fight was hard, it was conducted with the greatest courtesy on both sides and it is fitting that the present Earl Spencer attended the Celebrations which took place on 14th August. The Wimbledon and Putney Commons Act of 1871 vested some 1,100 acres, including Putney Lower Common, in a body of Conservators charged with keeping them, quoting from the Act, "as an open space, unenclosed and unbuilt on, with their natural aspect and state preserved as far as possible, for the purposes of exercise and recreation." These aims have in general been attained, though not without a continuing struggle.

A popular misconception is that the land belongs to the people, but it is not common in that sense and it was not appropriate to register under the recent Commons Act, because in the technical sense it had not been a Common since 1871. The Act gives considerable powers to the Conservators and they make bylaws which are enforced for the benefit of users against those who would spoil it. Police powers were specifically

extended over it.

MEETINGS

SEPTEMBER

Saturday 4th, 2.30 p.m.

Southwark & Lambeth A.S. Walk on the Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Waterfront, Meet on South approach of Tower Bridge, Leader, John Ashdown.

Monday 6th, 8 p.m.

National Trust Property in Surrey. Talk by a National Trust Lecturer to Mayford History Society at the Village Hall, Saunders Lane, Mayford, Woking.

Saturday 18th, 10.30 a.m. S.A.S. Visit to Richmond.

Tuesday 21st, 8 p.m.

Origins and Development of the Railways of Kingston and District. Talk by Mr. J. Spencer Gilks to Kingston upon Thames A.S. at the Lecture Hall, Central Library, Fairfield West, Kingston upon Thames.

Friday 24th, 8 p.m.

Industrial Archaeology. Talk by Mr. P. Carter to Wandsworth H.S. at the Friends' Meeting House, Wandsworth High Street.

OCTOBER

Saturday 9th

1.15 p.m.

S.A.S. VISIT TO CROWHURST

Arranged by Mr. Uvedale Lambert

9.45 a.m. Coach from Guildford Park Road (rear of B.R. Station).

10.15 a.m. Dorking Post Office.

10.30 a.m. Reigate Red Cross Public House,

11.45 a.m. Crowhurst Church (approx. two miles N. of Lingfield), for talk followed by visit to Mansion House opposite, by

kind permission of Mr. and Mrs. Leach.

Buffet lunch at Crowhurst Place for up to 60 members.

by very kind invitation of Sir John Davis.
2.15 p.m. Tour of Crowhurst Place.

Tickets (Members 15p, Visitors 20 p, Students half-price, children under 16 accompanied by adult, free). Coach fare 60p from Mrs. J. Major, 3, Riversdale Road, Thames Ditton.

Thursday 14th, 7.30 p.m.

Old Clapham, Talk by Mr. E. E. F. Smith to Clapham Antiquarian Society at St. Luke's Hall, Ramsden Road, S.W.12,

Tuesday 19th, 8 p.m.

Excavations at the Black Prince's Palace at Kennington, Surrey, 1965-68. Talk by Mr. G. Dawson to Kingston upon Thames Archaeological Society at the Lecture Hall, Central Library, Fairfield West, Kingston upon Thames.

Friday 22nd, 7.45 p.m.

A.G.M. of Farnham Museum Society at West Surrey College of Art and Design, Falkner Road, The Hart, Farnham.

Friday 29th, 8 p.m.

Highgate Woods and Bow. Talk by Mr. H. Sheldon to the Wandsworth H.S. at The Friends' Meeting House, Wandsworth High Street.

The Conservators have issued two new booklets to mark the occasion, one entitled "Walks" which gives the Natural History and anecdotes about places of interest, the other, "Wimbledon and Putney Commons, 1871-1971, a Centenary Record", is noted under Recent Publications.

(J. W. G. Cocke).

Regency Surrey

Further researches into the works of John Hassell (1767-1825) have revealed that his value as a topographical writer may be equal to that as a comprehensive topographical artist. Mansions, mills, inns, coaches, landuse and local worthies are all subjects of his industrious pen-not to mention hunting, shooting and, above all, fishing. Anyone engaged in research into a Surrey topic during the first quarter of the 19th century would be well advised to consult Hassell. Enquirers after illustrations or references to specific places might find the writer's indexes (at 7A Burntwood Lane, Caterham) helpful.

(J. Batley).

Recent Publications

Ellison, Ann and Drewett, P. (1971) Pints and Post-holes in the British Early Iron Age: some alternative explanations. P.P.S. XXXVII, Part I. 183-194.

Jones, Lawrence E. (1970) The Observer's Book of Old English Churches. 192 pp., 40 half-tone and four pages of colour plates. Frederick Warne & Co. Ltd. 45p.

Jackman, J. G. (1971) Seeking the Englishman (Wonersh, Cranleigh, Dunsfold). Farnham Mus. Soc. Newsletter, II, 9, 6-12.

Mallet, J. V. G. (1970-71) Maiolica at Polesden Lacey. Apollo, XCII. 260-340, XCIII, 170,

Manning, Elfrida (1971) A Farnham Revolution in the Thirteenth Century. (Release of virgaters in return for a rent, by Bishop Aylmer de Valence.) Farnham Mus. Soc. Newsletter, II, 9, 18-20.

Masham, Clayton (1971) Report on Dr. Carpenter's Roman Coins. (Part of a collection recently acquired, formed by a founder-member of the Croydon N.H. & S.S.) Croydon N.H. & S.S. Newsletter, 6, 3-4.

Myson, W., Parsloe, G. and Williamson, E. (Ed.) (1971) Wimbledon and Putney Commons, 1871-1971. A Centenary Record. 8vo., 44pp., 12 figs., 1 plan, 1 map, 50p from The Conservators of Wimbledon and Putney Commons, Manor Cottage, Wimbledon Common, S.W.19.

Smith, D. (1971) The Humphrey Pump and its Inventor. (Reported by J.

Kenward.) G.L.I.A.S. Newsletter, 12, 3.

Sard, Joanna, and Kindred, Phyllis (1971) The Parish of Charlwood. (Map with pen-and-ink drawings of 21 buildings of historic interest showing their location in the parish.) Published by The Charlwood Society, 50p. From The Hon. Lady Farrer, Charlwood Place Farm, Charlwood.

Schweitzer, Miss C. J. (1971) The Farnham Chimes, (A Hessian origin for "Life let us Cherish".) Farnham Mus. Soc. Newsletter, II, 9, 23.

Wardale, C. F. (1970) Some Enigmatic Earthworks. (Barley Pound Motte Complex, Bats Hogstye, and Crooksbury Hill. Reported by Bryan Day.) Farnham Mus. Soc. Newsletter, II, 9, 5-6.

COURSES

BOURNE SOCIETY LECTURES, 1971

Sanderstead

At Gresham School on Thursdays at 7.30-9.30 p.m. Commencing 30th

September, 10 lectures. Tutor/Organiser, Dorothy Tutt, Secretary, Bourne Society. Progamme:

NEW LIGHT ON LOCAL HISTORY

The Bourne Society-Fifteen Years of Local History. James Batley, Editor, Local History Records.

The Natural Background to History, Raymond Clarke, Surrey Naturalists'

Trust.

Medieval Manors and Netherne Discoveries. Lesley Ketteringham, Director, Netherne "Dig".

Early Railways to the South. Jeoffry Spence, author of the "Caterham Railway".

Sanderstead Church and its Heraldry, Maurice Ouseley, Lecturer on Educational History.

Pages from Sanderstead History. Kenneth Newbury, Deputy Chief Librarian, G.L.B. Croydon.

Gaslight on Local History, Margaret Hutson, T.V. Industrial Archaeology Prize. The Development of Buses in East Surrey. Tony Newman, author of

"Southbound from Croydon". From Market Town to London Borough, Ronald Cox.

Local Pictures as a Source of History. Dorothy Tutt, Secretary, Bourne Society.

Course book: Local History Records V, (which contains a Sanderstead History and Antiquities Map).

Coulsdon

At Taunton Manor School on Tuesdays at 7.30-9.30 p.m., commencing 28th September.

A series of 10 talks on Local History.

Warlingham

At Warlingham Secondary School on Mondays at 7.30-9.30 p.m., com-

mencing 20th September:

Splendours of the Past. Ten illustrated talks by James Batley on Egypt, Greece, Rome, Peru, Mexico, India, Angkor Wat, Samarkand, Islam, Byzantium, Medieval art,

Enrolment details from Evening Institutes at the schools.

Purley

The Archaeology of Britain. Mrs. M. Saaler, B.A., 22 weeks, beginning 27th September. Mondays, 7.30-9.30 p.m. Riddlesdown Annexe, Godstone Road, Purley.

Caterham

The Archaeology of Britain. Mrs. M. Saaler, B.A., 22 weeks, beginning 23rd September. Thursdays, 7.30-9.30 p.m. Caterham Adult Education Centre, Beechwood Road, Caterham.

These are introductory courses giving a general outline of development from the earliest times to the Medieval period. They will include a study of the local area. The lectures will be illustrated with slides and it is hoped to include visits to sites and museums.

Pottery Processing. Mrs. M. Saaler and Miss L. Ketteringham. One term course. Caterham Adult Education Centre, Beechwood Road, Caterham.

Fridays, 7.30-9.30 p.m., beginning 24th September.

The course will involve sorting and reconstructing pottery found on local excavations.

ARCHAEOLOGY OF ANCIENT EGYPT Beaufort House School, Lillie Road, S.W.6 Thursday 7.30-9.30 Lecturer-Mrs. S. M. Gee

ROMAN POTTERY

Institute of Classical Studies Monday 6.45-8.45 Lecturer-R. A. H. Farrar M.A., F.S.A.

ARCHAEOLOGY TODAY

Kingston Adult Education Centre Thursday 10.30-12.30 Lecturer-Mrs. R. Kenward M.A., F.S.A.

NON-DIPLOMA COURSES IN ARCHAEOLOGY

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES Loughton Evening Institute Wednesday 7.30-9.30 Lecturer to be announced

ARCHAEOLOGICAL TECHNIQUES Roydon County Primary School Wednesday 8.00-10.00 D. Price-Williams B.A.

CERTIFICATE IN FIELD ARCHAEOLOGY

FIELD ARCHAEOLOGY AND THE ROMANO-BRITISH PERIOD IN S.E. ENGLAND Monday 7.30-9.30

City Literary Institute Lecturer—M. R. Hull, M.A., F.I.S.A.

FIELD ARCHAEOLOGY AND THE PREHISTORY OF S.E. ENGLAND Haslemere Educational Museum Wednesday 7.15-9.15 Lecturer-J. A. Alexander M.A., Ph.D.

Central Wandsworth Adult Education Institute Wednesday 7.15-9.15 Lecturer-R. J. Bradbury B.A.

FIELD ARCHAEOLOGY AND THE POST-ROMAN PERIOD IN S.E. **ENGLAND**

City Literary Institute. Lecturer-P. Drewett, B.A. Monday 6.30-8.30

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN ARCHAEOLOGY

Institute of Archaeology. Various Lecturers Thursday 6.45-8.45 THE DISCOVERIES OF AGRICULTURE, VEGICULTURE AND STOCKBREEDING

Dorking Institute of Further Education J. A. Alexander, M.A., Ph.D., F.S.A.

Tuesday 7.30-9.30

ROMAN ARCHAEOLOGY

Epsom and Ewell Institute of Further Education Thursday 10.00-12.00 H. F. Cleere, B.A., F.S.A.

Richmond Adult Education Centre. Lecturer J. Casey B.A. Friday 2,00-4,00 ARCHAEOLOGY TODAY
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Apply for full details to: University of London, Department of Extra-

Mural Studies, 7, Ridgmount Street, London, WCIE 7AD.

MEETINGS

AUGUST

Tuesday 17th, 8 p.m.

KINGSTON FIFTY YEARS AGO. Talk by Mr. R. T. Balcomb to Kingston upon Thames A.S. at the Lecture Hall, Central Library, Fairfield West, Kingston upon Thames. (Mr. Bilefield's talk is postponed).

Saturday 21st, 11 a.m.

S.A.S. VISIT TO PUTNEY

SEPTEMBER

Monday 6th, 8 p.m.

NATIONAL TRUST PROPERTY IN SURREY. Talk by a National Trust Lecturer to Mayford History Society at the Village Hall, Saunders Lane, Mayford, Woking,

A.G.M. Kingston upon Thames A.S. at the Lecture Hall, Central Library, Fairfield West, Kingston upon Thames.

Saturday 18th

11.30 a.m.

S.A.S. VISIT TO RICHMOND

Arranged by Mr. F. E. Manning
This visit is in the main concerned with Richmond Palace and the houses which were later built on the site.

10.30 a.m. Assemble at No. 4 Maid of Honour Row, Richmond Green, and visit by kind permission of Dr. Croft-Murray, Large car park on Great Chertsey Road—A316 with footpath to

the Green.
Parkshot Rooms Exhibition of Richmond Prints and Maps

(specially arranged by courtesy of Richmond Library).
Lunch.

2.00 p.m. Visit Asgill House (by kind permission of Mr. F. Hauptfuhrer). Mr. Lindus Forge will describe the house which he restored. Admission 30p.

Tour the site of the Palace of Richmond.
4.00 p.m.
Tea at Mother Kelly's, 5 Paradise Road.
Visit Richmond Parish Church.

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, Please say if tea is required, cost approx. 20-25p.

Friday 24th, 8 p.m.
INDUSTRIAL ARCHAEOLOGY. Talk by Mr. P. Carter to Wandsworth
H.S. at the Friends' Meeting House, Wandsworth High Street.

Tuesday 21st, 8 p.m. ORIGINS AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE RAILWAYS OF KING-STON AND DISTRICT. Talk by Mr. J. Spencer Gilks, to Kingston upon Thames A.S. at the Lecture Hall, Central Library, Fairfield West, Kingston upon Thames,

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