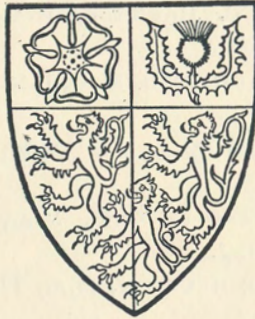


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THE MASTER

NOTES

THE year 1953 was marked by the retirement of the Master from the active government of the College. During the winter of 1952-3 his health had confined him to his room for a long period, and although during the summer he was able to resume his attendance at Chapel and in Hall, and at College functions, he considered that before next winter he should make provision against the contingency of his having to be absent for long periods. Accordingly he petitioned the Visitor of the College, Lord Halifax, to exercise the powers invested in him by the College statutes to appoint a Vice-Master who should exercise the powers of the Master. Lord Halifax granted the Master's petition and appointed Mr. R. B. McCallum, Vicegerent and Senior Tutor, to be Vice-Master, the change to date from 1 October 1953. The Master under this provision remains Master and occupies his lodgings. Mr. McCallum as Vice-Master presides over the Governing Body, generally directs the affairs of the College, and represents it externally and ranks with the other Heads of Houses in Oxford.

The Master still retains a lively interest in the affairs of the College, and during Michaelmas Term was able to dine and attend evening Chapel on Sunday. His knowledge and experience are available to his colleagues at all times. With his retirement from active work there terminates a very long and distinguished Mastership. He was elected in November 1918 when he was aged only forty-three. As he is the last Head of a College to be under no retiring age (the Dean of Christ Church always excepted) he has had a longer term of office than any Head in recent times and longer than is probable in the future. He is now senior by twenty years to the President of Trinity and the Warden of Wadham, both elected in 1938. During his long Mastership the College has prospered, its capital endowment and revenues have greatly increased, and the number of Fellowships and Scholarships has been augmented. The College buildings have been greatly improved notably in three ways. The old Master's lodgings were converted to undergraduate rooms in 1928

when the Master was able to occupy his present lodgings facing Christ Church. In 1951 a house in Pembroke Street, number 15, was adapted as a College Annexe with rooms for 12 men, and during 1954 we hope to open the new building in Beef Lane erected from the benefaction of the late Mr. Antonin Besse. Amongst other structural improvements we may mention the present Junior Common Room and the admirably reconditioned kitchen.

These are outward and material signs of the progress of the College under Dr. Homes Dudden. Other marks of his long and distinguished Mastership are the harmony and good sense with which all our affairs have been conducted, and the grace and courtesy with which he has invested all our proceedings. Reference is made to this and to the Master's literary achievements in the Vicegerent's Gaudy speech printed below. Here we may turn to note the Master's position in the University where for long he has reigned as the supreme elder statesman. His Vice-Chancellorship, 1929-1932, is remembered gratefully by those who were active in University affairs at the time. His clear-headed grasp of business and his remarkable gifts as a chairman made all business run swiftly and smoothly. The principal achievement was an agreed solution of the vexed Bodleian question, which resulted in the combination of the new building in Broad Street and the Old Bodleian Buildings to the south in one library. Without this agreement it is doubtful whether the support of the Rockefeller Trustees could have been obtained, and the newly organized library now coming to fruition is very much a monument to the Master's calm and impartial handling of a difficult controversy.

But the three years of the Vice-Chancellorship represent only one part of the Master's activity in University affairs. He held the office of Pro-Vice-Chancellor for the years 1928 to 1929 and thereafter from 1933 to 1949. A glance at the University Calendar for 1939 shows the name of Dr. Homes Dudden as a Member of Hebdomadal Council, Curator of the University Chest, Curator of the Bodleian Library, member of the Delegacy for Benefices, of the Visitatorial Board, of the Delegacy of Privileges, of the Committee for Appointments, and Visitor of the University Observatory.

If the complaint is sometimes heard that the University does not receive due assistance in administrative work from Heads of Colleges the complaint cannot in this generation be directed against Pembroke.

Mr. R. B. McCallum, who now assumes the presidency of the College, is fifty-five years of age. A native of Paisley in Scotland he was educated at Paisley Grammar School and Trinity College, Glenalmond. After military service in 1917-18 he matriculated at Worcester College and in 1922 was placed in the First Class in the Honour School of Modern History. In 1923 he went to Princeton University as Procter Visiting Fellow where his subject of research was the life and work of John Calvin. In 1924 he was made Lecturer in British History at Glasgow University and in 1925 he was elected Fellow and Lecturer in Modern History at Pembroke, the first Fellow of the College to be elected in that faculty.

Since then he has been resident continuously at the College with the exception of Michaelmas Term 1941 when he was made Rhodes Travelling Fellow to China. He left on this journey but owing to the outbreak of war in the Pacific got no farther than Tennessee.

Although elected to teach Modern History, Mr. McCallum has from the first been active in the teaching of political subjects in the new school of Philosophy, Politics and Economics, and has been an active member of the Faculty of Social Studies. He has been chairman of the Sub-Faculty of Politics and has twice been an examiner in the School of Philosophy, Politics and Economics, and once in the School of Modern History. He holds a University Lecturership from the Faculty of Social Studies. He may claim to have taken pupils in politics and history from every College and Society in Oxford. From 1946 to 1949 he was a Faculty Fellow of Nuffield College and initiated there the practice of recording in historical form the events and issues of General Elections. His publications include *Life of Asquith*, 1936; *Public Opinion and the Last Peace*, 1944; *Britain and France*, 1944; (with Miss Alison Readman) *The British General Election of 1945*; continuatory chapter to the late Professor Halévy's *History of the English People in the Nineteenth Century*, Vol. iv, 1951.

Mr. McCallum served as Senior Proctor 1942-3. He has been for twenty-five years a member of the Committee of the *Oxford Magazine* and has more than once served as editor, and has contributed numerous articles to it. He was for eighteen years Oxford University correspondent of the *Manchester Guardian*.

Mr. McCallum was appointed Junior Tutor of the College in 1934 and succeeded Mr. Drake as Senior Tutor in 1950. He was also elected Vicegerent in 1950.

The College has made some appointments consequent on the assumption of office as Vice-Master by Mr. McCallum.

Professor C. L. Wrenn has been elected as Vicegerent and is the first Professor Fellow to hold a College office. Professor Wrenn's keen interest in College affairs and his remarkably wide experience of University administration in this and other Universities make him a most valuable member of our Governing Body.

It may here be stated that the office of Vicegerent is by statute an office to which the holder is elected annually. It had become traditional to re-elect the former holder of the office. Mr. Drake had held it for twenty-five successive years and such was his position in the College that such a course was eminently reasonable. It has, however, been resolved that in future the office shall rotate amongst the Fellows of a certain seniority after a period of two years. We mention this in case members of the College revisiting us should be surprised to find always a new Vicegerent.

Mr. Macnabb has been appointed Senior Tutor in succession to the Vice-Master, and Mr. Ward-Perkins, who has recently been Junior Proctor, has been appointed Junior Tutor and also Tutor for Admissions.

Other recent appointments of Fellows and Lecturers are referred to in the Vicegerent's speech below. But during Michaelmas Term additional appointments were made.

Mr. H. S. Deighton has been elected to a Supernumerary Fellowship in recognition of his service to the College for many years.

Mr. J. R. P. O'Brien has been elected to an Official Fellowship. He has for many years past directed the studies of all our science students, and now becomes the first Fellow

of the College in Natural Science. Mr. O'Brien is University Demonstrator in Clinical Biochemistry and is an active member of the Faculty of Biological Sciences. He has been in great demand from many Colleges as a tutor in Physiology, and the College is grateful to him for his loyal adherence to its service. The year of his election has been signalled by three first classes in Natural Science, Mr. A. Packard in Zoology, Mr. J. L. H. O'Riordan in Physiology, and Mr. D. Niblett in Physics. We also have to record two doctorates in scientific subjects. Mr. E. O. Field has taken the degree of Doctor of Medicine and Mr. D. F. Brewer the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. Among the members of the Governing Body Mr. O'Brien is unique in one respect, namely, that he is a Pembroke man, having matriculated at the College in 1924.

Readers may also be interested in other College offices that are less formal. These include the Treasurership of the Amalgamated Clubs, which is held by Mr. Macnabb who succeeded Mr. Drake in 1946. This involves responsibility for the finances of all athletic activities, the care of the ground, and the ever-anxious problem of the barge. There is also the Curatorship of the Fellows' garden which, as it implies reconciling (or ignoring) divergent opinions of taste amongst the Fellows, is always difficult. When the present arrangement of the garden was made, a committee of Fellows was appointed to supervise it. This was productive only of considerable disputation. The policy of a one-man dictator was then adopted and Mr. Deighton was given full authority, and under his care the garden grew in its present form. Mr. Ward-Perkins has now succeeded him. The main addition to the garden this year has been the Coronation gate referred to elsewhere in these notes.

We record with great pleasure the elevation of our Honorary Fellow, Professor T. M. Knox to be Principal of St. Andrews University. Professor Knox had been for many years acting as deputy Principal for the late Sir James Irving in his declining years. He now takes over the government of Scotland's oldest University at a time of particular difficulty. A Royal Commission has investigated the question of the relations of St. Andrews University with the affiliated University College in Dundee. An Act of Parliament has been

passed which unites St. Andrews and Dundee as integral parts of the one University of St. Andrews. Statutory Commissioners have been appointed to make the detailed ordinances to bring the Act into effect and is now at work. The Vice-Master, Mr. McCallum, has been appointed a member of this Statutory Commission. The Master, it is interesting to note, was appointed to a commission in 1937 to deal with the comparable problem of regulating the relations between Durham University and the College at Newcastle upon Tyne. He served as a member of the Royal Commission of Enquiry and as chairman of the subsequent Statutory Commission. At his installation as Principal of the University Principal Knox conferred several honorary degrees. These included the degree of Doctor of Divinity on the Right Rev. A. B. Burrowes, Bishop of St. Andrews, formerly Fellow, Dean and Chaplain of Pembroke College.

The appointment of a Vice-Master has consequences in the government of the Pembroke College Society. As the Master is *ex officio* President of the Society the Vice-Master now becomes *de facto* President. He has been Secretary and Treasurer of the Society since 1936, when Mr. Burrowes retired on resigning his Fellowship. Mr. McCallum will continue to act as Secretary and Treasurer until the Annual General Meeting of the Society which is due to take place before the Pembroke Dinner in London on Friday, 2 July 1954. The Annual Meeting will then be invited to appoint a new Secretary and Treasurer.

A very successful and enjoyable event of 1953 was the Rhodes Scholars' Jubilee Reunion which took place at the end of June. The College was very glad to welcome twelve of its former Rhodes Scholars. The Rhodes Trustees had arranged a full programme of dinner and receptions for the Rhodes Scholars as a whole. In College we had the pleasure of putting up our own former Scholars, so far as possible in their old rooms; the wives and families of some were accommodated in the Annexe. The Vicegerent and Mrs. McCallum gave a garden party for the Pembroke Rhodes Scholars in the quadrangle and later the Master and Fellows entertained them to dinner at High Table in Hall. The Rhodes Scholars present ranged from Mr. Hamilton, one

of the first to matriculate in the year 1904, to Mr. Gasson who arrived from Rhodesia as a freshman in Trinity Term 1953.

We were particularly glad to welcome our Honorary Fellow, Senator J. B. Fulbright, who was given the honorary degree of Doctor of Civil Law by the University. Reference is made elsewhere to Senator Fulbright's wish for international co-operation in scholarship. Here we should like to record our pleasure at his visit, a sentiment which was widely felt throughout the University.

A Gaudy was held on 26 June 1953 attended by the Master and Fellows and 83 members of the College. The Master presided but requested the Vicegerent, Mr. McCallum, to give the usual toast *Floreat Collegium Pembrochiae*. We print below the prepared text from which the Vicegerent spoke. It does not purport to represent the *ipsissima verba* of his speech, as some parts of the text were omitted for the sake of brevity.

SPEECH BY THE VICEGERENT

On behalf of the Master and Fellows I desire to welcome you all back to Pembroke College. It is a great pleasure to us to have the company of so many of our graduates, and on this occasion we welcome particularly a large number of the younger men who have taken their Master's degree in the last few years. In this year at Oxford, in addition to Her Majesty's coronation, we celebrate an important event, the jubilee of the Rhodes Trust. This brings to us many of our *alumni* from overseas who will be visiting the College next week and staying in College for several days, some of them accompanied by wives and families, and we look forward to their dining with us here. We are especially glad to know that amongst them will be our distinguished Honorary Fellow, Senator J. B. Fulbright, whose reputation as a far-seeing and high-minded statesman extends far beyond the bounds of his own country and is particularly cherished in the world of learning. You will all have heard of the famous Fulbright Act by means of which funds have been made available for American scholars to travel to the universities of other countries and European scholars have been assisted

to travel to the United States. Oxford has already benefited much by this scheme, and this College, I need hardly say, welcomes each year a Fulbright Scholar from an American University. The beneficial effects of the Fulbright Act, like those of the Rhodes Trust, will be slow but sure and cumulative in their effect. Indeed it seems hardly too much to say that Senator Fulbright has set in motion the greatest migration of scholars in the world since the fall of Constantinople.

We regret that Mr. Fulbright is not able to be with us now; his arduous duties as a legislator, which include membership of the important Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate, compel him to curtail his visit to the period of the Rhodes Foundation festivities.

Since we met here two years ago we have to record with deep regret the loss by death of two of our Honorary Fellows. The Right Reverend Guy Warman, D.D., who matriculated as a scholar in 1890, held successively the episcopal sees of Truro, Chelmsford, and Manchester. Dr. Warman was one of the most energetic and influential prelates on the bench of Bishops and also the author of valuable works on theology and church history.

Lennox James Morison, who matriculated in 1891 and won the Latin Verse Prize in 1895, died last April. Mr. Morison served as a Civil Servant in the Ministry of Education and he retained throughout his long life a keen interest in classical scholarship to which he made contributions by articles and translations. By his will Mr. Morison, after certain legacies, left his property to Pembroke College, of which he was always a most loyal friend. We are not yet in a position to estimate the amount of his estate, but it will be a most welcome benefaction for which we are extremely grateful.

There are changes to report in the Governing Body. At the end of 1952 Mr. Drake and Mr. Salt ceased to be members, but we are all glad to have them with us as friends and colleagues. Mr. Drake is still Steward of the Senior Common Room and chooses our wine with all his accumulated skill. It is a remarkable fact that he was elected to this office in 1912 and his predecessor, Mr. Barton, was elected in 1873, and these two fine judges of scholarship and wine cover eighty years between them. Can it be wondered that our cellar is

the admiration of Oxford? I am sure that Mr. Bredin would want me to testify to the unstinting and most valuable assistance he has had in his task from Mr. Salt in carrying on his arduous duties as Bursar.

Mr. H. S. Deighton, who had been Fellow and Chaplain and Lecturer in Medieval History since 1937 and for the greater part of that time Dean and also Librarian, resigned his Fellowship in March 1953 in order to be free to devote himself to his specialist studies. Mr. Deighton has not only served the College faithfully and well as a teacher and officer, but was for many of the war years an officer of the British Council in Egypt where he became an expert in Levantine Affairs on which subject he has lectured and written, and he edits a school history series for the Oxford Press. We are glad that his resignation has not deprived us of his company in Oxford.

In the place of Mr. Deighton we have elected Mr. Colin Morris, M.A., formerly scholar of Queen's College, Oxford. Mr. Morris is now only twenty-five years of age, but he has completed his two years of National Service and obtained First Classes in the Honour Schools of History and Theology. He is now awaiting ordination as a deacon from the Bishop of Oxford. He will come to us in Michaelmas Term 1953 and take up his duties as Chaplain and Tutor in Medieval History. Mr. Curtis of Pusey House has performed the duties of Chaplain during this term, and will continue to serve as Assistant Chaplain until Mr. Morris has received his orders as priest.

This year is the Proctorial year of Queen's and Pembroke Colleges, and Mr. Ward-Perkins, Fellow and Lecturer in Economics, has been admitted to the office of Junior Proctor. He is bringing to his heavy and various administrative duties that freshness of mind and untiring energy which is so valuable to us in the affairs of the College.

In these days perpetual residence is not the fate of Oxford dons. Many opportunities are given to us of visiting other countries and leave of absence is frequently given for good purposes. In the last three years we have to record a visit by Professor Wrenn to the Soviet Union as a representative of British linguistic studies. Mr. Deighton spent a year in the

United States as the holder of a Whitney travelling Fellowship, and Professor Macintosh has just returned from a visit to Indonesia with a commission of distinguished medical experts to advise the Government of that troubled country on its many grave problems of health.

We can report also substantial literary activity by our Fellows. First and foremost is the publication of the Master's learned and eloquent study of the life and times of Henry Fielding, the product of fifteen years' continuous work and a worthy successor to his celebrated lives of Gregory and Ambrose. Professor Wrenn has published a valuable and scholarly edition of *Beowulf*; Mr. Macnabb has published an acute and penetrating study of the philosophy of David Hume. All the lawyers present will be familiar with that famous work, Salmond on Torts, recently edited by the late Dr. Stallybrass of Brasenose. They will have observed with pride that the most recent edition is by our Law Fellow, Mr. Heuston, who thus at an early age takes his place amongst the editors of legal classics. Professor Macintosh has published two important volumes on anaesthetics. Nor have the rest of us been entirely idle, but it would be tedious to recite a list of articles and opuscula on this occasion.

I have been speaking of the Fellows. I should remind you that we are assisted in our work by the lecturers of the College. Foremost amongst these is our own *alumnus*, Mr. O'Brien, who directs the studies of all our scientific students and personally teaches in Physiology and Biochemistry. A whole generation of Pembroke medical men are in Mr. O'Brien's debt for his personal care and his encouragement in their work.

He is assisted by our Lecturer in Anatomy, Dr. David Sinclair, formerly of St. Andrews University, who has just returned from visiting medical schools in the United States. Mr. Ernest Paget, formerly scholar, undertakes with great success our teaching in the new School of Geography. Dr. Jack, who came to us from Edinburgh, via Merton, has done most valuable service to our students in English Literature as joint lecturer for Pembroke and Brasenose. He has now to resign our work in order to take up the distinguished task of writing a volume of the Oxford History of English Literature, and Mr. I. R. Browning, research Fellow of

Merton, will take over his teaching duties. In Modern Languages (a subject in which we find increasingly numerous and able candidates), we have lacked a regular tutor since Professor Bisson left us for Belfast. But we have just joined with University College in electing a Lecturer in French, Dr. R. A. E. Baldick of Queen's College, at present lecturer at Glasgow. I should mention also Mr. Thomas Parker, now Chaplain of University, who served for a year as deputy for Mr. Deighton in the chaplaincy and whom we are glad to have still attached to us as Lecturer in Theology.

Amongst promotions and distinctions won by members of the College I should mention three in the academic sphere. Mr. Antony Andrewes, formerly Fellow, has been elected to the Wykeham Professorship of Ancient History at New College. Dr. Nicholas Mansergh has been chosen as the first holder of the new chair of Commonwealth History at Cambridge, founded in honour of Field-Marshal Smuts. Our Honorary Fellow, Sir Thomas Creed, has been made Principal of Queen Mary College, London. We have to congratulate also Sir John Nichol on his appointment as Governor of Singapore and on his knighthood, and Mr. Bernard Miles whose services to the drama have been recognized by the bestowal of the C.B.E. Mr. Charles Swithinbank, recently returned from the Antarctic, has received the Watkins Medal from the Polar Exploration Society at Cambridge.

I am glad to be able to record three University Prizes. Mr. K. P. A. Drewe, now a Lecturer at Glasgow, won the Matthew Arnold Prize in English Literature. Mr. J. L. H. O'Riordan, Nuffield Scholar in Medicine, won the Theodore Williams Prize in Pathology, and Mr. J. A. Patmore, Scholar, the Herbertson Prize in Geography.

Five Pembroke men have appeared in the First Class in Final Honour Schools, Mr. A. R. Hands and Mr. E. H. Webber in *Literae Humaniores*, Mr. C. A. Cooper in Modern Languages, Mr. J. G. Drysdale in Chemistry, and Mr. J. A. Patmore in Geography. And I have a stop-press item; the Zoology list just published shows the name of Mr. Andrew Packard in the First Class. We congratulate him and also his father Mr. E. W. S. Packard, himself the possessor of two First Classes, who is with us tonight.

Amongst individual athletic distinctions I may cite blues in boxing for Mr. J. S. Allen and Mr. J. W. Firth, for Mr. M. J. Green and Mr. J. G. Drysdale in Swimming. A. J. Dorey and D. C. M. Prichard have successively stroked the Isis Crew. The games in which we have recently been most prominent are Soccer and Boxing. Our boxing fame is not unconnected with the fact that Professor Macintosh is an enthusiastic patron of the University Boxing Club and their President and medical adviser. On the river after a slight lapse the College has regained its proper and traditional place in the First Division in Eights. In view of our relatively small numbers this represents a triumph of skill and enthusiasm.

Of the undergraduates in general you may ask what are they like these days? I hear that out of Oxford it is sometimes alleged that the young men up today are a dull, owlish, solemn crowd, up on grants which they work to retain with unimaginative plodding but without either true intellectual curiosity and without displaying in other ways the grace and vitality of generous youth. But in truth one generation differs curiously little from another. Our men in general work well and are well behaved, although no undergraduates ever work quite as hard as the Senior Tutor is bound by his office to require, nor do they ever behave so well as to make the office of Dean a sinecure. The age level has fallen from the immediate post-war years, but, as most of them do service before they come up, the average of matriculation is about twenty. They play their games vigorously and they keep going the College societies, The Teasel, the Johnson, and the Beaumont, the Sir Thomas Browne for drama, and what may be called the Faculty societies, the Camden for History and the Blackstone for Law. But if any of you are inclined to believe in the legend of the dull, owlish, young men, I would invite you to attend that occasion, now an important event in the Oxford social calendar, the Pembroke Eights Week dance. I think if you saw the College then your minds would be completely set at rest. I should at this point add a word of congratulation to Mr. Ward-Perkins and his undergraduate Committee for the skill and success with which they organize this dance.

One more thing may be said about the College at present. We keep it relatively small. If our numbers have increased from 125 before the war to 175 now, we regard that as the absolute maximum. We refuse to countenance such abominations as two dinners in Hall. Pembroke men know each other. And more than that, they are friends. A friendly College I think we have always been, but I feel from observing our men that the College has never been so well knit together, so little divided, so far from becoming a loose network of cliques, which is the almost inevitable fate of the larger societies. One graceful act of the Pembroke men who are going down this year I should record with special thanks. They decided to give a tankard to the College in recollection of their stay, and this was duly presented to the Master suitably inscribed with a quotation from Dr. Johnson.

To the question what are the men like, you may add another, where do they come from? The answer is that the pattern of Pembroke recruitment changes very little. Mr. Drake tells me that in the thirty-eight years of his senior tutorship the schools which sent us most boys were St. Paul's and Abingdon, followed by Cheltenham. Looking at the schools of our present undergraduates, I find that we have six Abingdonians and five Paulines. The Crypt School, Gloucester, actually leads at the moment with eight men, Charterhouse has six, and Shrewsbury six.

All the famous public schools of England are represented, from Eton, or should I say from Winchester, downwards or onwards. I am glad to say that well-known Scottish schools such as Glenalmond, Loretto, and Edinburgh Academy are represented also. The two Channel Islands schools never fail to send us both scholars and commoners. We also have boys from the great City grammar schools such as Manchester, King Edward's, Birmingham, Bristol, and Leeds. For the rest we get boys from the thriving grammar schools in smaller towns; the extreme stretch at the moment is from Carlisle to Launceston, and from a large number of new schools round London. There is round London a belt of population exceeding that of the whole of Lancashire and full of able and ambitious boys whom we are very glad to consider. Then we have our overseas men, the Rhodes and

Fulbright Scholars, and scholars sent by the Colonial Office from all parts of the Empire; our two most recent admissions are from Mauritius and Gibraltar. Another element is formed by graduates from other Universities. While we do not want to take too many graduate students, a certain number make a most useful admixture to the life of the College. During this year we shall have in residence, in addition to Rhodes Scholars, graduates of St. Andrews, Edinburgh, Durham, Otago, New Zealand, Michigan, the National University of Ireland, and Paris.

The repair and development of our buildings is a matter of continual concern to us and we are all most deeply indebted to the Bursar, Mr. Bredin, for his zeal and enterprise in such matters. You may have noticed that the stonework at the top of the Tower has had to be completely renewed, at very great expense. The Chapel has been cleared of ivy and washed to preserve the stone and to bring out its fine architectural design. We await your comments with interest and trepidation. But most important of all are our ambitions to extend the College and have more men under our roof. At the last Gaudy the Master told you of the benefaction we had received from the late M. Antonin Besse, the Founder of St. Antony's College. We have received the sum of £5,000 to endow a French scholar and we will welcome other French students at the College; the first has already completed his two years here. We also received £25,000 for a new building, and this is going up in Beef Lane and is available for your inspection. We shall not be able to use it till 1954. It should give us rooms for ten more men. But already we have made one of our Pembroke Street houses into an Annexe with rooms for twelve men. With the new building and the rooms already available in College we shall have in all 94 rooms to dispose of.

But we have a greater ambition, nothing less than a new quadrangle so arranged as to include our new building in Beef Lane. To carry this out we should require resources far beyond anything that our present financial situation provides. But we shall not lose sight of the goal and we hope that some of us, and not merely the most junior, will live to see its fulfilment. It would be the greatest single advance

in the development of the College since our great Master, Jeune, devised this Hall and quadrangle.

And now in conclusion I want to refer to another aspect of our College life. I have spoken of the friendliness and good feeling of the undergraduates. I should like to make the same claim for the Fellows. Collegiate life is not always easy and may sometimes be marred by bitter disputes and personal animosities. From such evils we are free. We do indeed disagree quite sharply on questions of policy and judgement; but these are disputations and not quarrels; when we meet in the evening at the High Table we meet as friends. And such a state of affairs is not entirely a dispensation of Providence. It has its particular source and origin. If in the Navy a ship is what is called 'a happy ship', one looks to the Captain. Here equally we look to the Captain, to our Master, who presides over all our doings with such keen intellectual acumen and such courtesy and benignity of spirit. These two forms of excellence are neither of them very common in themselves; combined as they are in the Master they are rare and very precious. And we know that the calm and harmonious life of the College is the product of his never-failing courtesy, dignity, and good sense. Hitherto at these Gaudies you have heard the Master celebrate with his flowing eloquence the merits and distinction of other Pembroke men. Now, just for once, you shall hear of him, and you will permit me to say, on behalf of us all, how proud we are and how grateful to serve under his distinguished presidency.

THE CHANGING FACE OF PEMBROKE

A member of the College who has not visited it since the last number of the *Record* was published and who comes to see us in the New Year will at once observe a number of changes in the appearance of our buildings.

Approaching from the station along Pembroke Street (now one-way) his eye will be caught by a small notice board screwed to the wall beside the entrance of No. 15 bearing the words 'Pembroke College Annexe'. This building was bought from Webbers in 1951 and during the summer of that year was adapted and furnished so as to provide bed-sitting rooms

for twelve undergraduates, together with two bathrooms and a shower. In this way we moved one important step towards achieving a better proportion between the number of our rooms and the number of our undergraduates.

Turning along the narrow lane leading to the porter's lodge and glancing upwards at the Tower he will see that the somewhat ornate carving of early Victorian days and the dangerously crumbling battlements have disappeared, giving place to a simpler design. New, but no less grotesque, gargoyles leer out over the corners of the Tower, and on the battlements along the north side shields bearing the arms of our co-founders with those of King James and Lord Ossulston shine out in colour from the freshly cut but already mellowing Clipsham stone.

The old quadrangle is unchanged. Its flowered window-boxes and trim lawn and 'domestic' atmosphere giving what many of our visitors have described as a heart-warming welcome after the somewhat chill austerity of Tom Quad.

The cheerful sunlight of the new quadrangle will show at once a startling change on the visitor's left hand where, in place of the ivy-mantled Chapel so familiar to generations of undergraduates, the stonework of the building now stands clean and washed to a rather surprising pale brown colour. Growing concern over the damage being caused to the soft Headington stone by the ivy finally brought the Governing Body of the College to take a difficult decision which, after some doubts and heart-searchings, has won general approval. The clean lines of the building as Johnson knew it are now clearly visible in their classic dignity.

Running his eye along where the lime trees appear over the crenellated wall of the Fellows' garden as far as the corner where it joins the southern end of the Hall, our observant visitor will find himself looking not, as hitherto, at a blank wooden door, but at the gold and black of a wrought-iron gate giving a glimpse of the lawn and mulberry tree in the Fellows' garden beyond. This gate, made to our architect's design by the Birmingham Fine Arts Guild, was installed last summer to commemorate the Coronation, and is the latest embellishment to the College which the Tercentenary Fund, with its ever-present appeal to the generosity of Pembroke men, has made it possible for us to provide.

The Hall has been redecorated within and floodlights now show to good effect the portraits above the high table. Those who consider the comfort and well-being of the resident undergraduates as well as the preservation of the College's architectural features will, if they make the pilgrimage to the summit of the staircases in the new quadrangle, have the experience of finding water, and hot water at that, coming out of a tap. The lighting in the Library has now been augmented by shaded lamps placed along the centre table thus, it is hoped, assisting students to concentrate their attention on their books besides preserving their eyesight. The upper Lecture Room has been redecorated and converted for use as a Reading-room for men living in lodgings.

But the most notable alteration in the College is taking place outside its walls in Beef Lane, where the benefaction which we received from Antonin Besse is being employed in the erection of a new three-storied block of rooms. Work on the foundations began early in 1953 and now, twelve months later, the walls are up to final roof level. Built of red brick within and Clipsham stone without the new block will provide four sets of rooms on each of its three stories, and by next Michaelmas Term will be housing ten undergraduates and a resident Fellow. This handsome addition to our College will make it possible for us to provide rooms for all our freshmen for their first year at least.

OBITUARIES

- Atkinson, E. L. (1897), 20 May 1952.
Balleine, Rev. R. W. (1898), 20 August 1951.
Bancroft, Rev. W. (1903), April 1950.
Barker, S. L. P. (1893), January 1952.
Beckett, R. C. (1907), 15 January 1954.
Berry, Hon. H. O. (1937), 8 June 1952.
Biggart, Rev. F. E. (1896), June 1952.
Campbell, C. M. (1926), 24 June 1953.
Coutanche, J. K. F. (1906), 16 August 1951.
Currie, M. M. L. (1901), 21 December 1951.
Davies, R. W. M. (1949), 5 September 1951.
Hingston, A. (1898), 23 June 1953.

- Horne, A. B. (1884), 22 December 1953.
 Hughes, H. W. (1901), 2 October 1951.
 Hulme, J. R. (1952), 21 April 1953.
 Jane, J. H. B. (1948), 6 November 1950.
 Lenton, Canon C. H. (1901), 20 October 1951.
 Morison, L. J. (1891), 10 April 1953.
 Newton, A. F. (1881), 15 September 1952.
 Rochette, J. U. E. (1914), 15 June 1953.
 Sankey, Rev. J. R. (1901), 18 November 1952.
 Simpson, Rev. H. E. (1881), 28 July 1952.
 Soltau, R. H. (1906), 29 January 1953.
 Strong, J. W. (1907), 8 January 1953.
 Sutton, N. P. (1913), 5 April 1951.
 Turnbull, Canon W. H. (1897), 17 November 1952.
 Warman, Rt. Rev. F. S. G. (1890), 12 February 1953.

N.B. The figure in brackets is the year of matriculation.

COLLEGE SOCIETIES

The Johnson Society

The Society has continued to be catholic in its interests and cosmopolitan in its membership. A President of the Union, an Editor of the *Isis*, American and French savants have mingled their discussion with that of the traditional backbone of members, sane and English as the Doctor himself. Among those who roused the Society to a spirited and successful animosity were C. A. S. Jackson who wondered about American University life, J. Walsh who debated about 'History', P. Jagger who considered 'Detective Novels'; no less interesting were S. Q. Henriques, when he put Shakespeare's outside Bacon's corpus of work, G. B. Smith, when he probed into the labyrinth of 'Modern Music'; P. Bennett, when he discovered the virtues of Sinclair Lewis; and P. Batchelor, when he was jurisprudent about 'Murder'.

The Society has been diligent in its gastronomic exercises; and, after a sartorial quibble, has ordered the yellow stripe to be restored to the tie. Pilgrimages have been made to the hallowed precincts of the Cheshire Cheese, London, and the Doctor's birth-place at Lichfield.

The Beaumont Society

The Beaumont Society has continued to flourish, and during the past three years there have been many enjoyable meetings. Pride of place must go to the 500th meeting of the Society held in Hilary Term, 1952, which took the form of a dinner with Mr. Joyce Cary as principal guest. Memorable dinners were also held in 1951 and 1953 with Mr. John Betjeman and Mr. J. I. M. Stewart ('Michael Innes') respectively as guests. Other notable meetings have included a verse reading in punts on the river organized by Mr. Michael Hurd during which the President had the misfortune to fall in, and a fine paper read by Mr. Charles Macdowell on the subject of the old Pembrochian, Thomas Lovell Beddoes.

Sir Thomas Browne Society

The Society has a current membership of 35 and can thus claim to be the most popular College society. It has continued to hold play-readings at frequent intervals, and it is hoping to produce a play in the near future. It has recently passed its hundredth meeting, and a dinner is planned to celebrate the event.

Teasel Society

The Teasel Club, the College Dining Club, continues to hold a dinner during the Hilary Term and to take a party to the College Eights Week Dance. The pleasures of the Table are maintained in a fashion befitting a gourmet, and in keeping with all traditions.

Blackstone Society

The Society, despite the difficulty of obtaining guests to speak at our meetings, has continued to meet regularly during the past two years and many enjoyable meetings have taken place. We have held moots with other colleges including Christ Church, Jesus, and Queen's, presided over by Mr. Justice Donovan, Mr. P. B. Carter, and Mr. Justice Sellars, respectively. An intra-college moot was held before Mr. A. B. Brown. Among our guests at ordinary meetings have

been the Town Clerk of Oxford, The Governor of Strangeways Prison, The Recorder of Manchester, and an ex-deputy Chairman of H.M. Customs and Excise. Each year in the Hilary Term a most successful and pleasant dinner has been held. Guests have included Mr. Justice Karminski, Professor Jolowicz, Sir Carleton Allen, The Warden of All Souls, and Professor Lawson. The Society much regretted the absence of the Master at the last dinner. A recent innovation has been the reading of a paper by a member of the Society, as in other societies. It is hoped that this will be continued as the first one was a great success.

The Camden Society

In the last two years the Society has been presided over first by a transatlantic member and secondly by a non-professional historian. Such ominous events have by no means diminished the thronging enthusiasm for Clio. Memorable papers have been given by Sir Maurice Powicke, who delighted with some personal reminiscences.

Mr. J. Joll, who spoke upon 'The Rise of Prussia,' Mr. R. F. V. Heuston, who provocatively questioned 'Maitland, the greatest English Historian?'; of late H. S. Wilson entertained and instructed with a paper upon the 'The Volunteer Movement in the Nineteenth Century', and G. Barrow, an ex-president, returned to discourse upon 'England and Scotland in the Twelfth Century'.

The John Heywoode Society

Since the last issue of the *Record* a new Society has been formed to perpetuate the newly revived annual concert and to further musical interests in College. Named after a member of Broadgates Hall who subsequently became Master of the King's Virginals in the sixteenth century, the Society has met at least twice a term since its inception in March 1951. Papers on a wide range of musical subjects have been read, and members have inaugurated a pleasing custom of holding a private informal concert once a term.

In November 1951, March 1952, and February 1953 three most successful public concerts of chamber music were held in the Junior Common Room, whose intimate atmo-

sphere is ideal for that purpose. At the concert in 1952 there were also readings of poetry by Mr. I. M. Yates.

PEMBROKE COLLEGE J.C.R.

President: P. J. Stokoe 1953-4.

Secretary: P. S. Baker 1953-4.

The burning question of the year has been the date of the Eights' Week Dance in view of the decision to hold these races from Wednesday to Saturday, in future. After heated discussion it was decided to move it to Friday, 28 May and although this is less convenient than the customary Wednesday for several reasons it is hoped that more old Pembroke men will be able to attend.

The club life of the College has thrived and the Sir Thomas Browne Society is once more taking the stage this term after too long an interval. H. Francis is producing *Winterset* by Maxwell Anderson.

In other fields, P. Triffitt was the editor of the *Isis* for Trinity Term 1953 and M. Heseltine was Secretary of the Union in Hilary Term 1954.

In the athletic world, apart from the achievements mentioned in the reports of the individual clubs, M. Burton-Brown is secretary of the O.U. Eton Fives Club and was awarded his half blue last year and R. Raymond has boxed for the University several times.

COLLEGE ATHLETICS

ROWING

Boat Club Record (from Jan. 1953)

TORPIDS 19-25 Feb. 1953

1st Torpid. Started in 17th position and finished 20th. Bumped on first three nights by St. John's, Hertford, and Exeter in that order. Rowed over the last three nights.

2nd Torpid. Started in 30th position and finished 36th. Bumped every night by Magdalen II, St. Edmund Hall II, Oriel II, Balliol II, Queen's II, and Worcester II in that order.

TRINITY TERM 1953

EIGHTS WEEK, 21-27 May 1953

1st Eight. Started in 15th position and finished 13th as sandwich boat. Bumped on first night by Oriel, rowed over on second night, bumped St. John's on third night, B.N.C. on fourth night, St. Peter's Hall on fifth night, rowed over on sixth night.

2nd Eight. Bumped by Ch. Ch. II, Hertford I, St. Edmund Hall II, Oriel II, and rowed over twice. Started in 26th position and finished in 30th.

3rd Eight. Started in 61st position and finished in 65th, being bumped by Corpus II, Magdalen IV, Jesus III, Queen's III, and rowing over twice.

4th Eight. ('Schools' VIII) Started in 71st position and finished 66th, bumping Wadham III, Keble IV, St. John's III, Oriel III, St. Peter's Hall III.

THE CORONATION REGATTA, 30 May 1953

The 1st VIII reached the final of the Junior VIII's, being beaten by a Balliol crew by 2 lengths. The 2nd and 3rd VIII's were both beaten in preliminary rounds of the Maiden Eights.

At the end of the Trinity Term D. C. M. Prichard was appointed Captain, V. M. Roe Secretary, and W. G. Potter Committee member of the Boat Club for the following year.

MICHAELMAS TERM

UNIVERSITY CHALLENGE FOURS

1st Four. Beaten by New College II in preliminary round.

2nd Four. Beaten by Trinity I in preliminary round.

The following were entered for University Trials, D. C. M. Prichard, W. G. Potter, and W. Washbrook.

CRICKET 1953-4

Captain: R. M. Barclay 1953.
M. Burton-Brown 1954.

Secretary: M. H. Venables 1953.
C. G. Adlam 1954.

Matches, 1953

Won 2; Drawn 8; Lost 4.

Tour

Won 3; Drawn 1; Lost 1.

The matches with Trinity Hall and Pembroke, Cambridge, were lost. The tour in conjunction with St. John's College was a great success, and we only lost one match, to R. J. O. Meyer's XI. A similar tour has been arranged for this summer. D. Ayland played in a University trial and M. H. Venables was elected to the Authentics.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

Captain: N. H. Mckinney 1953-4.

Secretary: T. S. R. Parkin.

League Matches

Division II. Played 7; Won 2, Drawn 1; Lost 4.

After a poor start to the season the team improved towards the end of term, and finished in the lower half of Division II, with 5 points.

One freshman played occasionally for the University and two others for the Greyhounds.

The annual match with Pembroke College, Cambridge, was won by 14 pts. to 13.

Cuppers

1953-4. Lost to St. John's in the 1st round, 3-5.

In a very even game Pembroke lost by a goal, scored by the University Captain, to a try. Our forwards held the

upper hand in both the loose and the tight, the teams being well matched outside the scrum. The result was rather disappointing after we had played well to beat Exeter by 17pts. to 3 the week before.

HOCKEY

Captain: T. B. Nightingale, Hilary 1953.
M. H. Venables, Michaelmas 1953.
R. C. Stopford, Hilary 1954.

Secretary: B. R. Manthorp, Hilary 1953.
R. C. Stopford, Michaelmas 1953.
C. R. Erskine-Hill, Hilary 1954.

Matches (1953): Won 9; Lost 10; Drawn 11.

Cuppers: Lost 2-1 to Oriel in the 1st Round.

B. R. Manthorp was elected an Occasional in March 1953, and M. H. Venables and R. C. Stopford have both played for the Occasionals.

LAWN TENNIS

Captain: S. P. Hancock 1953.

Secretary: C. C. Davison.

League: Division III—Won 4; Lost 2.

A new League is to be formed to make 4 divisions. Pembroke will be in Division III.

Cuppers

1st Round beat University 6-3.

2nd Round lost to Christ Church 5-1 (abandoned).

SQUASH RACKETS

Captain: M. Burton-Brown.

Secretary: P. Cooke-Wilkins.

The results of League matches were: Played 4; Won 4, Lost 0. The College finished first in the division and is promoted to Division III.

Other matches: Won 2; Lost 6.

ATHLETICS

Captain: O. D. G. Dickson.

Secretary: M. C. Whitwell.

Cross-country, 1953

In each of two friendly matches Pembroke came second when racing against four other colleges. The College was 10th out of 31 teams in cuppers.

Relays, 1953

The College reached the finals of the Division II in the 2×220 , 2×440 and in the 2×880 , 2×1 mile.

A. Binham was awarded a Centipede 1953 and O. Dickson who ran for the second University cross-country team was awarded a Tortoise.

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