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S.A.S. MEETINGS

September, 21st: Walk from Titsey to Chevening and back.

October, 19th: Outing to Waverley Abbey, Elstead Church

and Moor Park.

Details of these, and other meetings are given elsewhere in this *Bulletin*.

EXCAVATION NOTICE

SOUTHWARK AND LAMBETH ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

A few short excavations which started in August are expected to continue into September. Full details were not available at the time of going to press but may be obtained from The Cuming Museum, Walworth Road, London, S.E.17. (01-703 6514, Ext. 3).

NOTES

Tools

If YOU are selling your house and going to live in a flat, have you considered donating your garden tools to the Society to supplement our stock of excavation equipment? Wheelbarrows, spades, turf cutters, saws, buckets, secateurs and forks can all be used. Please write to Felix Holling, Castle Arch, Guildford.

S.A.S. Library

New members and others visiting the Library for the first time are asked to make themselves known to the Steward on duty in the Guildford Museum. One of the Museum staff will then be pleased to explain the Library system.

(Miss E. M. Dance).

National Monuments Record Library: Booklets, etc.

The spread of active regional and local archaeological groups and museum societies in recent years has resulted in the appearance of many bulletins, progress reports, pamphlets and catalogues, mostly in duplicated form, which often contain information of permanent value but are

frequently little known to archaeologists outside the areas concerned. Such publications are not usually acquired by libraries, other than those serving the locality, and it seems desirable that the National Monuments Record should make as comprehensive a collection of them as possible. The National Monuments Record's collections are available for consultation by the public free of charge, and, for administrative reasons, it is hoped that, as far as is reasonable in view of the cost of production, bodies will be prepared to donate such issues to the Record.

Copies should be sent to R.A.H. Farrar, Esq., Royal Commission on Historical Monuments (England), 10 Great College St., London, S.W.1.

Card indexes on archaeology or local history

Several local societies and private individuals have made card indexes dealing with the archaeology and history of their districts. The Bourne Society, for example, hold indexes made by Mr. F. B. Leeson on places, subjects and people in the Bourne Society area, and on memorial inscriptions at Caterham. Warlingham and Coulsdon.

It would be clearly of interest and benefit to many students and societies if the existence and location of such indexes were more widely known. Would it be possible for custodians of such indexes to let Castle Arch know and to publish brief particulars in the *Bulletin*?

(J. C. Batley).

Reigate: 2 Copse Road, Meadvale

This small, unlisted house, entirely reclad in brick, is, unexpectedly, a two-storey, two-and-a-half bay, timber-framed house with many original features. The half bay is at one end and contains a rebuilt chimney stack. Next to this were the stairs (removed this year), a small lobby and the door.

The parlour has chamfered joists and beam. Upstairs there are substantial braces, curving upwards, in the side walls.

When the present owner, Mr. Michael Yates, removed the cramped and possibly inserted staircase from beside the rebuilt chimney stack, he discovered beneath it a deposit containing a considerable quantity of, apparently unstratified, rubbish containing a few dateable objects ranging from a jetton of Hans Krauwinckle, who is known to have been producing jettons in Nuremberg down to 1611, to some well preserved shoe fragments of the mid-nineteenth century.

Among the many items discovered there were several pieces of clay pipe. One piece of stem still has the spur and base of the bowl attached. The stem has the remains of a pattern on the side, corresponding closely to a piece of stem found at Court Lodge Farm, Horley. Signs of decoration are just visible on the remains of the bowl and the spur has the initials ?.T. — the first letter being obscured. This pipe is probably late 18th century (Oswald type 11a) and may have been made by George Thornton of Dorking, who is mentioned in the Surrey Apprenticeship Rolls of 1731. At Court Lodge Farm several 18th century bowls of Oswald types 10c and 11a were found with the initials G.T., sometimes

with each initial surmounted by a crown. Other initials found there were G.J. with crowns; I.G. or I.C.; and W.E. Further information on these pipe makers would be welcomed by Dr. Moss.

It is hoped that 2 Copse Road will be made the subject of a detailed survey in the near future as it appears to contain the substantial remains of a small vernacular building of a type that has, so far, not received enough study.

(Joan M. Harding, G. P. Moss, D. J. Turner).

Recent Publications

The Mild Prosperity of Farnham (Farnham Paper No. 3) by Winifred Newman. (W.E.A., Farnham Branch. Obtainable from 18 Upper South View, Farnham. 5/6 post free.) Published 1967.

Farnham Museum Society Newsletter, Vol. I, No. 9. December 1967. (Obtainable from Willmer House Museum, West Street, Farnham. 1/6d.) Includes notes on the Iron Age hill fort known as Caesar's Camp, and the Mesolithic site at Heath Brow, as well as an annotated transcript of the will of Robert White, senior, of Farnham, proved 1467.

Farnham Museum Society Newsletter, Vol. 1, No. 10. March 1968. (Obtainable as above.) Includes an account of a probable deserted Medieval village site at Well, near Long Sutton, Hants.

Farnham Museum Society Newsletter, Vol. I, No. 11. June 1968. (Obtainable as above.) Includes an article on the making of Westminster Hall roof in 1395 at 'the place called The Frame' in Farnham and notes on the records of Waverly Abbey in the 15th century.

Map of Surrey by Emanuel Bowen, c. 1760. (Reproduction available from the Historic Buildings and Antiquities Office, Clerk's Department, County Hall, Kingston upon Thames. 3/6, plus 1/4 for postage and packing.)

'An accurate map of the County of Surrey divided into its hundreds. Drawn from late surveys and illustrated with various additional improvements, also historical extracts relating to natural history, manufactures, trade and present state of its principal towns.' Scale 1" to 1 mile. 201" by 271."

This map is also distributed free with the Antiquities of Surrey (5th edition 25/- plus 3/- postage and packing).

Surrey Villages. (Women's Institutes, Surrey County Office, 26 Stoke Road, Guildford. 2/6 plus 6d. postage.) It is regretted that the price of this booklet was given incorrectly in Bulletin No. 43 (July).

Mitcham Hall by E. S. Montague. (Merton Historical Society. Obtainable from Mrs. L. Buse, 3 Cricket Green, Mitcham. 1/-, postage 4d.) Published 1968.

This is the second of a series of booklets on local houses that is being prepared by the Merton Historical Society. It gives a succinct and readable account of a large eighteenth century house which stood in Green Line coaches, from Victoria via Streatham and West Croydon, pass Titsey Church and there are connecting buses from Reigate and Redhill at Oxted for coaches going towards London. For times and other details please apply to Miss Smith. It may be possible to arrange a few lifts by car from Dorking, Reigate or Redhill.

There is a P.H. at Chevening where snacks may be obtained. Mr. Leveson-Gower has very kindly invited the party to tea at Titsey but for this, and for lunch at Chevening, it is essential to let Miss Smith know by 16th September at the latest.

Tickets, members 3/-, visitors 4/-, from Miss Smith, Elyots. Minster Road, Godalming.

Saturday, 28th. 7.00 p.m.

EXCAVATION TECHNIQUES. A talk by Mr. R. CANHAM, Field Officer London Museum, to the SOUTHWARK AND LAMBETH ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY at the North Peckham Civic Centre, Old Kent Road (by the Surrey Canal). Visitors welcome.

OCTOBER

Saturday, 15th.

It is regretted that there are no tickets left for the C.B.A. Group 11 CONFERENCE ON 'THE WEALD', to be held at Tunbridge Wells.

Saturday, 19th.

S.A.S. VISIT TO WAVERLEY ABBEY, ELSTEAD CHURCH AND MOOR PARK

Organised by Mrs. Sidney Smith

- 11.00 a.m. WAVERLEY ABBEY. (N.G.R.: SU 869457) Meet at the 'S'-bend where the B3001 crosses the river, mid-way between Elstead and Farnham.
- 12 noon ELSTEAD CHURCH. Turn right in village off the B3001. The church is about half a mile along on the right.
- 2.30 p.m. Moor PARK. Entrance signposted just past Waverley Abbey in the Farnham direction.

Lunch may be obtained at *The Woolpack* P.H., Elstead, by prior arrangement with the landlord, Otherwise picnic lunch is advisable. Tea may be obtained at Moor Park at 2/- per head, booked and paid for in advance to Miss Smith by 14th October at the latest.

For those without transport it may be possible to arrange lifts from Godalming if early application is made. Godalming is on the main Waterloo-Portsmouth line and there are buses from Guildford.

The party must be limited to 50 and tickets must be obtained in advance from Miss Smith, Eylots, Minster Road, Godalming. Members 3/-, visitors 4/-, tea 2/-.

London Road, Mitcham, until its demolition in the mid 1920's. The typeface used is a marked improvement over that of the first booklet (see Bulletin No. 40, April). D.J.T.

Southwark and Lambeth Archaeological Society Research Paper, No. 1 The Origins of London Delft: Christian Wilhelm the Potter in Tooley Street, Southwark by G. J. Dawson and B. J. Bloice. (Obtainable from Mr. Bloice, 94 Hubert Grove, London, S.W.9. 1/6d.) Published 1968.

A review of the evidence bearing on the location of one of the most important seventeenth century Southwark potters. The paper argues that there must have been more than one workshop working here in the period, despite Christian Wilhelm's nominal nonopoly, and that a group of pottery recently identified as Wilhelm's is more likely to belong to a rival potter. Further evidence on this theme has just been published by the same authors in S.L.A.S. Newsletter No. 12 (July/August, 1968). D.J.T.

Walton and Weybridge Local History Society Monograph, No. 1. The History of the Weybridge Monument by A. G. Martin. (At present only circulated to members of the Walton and Weybridge L.H.S.) Published 1968.

MEETINGS

ARCHAEOLOGICAL PROCESSING

Excavations often produce a considerable amount of small finds, pottery, animal bones, etc. This material all has to be washed, marked and sorted before it can be studied by the excavator or specialist. There are in Surrey a number of groups which meet regularly to assist in this task. As it is a group activity there are social compensations for the often routine nature of the processing itself. It is essential work and the time taken between dig and published report often depends on the amount of help the excavator receives in carrying out his processing. More volunteers are always needed at these groups and details of some of them are given here.

SOUTHWARK AND LAMBETH ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The processing groups of this society, concerned with the vast amount of material excavated in Southwark since 1962, meet on weekday evenings at two centres — Upper Ground, near Blackfriars Bridge, and Livesey Depot, Old Kent Road.

Monday evenings: Material from the London Bridge and Potters Fields excavations at Upper Ground.

Tuesday evenings: London Bridge material at the Livescy Depot.

Wednesday evenings: Lambeth High Street and New Guys House material at Livesey Depot. 199 Borough High Street material at Upper Ground on first Wednesday of each month.

Thursday evenings: Pottery drawing at Upper Ground.

Friday evening: Guys Hospital and Lambeth High Street material at Upper Ground.

Saturday or Sunday afternoons: The possibility of having processing meetings at these times is being investigated.

Enquiries to Mr. B. J. Bloice, 94 Hubert Grove, London, S.W.9.

EWELL.

The activities of the Nonsuch and Ewell Antiquarian Society's Research Group include archaeological processing and documentary research. Enquiries should be made to the Hon. Sec., Mr. G. T. Wignall, 105 Kingston Road, Ewell.

REIGATE

Details of processing groups operating in Reigate are as given in Bulletin No. 42 (June).

WINTER COURSES

MORLEY COLLEGE, 61 Westminster Bridge Road, London, S.E.I.

THE ARCHAEOLOGY OF THE LONDON REGION (Third Year). Syllabus covers the Middle Ages. New students may join this class. Tutor: ALAN COOK. Fridays, 6.30 to 8.30. Fee 35/- plus 10/- registration fee. Enrolment in week beginning 16th September.

ARCHAEOLOGY AND THE BIBLE. Tutor: ERIC UPHILL. Fridays, 6.30 to 8.30. Fee 35/- plus 10/- registration fee. Enrolment in week beginning 16th September.

GUILDFORD: Royal Grammar School.

BRITISH ARCHAEOLOGY. W.E.A./University of London course. Tutor: MRS. M. CANHAM. Thursdays, 7.30 to 9.30. Details given in *Bulletin* No. 43 (July).

PUTNEY: Putney and Roehampton Adult Education Institute.

AIMS AND METHODS OF ARCHAEOLOGY. W.E.A./University of London course. The course will trace the development of archaeological techniques with special reference to British excavations. It will consist of 24 weekly meetings and will include some practical work and at least two field meetings. Tutor: Mrs. M. Canham. Tuesdays, 7.30 to 9.30 starting on 24th September. Enrolment fee 35/-.

SEPTEMBER

Thursday, 19th. 8.00 p.m.

EWELL SYMPOSIUM arranged by the NONSUCH AND EWELL ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY at Pit House, Cheam Road, Ewell. Visitors welcome.

Saturday, 21st.

S.A.S. WALK FROM TITSEY TO CHEVENING AND BACK

Organised by Mrs. R. K. CHILES and Mr. R. H. G. LEVESON-GOWER

Starting at 10 a.m. from Titsey Place, the walk will include Titsey and Chevening Churches. The distance will be about twelve miles but those not wishing to walk the whole distance can make most of the return journey by bus.

Cars may be parked in the stable yard at Titsey Place — entrance off the B269 Croydon to Limpsfield road a few yards above Titsey Church, on the opposite side of the road.