

The Old Bedan.

1946.

The Guild of Old Bedans

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From the President

" Brevity is the soul of wit "
But hardly when one finds that it
Is forced upon the poet.
I'm lent only this single line
For School's greetings and also mine
At Christmas and for New Year . . .
O Bedans! Bless your Editor!

W. J. E. M.

Information for Members

Annual Subscription: 2/6, due on September 1.

Life Subscription: £2/2/6, if paid within two years; otherwise £2/12/6.
Associate Subscription: 1/- for girls of Form Up. VI and Student Teachers.

Annual Subscriptions count towards Life Membership. Anyone who has paid one half-crown subscription becomes a Life Member by a further payment of £1/12/6 before the end of her second year's membership. After that time, the total of the payments made must be £2/12/6, e.g., a member who has paid ten annual subscriptions becomes a Life Member by a further payment of £1/12/6. If, however, membership is allowed to lapse, payments must be begun anew.

Membership: 464.—83 Life, 5 Associates, and 376 Annual, but 89 of these did not pay their subscriptions last year. Is your conscience clear? And do bring along So-and-So; you remember her, don't you?

For easier identification we use maiden names. The married name is given in brackets, or omitted to save space. Forgive us, please!

Many thanks to Mr. Blyth for his kindness in auditing our accounts so patiently and willingly, to those good friends who have sent donations and to Miss Gibbons for all kinds of help.

The Secretary's Plea: (1) Is your subscription paid? If not, please send it. You don't know how much you owe! Write and ask! (2) Do give both maiden and married names—please! (3) If you bring along a new member, let us know she is new, so that she can be enrolled. (4) Have you any news? Let us share it!

Guild Activities and Meetings in 1944

Old Bedans' Loan and Scholarship Fund.—2 Scholarship awards; 1 deferred grant; small awards to 6 Up. VI girls in appreciation of their services. £15 repaid. Total Fund: £1,300 and £74 interest. On occasion an *Old Bedan* may be given a grant. For conditions, apply to Miss Seddon.

The Guild of Old Bedans' Hockey Club thanks Miss Moral for the use of the school field and premises. It had a fairly successful season although many matches were cancelled owing to bad weather. Again five members have played on the County Second Team. The subscription is 5/- per season. If you want to know more, apply to the Secretary.

Margaret Mitchell, Inverthorpe, Thornholme Road,

The Guild of Old Bedans' Badminton Club, restarted last season, was not a great success owing to lack of members. We are very grateful for the use of the school premises and gymnasium. We have ten keen players who turn up regularly every Friday night and have a very enjoyable evening; but new members are wanted. The Secretary for 1944-45 is—

Gladys Shewan, 804, Bright Street, Roker.

Guild of Old Bedans, London Branch. After consideration, I decided to arrange an afternoon rather than an evening meeting so that *Old Bedans* living outside of London might attend, I compromised however, by making tentative arrangements for a theatre party following the afternoon meeting; and as the response to this was almost nil I felt justified in my decision to call the meeting in the afternoon.

It is difficult and expensive to arrange meetings in London at present, hence the decision to go to the Y.W.C.A.; but it might be easier to arrange a dinner reunion at a restaurant if this appealed to members more.

Our first and greatest need is to know the views of the members, so please write to me and air your views. Shall we meet once a year or more often? Should we have an afternoon meeting or an evening dinner—or what other ideas have you?

Then give us your support. There are plenty of *Old Bedans* in London and the South to make a gathering really interesting and enjoyable. And perhaps *Old Bedans* in the North could be induced to travel South for the occasion, which would make it doubly pleasant.

MARY ROBERTSON, 19, Dacey Avenue, London, N.W. 11.

Later News—The meeting, small but representative, was very successful. Sixteen were present, including Misses Ewart, Birchall and Franklin, and there were several apologies for absence. "There was no need of games to tide us over"; I had to remind the company at 5.45 that we only

had the room till 3.30! The next meeting will be on Saturday, May 3rd, or May 10th—a theatre party to a matinee, followed by tea at 'Kiss Hands' Club. Anyone who would like to join the party, and anyone who did not receive a notice of the December meeting should get into touch with the new Secretary: Eleanor Wilson, 7, Hartfield Square, Eastbourne, Sussex.

Winter Re-Union, January 9th.—62 present. A mad evening in the Art Room—Bizarro, the awful variety; Clumps, How is your Arithmetic? Supper in the Library—trifle, cakes, chatter! In the Hall, piece de résistance, a full-blooded, soul-searing drama. Who said dramatic art was dead! Back to the Art Room for more games; Have you played "All the King's Horses"? It's an experience! Lastly, the "Dashing White Sergeant," which left us all in a happy glow to face the bitter wind on our journey home.

Summer Meeting, June 19; 46 present—table tennis, quids and plenty of talk—most enjoyable!

Summary of Annual Business Meeting, September 25:

- Welcoming letter from Miss Mool.
- Adoption of Minutes of last Business Meeting.
- Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports read and adopted.
- Balance, £29/11/10d, includes Donations £2/8/0, Life Subscriptions £19/19/6.
- Motion on Constitution adopted: "That there be added to Clause V of the Constitution, "the Committee shall have the power to co-opt up to five members as necessity arises'."
- Officers and Committee declared elected.
- Reports given on Loan and Scholarship Fund and Games Clubs.
- Editorial Committee elected.
- Allocations made—£1/1/0 to each of these: School Prize, Bedan Competition Prizes, Children's Hospital, Guild of Help, Dr. Barnardo's, Walls and Strays, N.S.P.C.A.
- As the House System is discontinued, Meeting decided Pictures for Progress should be given unconditionally to School.

SCHOOL NOTES

The Pageant, recently presented by the Townswomen's Guild was written by Miss Mool.

Changes of Staff.—Goodbye to Misses I. O. M. Harris, A. Abbott, N. Abbot, Barkess, Hammond, Maiz and Showell, Mrs. Wright (Olive Admussen) and Mrs. Proud.

Welcome to: Misses Barridge, Heslop, C. Murray, M. Murray, Robson and Trowhitt, to Mrs. Wilkinson (Betty Coates) and Mrs. Long, "on supply," and to Miss Hunter and Mr. Hartley (Music).

- School Captain: Pat Swan.
- School Vice-Captain: Mavis Herriman.

Sport.

- Sports Cup: Deon House.
- Championships: Celia Pipe, Senior School; Doris Robson, Middle School; Jean Payne, Junior School.

Gift of Old Bedam Prizes:

Picture for Progress: See notes on Business Meeting.

School Prize, 1945-46: not awarded yet.

Bedam Competition Prizes, 1945-46: for Essays: Shirley Sinclair (Senior) and Laura Faulkner (Junior).

Scholarship (Art) to King's College: Kathleen Humphrey.

On reserve list for State Scholarship, Kathleen Bell.

Prizes won for Essays:

From Durham and Northumberland Natural History Society: Marcelle Goodall.

In Civic Society's Competition, Senior Schools' Section: 1st, Margaret Spencer; 2nd, Freda Potts.

Music:

Played for Sunderland Piano-forte Society: Joyce Bews, Dorothy Dodd, Ruth Robinson.

At Northern Counties Musical Tournament, these took part:—

Viola Accompanying: Jean Somerville.

Singing: Pat Palmer, Gwenie Spain, Shirley Sinclair.

Piano Duets: Kathleen Robson and Margaret Henderson; Owen and Doreen Beay; Sylvia Tait with partner.

Games:

The following have played on Schools County Teams: —

Netball—Senior: Anne Bates, Doris Robson, Marjory Johnston, Hilda Cousins; and Junior: Sheila Bagley.

Hockey: Celia Pipe, Jean Brewis, Jean Sangster, Joyce Wilson.

Schools County Tournaments—Hockey, Senior: won by Bede 1st XI.

Netball Senior and Junior won by Sunderland Area Teams of which "Bede" formed part.

County Junior Lawn Tennis Singles Championship: Pat Palmer.

New Interests:

1.—Many Old Bedams who remember Miss Farquhar's enthusiasm for the work of the Student Christian Movement will be pleased to hear of the formation of a group in the School.

2.—The School has "adopted" eight little French orphans and their two foster-mothers at Palais, and helps them through the A.V.F.

Since November, 1945

These have become Life Members: Marjorie Anderson (Curtis), Mary Brankov, Ellen Carlin, Lily English (Hutton), Connie Fairgrieve (Blandin), Gladys Forster (Hodgson), Winnie Hughes (Teller), Edith Scholesfield, Winnie Scott (Thomas), Annie Shield (Hill), Kathleen Simpson, Jean Taylorson.

Among those married are: Owen Bamboogh, Freda Blakey, May Bloom, Marjorie Brown, Irene Chevers, Dorothy Crow, Eleanor Crow, Margaret Crow, Margaret Edward, May Embleton, Nancy Frater, Hilary Free-

man, Elsie Garrick, Roma Gibson, Dorothy Greenfield, Phyllis Heilpern, Nancy Hill, Laura Howarth, Betty Hunter, Ethel Hunter, Joan Kirkkaly, Olive MacDonald, Eva Miller, Irene Nicholson, Millicent Noble, Enid Potts, Margaret Prior, Helen Reed, Nora Rimmington, Betty Short, Audrey Smithson, Ella Solley, Marjorie Stephenson, Ellen Whiting, Beatrice Wigham, Constance Wray, Hilda Sasy.

Among *Bedan Babies* are those of: Emily Adey, Doreen Aird, Kate Anderson, Audrey Arnold, Joan Ball, Edna Bathgate, Kathleen Benkinsey, Joyce Bloom, Joan Boswell, Gracie Clark, Grace Clarke, Lorna Catter, Nancy Davidson, Hannah Dean, Ada Kershaw, Constance Ferguson, Eva Fishwick, Lily Forster, Elsa Garbutt, Edith Gonthier, Frances Grant, Marjorie Hanson, Margaret Hogg, Margery Holland, Winifred James, Dorothy Johnson, Vera Kemp, Edith Koeber, Mollie Lind, Hena Lisk, Gladys Littlehales, Margaret MacLachlan, Gwen Marley, Doris McCree, Lilian McCree, Lena McLean, Dorothy Middlemass, Nancy Nicholson, Pauline Orr, Pat Potts, Alice Procter, Peggy Rae, Betty Ritch, Margarita Roberts, Ethel Robinson, Kathleen Robson, Betty Ross, Wynneith Rough, Freda Smith, Olive Sopp, Edna Sutherland, Helen Sutherland, Dorothy Teasdale, Lilian Thompson, Marjorie Tourline, Peggy Victory, Peggy Watson, Beatrice Whorson, Elsie Wilson (the second), Wynneith Wood, May Woodhill.

In *Memories*: Doris Etkon, Norah March, Olive Rieborough (Mrs. Ralph), Christie Wardman.

Greetings

" Dear Old Bedans,

I have been asked to write a " few words " to you and cannot refuse the temptation to do so, though they will have to be really a " few " as I am rather an invalid now. But I am still an Old Bedan and love to read the bit in the magazine about you all. Many of you are wives and mothers now but I dare say you still remember the days when you were carefree, happy schoolgirls, and had to learn Scripture, Latin and History from " a cross old thing " in the III's or IV's! Well, whatever you are, I send my best wishes for your future happiness.

Your old schoolmistress,

GERTRUDE WILSON."

" My dear Old Bedans and not so old ones, too,

I am sending you a friendly greeting from my country retreat. I can scarcely realise that almost two generations of Bedans have passed through the school since I left it in 1938. Never did I think that there would be any Bedans to whom I should be, and feel, a stranger, but so it is. Nevertheless, to all those who share with me happy memories of work and play, I send my warmest remembrances, and to all Bedans, old and young, past and present, my best wishes for happiness and success. That Bede School may abide and flourish amid the storm and stress of these eventful days is the earnest wish of

Yours affectionately,

LILY HUTCHINSON."

Surprise Party

The door bell rings! A quietly-excited Old Bedan appears, hardly has she been welcomed when another comes. Again, a ring . . . again, and again. " Dear me!" says Miss Arkle, fetching another chair.

"How nice to see them!" she thinks, "but whatever can we offer them to eat?" However, "We'll have a cup of coffee," she begins. Then her innocence is dispelled. What is this? Before she knows where she is, a cheque and a dainty Douton china maiden are here. This is no chance meeting. The callers turn out to be a few Old Bedans from Social Service Club Committee, and the gift they bring is to show the Guild's appreciation of Miss Arkle's work and interest. "And," they add, "we've brought our supper. Tisch-chen, deck' dich!"

Almost as quickly as in the old fair-sale there appear good things galore. To the accompaniment of the usual reminiscences of any meeting of Old Bedans, these disappear with almost equally magic speed, and one more happy Surprise Party has been added to the Bedan store of memories.

Our Old Staff

Yet another link with the Old School has been severed. Miss I. O. M. Harris has left Bede School to become Lecturer in English at the Northern Counties School of Cookery in Newcastle. Old Bedans are glad to think that some of their younger sisters will meet her there and that they themselves can still welcome her at Guild Re-unions. They thank her for many years spent in their service and wish her all success and real happiness in her new work.

School misses, too, Miss Hammond, known affectionately to Old Bedans in the lute as "Marion" and to younger Bedans as Miss Gibbons' helper in the School office. In June she accepted a post in Sunderland Education office. The Guild sends her best wishes and hopes to see her often at its meetings.

Miss Boon was looking "remarkably well" in May; we hope she still looks and feels so. We have letters from Miss Wilson and from Miss Hutchinson who would have liked to mention by name the old Bedans who have looked her up and to say how glad she would be to see others too. Miss Haggart, after a very trying time, did have one week's "memorable" holiday in London. Miss Reynolds (Holmes), now in Edinburgh, has collaborated, as a fellow petrologist with her husband, in several published memoirs on granite rocks. Miss Lloyd was one of the producers of Miss Moad's pageant. She and other former mistresses still in Sunderland have many a gossip with old Bedans. Miss Waddell was awarded the O.B.E. in the New Year Honours.

Aboard, Mrs. White (Miss French), writes of a full life in China, and Miss Lamb has been offered and has accepted for January, the Headmistressship of the first Secondary School for Native Girls in Southern Rhodesia.

Mrs. Horton (Miss Parkin) greets us from Sheffield; Miss B. L. Smith was married in November; Miss Elliot has a post at St. Mary's College, Farnham, and Miss A. Abbott at Cheltenham, and Miss Durbar is a masseuse at Leeds Infirmary. Miss Barnard recently paid a short visit to Sunderland; so did Miss Franklin, who brought news of Miss Ewart. Mrs. Anderson (Marial Bruce), Old Bedan as well as Old Mistress, would like the Guild to make a move in the matter of Red Cross Hospital Libraries. Durham is one of the three counties that have no such organisation. What about this as an activity, now that there is no Social Service Club?

What are Old Bedans Doing?

From London: Good news! On December 7, London and district Old Bedans revived their Branch of the Guild. All honour to Mary Robertson, who did all the correspondence and made all the arrangements for this

meeting at considerable inconvenience to herself and under more than usual stress. So, London Old Bedans! Read her note and respond!

In Training: At Universities—Edith Brown, Kathleen Humphrey, Mariel Staddon, at King's College, Newcastle; Helen Garrick and Sheila Snowball at Sheffield; Beryl Wilder at Manchester; Stella Butterley at Birmingham; Pat Campbell at Edinburgh.

At the Royal College of Music, Kathleen Bell.

At Northern Counties School of Cookery, Betty Price, Brenda Colling.

At Training Colleges for Teachers: eighteen Bedans.

At Rachel McMillan Training College: Moyes Potter.

At Morrison's Commercial School: Mildred Haine, Olga Wright, Pauline Langley, Marguerite Maughan, Margaret Thornton; at Skerry's College: Audrey Jones, Margaret Henderson.

Baby Harriet is at a Day Nursery, Freda Chapman and Margaret Cheney with Boots; Violet Brown in the Tax Office, and Joyce Hampton, a Milk Tester at Craven Dairies, has a Kemsley Award, and is studying for Inter B.Sc.

Training for Nursing are Marjorie Barn, Hazel Watson; for **Massage and Radio-Therapy** respectively: Dorothy and Joyce Caslaw, as Librarians: Violet Cooper, Freda Potts and Rhoda Hudson.

Examinations: University degrees and qualifications gained are—Durham: M.B., B.S.,—Lilian Alexander, Betty Glassfield.

B.Sc.—Audrey Kinch, with Stroud Laboratory Prize for Physics.

B.A. Hon.—Dorothy Had (History), Dorcas Turnbull (Geography), Norma Crozier (French) who also gained a Teaching Diploma with distinction in Teaching Practice and passed the Joint Board Training College Advanced Physical Training Examination with honours.

Manchester: B.A. Hon., Olga Falter (French, First Class).

London: B.Sc., Joan Sutherland.

St. Andrews: B.Sc., Betty Mitchell.

Library Association Examination: Associates—Mary Greenless, Audrey Syrett, and Preliminary—Lily Grant.

Pharmacy: M.P.S.: Margaret Capon (Edwards), Rita Sheriff.

Civil Service Commission: passed as Junior Clerk: Marguerite Maughan

Careers: Headmistresses—Marion Proom, Elizabeth Knott, Ella Laxter, in Sunderland; Isabel Alexander at Halstead Grammar School, Kent. On panel for Headmistress-ships—Lena Thompson, Winifred Whiting, Deborah Cramble.

Teachers:—Joyce Crute at Shewsbury, Ethel Foreman in Essex; Catherine Heptinstall (Whitton) in Leicester; Eva Bell (the first) in same school as Alike Vance in Sidcup. After having cared for thirty three-year-olds, Elsie Garrick (Smith) is teaching in a nursery school at Mitcham; and Mary Paterson is Head of one in Sunderland.

Medicine: Lilian Alexander has a hospital post in Liverpool and Betty Glassfield in Peterborough.

Nursing: Vera Sheraton; Vera Clark is nurse at Jellings' Glass Works; Elsie Johnson, finishing her training at the General Hospital; Madeline Hinks, working for the examination of the Royal Sanitary Institute and having practical experience in Health Visiting and Inspection in Newcastle.

Civil Service: Dorothy Lucas in Blackpool and Lily Jamson on the technical staff of P.O. Telephone Department, Newcastle.

Doris Sim (Thompson) has a H.O.A.C. post in London, Mariel Woodruff, on the staff of the Northern Counties School of Cookery, has one class composed mainly of prospective brides.

Posts involving Travel: Isobel Caldwell, in Edinburgh, is Field Secretary to the Girls' Association of the Church of Scotland; Emily Darrant, working on acoustics in the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, visits various types of buildings all over Britain; Marjorie Cook has headquarters at Cambridge as Regional Inspector for the Ministry of Health; Edith Alexander is Supervisor of Physical Training for the L.C.C.

The Arts: Marjorie Field has an important part in "*French Frieze*".

At Newcastle Musical Festival:—Bronze Medal and Silver Medal for Contralto singing—*Isone Ross*.

At Sunderland Council of Arts Festival:

- (a) Writers' Club: Works by Mary Baker and Betty Sayer presented.
- (b) Dance Society: Among other Bedans in display of Ballet-dancing—Kathleen Bellamy (Ditchburn) and Mary Jones.
- (c) Drama Club: Stage-manager at performance of *The Proposal*: Kathleen Stothard (Collinson).

At Sunderland Pianoforte Society: Secretary, Margaret Mitchell is Treasurer, and these have played in the past year; Kathleen Stothard (Assistant Secretary), Winifred Ebbot, Helen Garrick, Sheila Snowball, Kathleen Bell.

At the Young Teachers' Dramatic Society's last performance:—Leading parts were played effectively by Mariel Doolis and Ethel Davidson.

In Civic Society's Competition: Third Prize for Essay, Kathleen Bellamy.

Sport: Mollie Garbutt (Johnson) played on Durham County Women's Tennis Team, and she, and many other Bedans and Miss Peters played at the County Tennis Tournament.

Norma Crosier, Secretary of King's College Athletic Union, Newcastle, Captain of College Hockey Team and University Representative on Women's Inter-University Athletic Board, captained a North of England team against Scottish Universities and went to Holland with a Sports Team from Newcastle.

Bedans Meet: These have met unexpectedly—Miss Hutchinson and Laura Crombie (Wood) in Sunderland; Lena Richenberg (Goldblatt) and Hilda Hall (Villars); Flossie Jones (Warden) and Winnie Whitaker; Miss Ardie and Helen Sutherland in a Newcastle surgery; Isobel Caldwell and Margaret Kirtley in Edinburgh; Nora Johnson and Winnie Hughes (Toller) in Hawick, where Winnie has her home. Ruth Marley (Green) met Miss Ross and found she lived quite near; at Seaham we came on Joan Rogers; on Jessie Thatcher (Linfret) too, with a daughter at "Bede," and we re-found Gladys Clasper (Jones) after many years.

Minnie Hammond's (Dea) twins sit side by side at school with Trixie Haeder's (Robson) little girl, and Bedan Babies meet regularly at the Health Office, though we have space to mention only Catherine Isobel, our chairman's very friendly little daughter. The County Tennis Tournament was

an unofficial Re-union of Old Bedans, so many were competitors or spectators; so is Miss Peters' popular Scottish Dancing Class.

Gladys Forster (Hodgson) visited Winnie Graham where, among her stocks and ducks, she has " become unofficial, unpaid, and largely unintelligible interpreter " to the German prisoners-of-war in the vicinity. Betsy Powley (Soulby) at St. Leonard's has had several Bedan guests; Maisie Curry (Metcalfe) spent her summer holidays there and Mary Robertson has just returned from a half-term visit. In London, Mary found herself one evening in the Criterion Brasserie at the next table to Rina Hande. Rina, Kathleen Simpson and Marion Orr have had their usual re-union at Rina's flat; Winnie Gibson (Milburn) was given hospitality by Flora Heddingshead (Ramsdew) when her husband's ship departed from the Isle of Wight, and Ethel Thompson, staying at Cardiff last Easter, met Doris Clayburn (James) and Betty Fairgrieve (Scott); they " had to keep apologising to the other people " they were with, there was so much talk of Sunderland.

Hither and Thither: At the annual meeting of the Sunderland Magistrates, Sybil Brown was re-elected to serve on the Junior Panel. Nellie Blacklock (Mrs. Hedley) represented the Guild at the Parent-Teachers' Association Joint Playing Fields Sub-Committee. Mary Bess attended a French Summer School in N.W. Scotland. Dorothy Carlyon is Secretary of the newly re-formed local branch of the International Friendship League. Sheila Marwood, studying Engineering, has been awarded a prize under the Apprentices Improvement Scheme.

Among Old Bedans not mentioned in recent notes and who send greetings are Winifred Coates (Grady) in Staffordshire, Mary Henderson (Lewis) and Amor Hudson (Humphrey) in London, Edith Fletcher (Walker) in Gateshead, and Evelyn Lawson (Morton) with Sheila Evelyn, aged one. Hilary Freeman (Halliday) lives in Lockerbie, and Norma Trewhitt (Watt) in Calithness; Emily Anderson and Margaret Robinson (Simpson) are returning to Sunderland, and Dora Housman (Chappell) is home from S. Africa. Edith Gibson is back at her pre-war post, and Dorothy (Richardson) is sharing a house in Sunderland with Winnie till she can return to Singapore; both her boys are at Bede School.

Isobel Caldwell decided not to go to Rio de Janeiro, but Grace went, and has a post in the Commercial Department of the British Embassy. Wynne Wood (Turnbull), with her two little sons, is in Quebec, and Edith Genter (McFarlane) at Edmonton has a second daughter; Grace Clark (Boston) and baby are in Canada too. Ivy Riddick (Snowden) in Chicago, Pat Potts (Chase) in Washington, and Edna Bathgate (Tolbert) in Ohio, in a house " as depicted on the films. " Ellen Whiting (Davison) is in Northern Rhodesia, thirty-five miles from the nearest town " with the whole of Africa outside. " Ida Walker (Earl) and Lucy Postgate (Nichol) meet frequently in Johannesburg for shopping expeditions and pore over all Sunderland news.

Margaret Owens (Wood) has joined her husband in Germany, and under the Control Commission, Blanche Collinson will go there soon to do secretarial work and Vera Sutherland and Winifred Wakinslaw to teach English children. Spending a year in posts in France are Margery Humphrey near Grenoble and Norma Crozier in Paris. At the International Conference of Domestic Science held in Switzerland in summer, Mary Robertson was one of two delegates from England and made the delegation speech.

To return from wanderings—Winnie Rogers (Brown) sending members' subscriptions, adds, "We enjoyed the new *Old Bedan* very much, and passed it round other Bedans in the hope of acquiring new members." Is this "word to the wise" sufficient?

Editorial Post-Script

Before you relax after reading these somewhat breathless pages, may we add a personal word?

For years, we have thought that in our Notes, "Some there be that have no memorial," namely, the Bedan teachers in the town. These are rarely mentioned, yet not only do they form a goodly proportion of the Old Girls, but they are in very truth the back-bone of the Guild. We greet them here.

Now—two requests! You who send no news, how gladly would the Editors hear from you! You read with interest about other Bedans; so would they about you. And you, who do delight our Editorial hearts with your friendly tit-bits, be they of pre-examination feasts of salmon and strawberries, of real achievement, beauty parlours, or entertaining the Great, please, oh, please, do not cast us down to the depths by adding,
Not for publication!

E. K. S.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS ON AUGUST 31st, 1946

A Summary of Balance Sheet for Year 1945-46, from September 1st, 1945, to August 31st, 1946.

| RECEIPTS. | | £ s. d. | | £ s. d. | | |
|--|-----|---------|-----|---------|----|-----|
| From Subscriptions— | | | | | | |
| 18 Completed Life (varying years) | ... | 19 | 10 | 0 | | |
| 199 Renewed Annual at 2/6 | ... | 24 | 17 | 0 | | |
| 29 New Annual at 2/6 | ... | 5 | 17 | 0 | | |
| 2 in Advance at 2/6 | ... | 5 | 0 | 0 | | |
| 5 Arrears at 2/6 | ... | 12 | 0 | 0 | | |
| | | <hr/> | | 46 | 13 | 0 |
| From 4 Donations | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| From Interest— | | | | | | |
| (a) On War Stock | ... | 3 | 0 | 10 | | |
| (b) On Defence Bonds | ... | 2 | 5 | 0 | | |
| (c) On Deposit Account | ... | 7 | 5 | | | |
| | | <hr/> | | 4 | 1 | 3 |
| From Meetings— | | | | | | |
| (a) Annual Meeting | ... | 1 | 10 | | | |
| (b) Winter Do-Limon | ... | 3 | 4 | 1 | | |
| (c) Summer Do-Limon | ... | 11 | 5 | | | |
| | | <hr/> | | 15 | 10 | 4 |
| Total | ... | <hr/> | | 66 | 16 | 7 |
| EXPENDITURE. | | | | | | |
| Stationery and Printing, including Old Books | | | | | | |
| Postage and Telephone Calls | ... | ... | ... | 15 | 13 | 2½ |
| Gifts— | | | | 8 | 4 | 0 |
| School Prize (Annual) | ... | 1 | 1 | 0 | | |
| Prizes for Robot Competition | ... | 1 | 1 | 0 | | |
| Children's Hospital | ... | 1 | 1 | 0 | | |
| "Welcome Home" Fund | ... | 1 | 1 | 0 | | |
| Town and Scholarship Fund | ... | 2 | 2 | 0 | | |
| | | <hr/> | | 6 | 6 | 0 |
| Cheque Book | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 0 | |
| Balance on Year's Working | ... | ... | ... | 20 | 11 | 10½ |
| Total | ... | <hr/> | | 30 | 11 | 10½ |

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TOTAL FUNDS.

| | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|---|----------|----------|-----|-------------------|----------|----------|
| Balance on August 31st, 1945 | 295 | 19 | 14 | | | |
| Balance on Year's Working (1945-46) including | | | | 88 | 7 | 9 |
| Interest on War Stock, Defense Bonds and | | | | 75 | 0 | 0 |
| Deposit Account | 29 | 11 | 104 | | | |
| | | | | 80 | 7 | 8 |
| | | | | 81 | 8 | 0 |
| | | | | 130 | 16 | 8 |
| | | | | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Total—£295 | 5 | 9 | | Total—£296 | 5 | 0 |

H. M. CHAFFIN, Hon. Treasurer.

I have examined Receipt Books, Stock Receipt, Defense Bonds Receipt, Current and Deposit Bank Accounts, and I certify that everything is in order.
 THOS. H. BELYTH, September 29th, 1946.

