

THE OLD BEDAN

1979

Moir's welcome extended especially to our new President, Mrs. L. Young, and two Vice-Presidents, Miss Bradbury and Audrey Hayton (Garrick); she was also pleased to see four former and six present members of staff. The "missing" Vice-President, Eileen Davidson (Kirkcaldy) sent her apologies, as had Irene Wilkinson, Winnie Knapper (Loudsley), Max Stirling (Jeffries), May Morrison (Walker) and Marjorie Brown (Brown). To her and to any other members who were ill, Moir sent our good wishes, and she expressed our sorrow that there could be no message this year from our late Vice-President, Miss Wool, who always remembered our meetings.

The Summer Reception would be held in school on 22nd June (as we were not to expect such a plenty 'do' as last year's) and the A.G.M. in September, when Moir hoped for more than the usual 20 to 25 to attend and help to plan future programmes. "It'll only be a short meeting" she promised hopefully!

Anne Mitchell (Crown), now Vice-Chairman as well as Social Service Group Secretary, had a few words to say. She recalled that the Committee was re-formed in 1949 (and was surprised, on reading the minutes, to find that she was a member then!), when its main source of income was donations made at the time of the Guild of Help Annual Market. This was no longer the case, but donations were still needed to provide parcels and comforts for "our" old folk.

Betty Robson's coffee Morning, which raised £15, and tonight's Tombola (£22.20) would help, but further contributions would always be welcome. Then Anne asked Eileen Hooper, former secretary, and Cathy McCrea (treasurer) to come forward and receive mementoes of their 10 years' service on the committee. Each was given a plate, painted by Eileen Old (Kirkcaldy) and bearing the Gold School badge and an inscription - unique tokens of gratitude which will surely be treasured.

A quick word from the Chairman, reminding us that subscriptions were now due ("I wanted you to enjoy your meal first!"); then we sang the School Song, unaccompanied, but managing a dead-horn with Winnie Scott (Thomas) at the piano. Moir wondered whether perhaps we should do our singing earlier in the evening - before our voices grew hoarse!

So much for the oldies ... The next voices to be raised in song had suffered less wear and tear than ours; they belonged to six present day Bedeans, Judith Carr (spouse), Jane Kirkin and Maureen Lewis (controllors), Nicholas Hayes and Philip Walker (Garnet), and Peter Hale, bass singer and "spokesman". The group, he said, debt pre-deded to be with us hasn't that nice?; it consisted of five trained music students and a sixth, unspecified, member "trained to be musical". Their conductor was none other than our own, our very own, Val Northgate, and the accompanist Mrs. Watson.

According to the legend, the first person to cross the river was a man named "Ko-ko". He was followed by his wife and their two sons. They were followed by many others, including a group of people from the town of Kameyama. The legend says that the people from Kameyama brought with them a large number of trees, which they used to build houses and temples along the riverbank. The legend also says that the people from Kameyama were very kind and helpful to the other settlers, and that they became good friends. The legend ends with the statement that the people of Kameyama still live in the area today, and that they are known for their hospitality and friendliness.

They began to take office and the corresponding powers were given to them. The
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ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING.

The Annual Business Meeting was held in the Needlework Room, Dely School, on Friday 21st September, 1979 and 33 were present. Mrs Gaddaford (Chair) welcomed everyone and reported apologies for absence from the President, Mrs. Youngs and also Win Scott (Thomas).

The Minutes of the previous A. B. M. were read by the Secretary Margaret Chapman (Chair). The Secretary's report on the work of the Guild and the financial situation followed. A loss of £38. 82 was reported on the year's workings.

The Chairman and Secretary then handed over office. The new Chairman is Anna Mitchell (Crown) and the new Secretary/Treasurer is Irene Wilkinson.

Mrs Gaddaford thanked Margaret Chapman for all her hard work as Secretary/Treasurer for the last 11 years. The new members of the Committee were then announced.

Reports were read from the Social Services, the London Branch, and the Loan and Scholarship Fund.

It was agreed that the School Prize should be increased to £10.

Arrangements for the Winter and Dinner Reunions were discussed and the Meeting ended with tea and biscuits.

TREASURER'S REPORT. Making my final report as Treasurer of the Guild I am sorry to say that over the year we had a loss of £38. 82. Several things contributed to this deficit, one of the main being a drop in annual subscriptions of £10 and lower rates of interest at the Trustee Savings Bank decreased our income by £12. Our actual receipts for the year were - from subscriptions annual £18, 10s £31. 90, from donations £9. 50 and profit on meetings amounted to £22. 80. Total interest received was £71. 31. Expenses were as follows:- Printing £88. 50, Stationery 47. 80, Postage and Telephone £12. 08, Flowers and Cards and refreshments gifts £11. 40, Editorial Expenses £1. 10, School Prize £7. 50, Donation to British Heart Foundation in memory of Miss Neal £16, Engraving £1. 20, London Branch £2. 80 and Corporation Tax £38. 82.

Our total funds on August 31st 1979 were £1297. 82, made up as follows: £15 War Stock £16. 14, £15 Savings Bonds £15, Sunderland Trustee Savings Bank Ordinary Account £112. 84, Special Investment Account £802. 11, Barclays Bank £47. 81 and cash in hand £3. 11.

Once again we must thank Mr. Chris Hutchinson - now no longer a member of Books Staff - for auditing our accounts.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. We start the year 1979/80 with 473 members. 7 new members paid annual subscriptions during the year, 3 new life members were enrolled and seven existing members paid life subscriptions. There were 8 lapsed memberships. We were saddened by the deaths of three of our members, Miss Neal, Audrey Vojtch and Joyce Errington. Most of the people who did not pay their subscriptions during the year are members of long standing and will, I feel sure, need only a reminder.

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We are also sorry to hear of the death of an Old Bede who left "Wayside" for a home in Stoke, and were grateful to the matron for contacting us.

Our past Secretary and Treasurer, Estate Holder and Cathy McCrea, expressed delight with their gift of a plate, inscribed and decorated with our Bee badge, which was the Club's thanks for the valuable service they have given.

Anne Clegg.

OLD BEDEANS HOCKEY CLUB 1976-77

Annual Report: Last season many matches were cancelled because of the weather, out of 22 matches played, we won 6, lost 5 and 1 was drawn. At the beginning-of-season tournament we progressed to the semi-finals only to be eliminated by penalty strokes; unfortunately the end-of-season tournament was cancelled due to adverse weather conditions.

The 1st XI progressed to the semi-final of the knockout cup only to be beaten 4-0 by Camas Club. We were also fortunate in being asked to participate in the Ben Rydding '77 held in N. Yorks. The team had a very enjoyable day and finished runners up in our section.

During the Easter holidays a visiting Dutch team arrived in Eng-land to play a number of matches against other clubs. Old Bedeans organised a tournament in which a number of clubs from Durham and Northumberland took part. The visit proved a great success and as a result we have received an invitation to visit Holland in Easter 1978.

The indoor season was reasonably successful. Old Bedeans finished 3rd in the League, but could have won overall if we had not conceded an injury goal.

There was also an indoor knockout cup for the first time. Old Bedeans were unlucky to be drawn against Brown in the first round. After a very entertaining match we lost on penalty strokes. We did qualify for the knockout plate and beat Norton Arrows in the final.

County Representation

Junior County:

1st XI - Julie Wyson, Barbara Yendall.

2nd XI - Susan Atkinson, Dorothy Lee, Elizabeth Davison.

Allie Wilson participated for a North of England junior trial.

Senior County:

1st XI - Norma Party, Gillian Longford.

2nd XI - Judy Stewart, Diane Farmer, Carolyn Walker.

Bee, Philippa Young, Terry Graham.

North of England "B" XI N. Party.

County Indoor: Norma Party, Judy Stewart.

Norma J. Dix, Hon. Secretary.

We all missed Miss May's lively conversation at our meeting in October 1976 and hoped that if she could not make a complete recovery from the stroke that had put her in hospital several months earlier, she would not have to suffer for long.

that Vickie had wanted to have a quiet evening with her husband, but he had been so busy with his work that he had not had time to go home.

"I think Vickie would have liked it if she had known about it," said Vickie's mother. "She would have been very happy to have you come over for dinner." Vickie's mother was a widow, and she lived alone in a small house on the outskirts of town. She had never married again after her first husband died.

"I'm sorry I didn't know about it sooner," said Vickie. "I would have come over to see you earlier if I had known about it. I'll call you tomorrow morning to let you know when I'll be able to come over again." Vickie's mother smiled and said, "That's all right, Vickie. You're welcome to come over whenever you want to. I just don't have time to go out much these days."

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MRS W. J. E. MOUL

On the eve of the publication of the last 'Old Bede', but too late for other than the inclusion of more than a mere announcement, came news of the death at the age of eighty-six of Miss W. J. E. Moull.

Miss Moull came to 'The Bede' in 1894, the third of the four head-mistresses of the Girls' School, a school which she served with loving devotion, enthusiasm and high idealism for twenty-five years.

She always taught First Year Scripture. Often the young pupils went to her spacious study and sat on the floor. At the end of the year she had come to know every girl in the initial age group and so knew each pupil as she progressed through the school. She had an intense interest in the individual and would continue with skill and determination to secure for each, the course she needed, even when it seemed unlikely to fit into the School's curriculum. Moreover she had an amazing ability to persuade others to help her gain what she wanted.

Miss Moull took charge of the School in peace days. She guided it through the difficult days of war and occupation, ended with a greatly increased number of pupils in post-war days and just before retirement survived the noisy disruptive period of school extensions. She inherited a school with a great tradition, she breathed into it some of her own fiery enthusiasm and, at the end of a momentous quarter of a century, reluctantly handed on a school of which she, the staff, the pupils and indeed the town were justly proud.

Her Christian faith meant much to Miss Moull, and many will remember in later years, her moving sermons at Assembly when she wrestled with life's problems. They will also recall the many lighter moments during announcements as for instance, the occasion when, collecting ingredients for Christmas cakes, she announced, 'Tomorrow I shall have a bath on the platform'.

Miss Moull was also a well known local character, very active in a multitude of town affairs. Some time ago a smiling picture of Miss Moull graced the Echo's section on 'Twenty Five Years Ago'. She had left an impression which long survived her retirement.

It was with great reluctance that she left Sunderland for London in 1959 but she felt it her duty to join her invalid sister whom she tended with loving care for nineteen years. Yet her heart remained in Sunderland and she returned over the years as often as she could. Her last visit in December 1977 was on the occasion of a retirement party for Audrey Hayton (Currie) when her speech showed that at eighty-five she still retained her immense vitality, her clear logic and her impressive skill as an orator.

It is now a year since the 'old warrior' departed the stage of life but it will be many years before her 'New warrior' forget her achievements and her enduring contributions.

HOMES OF OLD BEDEANS

Jean Farmer (Moull) moved to Harrogate on her husband's appointment to a Headmaster's post in Ilkley. Winnie Scott (Thomas) heard of this from Jean's mother (Joyce Elliot) when they met by chance in the car

Eve Richardson (Dowse). At the wedding in Dorset of Marjorie Knapp's daughter, Winona Knapper (Lonsdale) chatted to Eddie Scott (Poole) who was also a guest at the lunch in the Castle. Winona Scott (Thomas) spoke to Ethel Russell (Garr) from Carlisle in July at a demonstration of cooking and flower arrangement at Eggleston Hall, Teesdale, - the second occasion over the years they have met there by chance. Ethel Letts (Lockhart) has visited Gina Wright (Hunter) this summer at her home in Cheltenham. Ogs Wright (Stewart) had a visit this summer from her cousin Ethel Richardson who was at Poole for only one year 1954-55 but who remembered most vividly one nursing incident. One morning on entering school, Ethel met Miss Hutchinson who gave her a large key with the instructions to "lock the staff room door and give the key to Miss Peters". Not really hearing, but not daring to "beg pardon" of "Granny", she went off to do this unusual deed. Having locked the door she then locked the bell for assembly so, clutching the key, she went to the Hall hoping to find Miss Peters there. Only when no staff appeared, apart from Miss Maud and Miss Hutchinson, did she realize that "lock the door" had really been "knock at the door". As soon as assembly was dismissed, she flew to the Staff Room where the shouts and bangs of the locked-in staff could be heard. The staff believed her story so they realized that this small terrified child could not have committed this "crime" willingly. Winona Scott, Ogs and Ethel had a good "snug" and noisy luncheon, over coffee, while looking at the long awaited photograph of 1959. Ethel also said that in August 1973 she had met Beryl Johnson (Foster) who was on holiday with her husband from Vancouver, Vancouver Island. Beryl is very well and still teaching. Ethel is now retired from nursing and living in Ryedale, Ryedale, North Yorkshire. And some "good" news - ? June Marshall (St. Julian and Marjorie Anderson (Cartier) met in a very private place at an MI Service Station; both were travelling back from holidays whilst Hasty Wilson (Johson) was the first to try to enter the new "lou" at King's Cross Station recently.....but the "watchers" struck : Helen Impey (Allinson) daughter of Joyce Campbell, travelled from Poole, Dorset in September to attend the wedding of Paul Smart in Wirksworth. On their way to Cornwall this summer Carol Wilson (Pallies), and family attended with Anne Matthews (Cartland) in Leicester, and Helen in Poole. Grace has met up with her sister-in-law Marianne Moffat twice this year, once in Poole at Grace's house, and in the Lake District. Marianne was at the wedding in September of Margaret Phillips' daughter, in Manchester. Margaret Robertson (Dowse) chatted with Margaret Lucy (Bennett) - who lives at Petersfield, - at Barbara Flower Show, Eddie Robinson (Temple) sees several Old Pochins at Hastings Hill Townswomen's Guild meetings.

MEMBERS AT WORK

Talbot Cartford is Deputy Head and Senior Lecturer in the Business Studies Department at Langdale College of Further Education, Glasgow. Kathryn Stewart is living in Leicestershire, where she works as a Senior Administrative Assistant, Information Services, for

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should be a limit to the Order, which was to be given by Duke
of Argyll himself. There was no such provision at that time.
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of the Duke of Argyll's Army, who received a field of battle
about the 20th of September last October, at the Conquest of Glencoe
when about 5000 men were engaged in battle, and Duke
Argyll's Army were beaten in battle at Glencoe. The
Duke of Argyll had been told by his officers that General Duke
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In consequence of General Duke Dauglas's beatings, the Duke
of Argyll was taken prisoner, and a general amnesty was
granted to all those who had been beaten by General Duke Dauglas.

a from the mother of Phyllis Humphreys (Hunter), and enlarged upon by Mrs. Bryson, whose daughter-in-law lives in Peterborough. The latter informs us that the occasion was at the Almshouse and Farnborough Festival of Music and Art where the latest Battle Cup is awarded annually. Marie sang songs by Schubert and Britten, and Elizabeth and Tatiana sang to gain her award prize. Some Old Belles may remember Marie coming to sing the contralto soloist part in a performance of the Messiah sung by Lydia Orton's Singing Club under Mr. Barley's direction some years ago.

Mrs. Jean Bell, now retired, is president of Sandhurst Soroptimists Club. Sylvia Hood (Briggs) has now completed two years as a J. P. and is finding the work of a magistrate very interesting.

FOREIGN NEWS. None this year from the U.S. for the first time in twenty three years was Edna Battaglia (Tolbert). A G.L. bride married in 1946, Edna was teaching in Birmingham towards the end of the war when she met her husband. She feels Sandhurst people are still as friendly as ever, was full of praise for the improvements along the sea front, but sadly missed - yes - the TOWN HALL CLOCK. She did not visit visiting schoolfriends Peggy Victory (Baines), Doris Forster (Robinson) and Mary Ardison (Robinson), who had a get together with Edna, Rose Ballad (Doreen fell in love with Rosalind) on a short holiday there while visiting her daughter in America. Back home in time to give a delightful demonstration in July at Rose Flower Club, she had a number of Old Belles among her appreciative audience. June Mitchell (Prestoff) was home from Rhodesia in May and arrived at the tax-office counter with lots of other tax payers to see June Mitchell (Creswell). They had an enjoyable lunch together later. June still sees June Brooks (Richards) frequently, who is in Rhodesia. Mollie Duncan spent three weeks in Canada this year visiting relatives; Susan Milton (Woop) and her family were in England in November 1978 and returned to Australia in January. Susan teaches at Melbourne Polytechnic three days a week, and has recently taken her Master of Economics degree. Diana Pearce (Pearce) and her husband were immigrating to Australia in January 1979. Carol Henderson (Hall) was here from Calgary in May. She saw her aunt Elizabeth Henderson, Joyce Orr (succinct among other friends).

SCHOOL NEWS

Staff Changes

In December 1978 Robert and (spouse) to Mr. M. J. Abbott and Mr. R. Stevenson, both of whom moved to gain promotion, and to Mr. Welsh (Barry) Robertson (Robertson) who left to have a baby, but who, we are delighted to say, came back part-time in September. In April, Mr. Barker and Mr. Harstone left us and in July Miss N. L. Haig, Miss P. L. Clark, Miss S. A. Cutforth, Mr. W. Hopkins (retirement), Mr. C. H. Hutchinson (Head of Department), Miss M. S. McEvill (retirement), Mr. B. Stephenson (Head of Department), and Mrs. S. E. Watson. At the end of September Mrs. J. S. Mills unfortunately had to tender her resignation owing to family commitments. Our thanks and good wishes go with them all.

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for the duration of the British Parliament's stay, including the castle,
which is situated in the heart of the town, which "the enemy will be
able to hold until we have passed to another side", because the British
will be unable "to hold it".

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At the beginning of 1978 Miss Dorothy, writing to thank our Society for a "best wishes on retirement" card felt "that the days of retirement were passing at an alarming rate", but was very thankful not to be facing the early morning rigours of the appalling winter weather". In March Doris Septon (Ogilton) wrote of an indescribable winter at Newbiggin-in-Teesdale. Between December 28th and March 1st, Doris had only been three times out of her garden gates. "The whole of the front garden was a drift as high as the high garden wall. The hill was only cleared last week (of March) and I had high hopes of getting down to the village, but there was a drift ten feet high blocking the road outside my garage, another below the sitting room window, and the road was filled with snow from wall to wall. The farmers were walking along the tops of the walls to find their sheep. After a thaw, and more snow, the road was a river of ice... perhaps summer will long-lead over a dilatory spring; the pea-vines are back, and that is a good sign".

After reading the last magazine, Nellie Stephenson (South) wrote from "Green Cottage", Ryhope, Barnard Castle:- "Like an old friend, the "Old Bede" followed me to my new abode. We had had the cottage for some years, hoping to live here in retirement and I suddenly realised that I was the poor girl in the story of the rambling club who had to eat her plums too alone! I am still interested in rambling - and have had plenty of practice this winter walking up and down to Barnard Castle in between the snowdrifts. I was a founder member of the Guild - the first meeting was in March 97, and we all paid £1/d. May Old Bede in this area still be welcome to a cup of tea at "Green Cottage".

Winnie Kappeler (Lonsdale) and her husband, after a stay at health-wise, are now safely settled in "Elder" country at Penistock, Malvern. She writes "I was never more delighted to receive the "Old Bede". It arrived two or three days after we did - there on the mid I recognised the envelope and the writing - what a delight! I sat down somewhere, surrounded by Pickford's curios - two or three stiff unopened - and by numerous carefully-sewed boxes, and read more deeply than ever before, if possible, the Old Bede from first word to last". Winnie is thoroughly enjoying the floral arrangements in the Cathedral as well as the music of the Three Choirs Festival and has joined Malvern Florist Art Club. Before leaving Sudercraig she was contacted by Sheila Beach (Bathurst), now widowed, sister of Vera Beach, who goes to Malvern every year on a visit, and happens to have a chat with Winnie now and then. Winnie's new home is built on an orchard formerly belonging to Barbara Cartland, the novelist - an everything grows!

Theresa Henderson (Williamson) writes:- "I was sorry to hear of Miss Shearer's death. I met her several times when I was staying with Missie McMillan. I met Miss May once - my days go back to Janet and Kenneth Todd... I am glad to see Lorkay is still going strong. I remember we won the shield for the first time - I think it was against the Church High School, and Nancy Welch and I were still great friends."

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR APRIL 31st 1970.

Receipts	£ p	Expenditure	£ p
Subscriptions Annual	21. 00	Printing	20. 00
Ditto	21. 00	Stationery	7. 00
Donations	8. 10	Post and Telephone	22. 00
Meetings	23. 00	Flowers and Cards	1. 00
Interest	79. 31	Editorial Expenses	2. 00
Loss on the year's working	26. 00	Sale of Prints	2. 00
		Retirement Gift (Mrs. Darroch)	6. 00
		In Memoriam (Miss Head)	10. 00
		OB Plates	2. 00
		Engraving	1. 00
		London Branch	0. 00
		Corporation Tax	20. 00
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Total Funds on August 31st 1970.

Balance on Aug. 31st 1970	£104. 61	Made up as follows:	
Less on Year's working	26. 00	1/2 War Stock	20. 00
		1/2 Savings Bonds	70. 00
		Subscribed Transfers	
		Savings Bank Overdrawn	110. 66
		" " Special Fund	860. 18
		Barclays Bank	47. 00
		Cash in Hand	0. 16
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I have examined the receipt books, Stock receipts, Savings Bonds, Special Investment Accounts and Current Accounts and certify that everything is in order.

C. Hutchinson,
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Margaret L. Hunter
Hon. Treasurer.

