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\* SOCIETY NEWS \*  
\* BULLETIN OF THE ENFIELD ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY \*  
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**RED HERRINGS:** VISITORS TO ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES OFTEN TAKE FRAGMENTS OF POTTERY AWAY WITH THEM, OBTAINED EITHER BY PURCHASE FROM THE SITE MUSEUM OR BY WALKING OVER ROMAN TOWN SITES NOW UNDER THE PLOUGH.

INTERESTING COLLECTIONS OF POTTERY CAN BE FORMED IN THIS WAY; SEVERAL OF OUR JUNIOR MEMBERS HAVE GATHERED POTTERY ON THEIR VISITS AND BY DRAWING AND DATING THEIR SHERDS HAS ENABLED THEM TO GAIN A GREATER UNDERSTANDING OF THE SUBJECT.

IT IS THE POTTERY WHICH IS NOT RETAINED THAT CAN CAUSE CONFUSION: THROWN OUT, OFTEN IN THE GARDEN, WHERE IT REMAINS TO BE "DISCOVERED" BY SOME ENTHUSIASTIC AMATEUR ARCHAEOLOGIST. THERE ARE AT LEAST TWO NOTES IN THE SOCIETY'S RECORDS REGARDING ROMAN POTTERY FOUND IN THIS AREA UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH AROUSE SUSPICIONS AS TO ITS TRUE ORIGIN.

AN ILLUSTRATION OF THE DANGERS OF DISCARDED POTTERY IS CONTAINED IN AN ARTICLE IN THE MARCH ISSUE OF "ANTIQUITY": POTTERY FOUND UNDER A TENNIS COURT IN STANMORE AND AT FIRST THOUGHT TO BE SAXON WAS LATER IDENTIFIED AS COMING FROM JEBEL MOYA IN THE SUDAN! THE SHERDS HAD BEEN REJECTED WHEN THE POTTERY FROM THE WELLCOME EXCAVATIONS WAS SORTED AND THE REJECTS USED AS A FOUNDATION FOR THE COURT.

WHAT SHOULD BE DONE WITH UNWANTED POTTERY? ONE CAN OF COURSE POUND IT INTO INIDENTIFIABLE DUST, BUT THE EASIEST AND SAFEST METHOD, AS SUGGESTED IN "ANTIQUITY", IS TO USE THE DUSTBIN WHERE IT WILL AT LEAST BE STRATIFIED WITH MODERN RUBBISH ON THE MUNICIPAL TIP.

**OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE 1961/62:** AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ON 24TH MARCH, 1961, THE FOLLOWING OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE WERE ELECTED:

- CHAIRMAN: MR. E. CHAMP, F.F.S., M.R.S.H.                      SECRETARY: MR. G. R. GILLAM
- TREASURER: MRS. J. ADAMS    SOCIAL SECRETARY: MR. F. S. SMITH
- DIRECTOR OF EXCAVATIONS: DR. J. P. C. KENT, F.S.A.
- COMMITTEE: MR. J. ADAMS, MISS G. PROFIT, MR. A. SHARMAN, MRS. A. SMITH, MR. C. THOMPSON, MR. J. CRACE (JUNIOR REPRESENTATIVE).
- SURVEYOR: MR. R. SPEIGHT    PHOTOGRAPHER: MR. G. R. GILLAM
- AUDITORS: MR. E. HORSTEAD, F.C.A., MR. C. J. KNIGHT, A.A.C.C.A.
- TRUSTEES: DR. P. W. A. AGNEW, MR. J. ADAMS.

**MEMBERS NIGHT MEETINGS 1961:** IN THE ENFIELD GRAMMAR SCHOOL AT 8 P.M.

**WEDNESDAY, 28TH JUNE:** MISS E. GOBEL WILL PROJECT FILMS OF EXCAVATIONS AT ST. ALBANS, COLCHESTER AND OTHER ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES. MOST OF THESE FILMS WERE MADE BY MISS GOBEL AND SHOW THE VALUE OF THE "MOVIE" AS AN AID TO ARCHAEOLOGY AND THAT THE MAKING OF SUCH FILMS IS WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE AMATEUR.

**WEDNESDAY, 26TH JULY:** MR. F. CELORIA WILL SPEAK ABOUT THE PLACE OF THE AMATEUR IN ARCHAEOLOGY. MR. CELORIA IS FIELD OFFICER FOR THE LONDON MUSEUM AND SECRETARY OF THE THAMES BASIN ARCHAEOLOGICAL OBSERVERS GROUP. HE IS AT PRESENT, AMONGST OTHER ACTIVITIES, ENGAGED ON PREPARING THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL SECTION OF THE LONG AWAITED VOLUME ONE OF THE VICTORIA COUNTY HISTORY OF MIDDLESEX.

**WEDNESDAY, 30TH AUGUST:** MR. G. GILLAM WILL DESCRIBE WITH THE AID OF SLIDES LAST YEAR'S EXCAVATIONS ON THE ROMAN ROADS AROUND BRAUGHING IN HERTFORDSHIRE. THESE EXCAVATIONS, UNDER THE DIRECTION OF MR. W. BARR AND MR. GILLAM, RAISED MANY NEW PROBLEMS, BUT ONE MAJOR CONTRIBUTION WAS THE LOCATION OF THE TRUE COURSE AND NATURE OF ERMINE STREET BETWEEN PUCKERIDGE AND BRAUGHING.

**INFORMATION WANTED:** TWO ROMAN LAMPS WHICH WERE FOUND IN EDMONTON SOME YEARS AGO AND PLACED IN THE LOCAL COLLECTION AT HUXLEY SCHOOL, SILVER STREET, EDMONTON, HAVE SINCE BEEN STOLEN. WILL ANYONE WHO HAS KNOWLEDGE OF THE WHEREABOUTS OF THESE LAMPS PLEASE INFORM THE SECRETARY.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL BIBLIOGRAPHY: A NEW AND UP TO DATE BOOK LIST ON BRITISH ARCHAEOLOGY HAS NOW BEEN PUBLISHED AND CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE COUNCIL FOR BRITISH ARCHAEOLOGY, 10 BOLTON GARDENS, LONDON, S.W.5. THE PRICE IS 5/6D. PLUS 4D. POSTAGE. A COPY OF THIS BOOK LIST HAS BEEN PURCHASED BY THE SOCIETY AND CAN BE BORROWED ON APPLICATION TO THE SECRETARY.

IN VIEW OF THE REVISED READING LIST NOW AVAILABLE THE BIBLIOGRAPHY WHICH HAS BEEN A FEATURE OF THE BULLETIN SINCE DECEMBER 1959 WILL BE DISCONTINUED.

B.B.C. "THE ARCHAEOLOGIST" 1961: SPECIAL SERIES: "THE ARCHAEOLOGY OF AFRICA", MAY TO OCTOBER. SIX PROGRAMMES ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF AFRICAN ARCHAEOLOGY AND OUR PRESENT KNOWLEDGE OF THE EMERGENCE OF NATIVE COMMUNITIES IN AFRICA BELOW THE SAHARA. MAY: "THE PIONEERS OF AFRICAN ARCHAEOLOGY". AN HISTORICAL REVIEW OF THE RISING INTEREST IN AFRICAN ARCHAEOLOGY AND A REVIEW OF CURRENT CENTRES OF LEARNING. JUNE: "THE EVOLUTION OF HOMO SAPIENS IN AFRICA". JULY: "EARLY HUNTING COMMUNITIES". AUGUST: "THE COMING OF METAL". THE ARRIVAL OF METAL-WORKING AND ITS SOCIAL AND POLITICAL REPERCUSSIONS. SEPTEMBER: "THE RISE OF THE DYNASTIES". THE DEVELOPMENT OF ADVANCED COMMUNITIES DURING THE MIDDLE AGES AND THE EMERGENCE OF AFRICAN ART FORMS. OCTOBER: "IMPACT OF OUTSIDE WORLD". THE IMPACT OF EUROPE AND ARABIA ON NATIVE AFRICAN COMMUNITIES. NOVEMBER: CENTENARY EDITION OF "THE ARCHAEOLOGIST". A SYMPOSIUM DRAWN FROM SOME OF THE MORE OUTSTANDING EDITIONS. DECEMBER: "THE ARCHAEOLOGY OF WARFARE". A STUDY OF HOW THE ARCHAEOLOGIST CAN TRACE INVENTIONS OF NEW WEAPONS AND THE EFFECT OF THESE UPON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE COMMUNITIES CONCERNED.

FIELD STUDIES COUNCIL: A COURSE IN FIELD ARCHAEOLOGY WILL BE HELD BY THE FIELD STUDIES COUNCIL FROM WEDNESDAY, 23RD AUGUST, TO WEDNESDAY, 6TH SEPTEMBER, 1961, AT THE FLATFORD MILL FIELD CENTRE NEAR COLCHESTER. THE COURSE IS DESIGNED TO ACQUAINT STUDENTS WITH THE MANY FACETS OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELD WORK AND IN PARTICULAR TO INSTRUCT AND GIVE THEM PRACTICE IN EXCAVATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED RESEARCHES.

STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE INSTRUCTION AND DEMONSTRATION IN METHODS AND TECHNIQUES. THEY WILL PARTAKE IN ALL STAGES OF AN EXCAVATION, FROM THE INITIAL MARKING OUT OF THE AREA TO BE INVESTIGATED, TO THE FINAL PREPARATION OF THE REPORT FOR PUBLICATION. THE EXCAVATION WILL TAKE PLACE ON A ROMAN SITE IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD OF COLCHESTER.

THE FEE WILL BE £16 FOR THE TWO WEEKS. STUDENTS AND STAFF FROM UNIVERSITIES WHICH DIRECTLY GRANT-AID THE F.S.C. WILL PAY £13.

APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE MADE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO: THE WARDEN, FLATFORD MILL FIELD CENTRE, EAST BERGHOLT, NEAR COLCHESTER, ESSEX.

SUBSCRIPTIONS 1961/62: WILL THOSE MEMBERS WHO HAVE NOT YET PAID THEIR SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR THE CURRENT YEAR PLEASE SEND THEM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO THE HON. TREASURER: MRS. J. ADAMS, 14 UVEDALE ROAD, ENFIELD.

VISIT TO LULLINGSTONE ROMAN VILLA: THE ATTACHED NOTICE GIVES DETAILS OF THE VISIT TO THE LULLINGSTONE ROMAN VILLA ARRANGED FOR SUNDAY, 4TH JUNE, 1961.

A LOT MORE OF THE SITE HAS BEEN UNCOVERED SINCE THE SOCIETY VISIT IN 1956 AND THE VILLA IS NOW UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE MINISTRY OF WORKS WHO HAVE ERECTED A STRUCTURE OVER THE SITE TO PROTECT IT FROM DAMAGE.

LT.-COL. G. W. MEATES, F.S.A., WHO GAVE A LECTURE TO THE SOCIETY LAST YEAR ON THE HISTORY OF THE VILLA AS REVEALED BY THE EXCAVATIONS, WILL BE CONDUCTING MEMBERS OVER THE SITE.

TIME AND WEATHER PERMITTING IT IS HOPED TO VISIT OTHER NEARBY ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES SUCH AS KITS COTY HOUSE.

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