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PRICE TWOPENCE.



W. J. Kelly

How a Bill becomes an Act of Parliament and is made a Law.

The Legislative Machine.

The greater part of the work of the House of Commons is concerned with consideration of Bills which are drafts of proposed legislation. Theoretically every member is entitled to bring forward a Bill, but Government business occupies so large a proportion of time that Private Member's Bills have very small chance of becoming law, even when they have successfully passed the necessary ballot, or permission has been given to introduce a Private Member's Bill, which must be sponsored by a number of other members.

The progress of a Bill is slow in proportion to the opposition it receives. A Government Bill is introduced by a member of the Government, usually the Minister whose Department is concerned.

First Reading:

Is generally formal: but, if introduced under the Ten Minutes Rule, the Member may speak for ten minutes, and if there is opposition then the opposing member may speak for ten minutes, after which the vote is taken on the First Reading. The title of the Bill is read, an order made for printing, and a date fixed for

Second Reading:

Is a more lengthy process. The general principles of the measure are discussed and, if approved, the measure passes its second reading and reaches

Committee Stage.

It is at this stage that obstruction provides a formidable weapon. The general principle being accepted, the way is clear for amendments, and discussion on these is lengthy in proportion to the numbers engaged in considering the Bill. Some measures are considered by the

Standing Committees.

These are appointed each session to consider certain Bills which have passed their second reading.

The Committee of the House,

To which some measures are committed. This is the full membership sitting under the rule of the Chairman, the Speaker leaving the Chair. A Bill in Committee Stage receives attention clause by clause, and discussion on amendments can bring obstruction to a fine art. Amendments of the most futile kind can be fought to a Division. After Committee comes

The Report Stage,

When the House, with the Speaker in the Chair, considers the Bill as amended in Committee. Here, again, amendments may be brought forward and discussed before the Bill passes as a whole to the Third Reading. If the Bill is not amended in Committee there is no Report Stage.

The Third Reading.

When the House decides whether it shall be passed, in which event it is sent to the Lords, passes through a similar process and then, having received the Royal Assent, it becomes Law.

LIVERPOOL CROSSWORD COMPETITION

No competitor sent in an all correct solution. Two competitors sent in solutions with two errors. All competitors have been notified direct of the correct solution.



My dear Boys and Girls,

Ah! Ah! says me, who wouldn't be an uncle when January's here. Just a round of jolly Lyceum Parties each week. Eight invitations for the second Saturday of the month. What a pity! What a pity! What a pity! says you that I could not be in all eight places at once: so say Auntie Ruth and Cousin Doris too. But really I could not manage eight teas one after the other, now could I? So perhaps that is some little consolation.

Well it has just been a real great month. Me'ow! Me'ow! Me'ow'ow'ow'ow! Poor Puss! If only you could see my face; no I am not laughing, I am looking very serious, listening to that haunting melody running through my brain. Me'ow! Me'ow!

Before I forget I must tell you how I have been playing the part of a Boy Scout, although it is incorrect to talk of one's own good deeds, I know.

I have been trying to do a good deed every day. In several of the Lyceums I have visited this month I have found children and overgrown children in trouble. In trouble at a party! Yes, really in trouble at a party. They all seemed to have had the same spell of bad luck. When Auntie Ruth, Cousin Doris and I arrived, they told us they had sent a letter to their love and on the way had dropped it. They suggested that some one had picked it up and put it in their pocket, so, of course, there was us dashing here and dashing there, trying to find who it could have been. Then they got me in the middle of a big ring and asked me to weep, and when I asked them "what I had to weep for," they said, "you're weeping for a sweetheart." Fancy, and they know I was married too, and oh! such a shy uncle. But there it was, they showed me what I had to do, and I did it, just to oblige them you know. Oh, Yes! Auntie Ruth and Cousin Doris were good at this game too.

Then we went gathering nuts and May; I cannot quite see this as I am sure it was not the right time of the year; but there, we did it, as before, just to oblige.

When it was discovered that there was not a Jazz Band present, someone had a brainy notion and suggested Musical Chairs instead. I sat down and a lady mistook me three times running for an empty chair and sat on my knees. Oh! it was great fun. Someone else mistook me for a dog; so they all patted the dog. Next time I would rather be something else.

At one party they made me a Schoolmaster. At another a Father Xmas. I tell you if this sort of carrying on continues much longer, I shall not know what I am myself. The Postman's Knock has arrived so I I'm off while I am safe. Good bye-ee.

Now I've come back again and seeing I have not a lot of space left, I must try and put on a more serious expression and endeavour to find you a lesson for the month.

I was riding in a railway carriage the other day, where there was a lot of rules regarding Safety First.

They were all very good lessons, but the last one gave me an idea for this month's letter.

"Do not throw anything out of the carriage window, it might hit those working on the lines."

I expect you will see the lesson as quickly as I did. "Think of others."

I think I have quoted it before, but it is worth repeating that Selfishness is I with S in front of it and N behind it.

Here we are taking a journey to see Grannie, and sitting in a comfortable warm carriage, enjoying a little light refreshment on the way. When we finish we let down the window and throw out the bottle which contained milk or tea; we close it up again and continue our journey in comfort.

Let us forget ourselves for a moment and look at another picture; we will go back in our minds to one of the towns we passed on our journey. It is visiting day at a large Hospital. Here we find a man with his head all bandaged up. When we ask him what is the matter. He tells us he was a platelayer working on the railway track and was hit by a bottle thrown from a passing train.

There is a question rushes to our minds at once "Was it the bottle I threw out?"

That is but an illustration, children.

We are all on the journey of life. How often do you and I throw stumbling blocks which injure fellow travellers as we pass along life's highway. Stumbling blocks of unkind thoughts and words. Should we not "Think of others," so that when we see them sad, we can say "It was not a stumbling block thrown by me."

ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH'S PUZZLES.

No. 165. LITTLE WOMEN.

UNCLE TOM'S CABIN.

TOM BROWN'S SCHOOL DAYS.

GULLIVER'S TRAVELS.

ALICE IN WONDERLAND.

TREASURE ISLAND.

No. 166. FORWARD PRESS TO CONQUER.

No. 167. This month, instead of the usual puzzles, I shall give two books for the best essay received on: "MY OPINION OF THE LYCEUM." These will be for Boys and Girls, 16 years of age or under. Older readers may send essays for comments if they wish, all letters must reach me by the 16th Feb. State Name, Age and Lyceum clearly on your papers.

I return greetings to my New Zealand friends.

With love,

2, Villiers Road,

Osterley, Middlesex.

UNCLE BERT.

NORTH-EAST LANCASHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL.

NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETING.

The above Council will hold the A.G.M. and Election of Officers in the Spiritualist Church and Lyceum at St. Peter Street, Blackburn. Commence at 3-30 p.m.

Please note fees to D.C. and B.S.L.U. are due. Also Associate Fees.

Agenda:—Minutes; Correspondence; Reports; President's Address; Election of Officers: President, Treasurer, D.V. (North and South), Secretary, Recommendation for Area Representative; Open Council; Notices to Amend Constitution and Bye-Laws; Notice of General Motions; Motions arising out of business of the D.C. Meeting; Notices of Motion for next Meeting; Elect: (a) Delegates to B.S.L.U. Conference, (b) Delegates to U.D.C.; Date and Place of Next Meeting; Votes of Thanks to retiring Officers and local friends.

J. SHUTTLEWORTH, Sec.

THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AT HUDDERSFIELD.

The M.C. held the quarterly meeting at Ramsden Street Church, Huddersfield, on Saturday, 10th January. Mrs Reynolds presided.

Mrs. Nurse offered an invocation.

The Treasurer reported all the 1929 Outstanding a/c's has been cleared.

The whole of the Trustees Funds and two new mortgages were reported to be under the control of the Trustees.

It was agreed, to save expense, that the M.C. meet in Manchester when no invitations are at hand.

The General Secretary was instructed to include a precis of the business when compiling the Minutes and Proceedings of the Annual Conference, with a view to making the Minutes intelligible.

Mr. Kitson and Mrs. Calway could not attend the meeting through sickness; hopes for better health were expressed.

The action of the General Secretary in supporting the Conan Doyle Memorial was approved.

The invitation to hold the April M.C. Meeting in the Newton Heath Church was heartily accepted.

The Union has been granted exemption from Corporation Tax on the last assessment.

The payment of the Solicitor's a/c for completing the Deed of Appointment of new Trustees was approved.

The Board of Management for the Ainsworth Home of Rest Scheme have granted £13 to the General Funds of the Union as an allowance for the services of the General Secretary as Clerk to the Charity.

There is a decrease of three Lyceums and 813 Lyceumists in the Statistical Returns. The Annual Fees show a slight increase.

A letter of thanks has been sent to Southampton Lyceum for the donation of over £8 to the Capitation Fund during 1930.

The receipts for 1930 are £1239. Payments £1157. The depletion of stock will reduce the balance in the final statement.

The special funds for 1930 are:—Guarantee Fund £10 10s.; Capitation Fund £16 4s. 11d.; Patron Fund, £3 17s. 6d.; Supplementary Fund, £29 11s. 3d.; Total £60 3s. 8d.; Total cash assets, £132. Liabilities £465.

Few Lyceums have obtained the new Certificates of Membership. A retaining fee of 3s. 6d., is charged for the Certificate. The attention of the Lyceums, on this subject, will be noted in a circular which will be issued to Lyceums during March.

Mrs. Reynolds reported a net income of £19 4s. 6d., to hand over to the £2,000 Effort. The Trustees hold securities for £672. The Treasurer has also a small sum at the Bank.

The LYCEUM BANNER sales are as at the beginning of 1930. Many Lyceums only purchase a dozen copies. About 50 Lyceums do not have a supply. It was decided that a charge be made for special insertions of Births, Marriages, and Transitions. (24 words, 1s. 6d. and 6d. for each additional nine words or portion thereof).

The Publishing Sales are slightly more than during 1929. Now Lyceums are assured there will be no revision of the Lyceum Manual for many years, the orders are increasing.

A reprint of the Manual has been obtained to meet 1931 sales.

A complaint about the Manual Binding has been received. The General Secretary had replied that the M.C. had already dealt with the matter and made five improvements in the bindings.

The costs of the Ainsworth Charity during 1930 was £39 4s. 9d. An application for treatment was allowed.

The Education Secretary sent a fraternal report of the year's work during 1930. There was a balance of £28 on the year's work.

The M.C. recorded their pleasure to Mr. Connor, the General Secretary, and the Clerk, for the very satisfactory work done for Education during 1930.

Applications from Lyceums at Glasgow (Northern), West Hartlepool (Ever Onward), and Earby (Onward) were approved.

One Lyceum withdrew an application and two others were deferred for further reports.

Heartly thanks were given to the Ramsden Street Church for free hospitality.

To save expense the M.C. concluded the business on the Saturday. The cost of the meeting was the lowest on record for many years.

TRANSITION OF MR WM. HUDSON OF KEIGHLEY

There passed to the higher life on January 13th Mr. William Hudson of 27, Fell Lane, Keighley (suddenly) aged 69 years. He was following his usual employment in the morning and passed away at 11 o'clock at night, the cause of death being Cardiac dilatation of the heart and acute bronchitis. He leaves a widow and two unmarried daughters. Mr. Hudson came into the movement 35 years ago; had been a worker in both the Church and Lyceum at Keighley and latterly at Shipley; he had held most offices in both Church and Lyceum and has been connected with the Bradford Lyceum District Council holding office as President and Vice for a few years.

The funeral was largely attended. Mr. Doubleday of Bradford officiating at a short service at the house and Cemetery, Hymns, Abide with me, Kind Words and Sweet Smiles, were sung. A large number of floral tributes were sent, including two from the Masters and Office staff where he had worked about 20 years. He worked in the District Council 15 years and was also a member of the Lyceum Guild from June 1920.

Many Lyceum workers and platform speakers will remember Mr. and Mrs. Hudson for their kindly hospitality to them.

Wreaths were sent from the Bradford Lyceum D.C., Shipley Church and Lyceum, the family and other relatives, altogether 18 floral tributes. Thus passes another worker to swell the advance guard in the world of spirit.

M.L.S.

TO DISTRICT COUNCIL SECRETARIES.

A list of Lyceums in each District was sent to the District Council Secretary during January, along with comparative numbers during 1929 and 1930. The complete list will be published in the May BANNER.

A request is made that the list be read to the Annual District Council Meeting.



Dear Little Imps,

February finds us all settled down to school and work again, and don't the holidays seem a long, long time ago?

Never mind! We shall soon have Pancake Tuesday with us. I like that day, for by then the world seems to be waking up, ready for the Spring. If it is a fine day, I want to go out for a long walk in the country. Usually there are lots of lovely little surprises for those whose eyes are bright enough to see them. Fresh, brave, little buds on the hedgegrows,—lambs' tails swinging on the Hazel twigs, perhaps some Snowdrops, and if one is very lucky—the first of the baby lambs. Won't that be wonderful after so many hours by the fireside? Still, by the fireside I found—

THE FIRESIDE ELF.

It was a dull, dreary, day. The rain fell steadily, so that it was impossible to play out in the park. Derrick gazed out of the window, and wished aloud that the rain might stop. He was so very tired of rainy days.

The rain couldn't have heard Derrick's wish, or, at least, it would not listen to him, and he turned from the window in disgust. He was lonely, for he had no playmates, and even plenty of books and toys never quite make up for real playmates. The fire blazed cheerily and Derrick sat on the rug and looked dreamily amongst the flames. "I wish I had a playmate! he sighed. "It must be jolly not to be the all-alone one, and not to always talk to grown up folks." "Let me be your playmate," answered a little voice, and Derrick was amazed to see a tiny being jump out of the fire, and drop at his feet on the rug.

This seemed almost too good to be true, and Derrick made haste to welcome the little stranger, lest he should be offended and disappear. "Good afternoon, little man," he said. "I should love to have you for a playmate, but please do tell me who you are, and all about yourself. I've never met anyone just like you before."

"Ah! then you cannot have opened your eyes to see me, for I have lived here for a long time," replied the little fellow. "Who am I? I am one of the fireside elves. That is why I am dressed in red as bright as the red-hot coals in the fire. A fireside elf lives in everybody's hearth, only most people are too dull to remember us. Wherever a fire burns, there lives one of us, and, whenever people are lonely we pop out to keep them company. Grown-up folk call us "Fire-

side memories," but then, they don't know any better. They forget about all the people of Fairyland, so of course they cannot see us. Do you believe in Fairies, little boy?"

"Oh! I do! I really do!" cried Derrick. "But you are the only one who has ever come to talk to me. Please do tell me more, and could you show me some of your games? I am so glad you have come."

The little red elf climbed on to the boy's knee. Derrick looked down into the tiny, quaint face, and saw the bright eyes that twinkled with fun, and the mouth that had grown wide with smiling. "We cannot play any of my games now," said the elf. I will take you a little journey, and that will be better than any game. Just look into the reddest part of the fire, and think about something happy."

Derrick gazed into the fire, and thought happily of his new playmate. Then, the wonderful thing happened. That bright patch of fire grew bigger and bigger until it became the opening of an exciting cavern. The boy found himself following the little red elf into the opening. It was a marvellous cavern. The walls shone with firelight and were bright with red and blue, flame and orange colours. Yet, Derrick could not feel the heat of the fire. Then he had another surprise, for he saw that he was now just as big as the tiny red elf.

He followed his playmate into the cavern until it widened into a broad green plain, with the mountains of Wonderland on each side of it. Soon they came to a silvery stream, and stepped into the oyster-shell boat which awaited them. The elf turned to Derrick and said "We are sailing along the River of Dreams. This is the quickest way into Fairyland." Derrick was too happy to answer the elf.

Quickly the little boat sailed along, and very soon they landed on the shores of Fairyland. It was far more beautiful than Derrick had ever dreamed. Then the elf said "There won't be time to show you all of Fairyland to-day. What would you like to see first?" Derrick thought for a moment, and then answered. "I'd love to see the fairy workshops first, if I may. There are so many things I want to know about Fairyland, but I think I'd like that best."

Now, any workshop is an exciting place, especially if there are plenty of wheels to go round, but no workshop could be one half so exciting as that of the fairies. You see, fairies do so many jobs that we never think of doing. Derrick saw tiny weavers, making fairy wings from gossamer threads, and painters changing leaves from green to red and russet brown. The gardeners were arranging for mushrooms to grow around the fairy rings in woodlands dells. Toadstools were being put in readiness for that evening's midnight frolic. Tiny thought fairies were learning how to answer the thoughts of mortals. Fireflies and dragonflies were acting as messengers, whilst busy fairies put the scent into flowers, and sweetened the nectar in readiness for the butterflies and bees. Until then Derrick had had no idea of how busy the fairies were. He had thought that they had only time for play.

He stood watching a very dainty fairy teaching baby spiders how to spin, when there sounded the sweet music of a thousand elfin horns. "Oh! what lovely music!" cried Derrick. "Yes!" said the wee elf "but that music is to tell us that work is over for the

day. It is tea-time for we fairy-folk, and for you too. You must go home again now, but I shall come for you again on your next all-alone day. Goodbye!" "Oh! I've had such a wonderful time that I shall want the all-alone days now. Thank you so much, little Fireside Elf. You are a splendid little playmate. Goodbye!"

Derrick opened his eyes to find his mother calling him to tea. "Been dreaming, darling?" she asked. "I found you with your eyes shut and your face one lovely big smile. You know, when children smile in their sleep, it is because the fairies have been talking to them."

"Why! Mum! I believe I have been talking to somebody from Fairyland, but it has been too lovely to be just a dream! I love the rainy days now," answered Derrick.

Mum only smiled, for she was glad that Derrick had not been lonely, and he was too wise to tell how alive his dream had been.

My love to all Imps,
MEG.

Lyceum Manual Tests.

Judging the very very few attempts submitted this month, I have reluctantly come to the conclusion that the period of usefulness of these tests is at an end, and for a time at least shall not prepare any further puzzles for you Lyceumists. If there were a fairly good number who would try their luck each month, irrespective of results, one would be in a position to gauge as to waning or continued interest, but without this I feel that the time and energy can be better expended for the Lyceum cause in another way.

For this, the closing competitions, the only replies were:—

Junior boys (2).	} a total of 12.
Junior girls (1).	
Scholars between 14 and 21 (2)	
Adults (7).	

In the cases of the junior girl and the scholars between 14 and 21, each secures a prize and they will have the satisfaction of knowing their awards are for constant endeavour.

The correct answers are as follows:—

LYCEUM TEST No. 26.

Juniors.

Answers:—

	Marks.
(1) F.E.H. "A Glad New Year"	2
(2) Silver chain 17, verse 3	1
Musical reading 212, verse 3, and 4th reading	2
(3) Silver chain, No. 60, verses 3, 4, 5, 6	1
(4) S.C. 44, verse 2.	1
M.R. 225, verse 3	1
(5) "Steady hearts and hopeful minds" S.C. 65	2
(6) M.R. 226, 1st reading	1
M.R. 235, 2nd reading	1
(7) S.C. 56, Verse 1, line 3	1
M.R. 232, Verse 1, line 3	1
M.R. 240, 2nd Lyceum part	1
L.S. 387, verse 2	1
Total	16

SENIOR TEST, No. 26.

CORRECT SOLUTION.

Across.—1. Sawn; 4. The; 6. Meet; 9. I.I.I.I.; 10. Mood; 11. Lass; 13. Lym; 14. Lira; 16. Ushant; 18. Abated; 20. Scene; 22. Erode; 23. World; 26. In; 27. Lyceums; 28. To; 30. Etaga; 32. Halma; 35. Tears; 39. Alters; 41. Fellow; 42. Pear; 43. All; 44. Ulma; 45. Rill; 46. Undo; 47. Yest; 48. The; 49. Ewes.

Down.—1. Salus; 2. Wishes; 3. Nisan; 4. Tilt; 5. Emma; 6. Molar; 7. Editor; 8. Trade; 12. A.S.C.; 15. Red; 17. New Year; 19. Bed Mate; 21. Cream; 24. Oct.; 25. Lug; 29. Altars; 31. Wallow; 32. Happy; 33. Ale; 34. Merit; 36. Elude; 37. Ron; 38. Swaps; 40. Salt; 41. Flue.

The Message: "To all Lyceums in the World, the Editor wishes Happy New Year.

The prizes have been sent to:—

JUNIORS: Betty Lea, aged 13½, of Victoria Road, Southsea, with 8 marks. Fred Holding, aged 10½, of Bombay St., Blackburn, with 9 marks.

INTERMEDIATE: Dorothy Snook, aged 17, of Bighi Steps, Malta, with 1 error. Reuben Grice, aged 18, of R.A.F. Station, Ruislip, with 4 errors.

ADULTS: Mr. and Mrs. Owen, of Hicks Road, Seaforth, Liverpool, with 2 errors.

Each of the other competitors deserve Hon. mention, viz.: Horace White (8 marks), Mrs. Lea, 3 errors, Miss Reeves, 3 errors, Mrs. Clements, 4 errors, Miss Guy, 4 errors, Mrs. Tindal, 5 errors, and Mrs. Rose, 5 errors.

£2,000 Effort Fund.

Dear Lyceumists all,

By the time you read this report Founder's Day will be over, and I am wondering how many of the 14,000 Lyceumists mentioned in Miss Elliott's appeal last month for this Special Effort, will have responded. What a glorious achievement it would be for the Movement for every unit to have given just one small quota. If you have not already done so, please do so NOW. It is not too late, do not think your contribution too small, it is all the small added bits which make the big sums. One friend, anonymous, sends per Miss Elliott, 2s. 6d., for Founder's Day, in memory of Pa Knight and Miss M. E. Kitson. I very gratefully acknowledge this gift, the only one for this month. There may be others who would like to send along a donation in memory of some loved one in Spirit Life, as suggested by Miss Elliott. Do please help, and never tire of helping until we have achieved our object.

Remember also I have many copies of the Musical Recital, "The Reality of God," to dispose of, and I am anxious to sell out. Hymn Leaflets, 4s. 6d. per 100. Recitation Leaflets 2d. per copy, and of these you require 18. Odd copies of the complete work, 3d. each. Orders for Hymn Sheets of less than 100, 1d. each.

Do please send along your orders as early as possible to Mrs. J. Reynolds, 118, Cremorne Street, Nottingham.

With best wishes,
118, Cremorne St., Yours sincerely,
Nottingham. VICTORIA G. REYNOLDS.

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Fred, 148, Victoria Road, Wood Green,
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Lyceum Work.

There are over 300 Lyceums in Great Britain and overseas. The majority are members of the B.S.L.U.

The work of the Union is operated by an organisation which links every Lyceum with the central Management Committee. Any idea for the progress of the movement can be placed before the Lyceums, passed on to the District Councils, and then on to the United Districts Council or the Management Committee. There is opportunity for correspondence between all sections.

Every Lyceum has direct contact with the Union's office. During January there are many changes of local Secretaries. These changes should be noted at once so that the letters and parcels can be sent to the right people and the changes recorded in the Union's books.

The Union's Secretary answers all general queries. Questions requiring interpretation of the Constitution or Bye-Laws are usually referred to the President or the Management Committee for decisions.

A Secretary's Guide is sent to every newly-elected Secretary. Copies can be obtained on application.

The Annual Conference is usually held at Whitsuntide. Any Lyceum or District Council can send an invitation for the Conference to be held in its district. This year the Conference will be held at Barrow-in-Furness. An invitation is required for 1932.

District Councils should invite the Area Representative to their meetings so that a complete understanding of the Union's policy can be maintained.

The financial success of the Union depends on adequate support being given to the general work and the purchase of books, specially published by our own department for Lyceum education.

Another feature which gives publicity and links every individual Lyceumist with the movement is the publication of the LYCEUM BANNER, which should have a place in the home of each Lyceumist. The greatest appreciation of the BANNER seems to come from British Lyceumists who have gone to live overseas; at least, our absent friends are most expressive in their enthusiasm. The BANNER has often been a tonic during home-sickness.

The Editor pays tribute to all the contributors; some have been constantly interesting us for many years, and there are the readers too; some of whom have faithfully supported Our Paper since Mr. J. J. Morse founded it in 1890. Every new reader helps us and every lost reader makes the work just a little more difficult for those who continue the general work of the Union.

The £2000 Effort was introduced to provide the many things we need to develop our activities. This fund grows slowly. We are looking ahead and hope to realise our aims in this direction.

The Home Fund, formerly instituted to found a Daisy Dimple Home—except for one donation and the accrued interest—has stood still for many years.

The Ainsworth Home of Rest Scheme has arisen from a legacy left to the Union by Mr. John Ainsworth. Finally, after pursuing the subject for over 20 years, we are able to use the *interest* for sending convalescent Lyceumists to sea-side resorts.

The Management Committee operate the Scheme, whilst the B.S.L.U. Trustees are responsible to the Charity Commissioners for the legal administration of the bequest. One Lyceum has financially contributed, and many others have sent silver paper to be sold for the benefit of the Scheme. There is now sufficient silver paper to make our first sale.

The Trustees are responsible for the invested funds and meet twice a year. The General Secretary acts as Secretary to the Trustees and clerk to the Ainsworth Home of Rest Scheme.

The Management Committee deal with the general business of the Union and elect sub-committees to deal with special work.

There are three Conference Committees:—Standing Orders, Lyceum Manual Revision, and Education Committees.

The Standing Orders Committee compiles the Conference agenda and deals with any other references which are reported to it.

The Lyceum Manual Revision Committee has in view the decision not to revise the Manual for another ten years. It has been inactive during 1930.

The Education Committee has been a Conference Committee since 1919. There are eleven years of splendid work to record. Thousands of students have passed through the grades. The Secretary will have a very pleasing report to give to the Conference. The General Secretary and the Clerk have worked with the Education Secretary, and the President as Chairman. This method has proved successful.

The Examination Results Book and the Lyceum Manual were produced as evidence when the Spiritualist Bill was placed before the Standing Committee of the House of Commons. Their production was sufficient evidence of stability to enable the presentation of the Bill.

The literary and press work of Lyceumists is useful in defending our movement, espousing our principles and providing exponents.

The Union is affiliated to the Spiritualists National Union and has two seats on the Executive Committee of the body. There are many Lyceumists who are subscribing members, exponents, and demonstrators. Others fill various offices in the Churches.

There is a joint-committee of the S.N.U. and

B.S.L.U. which deals with education. Some of the B.S.L.U. students merge into the S.N.U. Scheme. Four students have already passed through the eight grades and become Graduates of the National Spiritualist College.

There is also an affiliation with the International Spiritualist Federation, jointly with the S.N.U. We have had papers read at the I.S.F. Congresses, compiled by our Adviser, Mr. Kitson. We have given the people of many nations an exhibition of Lyceum work. Their only regret has been that they could not copy our exact methods in their own lands owing to the procedure being unconventional.

We have our own namings, marriages and interment ceremonies. We prepare our own organization and propaganda.

When we contemplate that—excluding the General Secretary and the Clerk—all the foregoing labours are performed by voluntary workers, we must feel we have a wonderful band of enthusiasts spread about the country and overseas.

There is, in the foregoing, purely a statement of bare facts. A great long story could be told of the way we have come and the work which has been accomplished. It is worthy of a spiritually guided movement that our pioneers laid such good foundations upon which we have built our present position.

The only condition which holds our movement in being is loving service to truth. It has led us through some deep furrows and many a small Lyceum has struggled through the years. We ride with perseverance and go with the flight of time into new experiences. Big struggles have produced great victories.

The absence of opposition is a positive proof of a further and greater demand for a just and adequate exposition of our principles. The facts are established. It is now our duty to explain that the truths we hold are capable of changing the thoughts of mankind to better conditions in a work-a-day world so that the minds of men may receive the educational unfoldment which the spirit people are capable of producing by the inspiration of our united revelation.

We have a splendid movement and everyone who does the smallest thing to help it along must feel happier than before.

Virtue may need no support, but the progress of a movement depends upon its workers.

MY HEART'S DESIRE.

O give to me the scent of flowers,
Away from all alarm,
That I may wander in the bowers,
Of nature's sweetest charm.

O give to me the friends I know;
Let that still be my scope,
That I may meander as I grow,
Within the joy of hope.

O give to me a home that's bright;
I long for things that cheer,
To feel the silence of the night,
Where homely things endear.

STATISTICAL RETURNS.

The Forms for the Statistical Returns and payment of Annual Contributions to the B.S.L.U., have been sent to the Secretary of every affiliated Lyceum and District Council.

If any Secretary has not received the Form the General Secretary will supply another one on receipt of an application.

When a new Secretary is elected, a note, giving the name and address of the new official should be sent as soon as possible to the General Secretary.

The Annual B.S.L.U. Conference.

The Annual B.S.L.U. Conference will be held at Barrow-in-Furness on May 23rd and 24th. The Manchester and Salford Lyceum District Council arrange social events in the Lyceums and the proceeds are pooled to pay the expenses of the delegates for every Lyceum which wishes to join the pool. By that method many more Lyceums are able to send a delegate than would otherwise be possible. It may be to the advantage of Lyceums in other districts to secure the attendance of delegates by a similar method.

All the Officers are elected at the Conference. This year the General Secretary will have concluded his five years' engagement and the appointment will be placed before the Conference.

The policy of the B.S.L.U. is determined by the Constitution and the decisions of the Conference. It is therefore wise for all Lyceums, if possible, to send Delegates.

All Lyceums which have paid the annual contributions to the Union before March 1st will receive nomination forms for officers and delegates.

Notices of motion should reach the General Secretary not later than March 23rd.

Names of delegates should be sent not later than April 18th.

The various printed Forms should be placed before the Lyceums as soon as possible, after they have been received from the General Secretary. The instructions on the Forms should be carefully read and explained to the Lyceums.

Area Elections.

Nomination Forms for the Candidates in the Area Elections will be sent out during the first week in March. The consent of the Candidates must be obtained and the signed written consent attached to the nomination form before sending it to the General Secretary.

If more than one Candidate is nominated for any Area, the Ballot will take place in the Lyceums on April 11th.

District Councils Secretaries are requested to place the foregoing items before their respective Councils at the Annual General Meetings, which should be held during February.

The statistical returns for 1930 show a decrease in the number of Lyceumists. With the growing popularity of Spiritualism we should have more children. An appeal is made to all the districts to keep pace with the increased interest by gaining new Lyceumists to gradually prove our claim to be a progressive movement.

G. F. KNOTT, General Secretary.

Our Education Department.

THE NATIONAL SPIRITUALIST COLLEGE.

(Under the auspices of the S.N.U. and B.S.L.U.)

ASSOCIATE (B.S.L.U.) SECTION of the NATIONAL JOINT EDUCATION SCHEME.

EXAMINATION DATES IN 1931.

S.N.U.—INTERMEDIATE, SUBSIDIARY and FINAL—27th to 30th MARCH.

ENTRANCE—Same dates and times as B.S.L.U. Grade V.

B.S.L.U.—ALL GRADES.—Sunday, 10th MAY, or (by arrangement with the Supervisor) the Saturday or Monday of that week-end.

Entry Forms for the March examinations must be returned to Mrs. E. Paling not later than 28th February; and for the May ENTRANCE Examination not later than the 31st March.

For all the B.S.L.U. examinations, Entry Forms are being sent out to Lyceum Secretaries, and all entries must be made on these Forms, and returned to Mr. Connor not later than 31st March. Full instructions will be sent with the Forms.

A price-list of Educational Handbooks, issued by the B.S.L.U., will be found on the outside back cover of this issue of the BANNER.

NOW IS YOUR CHANCE.

If your Lyceum's Forms do not arrive by 15th February, draw your Secretary's attention to this statement and ask him to write to Mr. Knott for a supply. And please make up your mind that when the List of Candidates is filled in your name will be found amongst the number. I would take it as a special favour if entries could be forwarded at once. The *last date* for sending in entries has been fixed provisionally as 31st March, but there is no good reason why any Lyceum should wait until then. If there should be any doubt as to the final number of students, additions can be made up to the end of April; and if entries come in early we shall be able to make arrangements without having to wait until the last minute. PLEASE HELP US.

WE HOPE FOR RECORD ENTRIES.

We repeat our appeal for a record entry. As the examinations will not be held until Sunday, 10th May, and its week-end, there is still time to make a start. Any member of a well-conducted Lyceum should be able to pass Grades I. to III. without much special preparation, and competent Group Leaders should find no difficulty with Grade IV. Even Grade V. could be prepared for with a determined effort by those who have passed through the other four Grades.

So, if you have not already started, send to Mr. Knott for the proper Handbooks and make a start at once. The Booklet *How to Prepare for the Examinations* gives all the hints required for Grades I. to V., and the *Oral Grade Leaflet* will enable any adult to prepare at least a dozen of the Under Twelves for the Oral Grade. They will not be asked to do any writing. They will only be asked to repeat the Principles, recite one of the four *Manual Silver Chains* printed in the *Oral Grade Primer*, and answer six of the questions set out in the Primer following the Chains; and there is no Entry Fee

for the Oral Grade, although a pretty certificate is awarded to every child who obtains forty or more marks.

THE SCHEME AND RECOGNITION.

The existence and successful working of our College and our National Education Scheme (S.N.U. and B.S.L.U. sections) has made a very favourable impression on non-Spiritualists concerned in the presentation of our Emancipation Bill to Parliament, and we hope every Lyceumist will realise that every Lyceum that holds Education Classes, and every student who sits at our examinations, is an argument in favour of the recognition of Spiritualism as a Movement of Investigators and Students—and not a mere hotch-potch of moony-eyed phenomena-hunters.

THE GRADE V. EXAMINATION.

The Grade V. examination will this year be of the same general nature as last year's, so it would be advisable for Grade V. students to make as much use as possible of last year's questions, a set of which can be obtained (if you send a stamped addressed envelope) from Mr. Knott. Two papers are set, one on No. 3 Handbook and one to test the student's grasp of the lessons in *Essays on Reasoning* (in which all the examples are taken from Spiritualistic Teachings).

In the August and September, 1929, and the April and May, 1930, issues of the BANNER, students are shown how to tackle questions set in the 1929 papers; and full instructions as to the syllabus and hints for study are given in *The Grade V. Leaflet*.

We suggest that students should send to Mr. Knott for the Leaflet and sets of Examination Question Papers, and begin their studies by learning and practising the answers to these questions. There is still time to prepare for May.

THE ADVANCED GRADES.

There is yet time to enter for the Graduate Scheme examinations—as we learn that Mrs. Paling will accept entries up to the end of February. We are hoping to hear that our A.N.S.C.'s are entering in force for the Intermediate Grade, or for whatever Grade they may have qualified, as it looks bad to see these examinations left to successful Entrance (Church) students. We Lyceumists have always claimed that ours is an educational Movement, and it scarcely bears that out to find that our students are not prepared to take advantage of the opportunities offered for advanced study of Spiritualism. We ought to be leading, instead of lagging.

SECRETARIES PLEASE NOTE.

ALL the text-books needed for the B.S.L.U. Scheme are supplied from the General Offices by Mr. Knott. Mr. Connor does not stock or sell ANY Handbooks.

When writing for pamphlets, leaflets, etc., please send a stamped addressed envelope large enough to hold what is asked for.

For all information about the S.N.U. Education Scheme, for Entry Forms, or for sets of Question papers, apply to

MRS. E. PALING, F.N.S.C., "Lucknow," Muriel Road, Beeston, Notts.

For all B.S.L.U. Educational Handbooks, copies of Examination Questions, etc., apply to

MR. G. F. KNOTT, F.N.S.C., 20, Toad Lane, Rochdale, Lancs.

All Correspondence with regard to the College or the B.S.L.U. Education Scheme should be sent to

MR. A. T. CONNOR, F.N.S.C., 13, Claremont Road, Forest Gate, London, E.7.

Our Mutual Aid Bureau

HOW DO CLAIRVOYANTS SEE?

THE PROBLEM.

Miss E. F. Lawton, G.N.S.C., Secretary of Barrow, Dalkeith Street, Study Group, writes as follows:—

"During a discussion on *Objective Clairvoyance*, several members could not accept clairvoyance as the ACTUAL 'seeing' of the spirit forms, thought forms, or the contents of sealed letters, etc., but thought all forms of clairvoyance were more or less mental pictures. The point was raised that in clairvoyance the spirit of the clairvoyant saw the manifesting spirit. Could your readers enlighten us as to what really is *Objective Clairvoyance*?"

MR. CONNOR OFFERS SOME SUGGESTIONS.

The question at issue is of great importance to all students of Spiritualism, and it is hoped that many will take part in the discussion; so perhaps it will be as well to clear the ground at the beginning by agreeing as to exactly what we mean by *Objective Clairvoyance*. *Clairvoyance* means "clear-seeing"; but in Spiritualism it is commonly accepted that a clairvoyant is a man or a woman who can see spirit forms, spirit pictures, etc.; and we must remember that this definition includes Spirit Friends—whether they control mediums or not. In psychology *Objective* is used as the opposite of *Subjective*, which means "entirely belonging to, or entirely produced by, the mind," while *Objective* means "existing apart from the mind, and not produced by it." For example, everything I see in a dream is subjective—everything I see of my typewriter or my work-mates is objective.

But as applied to phenomena, Spiritualists use these terms rather loosely, and subjective phenomena are generally understood as including impressions, inspirations, etc. On that understanding, *Objective Clairvoyance* could be defined as clairvoyance not influenced by any mental activity other than the clairvoyant's power of "seeing" (what the psychologists call perception); in other words, that the Spirit Friend is present, and the clairvoyant sees his spirit form just as she sees the physical forms of the sitters. (In order to avoid the confusion of using "he or she," etc., I am assuming that the clairvoyant is a woman and the manifesting Spirit Friend a man).

Our Barrow friends, however, seem to be undecided about clairvoyance *as such*—as to whether it is the perception of *objective* or *subjective* phenomena. In the mind of the clairvoyant, they say, appears an image of some person or place or thing—*what is the origin of the image?* Assuming it as agreed that the origin is not physical, we find ourselves confronted by three main problems—(a) Is the spirit eye (that is, the eye of the clairvoyant's spirit body) seeing the spirit body of the spirit person (or the spirit place or thing), and communicating the perception to the "physical" consciousness; (b) Is the spirit person impressing on the brain of the clairvoyant a picture of his bodily appearance, or (c) Is the "vision" a picture impressed on the clairvoyant's brain by some other spirit person?

Problem (b) shuts out any explanation of a vision of

(say) a Spirit World landscape—which of course might be explainable under (a) as being direct seeing of a landscape built up by the mental concentration of one or more spirit minds.

Problem (a) opens up the further problem of the spirit body and the state or extent of its development before physical death. To me it seems that the spirit body should be as well able to function before transition as it is afterwards: that its spirit eye should be as able to see spirit objects as the physical eye is to see physical objects, and that a like power should reside in its spirit ear. The only obstacle to "natural" (or "normal" or "objective") clairvoyance, in that case, would be lack of harmonious interworking between our physical and our spirit bodies, which would prevent each from becoming instantly aware of whatever experiences should befall the other. This suggested explanation would account for all stages of clairvoyance—down to non-clairvoyance. The non-clairvoyant would be a person in whom interworking between the two bodies is utterly lacking (or, rather, undeveloped); the "impressional clairvoyant" would really be a person in whom the physical consciousness would be becoming vaguely aware of what the spirit eye is seeing clearly; and the normal or objective clairvoyant would be the lucky (or fully developed) person whose two bodies are working so perfectly that the physical consciousness becomes instantly aware of whatever the spirit eye is seeing.

There would seem to be some measure of support for this suggestion in the fact that objective clairvoyants claim to see from different parts of the body. I have heard of one clairvoyant who saw from the base of the throat; Mrs. Webb, one of the old London pioneers, once told me that she saw from the side of her head, midway between the eye and the ear; and Sepharial (quoted by Mr. Tinker in our *Students' Handbook No. 2*) tells of an instance where the clairvoyant sense was situated near the shoulder *but outside the body*. An interesting light is shed on this by Prentice Mulford's claim in *The Gift of the Spirit* that the attachment (or contact) between our spirit body and our physical body is very imperfect, and that only in comparatively rare instances is there a perfect fit of organ to organ or limb to limb. If we accept this claim, it might be suggested that, in the first instance above, the spirit body contacted with the physical body so that the spirit head was on a level with the physical neck and chest; that in Mrs. Webb's case her spirit body contacted at right angles with her physical body; that in the Sepharial case the position of the spirit body was such that the spirit head was situated outside the physical shoulder—and that in all the cases, although the physical brain was receiving the knowledge, it was the spirit brain that was doing the seeing. Should this be so, the only clairvoyants who "see with their eyes" are those whose two bodies fit perfectly, eye to eye, ear to ear, etc. But of course, those of us who do not accept Mulford's claim will reject all inferences based on it.

A serious difficulty to the acceptance of the "spirit eye" explanation is raised by the character of my wife's clairvoyance. She claims that she cannot see any spirit form that is not in her range of normal sight; she cannot see spirit forms in the dark any more than she can see physical forms; if a Spirit friend stands in front of (say) a chair, she cannot see the part of the chair covered by

the spirit form; and if, when looking at a spirit form, she closes her eyes, the form disappears until she opens her eyes again—though we might get over this difficulty by classifying hers as another phase of objective clairvoyance, or suggesting that her perception is inaccurate because of her experience that when any *physical* body is placed in front of another it obscures all or part of the second body, and that *she does not expect* to see the second body. Students of experimental psychology know how easy it is to see only what we expect to see. Otherwise, if she was seeing with both her physical and her spirit eyes, she would see all the chair with her physical eyes and the spirit form with her spirit eyes—and both the spirit form and the chair would be fully visible. Of course it may be that this phase is the result of a particular psychic development of the physical sight—which would suggest the conclusion that there are at least two, and perhaps more, phases of objective clairvoyance, and that our difficulties are all caused by lack of complete knowledge of clairvoyant powers and processes.

Mediumship seems to suggest itself as a solution of problems (b) and (c). Personally, I cannot see that in these instances the so-called clairvoyant is anything but an "inspirational" medium—the *actual* clairvoyant being the Spirit friend who sees the spirit form and throws an impression of its description on the brain of his medium (just as ideas for inspirational addresses are impressed on the brain of an inspirational speaker). In each case it is mediumship.

As I have never witnessed the reading of closed letters, I am not qualified to give an opinion, so I leave this phenomenon to those with wider experience. The nearest I have seen is a psychometrist holding a closed letter and telling the climate in which it was written and the subject with which it dealt. As for thought reading, I once knew a man who could tell where you had hidden a given article, if you allowed him to hold his fingers on your wrist over the pulse while you concentrated on the locality of the hiding place. But in neither of these experiences was spirit operation required. However, some other contributor may be able to quote experiences that will allow inferences of spirit intervention.

In conclusion, I have done my best to open out avenues for a wide discussion of the points raised by Barrow Study Group, and I hope that clairvoyant readers will take part and give us the benefit of their experiences and their opinions.

A. T. CONNOR, F.N.S.C.

SOWING THE SEEDS.

A Lyceum has been opened in Fremantle, Australia, by some British Lyceumists, who have settled in that district. The Church is Licensed for Marriage Ceremonies, etc. Mr. Taylor, formerly of Letchworth, is the Conductor.

Ivy Giles has gone to Fremantle and written a nice letter to Mr. Rainbow, her old Conductor at Woolwich and Plumstead Lyceum. She relates,—"there is a little blind boy who sang in the Lyceum. "When he had finished his song there was applause, and the boy turned to his father and said "Can you see all clapping me, Daddy?"

Calendar of Saints (L.M. 145).

BY ALFRED KITSON.

In order to help Lyceumists to understand in what way the men and women enumerated in the "Calendar of Saints" have benefitted humanity and helped in the world's progress to entitle them to be called "Saints" we purpose giving brief sketches of their lives, as space permits, and month by month. We shall take them in their alphabetical order. We feel sure Lyceumists will welcome this added interest to the pages of the LYCEUM BANNER.

PHIDIAS. (fē-di-as). (No. 145). Born 490, died 432 B.C. The famous Greek sculptor. He is said to have studied painting, before he devoted himself to statuary. He became famous about 460 B.C., when he produced the bronze statue of Athena Promachas, the Lenonian Athena, and other works of art. From 444 to 438 B.C. he was engaged in the superintendence of the building of the Parthenon at Athens, and the production of Athena for that temple. From about 437 to 433 he was in Elis, working on the statue of Zeus for the temple at Olympia. By general consent of antiquity Phidias was the greatest of Greek sculptors. His principal works were what are called chryselephantine statues—that is, there was an inner core of wood, or stone, which was covered with plates of polished ivory for the parts representing flesh, while the gold was used for the drapery. It is only the remains of the external sculptures of the Parthenon, especially the frieze (of which the Elgin marbles are a part) that survives to give us an idea of Phidias's skill.

PLATO. No. 145. The central figure in Greek philosophy, was born 427 B.C. and died 347 B.C., and belonged to an aristocratic family. The turning-point in his life was when he came under the influence of Socrates. Like the aristocratic party to which Plato naturally belonged, but for very different reasons, Socrates was opposed to the democratic régime (rā-zhēm) or form of government which then prevailed in Athens. With Socrates it was a question of principle, not of party. In a state where the officials and generals were chosen by lot, and not fitness, and the ultimate appeal was to a large popular assembly swayed by the passions of the moment, it was impossible to expect that that knowledge or insight into the true aims of Life, which for Socrates was all-important, would ever receive the recognition which was its due. It was from Socrates that Plato learned that moral conviction of the value of knowledge for life, and the vital connection between knowledge and life. Plato was a student of Socrates for the last ten years of the Sage's life. His writings are in the form of dialogue, and profess to give the sentiments or sayings of Socrates, whose teachings have come down to us only in this form, and are distinguished by purity of language, and elegance of style.

In his (Plato's) fortieth year he taught philosophy in the Gymnasium, and the Academy, whence his school was subsequently called the *Academic*.

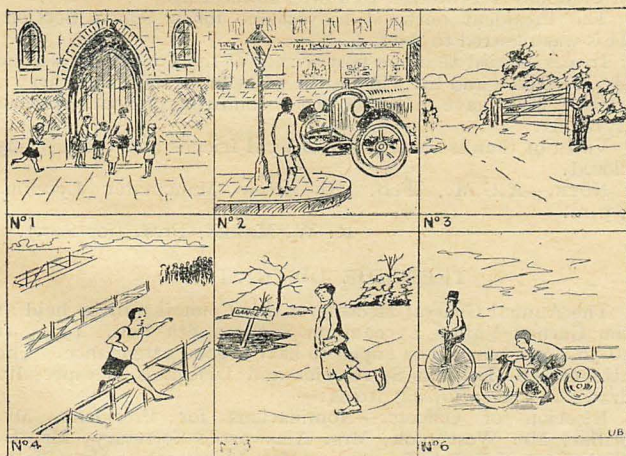
In Plato's *Republic* the dialogue starts as a discussion of justice, in which he proposes to consider it first as it is exhibited on a large scale in the state, and then to turn to "justice as it is in the individual soul." Accordingly he proceeds to sketch the outlines of an ideal state and of a system of education by which its

ruling classes would be fitted for the work of maintaining it. When the ideal system has thus been constructed, the justice or goodness of a state is seen to consist neither in the wisdom of the rulers alone, nor in the courage of the soldiers, nor in the temperance or moderation with which each class in the state keeps to its proper work, but in the harmony which results when all these virtues are present in their due proportions. And similarly the "justice or goodness of the individual is found to consist in the harmony or health of soul which results where reason rules and the desires are fully subjected to reason's law by the will." In further consideration of his ideal system he shows that "Male and female are to be trained on a footing of equality," and finally the instance on the supremacy of knowledge is followed out to its logical conclusion in the doctrine that "the true rulers of a state must be philosophers."

"The true 'form' or idea of a thing depends on the end or purpose of the thing. Just as we cannot know the true form of a knife except by reference to its purpose of cutting, so we cannot know the true form or idea of man, its maker, except by the true end or good of human life. Nor can we fully know the end or good of any one thing until we see that thing in its place in the wider end or good of the world as a whole. Hence the absolute good or idea of good becomes for Plato the ultimate ground and interpretation of all reality, and the aim of all science would be attained in so far as we could rise to the knowledge of this supreme good, and see everything in the light of it. And it is in virtue of this twofold conviction that the truest realities are not those revealed by the senses, and that through all reality a single purpose or meaning runs, that Platonism has even been the type of an idealistic philosophy.

(In our next issue we shall give brief sketches of Priestley, Raphael, Sappho and Schiller.)

The Children's Puzzle.



In the pictures you will find each one illustrates the name of a Lyceum Song or Reading. Can you find the titles?

Stephen Wright, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Wright, of Hyde, has passed the Intermediate Examination of the "Institute of Chartered Accountants."

Births, Marriages, and Transitions.

Ordinary Intimations will be inserted as follows:—Not exceeding twenty-four words 1s. 6d. will be charged. A further 6d. will be charged for every additional nine words. Poetry 6d. per line. Payment must accompany all intimations or they cannot be inserted.

TEE.—In sweet and loving memory of our dear little son, Albert Ernest, the dearly loved child of Robert Frederick and Emma Tee, who passed to the Summerland, Feb. 7th, 1929, aged 3 years and 8 months.

"A beautiful flower replanted in the Summerland."

Mam and Dad.

WOMBWELL.—We deeply regret to report the transition of one of our Lyceumists, Carrie Thorpe, aged 12 years. She was an excellent scholar, and a happy, affectionate girl, beloved by children and elders alike.

LYCEUM REPORTS.

RULE 1.—Reports must be written in ink or typed on one side of the paper only. Commence the Report by stating the name of your Lyceum, and sign your name at the end.

RULE 2.—Record only the events occurring after Jan. 21st.

RULE 3.—Lyceums taking 1 dozen copies are allowed free insertion of 25 words; 2 dozen, 50 words; 3 dozen, 75 words; 4 dozen copies or over, 100 words.

Additional words to be paid for at the rate of 6d. for every nine words. This Rule does not apply to Lyceums numbering fewer than 30 members.

RULE 4.—All Reports must reach this Office not later than February 18th, to ensure insertion in the March issue.

RULE 5.—Colonial Reports, if posted to the LYCEUM BANNER within 7 days after the events reported, will be inserted in the next issue after receipt at the BANNER Office.

ACCRINGTON, Argyle Street.—On Saturday, Dec. 27th, the Church provided the Lyceumists with a splendid tea and presents from Father Christmas. We spent a very happy day.—Miss F. Holgate, Sec.

ACCRINGTON, Pearl Street.—Open Session, Jan. 4th. Recitations, solos and duets were well rendered in the afternoon by Lyceumists.

In the evening Mrs. Wilson, of Oswaldtwistle, gave a short address on "Spiritualism" which we all enjoyed.

At 8 p.m. Mrs. Langham, of Accrington, took the after service. It was a good Red Letter Day.—Miss H. Swift, Sec.

ASHTON.—Half-yearly meeting and Election of Officers was held on Dec. 28th, with the best attendance for the last few years. Interest was keen in the business. Another favourable balance sheet was submitted, showing a further increase on last half year. We commenced this half-year with the object of building up in numbers, and pleased to say we had a net increase, so have partly attained our aim. Voting was again keen and the following were elected:—Assistant Conductor, Mr. W. Dransfield; Treasurer, Mrs. Martin; Secretary, Mr. R. A. L. Markham; Guardian, Miss G. Martin; Captain of Guards, Mr. J. Andrews; Guards, Gentlemen of Lyceum; Group Leaders, Mr. Dransfield, Mr. Booth, Mr. J. W. Jackson; Musical Conductor, Miss A. Rhodes; Librarian, Miss E. Dunbavan; Visitors, Misses F. Hobson, G. Martin; A. Hurst; Representative on Church Committee, Mr. R. A. L. Markham; Delegates to N.E. Cheshire L.D.C., Miss F. Hobson, Mr. Markham; Auditor, Mr. Booth.

Conundrum Social and Prize Distribution was held on Saturday, 3rd Jan., and was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The programme of music, recitations, etc., was provided by Lyceumists and games added to the pleasure of the evening. The refreshment menu was certainly a puzzle, and created much laughter. For instance, famous grocers represented tea, but you might have expected a cake coming along, as you already had nerve racker, which also stood for tea. Miss F. Hobson presented the prizes, and, as Conductor, expressed a few words of encouragement for the year 1931, which we hope will be taken to heart. It was certainly a children's party and the success was made more complete by Miss A. Rhodes keeping the piano from going rusty with some very good music and her accustomed skill.—R. A. L. Markham, Sec.

BACUP.—Jan. 18th, Open Session and Re-opening after the beautifying of the Church. Pearls were given by K. Amos, P. Carter, M. Pachett; recitations by A. Wright, M. Halsall, B. Bell, M. Pachett, G. Ormerod, D. Halsall; pianoforte solos by D. Halsall and J. Pachett; solos by M. Kennia, H. Shaw, M. Pachett, M. Wright and Group of Lyceumists.—Mr. A. Halsall, Sec.

BLACKBURN, St. Peter Street.—Dec. 28th, Open Session. The following gave recitations, L. Slater, F. and C. Railton, J. and I. Entwistle, E. and A. Fish, M. Turner; solos by Mrs. Hall, F. Crabtree. A good Session enjoyed by all present.—T. Wood, Sec.

BLACKPOOL.—Election of Officers for 1931:—Conductor, Mrs. E. H. Rothwell; Assistants, Miss Olive Davies and Mr. Jack Matthews; Guardian, Mr. Ernest Chattington; Captain of Guards, Mr. Alfred Chattington; Guards, Margery and Mabel Cartmell; Marching Leader, Mr. Norman Hamlet; Callisthenics Leader, Mr. James Chattington; Musical Director, Mrs. Baker; Group Leaders, Mrs. Lamb, Mrs. Wood and Mr. George Chattington; Liberty Group Leaders, Mr. Hobbs and Mr. Lamb; Flower Steward, Mr. J. Rothwell; Secretary, Miss Jennie Bamber.

BIRKENHEAD—Jan. 4th, Open Session. Recitations by Muriel, Gwennie, Gertrude, Florrie and Annie Watson, Ernest Kneale, Doreen Robinson, Lilian Harding, Jimmy Woodley, Leslie Hamilton; solos, Bettie Callaghan, Eileen Edwards, Mrs. Harper, William Kneale, Mr. Taylor, Mrs. Harding and Mr. Groves.

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District Council Reports.

BIRMINGHAM AND DISTRICT.

The Birmingham and District L.D.C. held their meeting at Drummond Street, Wolverhampton, on Saturday, Jan. 10th, 1931. The chief discussion was the "Spiritualist Bill" which has had its First Reading in Parliament. We hope that all Councils are taking this matter up, so that we can have our religion to the fore.

The next meeting is the A.G.M. and will be held at Stirchley on Feb. 14th, 1931, at 3 p.m. prompt. Wishing all Lyceums every success.

Affiliation Fees are now due.

ERNEST C. HEATON, Sec.

BRADFORD DISTRICT.

The Annual Meeting of the above Council will be held at Idle Lyceum Rooms on Saturday, Feb. 14th, at 3 p.m.

A Grand Concert will be held at 7 p.m.

Will all Lyceums please send Delegates.

A meeting was held at Harker Street on Saturday, Jan. 10th. Miss Hudson was in the Chair. The business for the afternoon was "Revision of Shield and Bell Competition Rules."

We are very sorry to report the passing to the Higher Life of Mr. Hudson, of Keighley, late President of the Council and Associate member. His physical body was interred at the Keighley Cemetery on Saturday, Jan. 17th. Mr. Doubleday, of Bradford, conducted the services. A large number of Spiritualists attended. A wreath was sent by the Council. The Council and the movement have lost a dear friend. We record our condolence to his dear wife and daughters.

E. AKED, Sec.

HALIFAX AND HUDDERSFIELD DISTRICT.

The Annual Meeting and Election of Officers will be held at Elland on Sunday, Feb. 8th, commencing at 10-30 a.m. prompt. The following nominations have been received:—President, Miss G. Haigh, Mr. T. Ellis; Vice-President, Mr. T. Ellis; Secretary, Miss G. Halliday; Treasurer, Mr. A. Saxon; D.V., Mr. W. Burrows, Mr. Edwin Smith; Auditor, Miss G. Haigh. Will delegates please make a special effort to be present.

To Secretaries of five Lyceums who are maintaining a strong silence: what can I do to ensure a reply to my letters and circulars? Suggestions welcomed.

G. HALLIDAY, Sec.

LEEDS DISTRICT.

The Annual Meeting will be held at Batley Carr on Saturday, Feb. 21st, at 3-30 p.m.

Agenda:—Opening Exercise, Invocation, Welcome, Roll

Call, Minutes. Reports: D.V.'s, Treasurer's, Auditors', L.D.C., Special Committee Progress Scheme (Silver Bell). Invitations, 1931 Field Day and Demonstration. Adjudicator, 1931 Progress Scheme. Associates. Election of Officers: President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, District Visitor, Delegates, B.S.L.U. Annual Conference, U.D.C., Nominations for B.S.L.U. President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Auditor. Open Council. Vote of Thanks to local friends. Date and place of next meeting.

A. W. HARDING, Sec.

LONDON DISTRICT.

The passing of the old year was celebrated by a Council Athletic New Year's Eve Dance, which was a great social success, thanks to the energetic efforts of Mr. Pat King and his band of sporty workers.

The occasion was made a Carnival Dance and attracted many strangers. The Universal Dance Band won high praise. It was their first public engagement.

Jan. 4th. The President supported by fellow workers, conducted Bowes Park Anniversary Services.

Jan. 11th. Hampton Wick Lyceum was opened by Mr. Fruin, supported by Mr. Miles and Miss Pennington.

Jan. 18th. The Council conducted the Anniversary Services at Stratford.

Arrangements are in hand for a United Children's Party, Rally, Dances, Athletic Meeting. Local workers are making progress with dramatic art. There are the Girl Guide Movement and other interesting features, all of which should make London a progressive centre of our Movement for 1931.

P.M.

MANCHESTER AND SALFORD DISTRICT.

The December meeting of the above Council was held at the Cheetham Hill Lyceum.

Mr. R. W. Marks, President, in the Chair. Mr. J. Taylor was appointed Acting Secretary for the meeting. 15 Lyceums were represented.

The D.V.'s Reports were accepted. The President informed the Council of the purchase of the Silver Bell which was displayed and heartily approved.

A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Dixon for his financial help to above.

The question of photographs of the Shield and Bell was referred to Lyceums.

The Pooling Scheme Report was adopted.

The Report of the Rules Committee was given by Mr. Marks, and after some discussion it was decided to send copies to Lyceums.

The Motion for a Demonstration to be held in Manchester in 1931 was defeated.

It was carried that we approach Manchester District Group of Churches *re* Fraternal Delegates to meetings.

The President outlined his scheme for a Sports Section. This was referred to the E.C.

It was carried that the best wishes of the Council be sent to Mr. G. Dixon and his wife on the occasion of their marriage.

Mr. Tinker gave a Report of the condition of South African Lyceums.

Votes of thanks were given to local friends and the meeting closed.

NOTE.—A.G.M., Feb. 7th, New Manchester Lyceum, 3 p.m.

R. W. MARKS, Pres. (for Sec.).

TEES-SIDE DISTRICT.

The Annual General Meeting of this Council will be held at the Gurney Valley Lyceum on Sunday, 8th Feb., 1931, at 10-30 a.m., when it is hoped to have a good attendance. The attention of Lyceum Secretaries and Delegates is especially drawn to the following items:—

Election of Officers:—Nominations for President, Mr. Millar, Mr. Westbrook, Mrs. Ainsworth; Secretary, Mr. E. Nellist, A.N.S.C.; Treasurer, Mrs. Ainsworth, Mr. Platt; District Visitor, Mr. Foster, Mrs. Lofthouse; Vice-President, Mr. Jones, Mr. Sunter, Mrs. Williams; Auditors, Mr. Chester, Mr. Scorer, Mr. Sunter, Mr. W. Smith.

Notices of Motion:—

'That the Rota System of holding Conferences be dispensed with and a place centralised for all Conferences.'—*Stockton, Brunswick Street.*

'That the time of commencing Conference be altered to

11-30 a.m., so that all local means of transit can be taken advantage of."—*Stockton, Brunswick Street.*

"That in future this Council meet on the Third Sunday in November instead of 'Peace Sunday.'"—*Shildon.*

"That Delegates to other bodies (viz., B.S.L.U., U.D.C., etc.) be elected from the Executive Committee."—*Executive Committee.*

"That the Executive Committee's Minutes be not read at Conference, as at present. Such business as is subject to confirmation of Conference to be circularized to Lyceums and treated on Conference Agenda under 'E.C. Recommendations.'"—*Executive Committee.*

"That the Lyceum Representatives to the Executive Committee shall be elected to hold office for one year and their names and addresses submitted to the Council Secretary prior to the Annual General Meeting in February."—*Executive Committee.*

"That Motions having been defeated shall not be again introduced until after the lapse of one year."—*Executive Committee.*

Copies of Agendas, Balance Sheet, etc., have been circularised to all Lyceum Secretaries. Will those Lyceums who have not yet sent their Affiliation and Associate Fees do so without further delay, please.

ED. NELLIST, A.N.S.C.

District Visitor's Report.

SOUTH-EAST LANCASHIRE DISTRICT.

On Jan. 11th, 1931, I paid a visit to Waterhead Lyceum, Oldham. 10-30 a.m. Session. Attendance 20. The singing was harmonious and readings met with great response. Marching and callisthenics were performed in an able manner. The Musical Conductor and Callisthenics Conductor are worthy of praise. The Lyceumists retain a standard of efficiency that is interesting and instructive. Mr. Wright, although young, is a capable Conductor. I am looking forward to meeting their representative at the next Council meeting.

I also paid a visit to Elliott Street, Oldham, 2-30 p.m. Session. Owing to various causes, their numbers were small, but the whole Session was gone through in an able manner, under the Conductorship of Mr. Platt. I would also be pleased to see this Lyceum represented at the next Council Meeting, and hope these Lyceums will meet with greater success.

HERBERT SHAW, D.V.

SILVER PAPER.

AINSWORTH HOME OF REST SCHEME.

We shall be glad to receive any Silver Paper from Lyceumists for the benefit of the above Scheme.

If odd bits are sent in ordinary letters (under 2 oz.) when Secretaries are writing to the General Secretary, the despatch will not cost anything extra for postage.

The D.C.'s have become collecting centres and pass the paper to the General Secretary by hand as occasion permits, otherwise the postage may be more than we shall receive for the paper.

We have pleasure in acknowledging the receipt of Silver Paper from:—Mr. Alfred Kitson, Dewsbury; Mrs. Emily Bailey, West Pelton Lyceum; Miss E. Darlow, Mr. A. E. Howells, Mrs. Croll, Horwich Lyceum, Bolton, Henry Street, Earby, Greenend Avenue Lyceum, Bacup, per Mrs. Carter, Bertha Middleton (Rochdale), Baillie Street, Betty Orme, Belper, Eric and Jack Nurse, Rochdale, Regent Hall, Macclesfield Lyceum, Leeds, Armlay, Leeds, Easy Road, Normanton, Queen Street, Wakefield, Stockport, Central, Openshaw, Father Christmas Stocking Service, Leslie Midgley, Miss G. Brown, Newlands Avenue Lyceum, Shildon, Miss Ada Griffin, Miss Winder, Miss Ethel Fishwick, Miss E. Kirk, Mrs. M. Hall, Whitley Bay, Mr. G. W. Richardson, Frank Hudson, Rochdale, Regent Hall, Mrs. Leadbetter, Fleetwood, Eileen Edwards, Birkenhead, Roy Stevenson, St. Annes; Mr. W. Rainbow; Mrs. Wardle, Home Circle, Heaton and Byker; John Raymond Frost; Mrs. Gershon, Cheetham Hill; Mr. Caseman, Moston; Lincoln, Midland Lyceum; Huddersfield, Ramsden Street; Elland; Mrs. F. Benson, Fleetwood; Mr. Holt, Miss Smith, Dearnley; Harold Kaye, Katie Morris, Mrs. Carr, Mrs. Chadwick, Bury; Mr. J. Goodwin; Mr. O. Peel; North-East Cheshire L.D.C.; Accrington, Argyle Street; Mrs. E. C. Coe, Broadgate, Coventry; Hyde Lyceum; E. M. Marston, Stockport; Miss D. Bottomley; Miss Louie Grey; W. Doswell, Gt.

Harwood; Mrs. Rushton, Macclesfield; Blackpool Lyceum, per Miss Bamber; Stretford Lyceum, per Mr. S. Sidebotham; Mr. R. L. Harwood, Eastleigh; Northampton Lyceum, per Wm. Marriott; Miss I. Graham, Gateshead; Miss M.A. Williams, Bowes Park; South Manchester Lyceum, per Mr. Woodcock; Liverpool, Daulby Hall; Barrow, Dalkeith St.

THE NATIONAL FUND OF BENEVOLENCE.

Sir,—I have pleasure in reporting the following income for December:—

PERSONAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.—Anonymous, T.H., £50; Mrs. Nurse, Sale of Postcards, £5; Mr. and Mrs. Vout Peters, 10s.; Mr. E. Barlow, 10s.; Mrs. Oke, per Mr. Newton, 5s.; Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Oaten, £1 1s.; Lewis and Edith, £1; R.C. (Blackpool), 5s.; Mrs. C. M. Fisher, 10s.; J. W. Turner, £1; Miss J. T. Manvell, £1 1s.; Mr. A. Scott, 10s.; Thos. Simkin, 10s.; The Didsbury Circle, 10s.; J. Fenton, Sunday Fee, Pontefract, 5s.; Mrs. M. Crouch, £2; Mr. and Mrs. T. Brown, Hull, £1 1s.; Mrs. M. A. Stubbs, £2; J. H. K. (London), 10s.; Mrs. C. J. Pullan, 2s. 6d.; Mr. and Mrs. Coleman, Lewisham, £1; Mr. and Mrs. Summersgill, 10s.; Mrs. M. J. Holden, 10s.; W. R. Haigh, 2s. 6d.; Mrs. Leadbetter (3rd Flower Seance, Afternoon at Pine Cottage, Southport), £2 5s. 6d.; Mrs. W. Bullock's Transfiguration Seance (Manchester Central Church), £2 7s. 6d.; Mrs. Knowles, Two Seances held at Manchester Central Church, £1 6s. Total, £76 12s.

SOUTHERN AREA.—Bournemouth N.S.C., Bath Street, £50; Devonport, Ferry Hall, 10s.; Portsmouth Progressive, Francis Avenue, 15s.; Cowes, £1 10s.; Ryde, £1; Bristol United, £1 16s.; Paignton, £1 6s.; Southern D.C. (E.C. Meeting, Tea-table Collection), 11s. 6d. Total, £57 8s. 6d.

NORTHERN DISTRICT COUNCIL, PER MR. W. D. TODD.—Mr. T. Bogue, 2s; Mr. J. Ridley, 2s. 6d.; N.D. Council Conference, Rye Hill, 11s. 8d.; Newbiggin 2nd National, 7s. 6d.; Bedlington, 15s.; Monkwearmouth, £1 2s.; West Pelton, 5s.; Horden, 5s.; Gateshead, High West Street, £1; Blyth Central, 8s. 2d.; Heaton and Byker, £1 10s.; Newcastle Central, £1 5s.; Benwell Church and Lyceum, £1 10s.; Eden Progressive, Gateshead, £1 10s.; West Hartlepool, Musgrave Street, £1; Dudley, 6s. 1d.; Bishop Auckland, 7s. 6d.; New Delaval, 3s. 6d.; Sunderland, Derwent Street, Retiring Collection, President's 70th Birthday, 14s.; Sunderland, Derwent Street, Rally, 6s. 6d.; Whitley Bay (Collected by Mrs. Hall), £6 1s.; Sunderland United Armistice Service, £1 9s.; Members' Personal Subscriptions, Rippon Hall, North Shields, £1. Total, £22 1s. 5d.

MIDLANDS AREA.—Leicester, Rupert Street, 15s.; Stirchley, 10s.; Sheffield, Meersbrook, £3 2s. 3d.; Northampton, 15s.; Stourbridge, 15s. Total, £5 17s. 3d.

LONDON AREA.—Plaistow Church, Collected by H. Wright, £6 5s. 9d.; Southend, £2 2s.; Lewisham, £2 2s.; West London Fellowship, £2; Letchworth, £1 1s.; Aldershot and District, 12s.; Miss Felicia Scatcherd's Memorial Fund, per Mr. David Gow, £2 2s. Total, £16 4s. 9d.

LANCASHIRE AREA.—Liverpool, Daulby Hall, £8 0s. 9d.; Millom, £1; Gorton, Manchester, 5s.; Moston, Manchester, £1 5s.; Todmorden Central, Special Circle with Mr. Jowett, 10s.; Manchester, Longsight, £1 1s. Total, £12 1s. 9d.

YORKSHIRE AREA.—Attercliffe, Bold Street, £3 3s; Hull, Holborn Hall, £2 2s.; Rotherham, Percy Street, £1; Halifax, St. Paul's, £1; Keighley, Heber Street, £1; Arnley, £1. Total, £9 5s.

WALES.—Barry, £1 5s.

GRAND TOTAL, £200 15s. 8d.

The Committee extend their grateful thanks for the very generous response this month.

To the anonymous donor of £50 we tender our especial appreciation of his interest and practical help. To the members and friends of Bournemouth Church, Bath Road, who head the list this year with a sum of £50, and to all we express our thanks on behalf of the old folks.

The Committee are assured of enough to carry on the work for another year, and have a little in reserve for emergencies. For the parcel of shoulder shawls received we thank the donor.

May all who have contributed feel the kindly thoughts of the old folks, who express constantly in their letters their thankfulness for the regular assistance given.

On behalf of the Committee,

I remain,

Yours gratefully,

MARY L. STAIR, Hon. Sec.

32b, North Street,
Keighley, Yorks.

The British Spiritualists' Lyceum Union.

"†" denotes Fees have been paid by Lyceums to their respective District Councils.

BIRMINGHAM COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mr. E. C. Heaton, 6, Wharf Street, Hockley, Birmingham.
District Visitor, Mr. Warrilow, 6, Cottage, Parkfield, Wolverhampton.
G Birmingham, Central, Corporation Street, 3-15. Mr. J. E. Hemmings, 14, Little Francis Street, Bloomsbury, Birmingham.
G †Birmingham, Handsworth, 2-55 p.m. Miss A. Brown, 109, Victoria Rd., Aston, Birmingham.
G †Birmingham, Stirchley, 11-0 a.m., 1346, Pershore Road, Mrs. C. Shakespeare, 1477, Pershore Rd., Stirchley, Birmingham.
G. †Smethwick, 107, High St. 2-45 p.m. Mr. T. Wright, 43, Hall Rd., Smethwick, Staffs.
G †Walsall, Temperance Hall, Freer St., 2-40 p.m. Mr. N. Hughes, 13, Renwick Terrace, Frederick Street, Walsall.
G †Wolverhampton, Molineux Alley, Drummond St. 2-30 p.m. Mr. T. McQuord Weedman, 41, Allen Road, Wolverhampton.

BOLTON COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Secretary, Miss A. Dean, 77, King Street, Bury, Lancs.
District Visitor, Mr. W. Cliff, 30, Higher Swan Lane, Bolton.
E †Bolton, Bradford Street, 10 a.m. Mr. A. Bromiley, 35, Radcliffe Road, Bolton.
E †Bolton, 194, Deane Rd., 10-15. Miss G. Hall, 14, Oswald St., Daubhill, Bolton.
E †Bolton, Henry-street, 10-30. Miss P. Monk, 38, Bull Lane, off Lever Street, Bolton.
E †Bury, 66, King-street, Rochdale-road, 11 a.m. Miss N. Dean, 77, King St., Bury, Lancs.
E †Horwich, Chorley New Road, 10 a.m. Mr. J. Sherrington, 8, Julia Street, Horwich, Lancs.
E Leigh, Evans Street, 10-30 a.m. Miss L. Twist, 178, Firs Lane, Leigh, Lancs.
E †Radcliffe, Railway Street, Miss H. Charnley, 6, East Avenue, Lilyhill, Whitfield.
E Walkden, Granville St., 2-30 p.m. Miss P. Ogden, 2, Old Clough Lane, Walkden.

BRADFORD COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mr. E. Aked, 152, Marsh Street, Little Horton, Bradford.
District Visitor, Mr. W. Simpson, 29, Wheatland Drive, Daisy Hill, Bradford.
D †Bradford, Harker-street, 1-45 p.m. Mrs. P. Nicholls, 13, John St., Tong St., Bradford.
D †Bradford, Laisterdyke, No. 5, Laisterdyke, 10-30 & 1-45. Mr. J. Babbs, 3, Dundas St. Laisterdyke.
D †Bradford, Milton, 16, Lansdowne Place, off Morley St. 10-30. Mr. W. Simpson, 29, Wheatlands Drive, Daisy Hill, Bradford.
D †Idle, Highfield Rd., 1-45. Mr. A. Illingworth, 407, Highfield Rd., Idle, Bradford.
D †Keighley, Heber Street, 10 and 1-30. Miss A. Middlebrook, 7, Poplar Terrace, Keighley Road, Morton, Bingley.
D †Saltaire, 7, Moor Head Lane (Saltaire Tram Terminus) Mr. F. Atkinson, 38, Rhodes Street, Shipley.
D †Shipley, Teal-court, 10-45 and 1-45. Mr. E. H. Coles, 46, Scarboro' Road.
D †Windhill, School Hill, 1-30 p.m. Mr. Todd, 32, Church Street, Windhill, Shipley, Yorks.

COVENTRY DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mr. Burrows, 133, Craven Street, Coventry.
District Visitor, Mrs. E. Coe, 82, Coronation Road, Coventry.
G †Coventry, Bull-street, Off Hertford-street. 3-0 to 4-30 p.m. Miss C. O. Taylor, 36, Stanway Rd., Coventry.
G †Coventry, Broadgate, King's Hall, Vicar Lane, off Smithford Street, 3-0 p.m. Miss A. Ankrett, 1, Hasley Street, Stoke, Coventry.
G †Nuneaton, Norman Avenue, 11 a.m. Mr. G. Knight, 138, Cotton Road, Nuneaton.
G †Rugby, Co-op Chambers, Sheep St, 11 a.m. Mr. E. Weller, 24, Lower St., Hillmorton, nr. Rugby, Warwick.

HALIFAX AND HUDDERSFIELD COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Secretary, Miss G. Halliday, 28, Moorlands Place, Free School Lane, Halifax.
District Visitor, Mr. W. Buttle, 27, Whitestone Lane, Hillhouse, Huddersfield.
D †Brighouse, Commercial St., 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Miss M. Gough, 22, Thornhill Rd., Rastrick, Brighouse.
D †Elland, Westgate, 1-45 p.m. Miss A. Bedford, 9, Westbury Street, Elland.
D †Halifax, Alma St., 10 and 1-45. Mr. P. Chapman, 47, Grove Ter., Upper Washer lane, King Cross, Halifax.

D †Halifax, Queen's Road, 10 and 1-30. Mr. G. Anderton, 16, Clay St., Hanson Lane, Halifax.
D †Hebden Bridge, Hope Street, 1-45. Mr. J. Manning, Raw Farm, Wadsworth, Hebden Br.
D †Huddersfield, Ramsden St., 10-30 a.m. Mrs. E. Seal, 31, Midland St., Hillhouse, Huddersfield.
D †Huddersfield, St. Peter St., 10-30 a.m. Mr. J. Midgley, 13, Rose St., Turnbridge, Huddersfield.
D †Quarmany, Harp Rd., Longwood, 10-30. Mr. H. Baxter, 318, Vicarage Road, Longwood, Huddersfield.
D †Sowerby Bridge, Hollins-lane, 10 a.m., and 2 p.m. Mr. W. A. Rowson, 6, Newton St., Sowerby Bridge.
D †West Vale, Green Lane, 2 p.m. Mrs. Mitchell, 20, Eastgate, Elland.

LEEDS COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mr. A. W. Harding, 19, New Row, Thornes, Wakefield.
District Visitor, Mr. A. Daisley, 45, Middleton Park Square, Middleton, Leeds.
C †Batley Carr, Carr Street, 10 and 1-30. Miss P. Hirst, 44, Albert Street, Batley Carr, Batley.
C †Birstall, Batley, Railway Terrace, 1-45 p.m. Mrs. E. Sharp, 9, West Brook Terrace, Bradford Road, Batley.
C †Castleford, Lower Oxford St., 10-30 and 1-30. Mrs. K. Wright, 23, Wood Street, Castleford.
C †Cleckheaton, The Old Robin, 1-45. (1st Sun. 2-30). Miss M. B. Robinson, Highfield Cottage, Walthroft Road, Cleckheaton.
C †Dewsbury, Wellington Rd., 10 and 1-45. Mr. V. R. Phillips, 43, Battyte St., Dewsbury.
C Heckmondwike, Tower St., 2 p.m. Miss V. Senior, 9, Gladys St., Liversedge.
C †Hemsworth, Grove Lane, 10-30, 2 p.m. Mrs. W. Bates, 15, Holgate Gardens, Barnsley Road, Hemsworth, nr. Pontefract.
C †Horbury and Ossett, Sowood Avenue, 1-45. Mrs. Goldthorpe, Humble Cottage, Manor Road, Ossett, nr. Wakefield.
C †Hull, Dairycoates, 9, Eastbourne St. 1-45 p.m. Miss H. Jacobson, 26, Seaton Grove, Hessele Road, Hull.
C †Hull, Gipsyville, Labour Hall, Edinburgh St. 1-45 p.m. Mr. A. Green, 30, Westbourn St., Hessele Rd., Hull.
C †Hull, Holborn Hall, Holborn St., Witham, 1-45 p.m. Mr. J. A. Buckton, 43, Tadman St., Hull.
C †Leeds, Armley, Theaker Lane, 2 p.m. Mrs. B. A. Firth, "Ormidale," Heath Grove, Pudsey, Leeds.
C †Leeds, Psycho, 24, Brunswick Place, North St. 2-30 p.m. Miss V. Towers, 24, Brunswick Place, North Street, Leeds.
C †Leeds, 79, Easy Road, 2-15 p.m. Miss B. Exley, 74, Belle Isle Road, Hunslet, Leeds.
C †Leeds, Horsforth, Scout Hut, Broadgate Lane, 3-15 p.m. Mrs. Eccles, 67, Victoria Gardens, Horsforth, Leeds.
C †Littleton, Wall St. 2 p.m. Mr. A. Ashton, 2, Shirley Grove, Gomersal, nr. Leeds.
C †Morley, Cross Church St., 1-45. Mr. H. Benn, 40a, Station Rd., Morley.
C †Morley, Queen Street, 1-45. Mr. A. Stevens, 77, Middleton Road, Morley, nr. Leeds.
C †Normanton, Queen St., 10-30 a.m. Mr. H. Rothery, 30, King St., Normanton.
C †Scarborough, over Driver's Stores, Newborough, 1-45 p.m. Mrs. Middleton, 82, North Marine Rd., North Cliff, Scarborough.
C †Wakefield, Kirkgate, over Public Benefit Boot Shop (side entrance), 1-45, Miss D. Harding, 19, New Row, Thornes, Wakefield.
C †York, Spen Lane, 10-30 and 1-45. Mr. S. Whitwam, 5, Foss Bank, Monkgate, York.

LIVERPOOL COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mrs. L. George, 85, Queen's Rd, Everton, Liverpool.
District Visitor, Mr. G. Burns, 1, Grantham Street, Kensington, Liverpool.
F Birkenhead, Oliver Street, 11 a.m. Miss D. Dunn, 7, Stanley Street, Lr. Tramere, Birkenhead.
F †Chester, Common Hall St., 11 a.m. Mr. L. Evans, 9, Hartington St., Handbridge, Chester.
F †Liverpool, Daulby Street, 10-30 a.m. Miss M. Keeling, 8, Knochaid Road, Tue Brook, L'pool.
F †Liverpool, Boaler Street, 3 p.m. Mr. J. A. Burns, 42, Swinbrook Green, Sedgemore Road, West Derby, Liverpool.
F Rock Ferry, 18, Nelson Rd., 3 p.m. Mrs. F.M. Sutherland, 8, Temple Rd., Birkenhead.
F †Runcorn, Ashridge St., 10-30 a.m. Mr. C. L. Cohen, 103, Greenway Road, Runcorn, Cheshire.
F †Southport, 10-30. Mr. W. E. Peel, 74, Cobden Rd., Southport.

F St. Helens, Charles St., 11 a.m. Miss E. Horsfall, 128, Birchley St., St. Helens.
F †Warrington, Academy Street, 1-45 p.m. Mr. W. A. Price, 36, Hume Street, Warrington.
F †Wigan, Millgate Hall, Millgate, 10-0 a.m. and 1-45. Miss M. Eachus, 51, Thicknesse Avenue, Beect Hill, Wigan.

THE LONDON COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mrs. Calway, 21, Kidbrooke Lane, Eltham, S.E.9.
District Visitor, Miss A. Pennington 10, Westwell Rd., Streatham, S.W.
H †Battersea, Bennerley Hall, Bennerley Rd. 3-0. Mrs. E. Williams, 9, Calbourne Road, Balham, London, S.W.12.
H †Bowes Park, Princess Hall, Green Lanes, Palmers Green, N.13. 3 p.m. Miss M. A. Wiljams, 148, Victoria Rd., Alexandra Park, N.22.
H †Brixton, 143a, Stockwell Park Rd., S.W.9. 3 p.m. Mr. F. B. Cross, 10, Somerleyton Road, Brixton, S.W.9.
H Chatham, Avondale Hall, George St., 3 p.m. Mr. E. Rundle, 40, Toronto Rd., Gillingham, Kent.
H †Clapham, Bedford Road, S.W.4, 3 p.m. Mr. H. R. Barnard, 15, Ashmere Grove, S.W.2.
H †Croydon, "The New Gallery," Katharine Street, Croydon, 3 p.m. Mr. P. M. Stewart, 2, Silverleigh Villas, Thornton Heath, Surrey.
H †Ealing, 8, Bakers Lane, Broadway, W.5. 3 p.m. Miss N. Hewitt, 55, Dorset Rd. South Ealing, W.5.
H †Eltham, Co-op. Hall, Well Hall Rd., S.E.9. 11-0 a.m. Miss Eva Goodall, 76, Embleton Road, Lewisham, S.E.13.
H †Forest Hill, Berdnall-road, 3 p.m. Miss A. Payne, 26, Beadnall-road, Forest Hill, S.E.
H †Fulham, 12, Lettuce Street, 3 p.m. Mrs. J. Keeling, 99, Fawe Park Road, Putney, S.W.15.
H †Hackney, 240a, Amhurst Rd., 3-0. Mrs. W. Wemborne, 8, Canterbury Ter., Balls Pond Rd. Dalston, N.1.
H †Hampton Hill, Middlesex, Windmill Rd., 3 p.m. Mr. L. J. Batten, 44, Myrtle Road, Hampton Middlesex.
H †Hounslow, Whitton Rd., Hounslow, M'sex. 3 p.m. Miss R. Jones, 82, Hibernia Road, Hounslow Middlesex.
H †Kingston-on-Thames, Villiers Road, 3-0. Miss Dutton, 73, Bonner Hill Road.
H †Lewisham, Limes Hall, Limes Grove, S.E.13. Mr. W. A. Hurrell, 57, Tyrwhitt Road, Brockley, S.E.4.
H Little Hford, Third Avenue, Church St., Manor Park, 3 p.m. Mr. Titmuss, 94, Leigh Road, East Ham, E.6.
H Manor Park, Strone Rd., 3-0 p.m. Mrs. A. E. Trumble, 218, Wakefield Rd., East Ham, E.6.
H †New Malden, Park Road, Surrey, 3 p.m. Mrs. Seffort, 4, Plexna Road, Hampton, Mddx.
H †Peckham, Lausanne Rd., 3-0 p.m. Mrs. F. Franklin, 80, Drakefell Rd. New Cross, S.E.14.
H †Plaistow, Braemar Road, E.13, 3 p.m. Mr. E. J. Raven, 50, Ernest Road, Canning Town, E.16.
H †Rochester Square, Camden Rd., Camden Town, N.3 p.m. Miss D. M. Jordan, 27, Parkhurst Rd., Holloway, N.7.
H †Stratford, Edminston Road, 3 p.m. Mr. R. H. Bates, 46, St. James Rd., Stratford, E.15.
H †Tottenham, and Edmonton, 3-0 p.m. Mr. W. H. Markham, 226, Victoria Rd., nr. Edmonton N.9.
H †Tottenham, 744, High Road. Mr. F. King, 20, Trulock Road, Tottenham, N.17.
H †Walthamstow, Workman's Hall, High St., E.17. 3 p.m. Miss D. Thomas, 4, Canning Road, Walthamstow, E.17.
N †Woolwich and Plumstead, Perseverance Hall, Villas Road, Plumstead, 3-0. Mr. W. Rainbow, 7, Leghorn Road, Plumstead, S.E.18.
H †Southend and Westcliff, Westboro' Rd. Westcliff-on-Sea, 3 p.m. Miss M. Thornton, 12, Ramuz Drive, Westcliff-on-Sea.

MANCHESTER COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mr. G. A. Dixon, 23, Carnforth Avenue, Castleton, nr. Manchester.
District Visitor, Miss G. Ashton 71, Hulme Hall Lane, Miles Platting, Manchester.
F Hollinwood, Byrom Street, 10-30. Mr. C. Mycock, 24, Stanley Road, Hollinwood, nr. Oldham.
F †Manchester, Progressive, 38, Maskell St., 10-30 a.m. Miss C. W. Copeland, 14, Westbourne Road, Ladbarn Lane, Fallowfield, Manchester.
F †Manchester, Halliwell St., Cheetham Hill, 10-30. Mrs. Gershon, 36, Anne St., Cheetham Hill, Manchester.
F †Manchester, Collyhurst, Oldham Rd., 10-30 a.m. Mr. W. Holdsworth, 20, Bath Street, Miles Platting, Manchester.

F †Manchester, Durham St., Market St., Droylesden 2-30 p.m. Mr. F. Jones, 47, Ashton Hill Lane, Droylesden, Manchester.

F †Manchester, Harpurhey, 24, Sharston St., 2-30. Mrs. A. Hall, 10, Dunstan St., Moston Lane, Blackley, Manchester.

F †Manchester, Higher Openshaw, 5, Harp Street, Old Lane, 2-30. Mr. W. Jackson, 6, Wesley Street, Hr. Openshaw, Manchester.

F †Manchester, Longsight, N.S.C. Lyceum, Shepley Street, 2-30. Miss G. Entwistle, 14, Beard Road, Gorton, Manchester.

F †Manchester, Milton, Eccles, Booth St., 11-0 a.m. Mr. T. J. Grayson, 17, Clifton Road, Eccles, Manchester.

F †Manchester, Moss Side. Miss J. V. Van Leenwen, 586, Stretford Road, Old Trafford, Manchester.

F †Manchester, Moston, Church Lane, 10-30. Mr. H. Caseman, 90, Church Lane, Harpurhey, Manchester.

F †Manchester, Newton Heath, Allen St., 2-30 p.m. Mr. Bayliffe, 29, Seymour St., Hollinwood, Oldham.

F †Manchester, Openshaw, 915, Ashton Old Bd., 2-30. Mr. H. Bradley, 350, Abbey Hey Lane, Gorton, Manchester.

F †Manchester, Pendleton Highfield Chambers, 94, Broad Street, 2-30 p.m. Miss A. Allam, 51, Milnthorpe Street, Pendleton, Manchester.

F †Manchester, Salford (Central), St. Philips Place, 2-0. Mr. G. L. Jones, 17, Gilbert Street, Seedley, Manchester.

F †Manchester, South: Princess Rd., 2-30 p.m. Mr. J. Woodcock, 156, Cornbrook St., Old Trafford, Manchester.

F †Manchester, Stretford, Watson Street, 2-30 p.m. Mr. B. Partington, 286, Derbyshire Lane West, Stretford, Manchester.

F †New Manchester, Brunswick Chambers, 63, Brunswick St., C.-on-M., 10-30 and 2-30. Mr. H. Greenall, 118, Bennett St., Hyde Road, Manchester.

F †Northwich, Co-op. Hall, Station Rd. 1-45 p.m. Miss E. Gorst, 15, Oak Street, Carter's Fields, Northwich.

F †Winnington, Winnington Lane, 1-45 p.m. Mrs. F. M. Day, 13, Barrymore Rd., Weaverham, Cheshire.

NORTH-EAST CHESHIRE COUNCIL DISTRICT.

Secretary, Mr. E. Lloyd, 64, Audenshaw Rd., Audenshaw, nr. Manchester.

District Visitor, Mr. Downs, 47, Belmont St., Heaton Norris, Stockport.

F †Ashton-under-Lyne, Burlington St., 10-30 a.m. Mr. R. A. L. Markham, 8, Stamford Crescent, Stamford St., Ashton-u-Lyne.

F †Congleton, Park Rd., 10-30. Mr. J. Davies, 45, Vaudrey Crescent, Congleton.

F †Heaton Norris, Baker Street, 10-30 & 2-30 p.m. Mr. W. George, 14, Todd Street, Heaton Norris.

F †Hyde, George St., 10-30 a.m. Mr. N. Cartwright, 5, Arthur St., Hyde, Cheshire.

F †Leek, Labour Church, 10-30. Mr. M. J. Smith, 21, Duke Street, Leek.

F †Macclesfield, Cumberland St., 10-30 a.m. Mrs. H. Rushton, Rose Cottage, Upton, Macclesfield.

F †Stockport, Central, Lord St., 10-15 and 2, Mrs. Springate, 52, Petersburg Rd., Edgeley, Stockport.

NORTH-EAST LANCASHIRE COUNCIL DISTRICT

Secretary, Mr. J. Shuttleworth, 8, Staftesbury Avenue, Darwen.

District Visitor:—
Northern Section: Miss M. E. Lawton, 14, Park Avenue, Barrow-in-Furness.
Southern Section: Mr. R. Latham, 173, Colne Road, Burnley.

E †Accrington, Argyle St., 10-30 a.m. Miss F. Holgate, 35, Hood St., Accrington.

E †Accrington, Pearl Street, 10-30 a.m. Miss H. Swift, 9, Worsley Street, Oswaldtwistle, Lancs.

E †Barnoldswick, Albert Hall, 10-30. Mr. A. Bulcock, 28, Rook St., Barnoldswick, Yorks.

E †Barnoldswick, West End, Westgate, 10-30 a.m. C. Brown, 28, Valley Road, Barnoldswick.

E †Blackburn, St. Peter St., Session 9-30, Liberty Group, 2 p.m. Mr. Wood, 23, Helen Street, Blackburn.

E †Blackpool, Albert Road, 9-30, 1-45. Miss J. Bamber, 33, Middle Street, Blackpool.

E †Brierfield, John Street, 2-0 p.m. Miss E. Miller, 8, Commercial Street, Brierfield.

E †Burnley, Hammerton Street 10 a.m. Mr. W. Parkin, 7, Harley Street, off St. John's Road, Burnley.

E †Burnley, North St., 10 a.m. Miss B. Laycock, 16, Renshaw St., Burnley.

E †Clitheroe, Walker Street, 10 a.m. Mr. C. Hargroaves, 3, Bright Street, Clitheroe, Lancs.

E †Colne, Spring Lane, 10 a.m. Mr. W. Johnson, 61, Knotts' Lane, Colne, Lancs.

E †Darwen, Victoria St., 9-30 and 1-45. Miss G. M. Walker, 23a, Higher South Street, Darwen.

E †Earby, Greenend Avenue, 10 a.m. and 1-45. Mrs. D. Dawson, 30, Albion Street, Earby, via Colne.

E †Fleetwood, Oak St., 10-30 a.m. and 2-30. Mrs. Vollans, 33, Gordon Rd.

E †Great Harwood, Clayton Street. Mr. W. Doswell, 4, Cambridge Street, Gt. Harwood.

E †Morecambe, Market St., 1-30 p.m. Mrs. McLelland 25, Marlborough Rd., Sandylands.

E †Nelson, Vernon Street 10 a.m. Mr. E. Bury 30, Poplar Street, Nelson.

E †Padigham, Ightenhill Street, 1-30 p.m. Mr. E. Inman, 10, Adamson Street, Padigham.

E †Preston, Central, Moor Lane. 10-30 a.m. Miss H. Kilner, 76, Victoria Rd., Fulwood, Preston.

E †Rawtenstall, Bk. Ormerod Street, 10-30. Miss Greenwood, 204, Haslingden Old Road, Rawtenstall, Rossendale, Lancs.

E †Rishton, Eachill Rd., 10-30 a.m. Miss N. Ellison, 38, Burton St., Rishton.

E †Barrow-in-Furness, 165, Dalton Rd., entrance, 2nd door, Preston St., 2-0 p.m. Mrs. L. Brown, 49, Harrison St.

E †Barrow-in-Furness, Dalkeith St., 10-30 a.m., 2 p.m. Mrs. Taft, 11, Hawke Street.

E †Lancaster, Gt. J. Street, 10-30. Miss M. Sarratt, 51, Prospect Street, Lancaster.

E †Lancaster, Alliance, Collegian Rooms, Gaze St., 11-0 a.m. Mr. A. F. Rushworth, 80, Edward St., Lancaster.

NOTTINGHAM COUNCIL DISTRICT.

Secretary, Mr. P. Farnath, 12, Willoughby Avenue, Lenton, Nottingham.

District Visitor, Mr. F. Reynolds, Hurdville, Linlleys Lane, East Kirkby, Notts.

G †Belper, Jubilee Hall, 10-30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Mr. J. H. Hawkins, Brookside.

G †Beeston, Notts., Barton St., off Station Rd., 10-30 and 2 p.m. Mr. G. Paling, 67, High Rd., Beeston.

G †Derby, Charnwood St., 10-45 & 2. Miss D. Smart 13, Twyford St., Derby.

G †Eastwood, Co-op Hall, Nottingham Rd., 2-30. Mr. Barnes, Chewton St., Hill Top, Eastwood.

G †Hucknall, Derbyshire Lane, 10-30; 2 p.m. Mr. J. Goodwin, 133, Grindon Crescent, Bulwell Hall Estate, Notts.

G †Kirkby, Mona Hall, Sherwood Street, 10-30 & 2 p.m. Mrs. P. Emms, 8, New Marlborough, East Kirkby, Notts.

G †Leicester, Excelsior, Marston St., 3 p.m. Mrs. D. M. Parker, 9, Gordon St., Upper Conduit St.

G †Leicester, Liberty Progressive, Southampton Street, 3 p.m. Mr. T. Kenney, 81, Coral Street, Belgrave Road, Leicester.

G †Leicester, Rupert St., Lecture Hall, 11-0 a.m. Mr. John Wikks, 16, Curzon Street.

G †Leicester, Silver St., Queen's Hall, 2-45 p.m. Miss C. L. Jones, 18, Park Avenue, Lansdowne Rd., Leicester.

G †Lincoln, Midland Hall, 10-30 and 2-45 p.m. Mr. C. Crane, 1, Lytton St., Cannon St., Lincoln.

G †Lincoln, Progressive Hall, Coutham St., 2-30 p.m. Mrs. N. Willey, 5, Grantham St., Lincoln.

G †Mansfield, Dallas St., 10-30 and 2-0 p.m. Mr. G. W. Richardson, D.N.U., 31, Gordon Avenue, Mansfield.

THE SCOTTISH COUNCIL DISTRICT

Secretary, Mr. J. M. Scott, 32, Elm St., Logie, Dundee

District Visitor, Mr. W. Gow, 24, Dixon Ave., Crosshill, Glasgow, S.2.

A †Edinburgh, E.A.S. Church, 9, Gayfield Square, Edinburgh, 1 p.m. Miss D. Stevenson, c/o Rutherford, 21, Rossie Place, Edinburgh.

A †Glasgow, Southern, Neptune Rooms, 1-30 p.m. Mrs. Gosling, 86, Eaglesham Street, Glasgow, S.W.1.

A †Rosyth, Co-op Hall, Backmarsh Road, 2-15 Miss D. Lawton, 100, Queensferry Road, Rosyth, Dumfriemline, Fife, N.B.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT COUNCIL:

Secretary, Mr. H. Heath, 17, Station Rd., Brimington, nr. Chesterfield.

District Visitor, Mr. J. Le Noury, 153, Blackburn, Meadow Hall, Sheffield.

C †Barnsley, North Pavement, Mrs. Howe, 10, Westfield St., Dodworth Rd.

C †Barnsley, Grace Street, 2 p.m. Mr. F. Lunn, 20, Albion Street, Barnsley.

C †Chesterfield, Old Falcon Assembly Rooms, 10-30 Mr. J. J. Hobster 32, Holme-r-1., Stone-gravels.

C †Doncaster, Baker St., 1-45 p.m. Mr. H. E. Stubblings, 34, Sylvester Ave., Balby Road.

C †Doncaster, Catherine St., 10-30 & 2. Mrs. S. C. Webb, 65, Elmfield Rd., Doncaster.

C †Kimberworth, 47, Victoria Street, Masboro'. Mr. Thos. Johnson, 3, Allan Street, Rotherham.

C †Mexborough, Lee's Arcade, 10-45 & 1-45 p.m. Miss E. Gamble, 34, Schofield St., Mexboro'.

C †Rotherham, Percy St., 2 p.m. Mr. G. Lambert, 15, Arthur St., Thornhill, Rotherham.

C †Scunthorpe, I.L.P. Halls, Horne St., 1-30 p.m. Miss I. Sprakes, 90, West Street, Scunthorpe.

C †Sheffield, Bold-st., Bradford-st., Attercliffe Common 10 a.m. and 2-30. Mr. E. Johnson, 18, Skelwith Rd., Grimsthorpe, Sheffield.

C †Sheffield, Darnall Squirrel Ln., 10-0 and 2-30 p.m. Miss L. Jones, 29, Bradford Street, Attercliffe, Sheffield.

C †Sheffield, Heeley, 44, Gifford Road, 2-30. Miss M. Clive, 24, Chippinghouse Road, Sheffield.

C †Stainforth, Miss E. Evans, 24, Stanley Gardens, Stainforth.

C †West Melton, nr. Rotherham, Vicar Rd 2-30 p.m. Mr. W. Guest, 25, Winfield Road, Sandygate, Wash-on-Deane, nr. Rotherham.

C †Wombwell, Melville St., 1-45 p.m. Mr. J. Markham, 26, Station Lane, Wombwell, nr. Barnsley.

C †Parkgate, Ashwood-road, -30 p.m. Mr. W. Mitchell, 54, Middle Ave., Rawmarsh, nr. Rotherham.

SOUTHERN COUNTIES COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mr. H. G. Guy, 3, Belmont Rd., Southampton.

District Visitor, Mrs. E. Taylor, A.N.S.C., 73, Victoria Road, Portsmouth.

H †Brighton, Mighell St. Hall, 3 p.m. Miss E. Davey, 24, Mount Street, Brighton.

H †Bristol, Providence Hall, Grosvenor Rd., 3 p.m. Mrs. K. Baker, 109, Lower Cheltenham Place, Bristol.

H †Devonport, Ferry Hall, 2-45 p.m. Mr. H. Holroyd, 6, Sussex Terrace, Ford, Devonport, Plymouth.

H †Eastleigh, Scout Headquarters, Chamberlayne Rd. 3 p.m. Mr. R. L. Harwood, 158, Desborough Road.

H †Exeter, Market Hall, 11-0 a.m., Mr. H. A. Grainger, Manoh, 23, Clifton Hill.

H †Portsmouth, 73, Victoria-rd., Southsea, 3 p.m. Miss C. Jones, 68, Hudson Rd., Southsea, Portsmouth.

H †Reading, Forester's Hall, London, St., -45 p.m.. Mr. Gildes, 5, Surrey Rd, Reading.

H †Ryde, Belvedere Hall, Belvedere Street, 3 p.m. Mrs. I. Wright, Chatfield, Dover Street, Ryde, I.O.W.

H †Southampton, Cavendish-grove, The Avenue, 3 p.m. Mr. E. W. Long, 111, Firgrove Rd., Southampton.

SOUTH-EAST LANCASHIRE COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mr. J. Nurse, 28, Gower Street, Rochdale.

District Visitor, Mr. H. Shaw, Henry Street, off Rochdale Road, Bacup.

F †Bacup, Christ Church-st., Todmorden-rd., 10-15 a.m. Mr. A. Halsall, 14, Ashworth Street, Tong, Bacup.

†Dearnley, Rochdale Rd., 10 a.m. Mrs. Whitham, 2, Laws Terrace, Dearnley, Littleborough.

F †Heywood, William Street, 10 a.m. Mr. Purcell, 81, Aspinall Street, Heywood.

F †Middleton, Gilmour-st., 10-30 a.m. Mr. John Liddle, 108, Higher Townley-st., nr. Manchester.

F †Middleton, Oldhall Street, 2-30 p.m. Mr. S. Moorcroft, 13, Dale Road, Middleton, Manchester.

F †Oldham, Elliott St., 10-30; 2-30. Mr. M. Harper, 4, Second Avenue, Ooze Wood Rd., Royton, nr. Oldham.

F †Oldham, Waterhead, Equitable St., 10-30. Miss E. Hindley, 7, Brideoak St., Waterhead, Oldham.

F †Rochdale, Baillie Street, 10-30 a.m. Mr. Dewhirst, 7, Chestnut Place, Rochdale.

F †Rochdale, Baron Street, 10-15 a.m. Mr. T. Dixon, 183, Whitthall Street, Rochdale.

F †Rochdale, Regent Street, 1-45 p.m. Mr. J. Nurse, 28, Gower Street, Rochdale.

Secretaries are requested to examine these Lists and send any necessary corrections to the General Secretary.

F **Todmorden**, Eagle Street, 10-0; 1-30 p.m. Mr. H. S. Potts, 8, Whiteplatte Street, Todmorden.
 F †**Todmorden**, Roomfield Buildings, Halifax-road 1-30. Mr. F. Newell, 186, Rochdale Road, Todmorden.

SOUTH WALES LYCEUM DISTRICT:

G **Caerau**, 2-30. Mr. D. Griffiths, 7, Carmen St., Caerau, nr. Bridgend, S.W.
 G **Cardiff**, First, 18, Park Grove, 2-45. Miss B. Davies, 100, Llandaff Rd., Canton, Cardiff.
 G **Newport**, Albany Hall, 3 p.m. Mr. A. G. Hanham, 12, Capel Crescent, Newport, Mon.
 G **Tredeggar**, Mr. S. McPherson, c/o 22, Vale Terrace, Tredeggar, S. Wales.
 G **Ystrad**, 2-30. Mr. E. S. Carpenter, 137, High St., Treorchy, Glam.

THE TEES-SIDE LYCEUM DISTRICT:

Secretary, Mr. E. Nellist, 2, Lobster Rd., Coatham, Redcar, Yorks.
 District Visitor, Mr. Foster, 11, Blackhills Terrace, Horden, Co. Durham.
 B **Cornsay**, Labour Hall, Cornsay Colliery, 2-30. Mrs. M. H. Johnson, 45, North Terrace, Waterhouses, Co. Durham.
 B **Darlington**, Psycho, 2-0 p.m. Mr. J. W. Sell, 49, Howard St., Albert Rd.
 B **Grangetown**, Pochin Road, 2. Miss A. Bottomley, 14, Victoria Road, Grangeton-on-Tees, Yks.
 B **Gurney Valley**, 2-30 p.m. Mr. F. Scorer, 42, Gurney Valley, nr. Bishop Auckland.
 B **Middlesbrough**, 57, Grange Rd., West, 2-30 p.m. Miss K. Gibson, 13, Windsor Rd., Linthorpe, Middlesbrough.
 B **Middlesbrough**, United, Wilson St., 2-30 p.m. Mr. J. Kent, 24, Aske Rd., Middlesbrough.
 B **New Shildon**, Newlands av., 2 p.m., Mr. J. Sunter, 78, Byerley Rd., Shildon, Co. Durham.
 B **Stockton-on-Tees**, Cecil Street, 2-30 p.m. Mrs. Mansell, 63, Chalk Street, Parkfield, Stockton-on-Tees.
 B **Stockton-on-Tees**, New Brunswick-st., 2-30. Mr. J. Miller, 36, Westbury Street, Thornaby-on-Tees, Co. Durham.
 B **West Hartlepool**, Musgrave St., 1-45 p.m. Mr. E. Platts, 1, Princess St., Hartlepool.

THE TYNESIDE LYCEUM DISTRICT.

Secretary, Mr. G. P. Robson, 53, Bamberough Terr., North Shields, Northumberland.
 District Visitor, Mr. T. J. Robertson, 55, Bath Street, South Shields.
 B **Ashington**, Scouts' Hut, Old Lane, 2-30. Mr. H. Barton, 9, Tosson Place, East Villis, Ashington, Northumberland.
 B †**Blyth**, 85, Regent St., 2-30. Miss M. Thompson, 31, Delaval Terrace, Blyth.

B **Craghead**, Mr. J. G. Taylor, 16, Holmside Terrace, Craghead.
 B **Dawdon**, Louisville Hut, Seaham Harbour, 2-30. Mrs. E. Beaghan, 13, Green Street, Seaham Harbour.
 B **Gateshead**, 11, Catherine Street, High West Street, Gateshead-on-Tyne.
 B †**Gateshead**, Rectory Hall, St. Cuthbert's Pl., 2-30 p.m. Mrs. Mather, 49, Claremont North Ave.
 B **Hetton-le-Hole**, Lowther Memorial Hall, 2-30. Miss H. Crake, 43, Caroline Street, Hetton-le-Hole, Co. Durham.
 B †**Hirst**, Spiritual Church, Milburn St., Ashington, 2-30 p.m. Mr. J. Stafford, 53, Myrtle-st., Ashington, Northumberland.
 B †**Jarrow**, Market-sq., 2-15 p.m. Mrs. R. Overton, 81, Buddle St.
 B **Jarrow-on-Tyne**, 101a, Ellison St., 2-30 p.m. Mr. H. Lavery, 26, North St., Jarrow-on-Tyne.
 B **Newburn-on-Tyne**, Mr. J. R. Trall, 5, Francis Terrace, Newburn-on-Tyne.
 B **Newcastle-on-Tyne**, Benwell Co-op. Hall, 2-30. Mr. W. H. Finnell, 72, Denton Yard, Benwell.
 B †**Newcastle-on-Tyne**, Heaton and Byker, Tosson Terrace, Heaton, 2-30 p.m. Mrs. R. Hunter, 19, Haig Avenue, Monkseaton, Northumberland.
 B †**North Shields**, Rippon Hall, 42, Stanley St., West, 2-30. Mrs. S. J. Robson, 53, Bamberough Terrace.
 B †**Newcastle-on-Tyne**, Wallsend, Co-op Hall, 11 a.m. Mrs. M. Eginton, 86b, Neptune Road, Wallsend-on-Tyne.
 B **Newcastle-on-Tyne**, 58, Rye Hill, 2-30. Mr. A. Richardson, 119, Elswick Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne.
 B †**New Delaval and Newsham**, Infants' School-room, 2-30. Mrs. Graham, 11, Middle Row, Isabella Pit, Newsham, Northumberland.
 B †**South Shields**, Cambridge St., 2-30. Miss C. Stoker, 5, Morton St., South Shields.
 B †**South Shields**, Fowler-st., 2-30. Mr. R. Smith, 63, Hedley St.
 B †**South Shields**, High Shields, 2-30 p.m. Mr. T. Slesser, 10, Oak Avenue, Cleadon, S. Shields.
 B **Southwick-on-Wear**, Clockwell Street, Mrs. Lay, 24, Dryden Street, Southwick-on-Wear, Sunderland.
 B †**Sunderland**, 21, Derwent St., 2-30 p.m. Mr. A. Moore, 46, Scruton Avenue, Humbledon Estate, Sunderland.
 B **Tyneside**, Simpson's Hostel, Wallsend-on-Tyne, 2-45. Miss E. Mummsen, 532, Welbeck Road, Walker Estate, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

B †**West Pelton**, Iron Schools, 2-30 p.m. Mrs. Abbott, 81, Albert Street, Grange Villa, Co. Durham.
 B **West Stanley**, Bell St., 2-30 p.m. Mr. W. J. Dunn, 25a, Beamish St., West Stanley, Co. Durham.,
 B †**Whitley Bay**, 212, Whitley Rd., 2-30. Miss M. Gardener, Windsor House, Alma Place, Whitley Bay, Northumberland.

Area Lyceums.

Carlisle, 16a, West Walls, 1-45 p.m. Mrs. M. J. Young, 31, Margery Street, Greystone Road, Carlisle.
 G **Grimby**, Kent-st., 10-30 & 1-55 p.m. Mr. P. Stanham, Bk. 109, Grimby Rd., Cleethorpes, Lincs.
 G **Hanley**, High St., 2-30 p.m. Mrs. A. Mason, 28, Cromwell St., Hanley, Staffs.
 F **Llandudno**, Garage Street, 10-15. Mr. W. J. Edwards, 14, Tan-y-Coed Road, Great Ormes Head, Llandudno.
 G **Northampton**, 6a, Newland, 10-45. Mrs. Lawman, No. 2 Cottage, Rear of 165, Wellington Road, Northampton.
 B **Peterborough**, King St., 10-45 a.m. Mr. A. E. Reynolds, 19, Gladstone St.
 G **Skegness**, Co-op. Hall, 3 p.m. Mr. J. L. Jackaman, Ena Cafe, Lumley Road, Skegness.
 G **Tunstall**, Piccadilly St., 10-45 and 2-0 p.m. Mrs. L. Smith, 19, Trubshawe St., Longport, Stoke-on-Trent

Oversea Lyceums.

Calgary, 1st Spiritualist Church, 7th Avenue and 3rd St., E. 2-30 p.m. Mrs. H. E. Thomson, 2505 2nd Street E., Calgary, Alberta, Canada.
Dunedin, N.Z., Trades Hall, Moray Place, 2-30 p.m. Miss R. Burgess, c/o Mrs. Green, 679, Cumberland Street, Dunedin North, New Zealand.
Johannesburg, Master Builders' Hall, Commissioner St. 11-0 a.m. Mr. A. E. Hart, 27, High Ave., Bezuidenhuut Valley North, Johannesburg.
Methuen, Mass., U.S.A. Mr. D. Moore, 67, Centre St.
Sydney, Leigh House, 2-15. Miss R. I. Brown, c/o, Mrs. E. Morrell, "Hollywood", 14, College St., Sydney, N.S.W., Australia.
Wellington, N.Z. Kent Terrace, 2-30. Mr. S. Harris, 64, Kauri Street, Rongatai, Wellington, N.Z.
Winnipeg, Polson Avenue, 2-30 p.m. Miss E. Hargroaves, 71, Inkster Avenue, Winnipeg, Man., Canada
Winnipeg, Princess St., 11 a.m., 3 p.m., 7 p.m. Mrs. Armit, 909, Selkirk Avenue, Winnipeg, Man., Canada.

Jan. 11th, Election of Officers:—Conductor, Mr. Thompson; Assistant, Mr. Taylor; Treasurer, Mr. Edwards; Secretary, D. Dunn; Assistant, Mr. Kneale; Callisthenics Leader, Mrs. Harding; Marching, Mr. Taylor; Musical Conductors, Mr. Whiteley and Elsie Thompson; Guardian, William Kneale; Guards, Gladys Cromberholme, Leslie Hamilton, Milly Kneale, William Saul; Group Leaders, same as last year.—D. Dunn, Sec.

BURY, King Street.—On New Year's Day a pleasant time at the Annual Tea Party and Prize Distribution.

Jan. 4th, Open Sessions. Visitors from Radcliffe and Bolton (Bradford Street). Marching and callisthenics were good. Pearls, solos, duets and recitations were ably rendered. A very instructive time was spent by all.—Nellie Dean, Sec.

CLECKHEATON.—Jan. 4th, Open Session, conducted by Miss M. Wilkinson. Prayer by Mrs. Woodcock. New Officers officiated. Connective musical readings were read by Henry Taylor, Ethel Scholes and Master Jack Wilson; pearls by Miss Wilkinson, Ethel Scholes, H. Hoarsley (3), Gladys Hutton, Irene Wilson, Lily Wilson, Benny Walker and Harry Taylor; solos by Miss A. Wilson, Irene Wilson, Henry Taylor; duet by Master J. Wilson and Master H. Hoarsley. Mrs. Ramsden, of Brighouse, who was the speaker for the day, wished everyone a Happy New Year, and said she hoped everyone would make an effort to make this year a better success and would turn up every Sunday and make it brighter for each one. An enjoyable Session was spent. Benediction by Mrs. Ramsden.

On Jan. 11th we had a little competition for the longest recitation, the prize being a 'Lyceum Badge.' This was won by Master H. Hoarsley.—Miss M. B. Robinson, Sec.

DEWSBURY.—Open Session, Dec. 28th. Conductor, Miss M. Hirst. Pearls by Chrissie Greenwood, H. Gregory, Dorothy Dunn, Cyril Hey, Louie Gregory, Mona Hey, Mr. A. Kitson, Dorothy Joyce, Gerald Hey, Sam Warren, Mr. G. Peele, Phyllis Dunn, Clarissa Phillips, Mrs. Gregory; recitations by Cyril Hey, Dorothy Joyce, Dorothy Sykes, Margaret Greenwood, Dorothy Dunn. Compliments of the Season, arranged

by Miss M. Hirst, was performed by Arthur Greenwood, Cyril Hey, Phyllis Dunn, Dorothy Dunn, Chrissie Greenwood, Hetty Day, Clarissa Phillips, Mona Hey, Margaret Greenwood. Duet by Clarissa Phillips and Mona Hey. Christmas Carols, 'The Old, Old Year,' quartette by Mr. L. Bland, Mr. E. Wilson, Miss A. Bentley, Mrs. W. Phillips.

Election of Officers:—Conductors, Mr. J. H. Collier, Mr. E. Whitworth, Miss A. Bentley; Secretary, Mr. V. R. Phillips; Treasurer, Mr. L. Bland; Drill Instructor, Mr. W. Poole; Guards, Clarissa Phillips, Tom Cooper, Florence Phillips; Guardians, Phyllis Dunn, Violet Hey, Mona Hey, Harry Oakes; Registrars, Mrs. V. Phillips and Mrs. G. Oakes; Auditors, Mr. J. Whittles and Mrs. G. Oakes.—V. R. Phillips, Sec.

DONCASTER, Catherine Street.—Open Session, Jan. 4th, conducted by Miss Johnson. Invocation by A. Crossland. The following Lyceumists took part:—Stanley Middleton, W. Riley, D. Mumford, A. Crossland, Mrs. Crossland and Mrs. Ball. It was a nice Session.—Mrs. Webb, Sec.

EARBY, Greendend Avenue.—We held our Open Session on Jan. 11th. The following Lyceumists took part:—O. Wilkins, L. Sprout, D. Taylor, K. Hodkinson, E. Taylor, N. Taylor, E. Hancock, G. Blackburn, N. Hodkinson, L. Dawson, J. Hancock, R. Hancock, F. Clarke, D. Seddon, T. Hancock, W. Hancock, J. Sprout, A. Wilkinson, W. Wintersgill and Mr. Millican. A good time was spent together.—Mrs. D. Dawson, Sec.

FLEETWOOD.—Jan. 4th, Open Session, conducted by Mr. Batley. A very happy Session. Items were greatly appreciated. Recitations by Jessie and Vera Ainsworth, Jessie Woods, Marie Dews, Mona Hague and Ruth Harris; quartettes by Alice Williams, Kathleen Hague, Minnie and Dorothy Wright; Charlie Williams, Jack Ainsworth, Danny Wright and Willie Gibson; Dorothy Smith, Mary Gibson, Violet Forshaw and Nancy Woods; duets by Marion Mayhew and Alice Williams; Irene Watkins and Edith Richardson; solo by Lily Frith. Several good pearls were given. Our Motto for 1931 is: "To be of Service."