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The Annual Subscription (due 1st March) is ten shillings for those aged 18 and over, and five shillings for those under 18. There is no entrance fee. Application forms may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary or Hon. Assistant Secretary.

EDITORIAL

Over sixteen issues and six years, the highly professional approach which Mr. L. V. Grinsell brought to the Editorship of the Bulletin has built it up into a polished newsletter with a market which extends well outside the Bristol area. His work has established a standard which will be a pleasing challenge for his successors to maintain.

While the Group is very sorry that by force of circumstances Mr. Grinsell has to relinquish the Bulletin, we are most glad that he will be continuing to superintend the production of our Special Publications, such as the present series of Field Guides. It is through these finished publications that the work of the Group becomes generally known, and by their high standard that our reputation is made.

Meanwhile, the main aim of the Bulletin will continue to be to act as a convenient and, it is hoped, stimulating guide which correlates and brings to members' notice forthcoming events, new publications on local archaeology, and current ideas and developments both within and outside the Group. Some Group activities, such as the weekend schools, seem to deserve a fuller record than has sometimes been allotted them, and the successful Wansdyke weekend of last April is described in this issue. But chiefly we look forward; it is hoped that the advance notice of the next weekend course on Lead-Mining on Mendip (see p. 109) will reach members with this issue.

The achievement of a research group should be the sum of all its members' interests. The implications of the Survey of interests, outlined by Max Hebditch on p. 110, in terms both of what the Group should provide for its members and of the potential which members could contribute to Group activities, is an important subject which it might be opportune to consider in the next number, marking as it does the end of Volume 2 of the Bulletin. The Editor would be interested to receive any comments from members on this subject.

C. B. A. CONFERENCE AT NOTTINGHAM

The Council for British Archaeology in conjunction with the University of Nottingham held a three day conference in April 1967 on "Christianity in Roman and Sub-Roman Britain". It was an unusual conference in that there were a large number of non-archaeological members, and the organisers had hoped for a fruitful exchange of views between scholars from different disciplines. Academic barriers are however not easily removed, so the main contribution of the Conference would seem to have been the providing of a platform and the bringing together of people interested in the subject. Most of the papers and communications will be published later on; but it is worth noting that lectures by Dr. Raleigh Radford on the "Archaeological Background on the Continent", by Dr. J. R. Morris on the "Literary Evidence", by Professor A. C. Thomas on the "Evidence from Scotland" and particularly by Professor D. Greene from Ireland on the "Evidence from the Study of Language" aroused much interest and discussion. Lectures like these provided the necessary background for understanding the importance and value of P. A. Rahtz's work on the Cannington site, as described in the following article.

Elizabeth Fowler

The latest issue of Current Archaeology (No. 3, July 1967) is largely devoted to this Conference, and includes some excellent illustrations.

SUB-ROMAN CEMETERIES IN SOMERSET

by Philip A. Rahtz

Sub-Roman cemeteries were first so-named by C. W. Philipps in his Dark Age map. They can be defined as those cemeteries of the immediate post-Roman period in areas which were fully Romanised in the fourth century, but where there is a long gap between the breakdown of central Roman authority and the establishment of Saxon settlement. The gap is likely to extend into the fifth and sixth centuries over the greater part of western England, and well into the seventh century in Somerset and South Wales. Little is known about sub-Roman settlement in these areas, but it is generally agreed that land which was economically productive in the fourth century is likely to have continued in use, even if the population was somewhat

reduced by economic disintegration, plague and violence. It is not easy to be sure which are sub-Roman cemeteries; they are likely to be at least nominally Christian in the mode of burial (extended inhumations with heads to west) and to be deficient in grave-goods. This serves to distinguish them from contemporary pagan Saxon cemeteries, but not from Christian cemeteries of Roman, Saxon, or later date. These however are more likely to be associated with churches, and with nuclei of Saxon settlement. Sub-Roman cemeteries on the other hand are usually associated with known late Roman sites. I have described them as if they were cemeteries of the lay population. But it is clearly impossible to separate them from monastic cemeteries, unless we can demonstrate that the settlement with which they are associated cannot be monastic. At least half of the cemeteries on the Dark Age map may indeed belong to Celtic monasteries, which are themselves associated with late Roman sites. Six are in Somerset and one in South Wales.

Of the seven cemeteries so-named, two are dug through the ruins of Roman villas; in two the graves are in and around the ruins of a Roman temple; one is near a building in use in the fifth century, one is outside a Roman town, and the last is on an open hill-top near a hill-fort. At Llantwit Major in Glamorgan, many graves were cut through tessellated floors in one wing of a Roman villa, the rest of which may have remained in use. At Winthill, Banwell, many skeletons were found among the ruins of a large and prosperous villa. At Henley Wood, near Yatton, burials were cut through the destruction levels of a late Roman temple and also laid out in rows outside; close by is the hill-fort of North Cadbury, which has yielded sherds of imported sixth century pottery. At Blaise Castle, Bristol, E-W graves cut across what is almost certainly another temple inside a hill-fort; at Brean Down, on the coast, there is an extensive cemetery, graves of which appear from time to time in the eroding sand-cliff. This cemetery is remote from any area of settlement, but close to a fourth century temple, which was partly demolished to build an E-W structure, in use in the fifth century, as shown by the coin evidence.

These five cemeteries have so far only been examined superficially, but the other two have been excavated more thoroughly. At Camerton there is a cemetery outside the small Roman town on the Fosseway; it contained over one hundred graves, of which some contained Roman finds, and a few grave-goods of seventh century



Anglo-Saxon character. Miss Hyslop has recently described this as a Christian Saxon cemetery of late date, but it may well have been a sub-Roman one in which the seventh century finds belong to the latest phase.

The last cemetery, Cannington, has been largely destroyed by quarrying over the last century. The remaining part of some three hundred and fifty graves was excavated in 1962-3. If the area known to have contained graves had a similar density, the total number of interments must have exceeded five thousand. Only two graves, both babies, had associated finds; they include an amber bead and a glass polychrome bead of pagan Anglo-Saxon type, and a perforated Roman coin, a silver bracelet, and triple-foliated brooch of sub-Roman character - the brooch may be as late as the eighth century. The graves seem to have been clustered originally around the grave of a young girl under a mound. This was marked by a structure of slabs, and was approached through an area virtually free of graves, by a path. This was worn into the limestone rock and contained several finds of late Roman date. The only other structure was a circular trench on the hill summit, with traces of rough polygonal walls, and with a single grave in the middle. This would be a late or sub-Roman shrine or mausoleum, or conceivably an early Christian church. It seems likely that the Cannington cemetery covered a period of several centuries, with outside limits of fourth and eighth centuries.

Its excavation prompted enquiries about the Christian settlement to which it belonged. Not far away at Combewich, at the mouth of the Parrett, parts of a considerable settlement have been found in clay pits at a depth of some eight feet - buildings, skeletons and finds - which were inundated by the marine transgression of the later Roman period. Flooding, and the vulnerable position of the mouth of the Parrett to piratical raiders, may have persuaded the inhabitants to move inland to a drier and more secure place. Close to our cemetery is a hill-fort: Cannington Camp. The main ramparts are Iron Age B, but there is a subsidiary rampart on the south side; an excavation behind this located a late Roman occupation layer and wattle and daub, but no I. A. material. Here then may be the settlement for our cemetery beginning in late Roman times and going on in the vicinity of the hill-fort for possibly three centuries or more.

Large-scale excavation of these cemeteries can thus provide much information not only on our sub-Roman Christians themselves from a study of their skeletons, and their religious practices, but also about their settlements and population. Of those I have described, only Cannington and Camerton can really be shown to be of sub-Roman date and culture, and not that of a monastic community. There must be many more, not only in Somerset and South Wales, but also in Devon and the West Midlands. Their discovery and excavation would clearly be very informative about sub-Roman Christian settlement.

### EBBOR GORGE

by Dr. F. S. Wallis

On 17th May, 1967 Mrs. Olive Hodgkinson generously gave Ebbor Gorge and Hope Wood, near Wells, to the National Trust in memory of Sir Winston Churchill, and the Trust, after formally receiving the gift, leased it to the Nature Conservancy as a Nature Reserve. It has been placed under the Wardenship of Mr. A. J. Elliott, East House, Wookey Hole, tel. no. Wells 3773.

In addition to the great scenic, ornithological, botanical and geological value of the area, the Gorge has long been known for its archaeological interests. These have now been safeguarded for all time. Ten of its small caves and rock-shelters have already been investigated by the late Mr. H. E. Balch and others, and traces of prehistoric man have been discovered in addition to those of various ~~mammals~~.

It is understood that the Nature Conservancy are about to appoint a Committee under the chairmanship of Dr. G. P. Black to formulate policy regarding future archaeological work in the Gorge. It is also worth mentioning that the Museum at Wookey Hole has during the past few months been entirely redecorated, and the material now awaits curatorial arrangement. This work will probably be undertaken by Mr. J. W. Haldane of the University of Bristol, under the general supervision of Mr. E. J. Mason and Dr. F. S. Wallis.

WANSDYKE: A RE-EXAMINATION

A Weekend School held 1st-2nd April 1967 by the University of Bristol

Extra-Mural Department in conjunction with B. A. R. G.

The subject of this spring weekend school proved extremely popular, although the unpleasant weather reduced numbers somewhat for Sunday's outdoor meeting. On Saturday, Mrs. E. Fowler set the historical background of both East and West Wansdyke. She outlined the most recent theories about their dates, construction and functions, suggesting the known historical points at which their building might have taken place. Slides were admirably used to imprint the map of East and West Wansdyke on our minds, to show its relationship to local Roman roads, and to illustrate its appearance on the ground. Mr. F. K. Annable used an impressive collection of slides to illustrate the archaeological remains in the vicinity of East Wansdyke. An excellent set of 'map-notes' with a short booklist was provided for each member, and proved most useful throughout the weekend.

On Saturday afternoon, with Professor E. K. Tratman and Mr. P. J. Fowler as our guides, West Wansdyke was visited at well-chosen points which enabled us to see it at both ends, and in the middle. Professor Tratman, with a conducted tour of Maesknoll and Maesknoll Tump, made clear both the Foxs' interpretation and his own reinterpretation of the relationship between Wansdyke and the Iron Age hill-fort. The Tump formed a most impressive western terminus to the Wansdyke. At Stantonbury Camp, the relationship of the post-Roman earthwork to the prehistoric one was again the chief interest. West Wansdyke was then followed across Odd Down from the Fosse Way to its probable terminus at Horsecombe Bottom. At one point were exposed thin flat stones, quite unlike the natural rubble, suggesting that the impressive rampart, at this point at least, was stone-built. Nearby, excavation for a building, regrettably close to the monument, had exposed a striking section of the ditch on the north side: clear cut and still apparently going downwards at  $3\frac{1}{2}$ ' below present ground level. The reddish fill appeared foreign to the area and showed no signs of gradual silting.

The all-day outing on Sunday was so planned that the large party was able to see important points along much of East Wansdyke. Starting



at Morgan's Hill, where Mr. A. J. Clark pointed out the important relationship between the west end of East Wansdyke, and the Roman road, the party followed Wansdyke eastwards to Shepherd's Shore: a stretch that formed an impressive, defensive contrast to West Wansdyke. At Beckhampton we were fortunate enough to be shown by Dr. J. G. Evans over his excavation of South Street long barrow. Here he has discovered plough-marks in the chalk bedrock, as on Overton Down nearby: with the distinguishing feature, unique so far in Europe, that they occur under the barrow as well as in a second series of the Beaker period over the barrow's side-ditches. Moreover, the dark grooves in the chalk were much less ephemeral than other such traces have been, and were clearly visible after some exposure. (1)

The second selected stretch of East Wansdyke centred on the area noted by Sir Cyril and Lady Fox (Arch. Jo. 115: 1958) as being significantly rich in other 'Woden' names. The party squelched up to Red Shore, where Wansdyke intersects the great Ridgeway going southwards from the Marlborough Downs. Here Mr. H. S. Green showed how his trial excavations of 1966 had suggested the possibility of two structural phases in the building of Wansdyke. The two distinctive layers were actually exposed by earth slips elsewhere along our route. The bank and ditch, covered with beech trees, reached spectacular proportions again as we followed it down to 'Wodensdene' (the Lockeridge-Alton Priors road) and up the other side past Shaw House, to the last feature of our day's outing: the deserted medieval village of Shaw. Lying immediately to the south of a broken stretch of East Wansdyke, the relationship of this well-preserved settlement and the earthwork poses some tantalising questions of continuity.

The memorable feature of this well-organised weekend school was the opportunity to see a local antiquity (West Wansdyke being fully in B. A. R. G. 's area) which is generally well known but which still provides unsolved questions and conflicting theories. Mr. Fowler and our guides presented the various possibilities very clearly and fairly throughout: the poor tactical siting of West Wansdyke; the problems of its terminal points; its relationship to Iron Age hillforts and Roman roads, and other nearby sites; and the need for cuttings to provide more knowledge of its construction and date. (2) It is good to have such an occasion to be made aware of the still unsolved problems of our area; to know that there is still the need for pioneer

work on even well-known archaeological remains; and, more urgently than ever, the need to safeguard and preserve them until they can receive the expert practical study that they deserve.

Lecturers and Guides:

Mr. F. K. Annable, B. A., F. S. A., A. M. A., Curator of Devizes Museum; Mr. A. J. Clark, F. S. A.; Dr. J. G. Evans, Institute of Archaeology, London University; Mrs. E. Fowler, M. A., B. Litt.; Mr. P. J. Fowler, M. A., F. S. A.; Mr. H. S. Green; and Professor E. K. Tratman, O. B. E., F. S. A.

Footnotes:

- (1) An article discussing the significance of both the South Street and the Overton Down plough-marks, by J. G. Evans and P. J. Fowler, will be appearing in Antiquity, Sept. or Dec. 1967.
- (2) A section through Wansdyke cut by a pipeline east of Stantonbury, was recorded by W. J. Wedlake and P. J. Fowler, and will be published in Proc. U. B. S. S. 1968, and in the next issue of Medieval Archaeology.

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B. A. R. G. / University Weekend School                      14-15 October 1967.

LEAD-MINING ON MENDIP

The second weekend school organised this year by B. A. R. G. and Mr. P. J. Fowler of the Dept. of Extra-Mural Studies. A separate circular is being issued. Applications promptly please.

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HAVE YOU PAID YOUR SUBSCRIPTION FOR 1967?

Subscriptions (see p. 101) were due 1st March. Please check that you have paid yours.

THE SURVEY OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

by Max Hebditch

Of the total membership of 183, 84 replied to the requests for information about members' interests, included in the last two Bulletins. Here are the results.

Of those who took part in the survey, 33 have a general rather than a particular interest in local archaeology. That is to say they have not indicated either any special field of study or research in which they are engaged, or any particular line of interest. 12 have particular interests (ranging from demography to osteology) but seem not to be undertaking any research in their field. 39 are actively engaged in special studies covering a wide range of subjects. Of these, 22 members are amateurs and a selection of their fields of study is given below. <sup>(1)</sup> It is hoped that this list will be of use to those members wanting to contact workers in a particular field. It is assumed that members are familiar with the interests (by necessity or inclination) of members of the Group who are professional archaeologists.

The survey has some implications for the future of the Group. The large number of members whose interest is only general suggests that the Group is no longer a band of archaeologists dedicated to research. However, although general members are not contributing directly to the advancement of archaeological knowledge in the Bristol region, some are providing manpower for excavations, and all provide cash to back our publication programme. At the moment this section of B. A. R. G. membership is not receiving much in return apart from this Bulletin and occasional weekend courses. B. A. R. G. must consider whether or not further meetings and lectures should be arranged to meet the needs of the Group as a whole, and not just the interests of specialists.

Amateur members' special fields of study

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| BLUHM R. K.        | Bibliography of Somerset coal industry. |
| CONSTANT J.        | Roman coarse pottery type-series.       |
| CROSSLAND R. A.    | Parish of Charlcombe.                   |
| EVERTON Mrs. R. F. | Prehistoric occupation sites on Mendip. |

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GRACIE Capt. H. S.

HANCOCK J. E.  
LAUNDER V. C.  
LANGMAID Mrs. N.

LOWE Mrs. B. J.  
NEALE Mrs. F. A.

NIELSEN V. C.

POPPLEWELL Mrs. J. M.  
SOLLEY T. W. J.

SYKES C. M.  
WILCOX R.  
WOOLRICH A. P.

Lead mining in the Roman period.  
Frocester Roman villa; history  
and economy.

Air photography.

Building materials.

Beaker occupation sites and  
pottery.

Medieval floor tiles.

Documentary evidence in  
archaeology.

Farmhouse cheese rooms in  
Severn Vale.

Roman Mosaics in the South West.

Chip-carved ornament of the Roman  
period.

Mesolithic sites.

Brewing industry round Bath.

Bibliography of N. Somerset  
industrial history.

(1) Editor's Note:

If this article stimulates further returns, Max Hebditch will be pleased to receive details, and further lists may be included in future Bulletins.

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LIST OF MEMBERS

Addition to list issued with Bulletin vol. 2. no. 7 (Spring 1967):

FEAR, A. K. C., 60 Clifton Park, Bristol, 8.

We apologise to Mr. Fear for this omission.

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A NEW NEIGHBOUR

We welcome the formation of the Gloucester and District Archaeological Research Group, covering the area to the north of B. A. R. G. and incorporating the long-established Gloucester Roman Research Committee. Their late-season excavation at St. Oswald's Priory is noted in the Calendar. Details of membership from the Secretary: Miss M. Travell, 7 Chamwells Walk, Oxstalls Lane, Gloucester. We wish them every success in their activities, and hope for a long and useful association between the two adjoining Groups.

REVIEW

Dr. Cyril Hart, Archaeology in Dean (A Tribute to Dr. C. Scott-Garrett). (Bellows, 1967) 42 s.

In his 'Tribute to Dr. C. Scott-Garrett' Dr. Hart has provided something to fill a long felt need. Before Scott-Garrett came to settle in the Forest of Dean - by far the least 'written up' part of Gloucestershire - the district had been little more than a playground for the casual amateur. Scott-Garrett changed all this and provided a foundation upon which others will be proud to build. Compiled from Scott-Garrett's papers and memories, Dr. Hart has given us a comprehensive survey of the Forest of Dean from an archaeological point of view, from earliest times to the beginning of the Middle Ages. Copiously illustrated by plates, plans and maps, he sets out the riches of the district in earthworks, tools and buildings, with particular reference to the Temple remains at Lydney, the "Chesters" villa and other Roman sites. Although the book can be no more than a sketch, it is a comprehensive one and its possession will be essential to anyone who wishes more fully to explore Archaeology in Dean.

R. J. Mansfield.

NOTICES OF RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Proceedings of Somerset Archaeological and Natural History Society.  
vol. 110, (1966).

This volume includes papers on excavations at "Cheddar Vicarage, 1965" by Philip A. Rahtz (pp. 52-84) and "The City Walls of Bath", including St. James' Church area, by W. J. Wedlake (pp. 85-107). We understand from archaeological bush-telegraph that future issues of S. A. N. H. S. Proceedings will be in quarto size: news that will be gladly received by local archaeologists.

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We are delighted to see Peter Fowler's Wessex (Regional Archaeologies No. 3: Heineman, 16s) has reached the bookshops, albeit elusively, before this issue. It will be reviewed in the next Bulletin.

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Journal of the Axbridge Caving Group & Archaeological Society,  
for 1966.

This volume includes an article on the "Banwell Bone Cave Survey: Stage One, 1966" by J. H. Tucker (pp. 26-30). The aims of the survey include an attempt to reconstruct the bone deposit levels before their disturbance, investigation of the process of their deposition, and making a permanently preserved specimen section of the bone deposits.

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B. A. R. G. PUBLICATIONS

By the time this Bulletin appears we can safely and triumphantly say that Field Guide No. 1 (Prehistoric Sites) has paid its way; having cost £213 to produce, sales are well over the £200 mark at the time of writing. Field Guide No. 2 (Roman Sites) is in an advanced stage of preparation and may indeed be on sale at about the time of issuing ~~this~~ <sup>NEXT</sup> Bulletin. Price (as usual) 3s. 6d. Don't lend your copy to your friends - encourage them to buy their own!

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Mr. C. M. Sykes has drawn our attention to an error in Field Guide No. 1 (Prehistoric Sites) p. 8: finds from the mesolithic hut at Birdcombe are in Taunton Museum. Weston-super-Mare Museum has mesolithic material from Blackstone Rocks, Clevedon. This will be corrected in future editions.

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B. A. R. G. SYMPOSIUM

The Symposium will be held on 25th November, and the emphasis this year will be on work by Junior Members. A programme is being issued separately. This is one of the few B. A. R. G. social gatherings at which members have an opportunity to meet; do please come and make the occasion a success.

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CALENDAR OF  
FORTHCOMING COURSES, MEETINGS, AND LECTURES

September - December 1967.

COURSES: Members of B. A. R. G. will receive their programmes of archaeological courses run by the University of Bristol Department of Extra-Mural Studies, direct from the Department. This gives full details of all the summary entries in this Calendar which are marked "University Arch. Course" and give date of first meeting. Additional copies of the programme may be had on application to the Department at 20A, Berkeley Square, Bristol 8. Courses on related subjects are marked "U. of B." and further details are available, separately, from the same address. Details of courses to be held by the Folk House and the W. E. A. will appear in brochures available from the Folk House, 40 Park Street, Bristol 1, and the W. E. A., 7 St. Nicholas Street, Bristol 1.

"(A)": prior application necessary.

- September 21 : Archaeological Fieldwork: University Arch. Course. G. Thomas, Frome (A).
- 23 Bishop's Cleeve, Glos. : Autumn Meeting of the Bristol & Gloucestershire Archaeological Society. Details from Miss D. Bailey, 'Garth', Westhill, Wraxall, Nr. Bristol.
- 23 The Saltway: field meeting of Keynsham & Saltford Local History Society, led by C. Browne. Meet at The Crown, Saltford at 2.30 p.m. Visitors welcome.
- 23 Mendip Nature Research Station: opening by Earl Waldegrave, at 3.30 p.m. Wells Nat. Hist. and Archaeological Society, and M.N.R.C. Details from the Hon. Sec., M.N.R.C., 27 Hazelbury Road, Bristol 4.
- 25 Man and Landscape in N. Somerset: A.E. Frey. U. of B. Ten lectures, Mondays at 7.30 p.m. in Banwell School Hall. Fee: £1. Further details: Mrs. J. Taylor, 37 High Street, Banwell.
- 28 Archaeology of N. Somerset: University Arch. Course. Prof. E.K. Tratman, J.E. Hancock, N. Cossons. Bishop Sutton, Som.

- September 28 Roman Britain: University Arch. Course.  
A. Warhurst, Thornbury.
- 29 Industrial Archaeology: University Arch. Course.  
N. Cossons. Stroud.
- 30 C. B. A. Group XIII meeting at Gloucester, 2.00 p. m.  
Details from Hon. Sec. M. Owen, Roman Baths,  
Pump Room, Bath.
- October 2 The Study of Archaeological Evidence: University  
Arch. Course. P. J. Fowler. Bristol (A).
- 2 Local History of N. W. Somerset and Axbridge:  
Mrs. F. Neale. U. of B. Six lectures, Mondays at  
7.30 p. m. in Parish Room, Axbridge. Fee 12s.
- 3 Archaeology of S. W. Britain: University Arch. Course.  
L. V. Grinsell. Bristol.
- 3 Minoan Crete and Mycenaean Greece: University Arch.  
Course. D. J. Blackman, K. Branigan, D. Betts,  
Bristol.
- 3 Industrial Archaeology: University Arch. Course,  
Dr. R. A. Buchanan, N. Cossons. Bristol.
- 3 Medieval Archaeology: University Arch. Course.  
M. Hebditch. Bromley Heath.
- 3 Archaeology and Local History: University Arch.  
Course. C. Browne. Weston-super-Mare.
- 3 The Study of Scenery (Mendip geology etc.): Dr. F. S.  
Wallis, U. of B. Ten lectures, Tuesdays,  
at 7.30 p. m., at The Museum, Wells.
- 3 East Wansdyke and its archaeological setting: lecture  
by F. K. Annable (Devizes Museum). Bath & Camerton  
Archaeological Society, at Assembly Hall, Bath Technical  
College, 7.15 p. m. Admission 2s. to non-members.
- 4 Industrial Archaeology: N. Cossons. U. of B. Ten  
lectures, Wednesdays at 7.30 p. m. in Kings of Wessex  
School, Cheddar. Fee £1.
- 4 Celtic Britain 500 B. C. - A. D. 500: University Arch.  
Course. Mrs. E. Fowler. Keynsham.

- October 4 Excavation of St. Oswald's Priory, Gloucester, directed by D. Mynard for G. A. R. G. (see p. 111). Until November 1. Details from J. F. Rhodes, City Museum, Gloucester.
- 5 Foundations of European Culture: University Arch. Course. A. C. A. Wright. Shirehampton.
- 7 Annual General Meeting of the Forest of Dean Local History Society, and Chairman's address. Details from the Secretary, Rev. Canon R. J. Mansfield, The Vicarage, Newnham, Glos.
- 12 Archaeology of the Bristol Region: University Arch. Course. P. J. and Mrs. E. Fowler. Bristol (A).
- 13 Man and Landscape in N. Somerset: A. E. Frey. U. of B. Six lectures, Fridays at 7.30 p. m. at Penscot, Shipham. Fee 12s. Details from Mr. W. E. Johnson, Fritchley, Beech Road, Shipham.
- 13 Banwell Society of Archaeology meeting. Banwell, 7.30 p. m. Details from Hon. Sec., 5 Elmhurst Road, Weston-super-Mare. Visitors welcome.
- 14/15 LEAD-MINING ON MENDIP: Weekend course. B. A. R. G. and University Arch. Course (A). See page 109.
- 28 Symposium for Branch and Affiliated Societies of Somerset Archaeological and Nat. Hist. Society. Glastonbury, 2.15 p. m. Details from the Secretary, Taunton Castle.
- 29 Conference on local history and archaeology at Y. M. C. A., Broad Street, Bath at 2.30 p. m. Bath and Camerton Archaeological Society. Tickets 5s. inc. tea, obtainable from the Secretary, 61 Pulteney Street, Bath.
- ? - Man in his Environment: University Arch. Course. R. G. Payne. Marshfield.
- November 4 Gloucestershire Churches: lecture by Rev. Canon R. J. Mansfield. Forest of Dean Local History Society. Details from Canon Mansfield, The Vicarage, Newnham, Glos.
- 4/5 Archaeological Air Photography: weekend University Arch. Course. P. J. Fowler. Weston-super-Mare (A).

- November 7 The Shrine of Apollo at Nettleton Shrub, Wilts. :  
lecture by W. J. Wedlake. Bath and Camerton  
Archaeological Society, at Assembly Hall, Bath  
Technical College, 7.15 p. m. Admission 2s. to  
non-members.
- 9 Coins in Roman Britain: lecture by J. W. Gardner.  
Bath and Bristol Numismatic Society, at Room 53,  
Bath Technical College, 7.15 p. m. Visitors welcome.
- 10 Banwell Society of Archaeology meeting: Banwell,  
7.30 p. m. Details from Hon. Sec. (see October 13).  
Visitors welcome.
- 15 The Welsh Folk Museum at St. Fagan's, Cardiff:  
lecture by Dr. I. Peate. Museum Lecture Theatre,  
Bristol. 7.30 p. m. Admission free.
- 16 Kelston Village: lecture by G. D. B. Walters. Keynsham  
and Saltford Local History Society, at Ellsbridge House,  
Keynsham, 7.30 p. m. Visitors welcome.
- 25 B. A. R. G. SYMPOSIUM. See page 113.
- December 2 Annual General Meeting of Bath and Bristol Numismatic  
Society, at the Reference Library, Queen Square, Bath,  
at 2.15 p. m. Membership details: Hon. Sec.,  
11 Trevenna Road, Bristol 3.
- 5 Agrarian Archaeology: lecture by P. J. Fowler. Bath  
and Camerton Archaeological Society, at the Assembly  
Hall, Bath Technical College, 7.15 p. m. Admission 2s.  
to non-members.
- 8 Banwell Society of Archaeology meeting: Banwell,  
7.30 p. m. Details from Hon. Sec. (see October 13).  
Visitors welcome.
- 11 Stonehenge: Facts and Fancies: lecture by Prof. R. J. C.  
Atkinson. Details from the Secretary, University of  
Bristol Spelaeological Society, The University, Bristol 8.
- 14 English Crowns: lecture by F. J. Jeffery. Bath and  
Bristol Numismatic Society at Room 53, Bath  
Technical College, 7.15 p. m. Visitors welcome.