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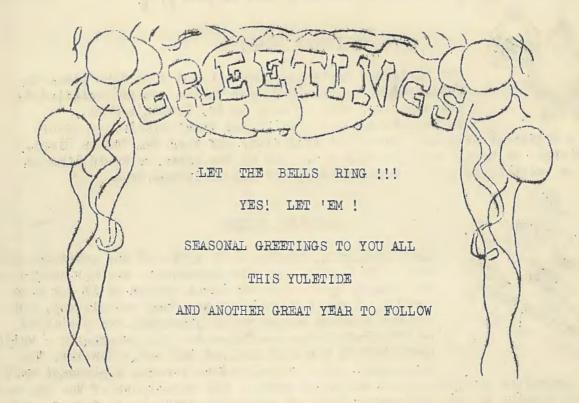
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"HAPPY CHRISTMAS" FROM THE EDITOR



We approach once more the great feast of Christmas - the fourth Christmas in our present home. It has been associated with many happy memories which we shall always cherish. Perhaps the memory most typical is that of our family spirit engendered by this Club and demonstrated on so many occasions at our meetings at St. Oswald's.

We are seeking another hall, and when this is found, we hope we will take with us the same unity of purpose and spirit of good-will and cheerfulness which at present obtain.

Once again, A HAPPY AND HOLY CHRISTMAS to you all, and may the New Year bring you many blessings.

ABSENT FRIENDS

We send a Special Greeting to our absent friends, who, though ever present with us in spirit, will not be here to join us in our laughter and cheer this Yuletide: -

> Vi Duffy (New York) Len McKenna (Canada) Peter Oldershaw (Sth. America) Vin Brannan (Germany) Gill Dutch (Scarborough)

Clara Kane (Stockton) Joe Stewart (Wiltshire)

YULETIDE WALK

This year's Yuletide Walk is taking place on Sunday, 19th December, and means a "full" ramble in the Delamere area, with a special tea to follow at the Mersey View Tea Gardens. Kathleen Collins will be leading, and that augurs well - I need say no more!

There will be a special bus, or buses, and you are advised to give in your names NOW (if you have not already done so) to Kathleen, together with a deposit if you wish. If you cannot come on the ramble, but wish to join us for tea, you will be welcome, but let Kathleen know just the same.

Those on the ramble should meet St. John's Lane at 10-30 a.m., whilst those joining us for tea should meet Pier Head at 3-00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our Christmas Party has been scheduled to take place on Friday, 7th January 1949, and unless you are notified to the contrary, will be held in St. Oswald's Hall. We hope to make it a "knife and fork" affair, together

with a Christmas Tree and, as is our tradition, our very own "Santa Claus." The charge, as usual, will be only 2/-. As in the past, we would like as many as possible to give a small present for the Christmas Tree.



RAMBLING NOTES

CAERGWRLE, 14th November - In spite of the pessimism of our joint leaders and the unpromising weather conditions, we managed to average our usual number of 11 for this ramble. I don't know if it was just coincidence, but our two leaders seamed to be jockeying for positions IN THE REAR of the ramble as the day progressed - whilst brother Bill was left to lead the way. However, the occasional joint consultations ensured a pleasant walk

with variations from our usual Caergwrle route. The highlights of the day were a brief mission by our Diplomatic Corps to soothe an irate Welsh farmer, and a photographic session with the Roberts' camera. If you want your photograph taken, try one of our rambles. Bill is shortly going to put the Polyfoto people out of business!

PARBOLD - 28th November - Thirteen turned out for this hike, and we weren't quite sure who the leader was to be until we reached the starting post. Bill is to be congratulated on reaching the starting post at all after his all night session, but he was still going strong at the end of the day. (Isn't that any encouragement for you non-hikers?) As the heavy atmosphere seemed to be affecting some of our party, Dick maintained a nice easy pace throughout the day, and we covered ground well known to most of us. The fire at the Beacon Inn was a welcome sight at teatime; I think Dick has led rambles round that district so often that the Manageress at the Beacon thinks he is one of the locals. We are very pleased to see that we occasionally have two or three new faces joining the regulars on the hikes:

FORTHCOMING RAMBLES

Sunday, 19/12/48 - YULETIDE WALK (See special notice above)

Sunday, 26/12/48 - There will be no ramble (BOXING DAY)

Sunday, 2/1/49 - NESTON (Benediction) Pier Head, 1-30 p.m. M. TOES

Sunday, 9/1/49 - BURTONWOOD Pier Head, 10-15 a.m. M. MORGAN

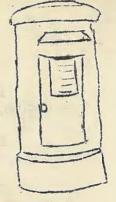
Sunday, 16/1/49 - MAESHAFN (Y.H.A. Weekend) Pier Head, 10-00 a.m. A. CALLAGHAN

Sunday, 23/1/49 - THREE BEACONS Skelhorne Street, 10-00 a.m. W. ROBERTS

Sunday, 30/1/49 - LEDSHAM Pier Head, 10-15 a.m. W. WILDES

"POSTBAG"

We are hoping that in this and subsequent issues of the Newsletter, we shall be able to allot a little space to Club members, so that they may ventilate their feelings on topics of Club interest. This month, we are printing the following:-



MEMBERSHIP FEES -

"With regard to the subject of membership fees, which was raised at the last A.G.M., it would be a matter of great interest to learn exactly how many of the members are against the raising of the fee.

From past experience in this and other clubs, it has struck me that in the main, those members most opposed to increased fees, are those who take little or no active part in Club activities.

The small membership fee of 2/6d is a poor advertisement for the Club, and if an increase brings with it a weeding out of the lukewarm members and an increase in the enthusiasm of those who remain, then the raising of the fee seems to be the answer to a number of our problems."

Yours etc..

"PRO RATA"

EXCHANGE AND BARTER COLUMN

We think there is scope for a column such as this. What do you think? What have you got? What do you want in exchange? HAVE A TRY !!!

"ALADDIN"

Availability and suitability of a hall, among other things, permitting, Lil Wilton hopes to present the "CRAckajax" Concert Party in "ALADDIN" on Friday, 14th January 1949. Further details cannot as yet be given, but they will be made known to you as soon as available.

THE CARLTON DANCE - SATURDAY, 8TH JANUARY 1949

Do not forget our New Year Dance! Tickets, 3/6 each, are now available. Our previous dance at the Carlton was a great success. This next Dance promises to be even more enjoyable - But it all depends on YOU!!! Do not leave the selling of tickets to others - do not wait to be approached - this is YOUR dance.

Don't forget the date, the time, nor the place:-

SATURDAY, 8TH JANUARY 1949 - 7-30 to 11-00 p.m. - THE CARLTON, EBERLE STREET

PERSONAL

On Saturday, 27th November, at 9-45 a.m. our Secretary, Win Jones, and Gerry Penlington were married at St. Oswald's Church, with Nuptial Mass by Fr. Coghlan. The bride presented a charming picture in a white satin gown, embroidered with "true-lovers" knots; she wore a head-dress of Orange Blossoms and carried a bouquet of pink carnations. She was attended by Gerry's sister, who wore a floral gown and carried a bouquet of Bronze crysanthumums, and also by two little girls in apple-green satin. The honeymoon was spent in Derbyshire, and we know the whole Club would like to join us in wishing ALL THE BEST to MR. & MRS. PENLINGTON!

CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES TO JOE MULHALL & KATHLEEN O'NEILL, WHO HAVE RECENTLY BECOME ENGAGED. CONGRATULATIONS, also, TO PETER SHEEHAN, (one of our old members) WHO HAS RECENTLY BEEN PRESENTED WITH A DAUGHTER.



SALE OF WORK

It is with great pleasure that we announce the result of the Sale of Work, which was held on the 3rd December at St. Oswald's Hall.

The net surplus from the Sale, which has now been handed to the Club Treasurer, amounted to £72.

We would, therefore, like to thank most sincerely all those members and friends whose co-operation and generosity contributed so much to the success of our endeavour.

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"It's an ill wind that blows nobody good" - and Fred's attack of 'flu has given me the opportunity of writing the Finishing Touch notes once more.

My term of office as promoter ended on December 4th and I am very pleased to say that, thanks to your efforts, we raised more than £170 during that time.

This money has been raised solely by your own efforts and it illustrates how much you can do to help the Club by a little co-operation.

just as much as I have done and I know that he will find someone to give him just as much assistance as I have had from Mary Smith and Cath Reid.

Now there is a special notice about Christmas Eve. As there are no papers on Christmas Day, we are going to pry out double prize money on Christmas Eve. Similarly, if there are no papers on Boxing Day, Dec 27th, then double prize money will be paid on Tuesday December 28th.

Watch these two dates :-

Friday Dec 24th) £ 2 Correct Order Tuesday Dec 28th) £ 1 Reverse Order

that week. So don't forget folks, sell all your tickets

Yours sincerely,

J. RAWLINSON,
Ex-Promoter.