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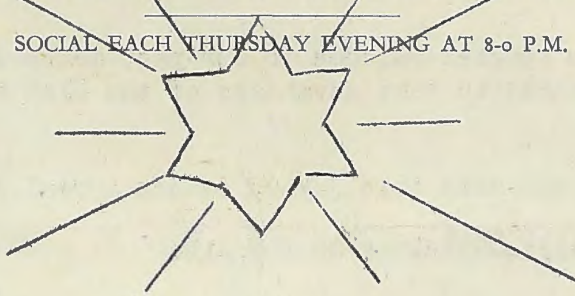
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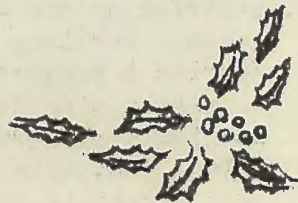
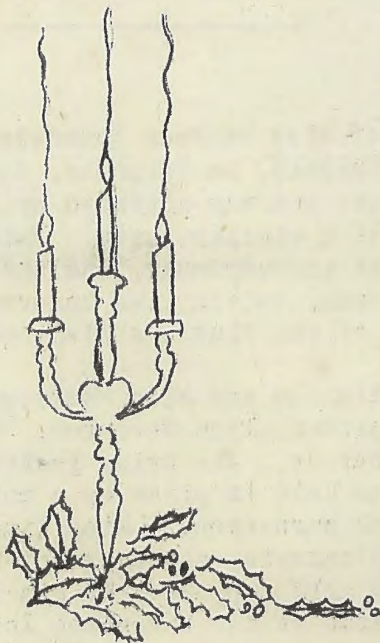
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SOCIAL EACH THURSDAY EVENING AT 8-0 P.M.



A HAPPY & HOLY  
CHRISTMAS  
TO YOU ALL  
AND  
MAY THE  
COMING YEAR  
BE FILLED WITH  
MANY BLESSINGS



Christmas is a season for rejoicing, and your Committee have made all arrangements to cater for the festivities. Firstly, there is the Grand Carnival Dance in Cathedral Buildings on Tuesday, 27th December. This is followed on Thursday, 29th December, by our Annual Christmas Party, and finally, there is the Hostelling Weekend on the 7th and 8th January.



We extend a special welcome to our past members who, for various reasons, have been unable to take advantage of the Club facilities during the year.

Let us try and make this joyous season a real family gathering.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO YOU ALL.

THE EDITOR

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We say Good-bye this month to Mr. Austin Callaghan, who leaves England to take up an appointment with the East African Railways. In bidding him farewell, we express to him our sincere thanks for the constructive work he has done for the C.R.A., and we wish him every success in his new position.



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CHRISTMAS PARTY - This will be held on Thursday, 29th December. At the time of going to press, we are negotiating for the hire of St. Oswald's Hall for this purpose. However, if we are unable to use St. Oswald's, the party will be held in our Club Room at Iona House, 59 Balliol Road on the same date. Special notice of this party will be given to you during the course of the next week.

GRAND CARNIVAL DANCE - We have chosen Tuesday evening, 27th December, for this special Dance. It will take place in Cathedral Buildings, Brownlow Hill, and price (including refreshments) is 3/-. Please do your utmost to attend. If you have not got a ticket, do not let this prevent you from coming as you may still purchase a ticket at the door.



A YULETIDE HOSTELLING WEEKEND is arranged for Saturday and Sunday, the 7th and 8th January 1950, and covers the Maeshafn area. It commences at 10-15 a.m. on Saturday from the Pier Head, and a good rambling and social programme has been arranged. Bookings should be made with Miss Mona Roberts, 4 Smithdown Road. (Approximate fare is 4/5d)



WEDDING BELLS

The marriage of Miss Maureen Saunders to Mr. Joe Rawlinson took place at St. John's Church, Kirkdale, on Saturday, 1st October. The bride looked radiant in exquisite white and was attended by two bridesmaids wearing pale blue gowns and head-dresses of a similar shade. Father Rawlinson, brother of the bridegroom, officiated at the ceremony, and the bride's parents held a reception afterwards at Yew Tree Road, Walton. We understand the couple are now living in Waterloo, and on behalf of the Club, we wish them every happiness.

Mr. Austin Callaghan and Miss Maureen Morgan were married at Christ the King's Church on Tuesday, 15th November. Maureen's Uncle "tied the knot", assisted by the Parish Priest. The bride looked charming in a gown of white satin. Her long veil was held in place by a coronet of orange blossoms, and she carried a bouquet of pink carnations. Miss Winnie Mulhearn was her bridesmaid wearing a pink dress and carrying a bouquet of multi-coloured anemones. Austin, looking very spruce, was ably supported by his brother, Reg. The bride's parents held a reception afterwards at the Wavertree Institute. It must be recorded that a certain snapshot taken outside the Church may go down in the history of the Club. (For further reference, please see the Notice Board in the very near future)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The secretarial report at the A.G.M. indicated progress made in the second half of the past year. This is evidenced in no uncertain manner by the establishing of Tennis and Football and by the crowded attendances at the Thursday evening socials. The attendances on rambles have soared - our average rising from 6 to 20.

All this denotes progress, which we sincerely trust will be maintained during the coming year.

Our immediate objective is to consolidate our gains to improve the facilities already offered to members. At the General Meeting, the question was raised regarding the possibilities of obtaining a Club House. This is still our ultimate objective, which we are convinced may be advanced by many years if all members take an active and real interest in the main channel of our income - THE FINISHING TOUCH DOUBLES.

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SOCIAL NOTES - by I.C. All

I hear welcome comments about our Thursday evening socials, and, judging by the noise, they appear to be a howling success. Old Tyme favourites such as "Strip the Willow", "Schottische" and "Dashing White Sergeant" are very popular.

Bill Dutch, who recently paid a flying visit to the Club, does not seem to be suffering from the traditional complaint of Policemen - I suppose time will tell.

In a recent letter home, Vi Duffy says she spent her summer holiday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Len McKenna in Canada where many hours were passed reviewing memories of the Club. Vi was most enthusiastic over Niagara Falls, which at night have hundreds of coloured fairy lights shining on the roaring waters - a sight which has to be seen to be appreciated. Lake Ontario is immense but very cold. (I expect poor little Derwentwater would fit into one corner of it and not be noticed!) Both Len and Vi send their regards to the Club.

Recently, there has been a man at the Club who invariably states that subscriptions for the current year are now due - a fact I can appreciate, but I do wish he wouldn't stare at me whilst he's talking!

I think I should express grateful thanks to those responsible for providing us with cups with handles, and perhaps even more to those "Volunteers" who wash them up.

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RAMBLING PROGRAMME

<u>Date</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Meet</u>	<u>Approx. fare</u>	<u>Leader</u>
18th December	Caergwle, Nantylfrith	Pier Head 9-45 a.m.	4/-	Miss P. Roche
7th/8th Jan.	Yuletide Weekend, R A. Chalet, Maeshafn	Pier Head 10-15 a.m.	4/5	Rambling Committee
15th January	Grange (BENEDICTION)	Pier Head 2-15 p.m.	10d	Miss F. Begley
22nd January	Prestatyn or Abergele	See Railway Advert		R.A. Guide
29th January	Ashurst Beacon	Exch. Station 10-15 a.m.	1/7	Mr. R. Marsden
5th February	Burton Woods	Pier Head 10-15 a.m.	1/4	Miss S. Devoy

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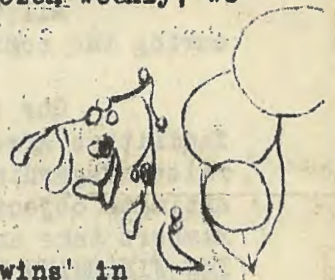
"FINISHING TOUCH"

We are wondering if this final comment will, in fact, be the "FINISHING TOUCH" ! We would rather it were the BEGINNING of a really grand effort to sell these doubles - the main source of our income.

For SIXPENCE, there are TWELVE opportunities of winning £1 (ONE POUND) or 10/- (TEN SHILLINGS)

IF EVERY MEMBER made an effort to sell, say, half a dozen weekly, we would soon be much nearer to realising our ultimate goal.

— OUR OWN CLUB HOUSE !!!



FOOTBALL

Our team seems to be getting into its stride - two 'wins' in succession! I went along one Saturday to see them play Seacombe and saw a good, clean game, well-played and well rewarded by a victory of five goals to three. There were a few other staunch supporters, but I wished there had been more. The players are a grand team and deserve more recognition from the rest of the Club. What about some of you football enthusiasts rolling along!

To those of the team who have still yet to become acquainted with the main body of the C.R.A., I say, "Drop in on one of our Socials or Rambles - you will be very welcome - who knows, you may really enjoy yourselves and want to repeat the visit".

COME ALONG YOU PEOPLE, SPARE SOME TIME FOR FOOTBALL ON SATURDAYS - OUR TEAM DESERVES IT !!

Our team is in dire need of a few non-playing members of the Club to form a Selection Committee, whose sole object would be to judge the merit of the Players and to pick a team each week.

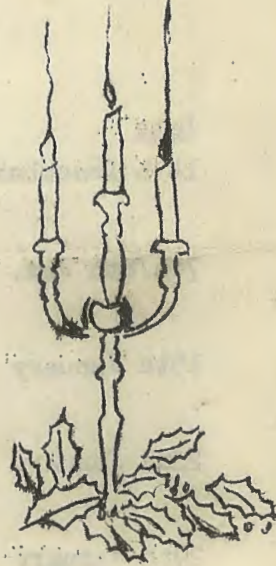
MANY OF YOU ARE FOND OF LOUDLY CRITICISING OTHER TEAMS - WHY NOT PUT YOUR ABILITY TO GOOD USE?

If willing, please contact Mr. G. Penlington.



FOOTNOTE:- WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO SECURE ST. OSWALD'S HALL FOR OUR CHRISTMAS PARTY. ACCORDINGLY, THE ANNUAL CELEBRATIONS WILL BE HELD IN OUR CLUB ROOM IN IONA HOUSE, BALLIOL ROAD, BOOTLE, ON THURSDAY, 29TH DECEMBER 1949.

ALL ARE CORDIALLY INVITED



APOLOGIES:

We regret that owing to shortage of space, we have been unable to publish details of the rambling during the last few weeks.