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## TENNIS MEMORIES.

The season now is ended,  
The nets are rolled and stored,  
The courts are quite deserted  
By the beflannelled horde.  
The Mugs have left their Alley,  
The Poshites their retreat,  
To mingle, p'raps, more closely  
In quite a different street.  
To those who scaled the ladder  
I offer my congrats.,  
And to our various champions  
We proudly lift our hats.  
To those on the Committee,  
Whose lot is frequent kicks,  
We now say "Thank you, really,  
For how you've made your tricks."  
We also thank the members  
Who *sometimes* rolled the ground,  
Such heroes at the present  
Are rarely to be found.  
To those who only grumbled  
We hope they'll soon be well,  
Perhaps a winter's resting  
A different tale will tell.  
I'll now conclude by toasting  
(I know you'll all agree),  
The health of a real worker,  
Our tip-top Sec., H.B. !

ATOMS.

## MR. WILLIAM MEADOWS

On Sunday, October 30th, early in the morning, Brentham's Grand Old Man passed away, and the news has saddened us all. He was the special friend of the children, who sought him to hear his tales of wonder. To us all he was a friend, frank, firm and sincere.

To Mrs. Meadows and members of the family we tender our condolences.

## INSTITUTE GENERAL MEETING.

THE 'ITE representative spent a most enjoyable evening at the Meeting of Institute Members on Monday, October 17th. Very sensibly the subjects for discussion were divided into three sections: Finance, Outdoor Activities and Indoor Activities. The discussion took the form of a dialogue between Mr. S. F. Perry, on behalf of the Committee, and various members, and like the curate's egg was good in parts. So far as finance is concerned, the Institute Committee is to be congratulated on the position in view of exceptionally heavy expenditure. The discussion on outdoor activities brought out some strong criticism of the way in which the grounds have been kept, from Mr. J. Clegg and others, and here Mr. John Hearn intervened in the dialogue, in defence of the Committee. Mr. Hearne's speech was a gem of humour, conscious and unconscious, but the 'ITE man gathered that all would have been well had it not been for the abnormal weather, and that all will or may be well next year. The meeting was over-critical of Mr. John Hearn, and failed to recognise the great amount of voluntary work he has put in. When it came to indoor activities the dialogue took a new turn, and a most interesting discussion on the ethics of money prizes for whist drives took place. Mr. Frank Chambers, Mr. J. H. Ward, Mr. Will Sutton, and others took part.

One was amused at the subtle distinctions drawn. Mr. Chambers, for instance, did not object to playing for silver, provided it was manufactured into spoons, but had a strong moral repugnance to playing for the same silver made into half-crowns.

Finally this momentous question was referred to the Social Committee, and the Chairman, Mr. Allport, hurriedly declared the meeting closed, avoiding a long argument on the meaning of the word political in Clause 2 of the Bye-laws.

## LECTURES AND DEBATES.

THE opening night was a great success, and Mr. Ernest Wellbeloved's recital of poems and prose, ranging from the classical to the broadly comic, thoroughly pleased the audience. The discussion on "Labour and the Middle Classes," opened by Mr. F. J. Shaw, Secretary of the Cobden Club, was splendidly attended, but the resulting debate did not "go" with the necessary amount of sparkle.

The second lecture of the season was on "Danish Rural Life," and Mr. J. Nugent Harris thoroughly interested the large audience, and incidentally gave them something to think of in his vivid account of the splendid organisation of Danish Small Holdings, and the resulting fine crops. Thanks are due to Mr. T. Nicholson for his able manipulation of the lantern.

Miss Chick made an excellent opening speech at the debate on the 25th ult., contending: "That National security is not dependent on force." A keen debate followed, ably controlled by the Chairman, Mr. Kinsman. Ladies were present in considerable force, but, unfortunately, none of them participated audibly.

**Announcements.**

Literary and Section Matter should be sent to the Editor, 27, Neville Road, Ealing, W. 5, by the 22nd of each month.

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**'ITE—MS FROM MANY SOURCES.**

The B.H.S. garden roller having been used as a garden seat by various members of the literary staff of the 'ITE was in danger of becoming 'ITE property. Hence, an unseen hand has removed it during our absence just as the first lines of a "Farewell" were forcing themselves on to paper through the medium of an unwilling hand. That's Inspiration, of course !

Now the thing is impossible. A real farewell, full of sob-stuff, might bring the wretched thing back, and the whole business of receiving pennies from people who never carry coppers in their gardening clothes and waking up before daylight and after dark to show someone the exact location of the iron monster would start all over again. Still, the old thing will be missed, and unless a garden seat is provided in its place more than one visitor will find a low and hard seat on the ground. Again, it was nice to be able to use the roller as if it were our very own.

The possession of that roller, that is to say, the amateur custodianship of the B.H.S.'s heaviest piece of ordnance, enabled the custodian to borrow without payment any or all of the lesser pieces. That privilege is a great one, since it enables the holder to have a well-equipped tool shed on the occasion of the visit of relatives from a distance.

That "Farewell" remains unwritten ; only in the presence of the beloved one could the true thrills be produced. Perhaps one of Brentham's poets may be moved to borrow that roller for an hour, sign the book and pay a penny, in order to express our feelings at a parting which we were spared. Well, here's a start by way of encouragement :

My beautiful ! my beautiful ! that rollest noisily,  
With thy sloping arm and rusty sides and fine rotundity.

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Just as we go to Press the Trading Secretary of the B.H.S. has discovered a new disease in black currants. Being assured that B.C. jam in jars is immune, and that tarts containing that delicacy may be safely devoured during early symptoms, we hope that nothing desperate will happen before our friend, J.W.S., issues his detailed diagnosis and warning next month. There may yet be time to save the Christmas pudding. (Ass ! they don't contain *black* currants.—Shade of J.W.S.).

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Residents strolling near the Eastern end of the "Rec." on Sunday afternoons report having been disturbed by the repeated cry of "I saw it first" from the direction of the Rifle Club cage. This was at first thought to be the natural cry of the creatures at play, but a closer investigation proved that the sound coincided with the discomfiture of a golfer who had aimed at the wrong red flag.

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## BRENTHAM CLUB AND INSTITUTE.

COMMENT upon the General Meeting of the 17th October is hardly necessary ; the meeting may or may not have accomplished its object entirely, but members may rely upon the Committee giving careful consideration to the few suggestions which were made. It was naturally gratifying to receive the congratulations of the Secretary of Ealing Tenants, Ltd., especially if we may infer that our questions of capital expenditure will receive sympathetic attention at the hands of Ealing Tenants, Ltd. The attendance and tone of the meeting, whether in criticism or support of the Committee, were signs of the healthy life of the Institute, and it is regretted that there was insufficient time to proceed with further items on the accounts presented.

Judging from questions asked, it appears necessary to mention that residents on the Estate of Ealing Tenants, Ltd., may become members of the Institute without applying for shares ; and this is, of course, pointed out to new members, who are invited to exercise their option, or to consider the matter and apply later. It is found in practice that some residents have no desire to become shareholders, but applications for shares may be made to the Committee on the prescribed form at any time. Bye-law No. 4 defines membership clearly, and the Secretary would be glad if members would read their own Bye-laws. Invitations to take copies have frequently been made, and when copies have been placed about the Institute they have remained untouched.

The privileges attached to shareholder membership are principally those of management. A non-shareholder on being appointed a Committeeman or other officer of a section must apply for shares ; and, of course, a non-shareholder has a vote at a business meeting of the Club.

**Brentham Chess Club** meets every THURSDAY, at 8 o'clock, in the Library. Special opening for November, the "Petroff Defence." Further particulars of the Hon. Secretary, Mr. T. V. Whieldon, 7, Meadvale Road, Ealing, W. 5.

Will members using the Library on Wednesday evenings kindly refrain from crossing the Large Hall. The proper entrance is by the side door.

## BRENTHAM CLUB AND INSTITUTE. SOCIAL COMMITTEE.

The following is a programme of events for the month :—

Nov. 1st	...	...	Lecture by Lieut. Leo. Walmsley, M.C. "The War of the Sea Shore."
„ 3rd	...	...	Golf Dance and Whist Drive.
„ 5th	...	...	Usual Saturday Night Dance and Whist Drive.
„ 8th	...	...	Debate. Mr. Maurice Hulbert. "Economics and Unemployment."
„ 11th	...	...	Ex-Service Men. Annual Re-Union.
„ 12th	...	...	Usual Saturday Night Dance and Whist Drive.
„ 15th	...	...	Lecture. Mr. T. F. Finucane. "The Romance of Wireless."
„ 17th	...	...	Cricket Club's Dance.
„ 19th	...	...	Brentham Players' Performance. "The Shades of Night," "Bobbie Settles Down," "The Monkey's Paw." "Between 8 and 8.30."
„ 22nd	...	...	Lecture. Mr. W. H. Hunter. "Wonders of Fish Life."
Dec. 1st	...	...	Tennis Club Annual General Meeting.
„ 26th	...	...	Usual Saturday Night Dance and Whist Drive.

A Dancing Class is being arranged for Monday evenings, under Miss Wyatt, the well-known Dancing Mistress. Particulars can be obtained of any member of the Dance Committee.

The Ladies Committee have been granted the use of the Small Hall on each Friday evening, for the purpose of playing Ping Pong, holding Socials, etc.

### BRENTHAM CLUB AND INSTITUTE SHARE AND HOLIDAY CLUB, BRANCH 2 (HOLIDAY).

The first Annual Meeting of the above was held in the Institute on Wednesday, October 12th, and was very sparsely attended. Last year the membership numbered just over 50, and over £300 was saved towards the expenses of a holiday at the seaside. The idea of the Holiday Branch is that members should pay in weekly any amount from one shilling to six, and then when the period of holidays comes round draw out money equivalent to a sovereign for each share held, or from two to twelve pounds according to the number of shares held. Membership is open to all residents on the Estate, and this year children can join with one share, *i.e.*, pay in sixpence weekly and draw out a sovereign for holidays. The Club runs for 40 weeks, and the opening night is Monday, November 7th. The Secretary is Mr. J. W. Allen, 14, North View, and the Club is open at the Institute every Monday evening from 8 to 9 o'clock.

**THE BRENTHAM HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.**

(See also page 75).

Subscription 1/6 per annum.

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J. W. SMALL.*Trading Hours :*  
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**BRENTHAM CRICKET CLUB.****CRICKET DANCE**

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**SECTION NOTES.****Educational.**

All the course tickets for the lectures and debates have been disposed of—a record that has quite dissipated the idea that Brenthamites are not interested in the intellectual side of things.

It is hoped to arrange for Mr. Turtle's lecture "Beneath Big Ben" early in 1922.

The programme for November will be found in the Institute Diary on page 71, and reports of lectures, etc., appear separately.

**WOODWORK.**

The Educational Committee have in conjunction with the Institute Committee arranged for the commencement of the Woodwork Classes on Monday, 31st October. The classes will be held in the cricket pavilion, the benches are up, the tools are ready, and the general arrangements are in the hands of a small committee consisting of Messrs. Ephgrave, Sansom, E. White, A. G. Taylor, J. Phillips and W. H. Morris.

The general idea of the Classes that anyone desiring to make anything from a soap box to a side board should take it down and receive expert assistance. The subscription will be in the region of 10/- for the season and the pavilion will be open three or four nights a week.

**ADVANCED DRESSMAKING.**

The Educational Committee is endeavouring to arrange Classes in Advanced Dressmaking for the benefit of the ladies.

**Junior Section.**

The winter programme is now in full swing, and Wednesday is a red-letter day in the calendar of Brentham Girls and Boys.

From 6 to 7 in the Small Hall the smallest ones hold high revelry under the guidance of Mesdames Nicholson and Hocking. This section is growing rapidly, and if the increase continues it will be necessary to transfer to the Large Hall.

Practice for the Operetta takes place from 7 to 8 o'clock for all girls and boys over 7 years of age. At present the number of girls attending exceeds the number of boys, and Mr. Collinson will be glad of the assistance of four or five more boys from 10 to 13 years old for some good parts in the play, which it is proposed to perform on December 16th and 17th.

At 8 o'clock the dancers assemble in the Large Hall, where Mesdames Blomeley, Cobbett, Carter and Cooper, assisted by other friends of the children, ably initiate the youthful aspirants into the mysteries of modern dancing, while boys not keen on dancing play various games in the Small Hall, under the general superintendence of their very good friend, Mr. Jennings.

The Junior Library is open from 6.30 to 7.30, and Mrs. Foord hopes to have a number of new books by the time these Notes appear.

A Football Section has been formed, and two sets of officials have been elected as follows :—

**BRENTHAM JUNIORS—**

Captain, S. Crutchfield ; Vice-Captain, D. Pope ; Secretary, B. Luxford.

**BRENTHAM JUNIORS "A" TEAM—**

Captain, Morris Bartholomew ; Vice-Captain, N. Armfield ;  
Secretary, J. Bartholomew.

The subscription is 1s. 6d.

**FOOTBALL RESULTS :**

Oct. 15. Brentham Juniors A. 6, Curzon 1.  
,, 22. Brentham Juniors, 3, Highfield 1,  
,, 29. Brentham Juniors A. 3, Southfield 2.

**Tennis Club.**

The Annual Meeting will be held on Thursday, December 1st, at 8.30 p.m., in the Institute. The business includes report and balance-sheet for 1921, and the election of officers. All members are requested to attend.

The Re-Union Dance, held on October 13th, realised a sum of £6 16s., which surplus by previous resolution of the Committee is devoted to Earl Haig's Sportsman's Appeal Fund.

The Committee's thanks are due to the Band, Institute Committee and Mr. Milner, for special rates in view of above object.

The M.C.'s, Messrs. Ephgrave and McClellan, in addition to conducting the dance, kindly distributed the competition prizes.

The Committee's thanks are also due to Messrs. May and Thurland for purchasing the prizes.

**EALING CUP COMPETITION.**—Messrs. Solomon and White lost in the final of the Gents. Doubles, 1—6, 7—9.

**Ex-Service Men's Association.**

The Committee wish to place on record their very grateful thanks to those who have so generously responded to the recent appeal for old clothes and boots. Owing to the great distress now prevailing, the Committee will welcome further consignments.

**Horticultural Society.**

The balance-sheet for the financial year ending 30th September, shows a trading record, sales amounting to £255. At the commencement of the year we had to tread warily, but with increased experience and resources we were able to take up fresh items. Members will, no doubt, realise that it is a very difficult matter to estimate, without risk of financial loss, the exact requirements for a year. On behalf of the Trading Committee, I must express appreciation of the consideration shown when it has not been possible to supply a particular fancy in seeds, fertilisers, &c. Under the present system, the Trading Committee may under-estimate possible requirements, and the difficulties will, in the circumstances, be readily realised.

The question of the future rests entirely with the members. There is every prospect of another record. Last month 5,800 bulbs were distributed in ten days. To date over 300 rose trees are on order. Next month we shall be ordering seed potatoes. It will assist the Trading Committee, and perhaps avoid disappointment, if members will kindly furnish a rough estimate of their probable requirements of the various varieties. In 1920 there was a demand for early varieties; last year, for some reason, more late varieties were demanded. Considering the amount of voluntary work put in by the Committee, it would be disastrous if we handled a large consignment with resultant loss. To avoid this possibility, I ask all members kindly to furnish the necessary information.

J. W. SMALL.

**Golf Club.**

With the final match of the Charity Cup Competition, played on Saturday last, between Miss Suggett and Mr. C. V. Palmer, won by the latter, on Saturday afternoon, October 29th, the Section's outdoor activities in the way of competitions are over for this year. An outstanding feature of the Charity Cup Competition has been the number of experienced golfers beaten, which, perhaps proves the liberality, or otherwise, of the Committee in the matter of handicapping. However, with 5 handicap, Miss Suggett is to be congratulated on reaching the final, which in itself creates a record for the Club, in so far as it is the first time in its history that a lady has reached the final of a competition open to both men and women.

COLONEL BOGEY.

**Bowling Club.**

With the closing of the Green for this year, the Bowling Club has had, probably, the most successful season in its existence both as regards membership and play. The Committee are well satisfied with the membership, which reached more than double the number estimated early in the year. The results of the matches on the whole have been very satisfactory. The weather has permitted play on the Green almost without interruption since the end of April last until October, and the enthusiasm which was so marked early in the season was maintained right up to the last.

Like all other sections, the members have had their moneysworth in quantity of play, if not in quality, but perhaps we shall get the latter next year. An interesting match was played at the end of the season between the two Shield Match rinks, captained by Mr. H. Boxall and Mr. W. G. Brown, resulting in a win for the former.

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**Rifle Club.**

In a list of averages at 25 yards, given in last month's Magazine, the name of the Captain, J. G. Phillips, was inadvertently omitted, and should have shown him as being third with an average of 97 for 18 shoots.

Both the A and B teams were successful in the first round of the Burroughs and Watts Competition, the A team winning by 21 points and the B team by 5 points.

The Club has entered in the Thames Valley League, which opens this month, and they should finish very near the top if they only shoot up to their form.

Mr. F. P. Knowles has been elected Hon. Secretary of the League, so that should ensure Brentham being well posted in all matters relating to it.

New members are still required to make up the strength of the Club equal to running two teams comfortably.

**Hockey Club.****FIXTURES.****GENTS' TEAM.**

November	5	...	Brentham v. Boro' Road at Brentham
"	12	...	" v. Goldsmith College at New Cross.
"	19	...	" v. Barnes II. at Brentham
"	26	...	" v. G.W.R. II. at Castlebar

**LADIES' TEAM.**

November	5	...	Brentham v. Lyons at Sudbury Hill
"	12	...	" v. Bentinck at Brentham
"	19	...	" v. Marble Hill at Twickenham
"	26	...	" v. Hyperion at Brentham

No Mixed matches.

**RESULTS FOR OCTOBER.****GENTS' TEAM.**

October	1	...	Brentham v. Boro' Road at Isleworth	...	2-8	L
"	8	...	" v. Ivanhoe at Brentham	...	3-2	W
"	15	...	" v. Star at Southall	...	5-5	D
"	22	..	" v. Star at Brentham	...	0-1	L
"	29	...	" v. Bleak House at Ealing	...	2-1	W

**LADIES' TEAM.**

October	1	...	Brentham v. Old Southallians at Brentham	...	0-8	L
"	8	...	" v. Wembley at Wembley	...	2-1	W
"	15	...	" v. Star at Brentham	...	4-0	W
"	22	..	" v. Star at Southall	...	2-1	W
"	29	...	" v. Bishopsford at Brentham	...	3-0	W

**MIXED TEAM.**

October	2	...	Brentham v. Lyons at Sudbury	...	3-5	L
"	9	..	" v. Bentinck at Sudbury	...	3-7	L
"	23	...	" v. Bleak House at Ealing	...	2-3	L

Fixtures Cards are now to be obtained, price 8d. each.

The Hockey Section invite any of their supporters to become honorary members (fee 2/6).

Cricket Club.

CHIEF CRICKET AVERAGES, 1921.

Batting.		1st TEAM.		Bowling.	
	TOTAL.	AVERAGE.		WICKETS.	AVERAGE COST.
H. Clegg	515	27.1	G. Royce	34	10.1
J. Clegg	356	18.2	F. Watts	59	10.3
F. Green	262	17.6	F. Green	27	12.4
G. Royce	260	17.3	H. Clegg	20	15.1
S. Beardon	165	11.0			
L. Kelly	126	10.5			
B. Goodridge	145	9.6			
F. Watts	170	8.9			
P. Cane	96	8.7			

  

Batting.		2nd TEAM.		Bowling.	
	TOTAL.	AVERAGE.		WICKETS.	AVERAGE COST.
E. Rigg	229	28.6	J. Hill	35	7.3
H. Castledine	243	17.3	E. Huggett	21	7.1
Wm. Carr	276	17.2	H. Young	26	8.8
D. Pope	99	16.5	H. Castledine	29	10.3
J. Hill	104	13.0	H. L. Smith	20	11.1
E. Huggett	109	10.9	W. Carr	13	11.8
H. L. Smith	94	10.4			

Football Club.

RESULTS FOR OCTOBER.

1st XI.

October 1	...	Brentham v. Brentford St. Paul's	Won 6—1
„ 8	...	„ v. Ealing St. John's	Scratched by opp'nts
„ 15	...	„ v. Park Baptist	... Won 4—2
„ 22	...	„ v. E.U.S.	... Drawn 2—2

All League Games.

2nd XI.

October 1	...	Brentham v. Acton St. Dunstan's	...	Lost 0—4
„ 8	..	„ v. St. Mellitus	...	Won 3—0
„ 15	...	„ v. Gordon	...	Lost 0—2
„ 22	...	„ v. Mission Athletic	...	Won 1—0

All League Games except v. Gordon F.C.

FIXTURES FOR NOVEMBER.

1st XI

*Nov. 5	Harlesden Cong.	...	...	*Harlesden Cong.
„ 12	Old Williamsonians (F)	...	...	*Hanwell St. Mark's
* „ 19	Acton Baptist	...	...	*Acton St. Dunstan's
* „ 26	E.U.S.	...	...	A 1 Engraving Co. F.C.

\* League Matches.

The Hon. Secretary would be very pleased to hear of a few more good men as the casualty list is proving to be alarming.

H. C. THURLAND, *Hon. Sec.*,

27, Denison Road, W. 5.

Behold us raising our hats to the gentleman who offered to "change his religion" in order to meet a lady opponent in the Golf Charity Cup, *on a Sunday*.

**ON DIT :**

That our Treasurer has at last found something more risky than wicket-keeping.

That the football teams anticipate exchanging fixtures.

That electric light in chicken runs has caught on in Brentham.

That we should like to hear from the Billiard and Harriers' Sections.

**BRENTHAM EX-SERVICE MEN'S ASSOCIATION.**

(See also page 75).

**Re-Union—November 11th.**

The Committee, in consultation with the three Sub-Committees, have agreed the price of Tickets at 4/- in connection with which each member will be personally canvassed.

An outside Catering Firm is providing an excellent Menu, and a first-class variety programme will follow. Relatives of the Fallen are the first Guests of the evening, and those desirous of attending are asked to notify the Secretary immediately. Will relatives please note this is the only intimation, as, owing to pressure of work, they will not be called upon personally as on previous occasions.

**BRENTHAM PLAYERS.**

The season opened with great eclat on Saturday, September 24th, when a repeat performance of "The Man who stayed at Home" was given to a full house. The result in all respects fully justified the Committee in the course they adopted. The membership of the Players passes all previous records this year; already it exceeds 100. There is still room for more, and I would invite all intending members to apply soon, either to Mr. Kell or myself. The subscription for the season is 7s. 6d., which entitles the members to a seat for each performance. There are four other performances this season, and one advantage of joining is that members have first choice of seats, and there are only 116 available in the first half of the Hall. The next performance takes place on November 19th, when four short plays will be produced, viz.: "Shades of Night," "Bobbie settles Down," "The Monkey's Paw," and "Between Eight and Eight-thirty," the last-named by Mr. W. A. Macfarlane. Tickets will be available at the Institute between the hours of 8 and 9 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday, November 7th and 8th, for members only. Please bring your membership tickets. From Wednesday onwards the tickets will be sold to the general public. Remember the first comers have first choice of seats.

J. H. WARD, *Hon. Secretary.*

**AN APPEAL.**

**W**E DESIRE to convey the grateful thanks of the unemployed Ex-service men and their families for the generous response to our appeal for clothing. The distress which exists in the district is appalling, and there is urgent need for young children's clothing and gifts in kind. These will be thankfully received at the Institute, and distributed to acute cases at 20, Mattock Lane.

On behalf of the Unity Relief Committee, British Legion,

EDWARD J. EPHGRAVE, *Chairman.*