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WASHINGTON RIDES AGAIN

We are still reaping the rewards of the notices put in the IN MEMORIAM section of the New York Times. At the November 9th meeting of the Washington, D.C. area chapter, several new members appeared who had first learned of the Society and the local chapter through this notice.

It was most exciting to hear from Bill Snyder - Director of the Washington area - concerning the chapter's activities. The November 9th meeting was conducted on a formal basis with emphasis on discussion throughout the evening.

To start out, the objectives of the evening - sociability and scholarship - were outlined, and new members introduced.

Stuart Silverman then discussed the aims and objectives of the Society. Libby Haynes discussed the library, a Ricardian reading list, the Sept. 30th annual meeting, and the Maxwell House offer. The Society's plans for its 1968 trip to England were outlined by Janet Snyder. Janet also discussed a recent presentation of "The Hollow Crown" at the British Embassy, which included Jane Austen's highly favorable views toward Richard. Bill Snyder conducted a reporting session of Ricardian activities, followed by slides of England.

Well, as the saying goes, you can't win them all. As one of the guests was leaving, he commented: "Did you know I was - and still am - on the side of the Tudors???"

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REGISTER GROWS

You will notice the addition of another staff member! Cynthia is a member and a fellow budget analyst at the Narcotic Addiction Control Commission

EXTRA SPECIAL LIBRARY ADDITION

Good News! Libby Haynes, our Librarian has purchased a copy of George Buck's HISTORY OF RICHARD III, and a 1646 edition too! It is considered to be one of the most important books written about Richard. This will be available soon. The borrower will be required to pay for the expense of sending the book both ways by registered mail, and also make a donation of ~~\$1.00~~ .50 to the Library fund.

AND STILL MORE:

The Xerox copy of DICKON now added to the Library is a gift of Margaret MacDonald.

TEST YOUR WITS

Could you do a RICARDIAN crossword puzzle?? Buy the back issues of the RICARDIAN and find out.

TWELFTH NIGHT POSTPONED

I regret very much having to inform those of you who were so enthusiastic about Twelfth Night that we have had to cancel it for this year. There just wasn't enough time to plan and organize a 'do' to do justice to the occasion. But save your plans for your costume - next year we will start early enough and have an extra special occasion set up!! and that is a promise.

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CANADA SPEAKS

William J. Buyers of the Canadian Branch informs us that membership in their branch has increased to about 45. At a recent meeting, 200 were in attendance. The word is really getting around. Keep up the good work, Bill, maybe sometime we could hold a combined American-Canadian meeting!

POINT OF INFORMATION

More additions to the membership list.

Effie Bayer
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Queens Village, New York

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Lansing, Michigan

Mrs. Robert Elins
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Martinsburg, West Virginia

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47 Featherbed Lane
Bronx, New York 10542

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Moylan, Pa. Box 166

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Apt. 241
New York 10031

Mrs. Charles Milham
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Hanover, N. H.

Ruth Harris Silverman
4843 Linnean Avenue
Washington, D. C. 20008

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32 Knickerbocker Road
Tenafly, New Jersey

Also, a change of address

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Miss Nancy Loeb
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SUNY
Geneseo, N. Y.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

I would like to draw everyone's attention to the Ricardian Reprints which are now available. You will find attached to this mailing, a coupon to return to reserve your copies. This is an invaluable, unrepeatable opportunity, and I urge everyone to take advantage of it. It was one of the most exciting moments of my life as I read from the early issues up to the present and realized how much the Society has grown and accomplished to say nothing of the wealth of information that is available in these editions. So order now!

Speaking of Ricardians, if anyone did not receive the October edition, please let me know, and I will mail you a copy.

DEBATE WITH ROWSE ON HORIZON

It appears now as if there will be a meeting in March which will include an open debate with Mr. Rowse-come PREPARED. "Brushup on your Shakespear-start knocking him down" (Sorry about that). Seriously, one of the best ways to brush up on Ricardian lore would be to order the reprints now so you can study them before the meeting.

EMPTY FIRST PAGE?

Note-If your first page looks slightly empty its because we ran out of masterheads halfway through the printing.

BRANCH PUBLISHES BROCHURE

The American Branch will soon be publishing an official brochure with the approval of the English Branch. Watch for it in your mailbox.

LIST OF PAPERS AVAILABLE FOR AMERICAN MEMBERS
FROM THE ENGLISH BRANCH

ARTICLES AND PAPERS

- "When Treason Crowned a Tudor" by James Cleugh (Everybody's Weekly)
August 8, 1953
- "If Richard III had won the Battle of Bosworth" : a flight of imagination
by Igor Vinogradoff
- "Who Killed the Little Princes?" : Report from the Folger Library,
Washington, D.C. April 22, Vol. 10, No. 1
- "The Princes in the Tower" : Appendix J from 'The Complete Peerage', 1960
- "A Historical Sketch of Perkin Warbeck, Pretender to the Crown of
England" by Edwin Henes Jr., The Knickerbocker Press, N.Y. 1902
- "The History of Richard III attributed to Sir Thomas More": an article
in 'Notes and Queries' 2nd series, i., Feb 9, 1856, by James Gairdner
- "Napoleon and Richard III" : article in 'Notes and Queries' Jan. 1961
by Dorothy Broome
- A review of the historical background and sources of Shakespeare's 'Richard
III' by Louis B. Wright, director of the Folger Shakespeare Library
Washington, D.C.
- "Richard III- Usurper or Lawful King": article by Mortimer Levine
- "The Legislation of Richard III" paper by Professor H.G. Hanbury,
Q.C., D.C.L.
- "The Contribution made to the concept of the English Monarchy by Richard
of Gloucester, afterwards King Richard III" essay by Alan Smithies.
- Article on Richard of Conisbrough (Richard III's grandfather) from
'Yorkshire Life Illustrated' March 1961
- "The Anniversary" short article by Valerie Giles (first appeared in
THE RICARDIAN, January, 1963)
- MURDER IN THE TOWER: article by Alan Smithies

TALKS AND RESUMES OF TALKS

- Summary of Dr. R.H. G. Lyne-Pyrkis' discussion of the anatomical evidence
relating to the supposed bones of the sons of Edward IV as given
by Professor Wright in July 1933 (Archaeologia LXXXIV)
- Talk by Mr. Cecil Roth, M.A. Ph.D. F.R. Hist.S., on Sir Edward Brampton,
Governor of Guernsey, and the Mystery of RICHARD DUKE OF YORK. (The
link between the Princes in the Tower and 'Perkin Warbeck')
- THREE PLANTAGENET HOROSCOPES: talk given by Mrs Dorothy Ryan
- FIFTEENTH CENTURY LONDON: Talk given by Mrs Marjorie B. Honeybourne, M.A.F.S.A.
- THE PRINCES IN THE TOWER: talk given to the Newbury Field Club by
I. Wigram
- WOMEN IN THE FIFTEENTH CENTURY: talk given for the Society in February,
1962 by J.M. Melhuish.
- NOTES AND CORRESPONDENCE: between General T.B.L. Churchill and Mr. Saxon
Barton on Sheriff Hutton Church and the tomb of Prince Edward.
and
between G.W. West and Mr. Saxon Barton, with extracts from 'Notes
and Queries' concerning the bones of the Princes, with former
skeltons discovered in the Tower.

GUIDES AND TOPOGRAPHICAL ARTICLES

- "King Richard III House, Scarborough" by G. Bernard Wood (Yorkshire Life
Illustrated, September, 1956)
- Notes on: Middleham and Richmond Castles, Catterick Bridge, The 18th
century Theatre at Richmond, Easbury Church, St. Agatha's Church,
Easby, Wensley Church, Middleham Church, Barnard Castle:
separate copies on each, by R.J.A. Bunnett, F.S.A.

MANCINI

- Typescript extracts from "The Usurpation of Richard III" by Domenico Mancini,
translated from the Latin by C.A.J. Armstrong of Hertford College,
who found this original and absolutely contemporary though biased
account of the events leading up to Richard's accession in the
Bibliotheque Nationale at Lille, in 1934. In Mr. Armstrong's
translation of Mancini is included a short account entitled: -
Richard III as seen by a foreign traveller, Nicolas von Poppelau.

RICHARD III DOCUMENTS

- Some copies of original letters, grants, proclamations, warrants, etc.
- "A Husband for Elizabeth of York?" analysis of an entry in Harlian MSS 433
by V.B. Lamb.
- Text of TITULUS REGIUS act from the Rotuli Parlamentorum, vol vi, p. 240

PERKIN WARBECK

- Extract from Perkin's address to the King of the Scots from J. Asgill's Political Tracts (1713)
- Extracts from Thomas Gainsford's "True and Wonderful History of Perkin Warbeck" (1618)
- Copy of original letter from Perkin Warbeck to the Lady Katherine Gordon, and other notes and extracts from Bergenroth's Calender of Spanish State papers.
- Extracts from "L'Imposture de Perkin Warbeck" by Jean-Dedier Chastelain, 1952 (In French)
- Extracts from Calender of Venetian State Papers for the Period covering Perkin Warbeck's public Career
- Extracts from Sir Frederic Madden's paper on Perkin Warbeck in Archaeologia Vol XXVII
- PERKIN WARBECK -THE IMPERSONATOR: Extract from "Seven in the Tower" by Louis Collis.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Extracts from C.J. Billson's "Medieval Leicester" on the fate of King Richard's body, and of his bedstead.
- Extracts from Sir George Buck's HISTORY OF RICHARD THE THIRD (1647)
- Extracts from Horace Walpole's HISTORIC DOUBTS
- Rutland MSS Vol 1, pp 2-8; 12th report of the Historical Manuscripts Commission. Correspondence between the Duke of Clarence, the Earl of Warwick, King Edward IV, and King Richard III with Henry Vernon.
- Extract from Archaeologia vol xxxix, part 1. London 1863 on livery collars by ?George Scharf?
- Pell Records: A few interesting extracts from the Roll of Accounts of Edward IV. (Research by Mrs Howse)
- Extract from Archaeologia Vol. 47 i, 1882, by Charles Spencer Perceval. "Notes on Documents belonging to Sir John Lawson, Bart. " being an indenture made between William Burgh, squire, and Richard, Duke of Gloucester.
- ORDERS AND RULES OF THE PRINCESS CECILL: the ordering of the household of Cicely, Duchess of York.
- HISTORICAL ILLUSTRATIONS OF THE REIGN OF EDWARD THE FOURTH: comprising Memoirs of Anthony Earl Rivers, edited by William Henry Black (From the "Excerpta Historica)
- FRIENDS OF RICHARD III, INC. Questionnaire put out by this Society and two extracts from articles in American publications concerning it.
- ADDITIONS: 1966
- Have the Prince's bones been found in the tower? an annotated summary of the contemporary accounts of bones discovered in the Tower of London and alleged to be those of Edward IV's two sons: by John Morgan (given by the Melbourne branch)
- The Clever Widow and the King of England: article on Elizabeth Woodville by Christopher Hibbert (From Woman's Mirror, 3rd September, 1966)
- Programme of Richmond Shakespeare Society's Production of "Richard III" in July 1966
- Official Guide to Ashby de la Zouch Castle
- Official guide to Castle Rushen, Isle of Man
- Stanford-in-the-Vale, a parish record, part 3, by V.M. Howse, (given by the author)
- PLAYS
- William Shakespeare: RICHARD III
- Gordon Daviot: DICKON
- Olivia Wigram: THE SPIDER AND THE FLY (Perkin Warbeck)

ADDITIONS TO THE AMERICAN LIBRARY
1966-67

BOOKS:

THE GOLDEN YOKE, by Olive Eckerson
SHADOW OF THE DRAGON, by M. Rowling
THE SWAN AND THE ROSE, by F. Leary
FIRE AND MORNING, by F. Leary
THE GOLDEN LONGING, by F. Leary
BOSWORTH FIELD, by A. L. Rowse
THE WARS OF THE ROSES, by J. R. Lander
QUEST CROSSTIME; by Andre Norton
LOYALTY BINDS ME, by Ruth Traven
ENGLAND, by John R. Green, 1461 - 1603, published 1896

SPECIAL ACQUISITION:

HISTORY OF RICHARD III, by George Buck, published 1646, a first edition copy. Borrowers must pay for the costs of sending this valuable book by registered mail, and donate 50¢ to the Library.

PLAYS:

"Traitor's Summer" by Alan Smithies, a television script
DICKON, by Gordon Daviot

ARTICLES AND EXCERPTS:

JACKDAW: RICHARD III

'George, Duke of Clarence,' by Hugh Ross Williamson, HISTORY TODAY,
December, 1966

THE FRIENDS OF RICHARD III, Inc. (articles dealing with)

'Batman on the Battlefield', Kendall's review of Rowse's BOSWORTH FIELD,
London Times, November 11, 1966

'Flash - History Wrong, Richard III Innocent' from Maclean's Reviews,
October 1, 1966

'Minster Lovel' by Valerie Giles

'The Fall of the House of York' from THE HISTORY OF ENGLAND FROM THE
ACCESSION OF RICHARD III (1377-1485) by Sir Charles Oman

'The War of the Roses' by Joan Murray

'Sir William Cornwallis the Younger' by Arthur Kincaid

'Crosby Hall'

'Maintenance and the Wars of the Roses, by Alan Rogess

'Memorials of the Garter' (1438-1501)

To borrow any book other than a 'special acquisition', just write to Mrs Haynes, 4149 25th St., Arlington, Va., and tell her what you want. Your request will be mailed to you at our expense, you return it at your expense.

All of the above additions - except the Buck copy - were donated throughout the year by members, and our deepest thanks go to them for helping our library to grow in size and scope.

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