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**EDITOR'S
DESK**

NOW IS THE TIME . . .

I won't ask you who said it because this is a non-political magazine: have I reason to repeat it now? Last month I left out my Editor's Desk for two reasons: as it was necessary to revert to the normal number of pages I gave you as much varied reading matter as possible—I think this has been appreciated. The second reason is now also obvious, since no matter what local newspaper you take, you read, learnt, and, I hope, inwardly digested the report of our last Quarterly Meeting.

So there's no need for me to say any more except to express my sincere wish that I am not, proved wrong in my judgment.

THE DATE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING IS TUESDAY, MARCH 19TH—THE TIME IS 8 P.M.—THE QUORUM IS 25.

FOR ALL . . .

Whether you are a comparative newcomer to this estate or have been here even longer than I have, you will appreciate that the spaced planning and retention of natural surroundings is far above that normally expected on an estate of this nature.

In the early days we were impatient for the work to be finished, and even now there is much to be done to clear up some of the eyesores which still exist. We are much more patient than in the past, but we are not asleep, so why not say what you often think?

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GOOD MEN . . .

You will read elsewhere the reports of what has been achieved during the past year. Do you remember the first heading in this Magazine twelve months ago? It was **RELUCTANT SERVERS!**

Do you not think that, considering their acceptance of office under persuasion, their continuance at times under adverse circumstances, and their attainment despite innumerable difficulties, these good men and women have indeed proved themselves?

They do not ask for praise: many shun even the slightest of publicity: but—

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LOVE AND HATE

Love and Hate is a two-edged sword
That when we raise to strike
Will wound the marker in a trice
So that we feel the pain alike,
Is it worth our hate to wield
And to our baser selves to yield?
For hate can colour all our lives;
This ugly cankerous growth can still
All joy and peace and multiply
Our fear and fancies and the ill.
Unsheathe the sword of Love and
Light:

With constant use we'll keep it
Bright:

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Of Communal Interest

Old People's Club

The Annual General Meeting of the Club members and the election of the new Committee for 1957 took place on January 24th last, and a night bumper show it was. Some 50 members were present—a praiseworthy enthusiasm for the Club interests.

Sure the Old Boat has been running on an even keel, for the members unanimously entrusted the same Committee to steer them through the coming year. A very wise decision to let well alone.

The Committee promises much for 1957, with the accent on variety. Already they have put their heads together to devise a very ambitious programme.

Musical evenings are to be a prominent feature; a small party from the Dennis Works Chorus has promised to come over one evening to entertain us, an evening show has been promised by the girls from the Grammar School, and we hope to have a visit by the Woking Choir to St. Michael's Hall.

An outing to Messrs. Lyons, at Cadby Hall, has been fixed for April 9th; coach will leave Murray Green at 9 a.m. Two outings—one to Brighton and the other to Worthing—are to be fixed for early and mid-summer; visions of "Rock 'n' Roll" and "Mind my wheels"—thereby hangs a tale; but sss, not a word! Whist Drives will be held every Wednesday afternoon, at 2.30, with quite good prizes, and our popular Tombola is, of course, a standing order for every Thursday evening, with its chorus of "I only wanted one."

Our Library is now available every Wednesday afternoon, with the books supplied by the Surrey County Library and a new selection

placed at our disposal every three months; the Library is, of course, free.

Much more will be arranged as far as possible by the Committee in the way of variety and interest. If this should catch the eye of anyone who would be willing to arrange entertainment for the old folk, the Committee at 65, Bunyard Drive, Sheerwater, would welcome it. A good cinema show would be ideal.

The champions of the Scouts have dared to challenge us to competitions in our indoor pastimes; we have some dark horses going into hard training for them.

In conclusion—a very big "Thank you" to Mrs. Harper, of West Byfleet, and Mrs. Hickman, of Oxford, for the two very lovely cakes which they presented to the Club.

A. E. T.

Labour Party

January 26th was a red letter day for over 500 children who came to our belated CHRISTMAS PARTY. Difficulty arose over the hiring of school premises, to have the party under one roof, but we got over this by using two halls—St. Michael's and the Community Centre—although it meant two Father Christmases and double expenses all round.

With doors opened before time because of the rain, the fun soon started, and the children—very good in their behaviour—sat down to a lovely tea of spam, corned beef, salad, pastries, cut cake, fruit salad and jellies; not forgetting the fancy hats and streamers galore. Followed by community singing and entertainment, with Mrs. Grace and Mrs. Taree at the pianos, Pete Hyde's Skiffs Group, and Labo the Clown, who gave the kiddies the time of

their lives. After a film show, presented by Messrs. Maxwells, thoroughly enjoyed by all, each child was presented to Father Christmas and all received a present from him. Concluding with every child well happy and content, and a gift of fruit and sweets to finish up with.

In charge of the group at St. Michael's Hall was Cdr. E. J. Smith, and Mr. J. Chidwick looked after those at the Community Centre. Mr. A. Roberts contributed some really good work in his liaison between the two halls, as also did Mrs. Gardner and Mrs. Standon in their catering arrangements. Other most valuable assistance was given by Mrs. Bionfield, Mrs. M. Smith, Mrs. Phelps, Mrs. Tague, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Chidwick, Mrs. Harvey, Mrs. Berry, Mrs. Smalley, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Roberts, the Misses Knowler, Borge and Tague, Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain, Mr. Phelps, Mr. Andy, Mr. Gardner, Mr. Wenden, and many others who came along to lend a hand. Both parties were visited by Cdr. J. S. P. Davey during the festivities.

We would like to record thanks to the Woking Co-op, the Penny Man, Mr. Deakin, of "Josephines," Mr. Chasmore, of the Alpine Laundry, Mr. J. Kosati and Mr. T. Bone, for their help towards our children's party success. We also express the hope of a speedy return to good health of one of the members of our Social Committee who did so much—Mrs. Bone. Thanks to all of you.

E. J. S.

British Red Cross Society

Among those enrolled last month in Cadet Unit 3995 of the Woking Division, British Red Cross Society, were Cadets Wendy Boon (age 11), of Albert Drive, Audrey Coundon (age 11), of Wakehurst Path, and Carole Vandyle (age 12), of Blackmore Crescent. All three have al-

ready passed their examination in Mothercraft.

They join others from Sheerwater already enrolled for this excellent work, and Cadet Officer Miss Holloway would welcome still more children from the Estate to train with the Unit at their headquarters—the Red Cross Centre, Woking.

Old Time Dance Club

The Club continues its enjoyable instructive evenings, under the able guidance of Ted and "Poppie" Gallagher, and extends a welcome to all who are interested to come along to the Centre any Friday evening for first-class tuition and real friendly company.

Once a month is held our Long Night, with a full evening of dancing, embracing the best of all Old Time dances. Sometimes these are held in our own hall, with invited guests from other local Old Time Dance Clubs, and sometimes we are ourselves the welcome guests at these other clubs. In February our guests were from Lightwater and West End, and on Friday, March 22nd, there will be over 50 members of the Bagshot Old Time Dance Club at our "Long Night." We want to put on a real good show for Sheerwater, so please come along and enjoy yourselves in a real "get-together" spirit.

The new Secretary of the Club is Mr. D. Reuss, of 61b, Dartmouth Avenue, and he will be pleased to tell you anything you want to know about our activities.

2nd Sheerwater (St. Michael's) Scout Group

The evening of February 19th was a milestone in the history of the Group, when the District Commissioner, Mr. Searle, attended a Grand Investiture in the Church Hall. Warrants were presented with due ceremony to Mr. F. W. Halstone,

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of 21, Spencer Close (Scoutmaster), and Mrs. E. R. Tregear, of Lockwood Path, (Cubmistress). This was followed by investiture of seven Scouts and four Wolf Cubs.

The District Commissioner gave a short address on the responsibilities and trust imposed on those who had taken the Pledge.

There was a good attendance of parents and Scouters from other Groups, and with a vote of thanks to the District Commissioner the impressive evening was brought to a close; an evening which we hope will have made a lasting impression on the boys at it will to us.

F. W. H.

British Legion

At the Annual General Meeting, Mr. A. J. Mason, retiring Chairman, said that in spite of difficulties the year had been a very successful one. The credit balance now stood at £93 5s. and total assets £110, with a Standard acquired by the generosity of people on the Estate.

During the year the Branch had lost the services of three of its officers, but the work had been carried on by members acting in a temporary capacity. The Services Committee dealt with 13 applications for assistance and the Pension Officer with six.

The following officers were elected: President, Mr. W. Hockley; Chairman, Mr. C. Tyrrell; Vice-Chairman, Mr. A. Davis; Hon. General Secretary, Mr. A. J. Mason; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. H. Murray; Committee—Messrs. G. Cousins, M. Power, N. White, J. Morley and J. Shephard.

Ex-Service members in need of assistance should contact Mr. W. Hockley, 62, St. Michael's Road, or Mr. M. Power, 129, Devonshire Avenue. Pensions queries should be referred to Mr. J. Shephard, 2, Hanbury Path.

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1st Sheerwater Scout Group

Our next Dance will be on Saturday, March 23rd, at the DRILL HALL, WALTON ROAD, and Whist Drives at THE HUT, LAMBOURNE CRESCENT, on Tuesdays, March 5th and April 2nd. With asphalt flooring and a path shortly to be laid we need all the funds we can get, so please note these dates and give us your support.

AN EVENING OUT IN THE WEST END

On Saturday afternoon, February 2nd, three coaches left the Wandsworth works with a happy party of 114 members and guests of the Wandsworth Electrical Sports and Social Club, who had decided to have an evening out.

The first objective was the Whitehall Theatre to see "Dry Rot," starring Brian Rix, Basil Lord, Ronald Franklin and Rosamund Hamilton. This typically English farce was hilariously funny and well suited the mood of the party. Following the show, dinner was laid on at the Strand Restaurant, and the drinks were laid on by Mr. E. J. Davies, one of the directors who accompanied the party.

It was planned to stop at the Star and Garter Hotel at Richmond on the return journey to round off the excellent evening, but unfortunately this was not possible as the journey home started rather later than had been expected. This omission, however, was subsequently taken care of by a trip to the Antelope Hotel, Cobham, on Saturday, February 16th, where the Club arranged to have a private room for a free and easy evening, with dancing to the music of Les Rider and his band.

This proved to be a most popular event and will no doubt find a regular place in the Wandsworth Social Club's activities.

QUIP AND QUIZ AT THE QUARTERLY

"The Council in question told us over a year ago that the matter was in hand . . . but, of course, these things take time!"

How long is a piece of string?

"What we want is a nice juicy scandal—then we'll have a packed meeting."

Any offers?

"I know of one association with over £5,000 in the kitty but they had an attendance of only five at their last meeting."

Who cares for money?

"I'm going to blow my own trumpet . . . no one else will!"

Two boots?

"The figures I am giving you are those which will appear in the balance sheet—that is if they are the same when the auditors have finished."

Another removal?

"We took 152 to the circus . . . no, we didn't lose any . . . we brought 156 back."

Does Bertram Mills know?

"There isn't any grass on the grass verge at the corner by the school."

Short cut?

"Will someone please stop the Gas Board sending your Centre bills to my address . . . my wife nearly has a fit every time she opens them and sees the charge."

Don't we all?

"By making myself unpopular with calls at the busiest time on a Saturday I managed to make a profit."

Hush money?

"At the last meeting I said the social side was dead and hit the headlines . . . since then we seem to have had a rebirth."

It pays to advertise?

"Please note that as all leaks have now been stopped in the roof rowing boats will not now be needed to travel from table to table during Whist Drives."

And no Mac?

"People don't buy the 'Pylon' to look at pictures of Janel!"

A normal circulation?

"I erected and concreted the notice board . . . working time taken four hours; but I had to keep watch for the rest of the day to prevent children interfering with the wet concrete."

Q. "How much coke does a 5 cwt. coal bunker in the flats hold?"

A. Apparently 3 cwt. INSIDE, 1 OUTSIDE, and 1 ON THE STAIRS.

Q. "Wasn't there a small recreation ground shown on the original plan of the Estate?"

A. Yes, and so were a CINEMA, a CAR PARK, and TWO pubs. So you see, it isn't all that dull, is it? Come along to the Annual General Meeting on March 19th. You never know!

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ONCE A SCOUT . . .

LAST month saw the inauguration of what it is hoped one day will become one of Sheerwater's largest social bodies. After an address by Mr. A. Bridge, County Organiser for Surrey of the Baden-Powell Scout Guild, in which he explained the aims and objects of the Guild, it was agreed that the Sheerwater Branch of the Guild be founded.

The Branch is the 47th to be formed in Surrey, which has 1,200 of the 13,000 members in the national movement, pledged to promote the spirit of Scouting in their daily surroundings and to help the active Scout movement.

From among the eight founders, Mr. R. Prince was elected the first Chairman of the Branch, and Mr. W. Welsh, of 90, Devonshire Avenue, is its first Secretary. The Branch will support actively all Scout organisations within the Sheerwater area, and membership is open to all ex-Scouts or Cubs, no matter when or where past participation in the Movement was made. There must be quite a large number of residents on the Estate to whom this applies—here is a grand opportunity to be in at the start and help the youngsters in a way well fitting for their future. Will all who are interested please contact the Secretary at 90, Devonshire Avenue, Mr. Prince at the Off-Licence (telephone Byfleet 2257), or Mr. Pumfrey at

104, Blackmore Crescent, for further details.

The objects of the B.-P. Scout Guild are:—

- To keep alive among its members the spirit of the Scout Promise and Law.
- To carry that spirit into the communities in which they live and work.
- To give active support to the Scout Movement as far as their own responsibilities will allow.

The degree to which an Old Scout interprets these objects must depend on his individual circumstances. Many Old Scouts are too busy with their own careers and family affairs, and possibly with other services to the community, to spare time for active Scouting. They are none the less welcome. They can, in their everyday life, carry the spirit of the Scout Promise and Law into their communities, setting an example of cheerfulness, honesty and straight dealing, and acting as "big brother" to those who wear the Scout badge, and to other youngsters in need of help.

A live Branch in Sheerwater will undoubtedly provide opportunities for service both to Scouting and the community, and by corporate effort keep interest alive and engender mutual confidence among its members. Will you become a member?

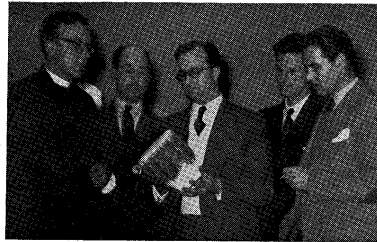
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Animal, Vegetable or Mineral



The announcement by the Sheerwater Parent-Teacher Association of a two-part quiz, "Animal, Vegetable or Mineral," followed by a "General Knowledge," gave no real indication of the treat in store for a fairly large audience at Sheerwater C.S. School. A display of exhibits from the school museum showed to parents the great interest taken by both pupils and staff, and it was from this varied collection that the objects were selected for the first "quiz." This was ably conducted by Mr. C. F. R. Tiller, senior master, who gave the team of the Rev. R. E. Falkner, Mr. J. P. Wigzell, Mr. A. Yates and Mr. G. W. Hill a deal of thought with the objects which he had chosen. Greatly to their credit they had more right than wrong, and failed only on such as a fossilised ammonite, aged 150 million years, a jaw of an ichthyosaurus (fish lizard), even older at 200 million years, and, more to date, a mine-marker from the 1914-18 war. The second quiz was a contest between a team of parents and a team of teachers, with Mr. A. C. Barnes to ask the questions. After a close contest covering abbreviations, derivations, group terms, odd man out and locations, the teachers were winners by 29 points to 21.

The entertainment was arranged by the committee of the Parent-Teacher Association, to whom thanks were expressed by Miss F. R. Boston. [Photo: A. G. Scott. Courtesy of "Woking News and Mail."]

SHEERWATER & DISTRICT OLD TIME DANCE CLUB

PROUDLY PRESENT
LONG-NIGHT DANCE
FRIDAY, 22nd MARCH, 1957
COMMUNITY CENTRE, DEVONSHIRE AVENUE
M.C.
MEMBERS Ted Gallagher NON-MEMBERS
3/- REGENCY PLAYERS 3/6

A FAMILY AFFAIR

ALTHOUGH the Community Centre on the Sheerwater Estate was not officially opened until February 20th, 1954, it was actually in use a few days before, on February 9th. The "get-together" Social in celebration of its third anniversary was therefore held on this date, under the organisation of Doris and Sydney Clamp, who have been responsible for most of the social activities of the Community Association during the past year.

Often it is found that hard work and planning are not themselves sufficient to produce results; unforeseen factors such as clashing with other functions, entertainment and other hitches, cold or wet weather, and in these days the counter-attraction of a good television or radio show—any of these can bring disappointment to high hopes.

Indeed, therefore, a worthy example of appreciation that despite extremely adverse weather conditions the Community Centre was gradually filled by a crowd of near capacity; rewarded with an evening's enjoyment, spoken of by many as the best for ages, with the tribute

of "pioneers" as quite like old times.

A most gaily decorated hall which must have taken hours to set out, a very professional-looking refreshment bar, "Jim and Bill's Joint," under the management of Jim McDermott and Bill Lewis, resplendent in white jackets, presiding over a recent gift from the Wandsworth Electrical Manufacturing Co., Ltd., and music by remote control efficiently operated by the M.C. for the evening, Geoff. Beedell, all created the desired atmosphere of warmth and friendliness which prevailed the whole of four hours.

Entertainment was varied with dancing, games, competitions, novelties, with live music supplied by Mr. G. Jenkins at the piano and Pete Hyde, with his Skiffle Group well on form, to supplement that of the disc jockey. Items for all, both young and old, included such as Flap the Kipper, Penny in the Box, Capping the Dunce, and Feeding the Baby; with plenty of communal Rock 'n' Roll, Hokey Kokey, modern and old time dancing—even "Knees Up," the hallmark of all real parties.

The hot-dog and chips boys, Messrs. Coundon and Banks, were in great demand, and other assistance was found in the services of Messrs. Burger, Howard and Porter.

A very good show all round, well fulfilling its object of "A Family Affair." The date fixed for the next of these get-together evenings is an obvious one—the Eve of St. Patrick's Day—Saturday, March 16th. Come along and show the Shamrock with the English Roses, the Welsh Wizards, and the "Rabbies" of Scotland.

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SHEERWATER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Individual Notice to Members.

(Constitution: Clause 9 (d).)

Notice is hereby given that the fifth ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING is convened for TUESDAY, MARCH 10th, 1957. To be held at THE COMMUNITY CENTRE (Devonshire Avenue) and to commence at 8 p.m.

For the purpose of receiving the Annual Report of the Council, the annual audited Statement of Accounts, and a statement showing attendance of its members at Council meetings; of appointing Hon. Officers; of accepting resignations of members of the Council; of electing representatives to serve on the Council, such Council to appoint from among themselves two representatives to serve on the Governing Body; of appointing an auditor or auditors; of making recommendations to the Council and, whenever necessary, of voting on proposals to amend this Constitution in accordance with Clause 13.

The following Resolution is submitted for consideration of members at the Annual General Meeting—28 days' due notice in writing having been given to the Secretary, in accordance with Clause 13 of the Constitution.

RESOLVED that the Constitution of the Association be amended as follows:—

Clause 5. The Council. (a)
(1) The Honorary Officers, namely Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Social Secretary, Membership Organiser, Centre Manager, the Editor of the "Pylon," and twelve Council members (one each in respect of the following defined areas: Albert Drive, north side Nos. 1 to 163; Albert Drive, north side Nos. 165 to 337; Albert Drive, south side Nos. 2 to 124; Albert Drive, south side Nos. 126 to 290; Blackmore Crescent; Bentham Avenue, Dykes Path, Bateson Way; Bunyard Drive, Wakehurst Path, Murray Green; Devonshire Avenue, Spencer Close, Loder Close; Dartmouth Avenue, Dartmouth Green, Dartmouth Path; St. Michael's Road, Henslow Way, Hanbury Path; Lambourne Crescent, Lockwood Path; Paxton Gardens, Priory Close, Sheerwater Road, Woodham Lane) all being elected from, among and by the members of the Association at an Annual General Meeting.
Proposed by: W. G. Baulf. Seconded by: A. Sinclair.

★ JIGGING WITH JOLLITY ★

A Grand Night for The Irish
The Scots — The English — The Welsh

ST. PATRICK'S EVE PARTY

COMMUNITY CENTRE
SATURDAY, 16th MARCH, 1957

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Receipts and Payments for 1956

Receipts		Payments	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.
To Cash in Hand, b/f	27 2 1	By General Account	117 0 0
" General Account	68 0 9	" Centre Account	284 6 1
" Centre Account	484 8 3	" "Pylon" Account	460 6 6
" "Pylon" Account	366 7 1	" Social Account	7 5 0
" Social Account	40 4 6	" Tobacco Account	94 9 6
" Tobacco Account	93 5 5	" Cash in Hand, c/f	35 16 0
£999 8 1		£999 8 1	

Balance Sheet as at December 31st, 1956

LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.
CAPITAL	126 14 10	FIXED ASSETS	353 0 0
Less Excess Exp./Inc.	97 9 7	Less Depreciation	26 10 0
29 5 3		326 10 0	
CURRENT LIABILITIES		CURRENT ASSETS	
Sundry Creditors		Sundry Debtors	
Centre A/c	309 12 11	Centre A/c	51 19 6
" Pylon" A/c	78 9 6	" Pylon" A/c	42 0 0
Social A/c	8 15 0		
Prepaid Subscriptions	396 17 5	Social A/c	10 1 8
" Pylon" Account	67 10 0	Tobacco A/c	14 17 1
		Stock in Hand	24 18 9
		Cash in Hand	48 4 5
		General A/c	2 3 0
		Tobacco A/c	10 5 5
		Bank	38 16 0
£493 12 8		£493 12 8	

H. T. DEWDNEY, Hon. Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have examined the Books of Account of the Association and the above Balance Sheet presents a true and fair view of the Association's affairs as at December 31st, 1956.

J. W. HAWKINS, J. E. ROSS, Hon. Auditors.

Expenditure and Income Accounts

GENERAL ACCOUNT		GENERAL ACCOUNT	
EXPENDITURE	£ s. d.	INCOME	£ s. d.
Petty Cash in Hand, b/d	1 12 4	Subscriptions	48 10 6
Delegates' Expenses	6 10 0	Affiliation Fees	3 18 0
Secretary's Expenses	4 2 0	Insurance Claim	3 11 0
Sundry Expenses	23 10 0	Performing Rights	9 0 0
Centre Account (Hire of Hall)	22 12 6	Piano Fund	1 10 0
Stationery	15 2 9	Youth Week	10 2 3
Piano and Tuning	17 19 0	Petty Cash in Hand, c/d	2 3 0
Hungarian Relief Fund	5 0 0	Excess Expenditure/Income	75 3 7
Youth Centre Building Fund	10 2 3		
Bank Charges	1 11 0		
Solicitors' Fees	15 6 0		
Depreciation (Fixed Assets)	26 10 0		
£145 7 4		£145 7 4	

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FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

Introductory.—As forecast in the last Annual Report, the fifth year of the Sheerwater Community Association has proved to be a calm year showing steady results and sound finance, together with the heartening sign of increased membership.

The Council has been smaller in numbers than ever, but the amount of work accomplished is in no way decreased, as later paragraphs of the Report will show.

The Financial Statement shows steady progress toward solvency, although the optimistic forecast of last year has not quite been achieved; this we feel is mainly due to the fact that revision of the rent agreement promised some time ago has not yet materialised.

No extension of our activities has been possible, except in the social field; regretfully, because our functions must still be largely restricted to money-raising.

Constitution.—Only one amendment has been made to the Constitution in the course of the last 12 months—the reduction of Council meetings to four a year, as it has been found that the work can be more effectively dealt with by increased use of sub-committees.

Constituent Bodies.—The Conservative Association, the Drama Group and the Ladies' Choir have ceased to be affiliated, the last two having been disbanded. The British Legion withdrew their affiliation shortly after the close of the year, having found premises more suitable to their present requirements. There has been one new constituent body—the Sheerwater and District Old Time Dance Club—leaving the total number of affiliated bodies at 7.

Governing Body.—Meetings are held twice a year, with Brigadier H. L. Woodhouse, C.B.E., M.C. (Surrey County Councillor), as

Chairman. Our representatives have been Mr. H. Dewdney and Mr. J. McDermott, and the thanks of the Association are once again made to the Governing Body for the help and advice received.

Outside Representation.—The Association has maintained its representation on the various local and national committees as in previous years.

Memberships.—In the year 1956 a striking increase in membership was achieved, mainly due to hard work of a member, paid a small commission in accordance with decision taken in Council. The success of this is reflected in an impressive increase of membership from 357 in 1955 to one now in excess of 600.

The "Pylon".—The Annual Report in respect of the activities of our Magazine will be submitted by the Editor at the A.G.M.

Social Activities.—This portion of the Report will also be given at the A.G.M.

Community Centre Management.—The demand for bookings has been as great as ever from constituent bodies, other organisations, private parties, with an innovation of Centre use by social organisations of several factories. The Centre has been used on a regular basis by the British Legion, The Youth Club, the Old Time Dance Club, and our own Social Section, with complete use on every Saturday evening.

The only evening which has not proved popular with hirers is Tuesday, but several bodies, including our Social Committee, have made use of the Centre on this night, and negotiations are now in progress for an outside body to use the Centre regularly on Tuesday evenings.

The Roman Catholic Church are continuing the use of the Centre on

CENTRE ACCOUNT		CENTRE ACCOUNT	
EXPENDITURE	£ s. d.	INCOME	£ s. d.
Reserve (1955 Lettings), b/d	72 13 6	Reserve (1954/55) Rent, b/d	205 0 0
Gas	71 18 9	Reserve (Gas, 1955), b/d	24 13 4
Electricity	20 8 7	Lettings:	
Rates	8 15 6	Sundry	298 18 3
Caretakers and Cleaners	81 13 6	Social Committee	72 17 6
Maintenance	16 10 10	Association Meetings	32 12 6
Insurance, etc.	19 11 10	Reserves:	
Rent (1955 Arrears)	22 17 0	Sundry Lettings, c/d	43 4 6
Rent (First Quarter, 1956)	42 10 0	Social Committee Lettings, c/d	8 15 0
Reserve: Outstanding Rent, c/d	309 12 11		
Excess Income/Expenditure	19 8 7		
£686 1 1		£686 1 1	

"PYLON" ACCOUNT		"PYLON" ACCOUNT	
EXPENDITURE	£ s. d.	INCOME	£ s. d.
Reserve (Advertisers), b/d	47 1 3	Reserve (Print/Sundry), b/d	152 13 4
Printing—Sundry, 1955	152 13 4	Advertisers, 1955	47 1 3
Printing, etc., January to March	92 7 2	Advertisers/Sales, J-M	51 9 6
" April to Sept.	178 16 0	" A-S	116 10 1
" October	36 10 0	O-D	61 6 3
Reserves:		Factory Subscriptions	90 0 0
Printing Nov./Dec., c/d	78 9 6	Reserves:	
Prepaid Factory Subs., c/d	67 10 0	Advertisers (September), c/d	3 10 0
Excess Income/Expenditure	7 6 9	(Oct./Dec.), c/d	31 0 0
October to December	7 6 9	Factory Subs. (Oct./Dec.), c/d	7 10 0
Excess Expenditure/Income	—	January to September	99 13 7
£660 14 0		£660 14 0	

SOCIAL ACCOUNT		SOCIAL ACCOUNT	
EXPENDITURE	£ s. d.	INCOME	£ s. d.
Centre A/c (Hall Rent, 1955)	15 7 6	Net Income to 8/3/56	58 7 0
" (Hall Rent, 1956)	57 10 0	" Mar./Dec., 1956	78 1 5
General Account	7 5 0	Stock in Hand, c/d	10 1 8
Reserve: Rent, Dec., 1956, c/d	8 15 0		
Excess Income/Expenditure	34 6 2		
£123 3 8		£123 3 8	

TOBACCO ACCOUNT		TOBACCO ACCOUNT	
EXPENDITURE	£ s. d.	INCOME	£ s. d.
Stock in Hand, b/d	32 14 0	Reserve (1955 Account), b/d	25 1 8
Sundry Costs	94 9 6	Net Sales	93 5 5
Excess Income/Expenditure	16 6 1	Stock in Hand, c/d	14 1 1
		Cash in Hand, c/d	10 5 5
£143 9 7		£143 9 7	

Income/Expenditure Summary

Income/Expenditure Summary		Income/Expenditure Summary	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.
General Account	19 8 7	Centre Account	5 8 0
" Pylon" Account	99 13 7	" Pylon" Account	7 6 9
		Social Account	34 6 2
		Tobacco Account	16 6 1
		Net Expenditure/Income	97 9 7
£174 17 2		£174 17 2	

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the Sabbath for religious services and Sunday Schools.

It will be noted that since April last it has not been possible to meet either the current rent of the Centre or the current portion of the accrued arrears. The Surrey County Council have been made aware of the reasons for this non-payment, and we are awaiting their observations.

The transfer of the premises from the L.C.C. to the Surrey County Council has not yet taken place, despite the assurance given to us in the summer of 1956.

Our outgoings remain as high as ever, with the additional cost of urgent structural repairs—it is hoped we will recover the cost of these.

We were assured a year ago that immediate repairs to the roof would be carried out, but despite constant pressure nothing but our own emergency repairs has been done, with the result that structural conditions have deteriorated to such extent that we cannot yet undertake any interior decorating.

A Music and Dancing and Seating Licence has been granted, now that the modifications required by the authorities have been effected: another pair of exit doors, completion of the fence, and complete rewiring (at our own expense) are all examples of the work carried out during the year.

With regard to the fence, a decision had reluctantly to be taken that regular parking of vehicles could not be permitted, in view of the difficulties which would arise under our tenancy.

The Association has taken out a licence under the Performing Rights Society, and has borne the major portion of the cost of this in respect of 1956.

Our thanks are recorded for the untiring work of our Centre Manager, Mr. A. Barger, whose efforts on our behalf are not widely known.

He has given freely of his time and experience to keep the Centre as waterproof and as inviting as possible, and no task seems beyond him—broken window, broken lock, hole in the roof, or what you will.

Finance.—The Association presents its financial statement in the confident hope that it reflects our progress toward stability. A major item has been the clearance of outstanding arrears to our printers, to whom our thanks are expressed for their forbearance.

With our income and expenditure approximating £1,000, our members will be grateful that our books are in capable hands.

As required by the Constitution, the Finance Committee has met regularly during the year for a monthly check of accounts.

General.—The happy relationship which has existed for some time in the Association has been strengthened and has spread to all those with whom we have come in contact in wider fields. The name of the Sheerwater Community Association still stands high in local and national circles; our "Pylon," for example, has been said to be the finest publication of its kind in the land. The advice of the Association has been sought in many matters affecting the community, and it is still found that when the voice of the Association is raised in complaint it commands attention.

National Federation Conferences.—Officers have attended the Area Conferences of the N.F.C.A., and two members, with financial aid from the County Council, enjoyed the Summer School at Cirencester.

Our Chairman and Vice-Chairman attended a special conference called to discuss the difficulties arising between the L.C.C. and Education Authorities with regard to out-county estates; experience gained

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from these conferences has proved invaluable in our deliberations.

Liaison with Factories.—Three factories are at present co-operating with us, with further possibilities. Their employment and welfare activities are periodically reported in our Magazine, and they have the use of the Centre and other facilities available to affiliated bodies, in return for payment of an annual sum in respect of affiliation. We are very happy to report that our relations with the industrial side of the Estate are becoming so cordial.

Buses.—Two present members of the Council have become founder-members of the North West Surrey Public Transport Users' Association. Several meetings have been attended but action in protest of the cuts in bus services has been deferred, owing to the present restrictions with regard to petrol usage.

Library.—The Library is still a much appreciated service to the community, so much so that it is often forgotten that this is a purely voluntary service. At the beginning of November the Library was moved from the small committee room to the main hall, thus providing room for two additional cabinets now in use. These improved conditions have increased the number of books available for exchange, and the number of Library users is growing every week.

Recreation Ground.—The resolution passed at the last A.G.M. was forwarded to the Urban District Council, and we have been assured that everything possible is being done to expedite matters: it now rests with the local Council.

Sign Posts.—Success has resulted from our efforts in respect of the erection of sign posts, following complaints of difficulty in the location of Sheerwater. They have now been erected in prominent positions at the ends of the Estate.

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Notice Board.—With permission granted by the Woking U.D.C., the notice board of the Sheerwater Community Association has been erected near to the shops in Dartmouth Avenue. This will be in use after means of protection to notices has been made.

Piano.—The necessity for a new piano resulted in our purchase of one. Owing to our current financial situation a separate charge is at present made to hirers of the Centre who wish to use this amenity.

Borough Incorporation.—In the absence of a general meeting, decision was taken in Council that the Association would support the application of the Woking U.D.C. in this respect.

Fire Claim.—A small fire occurred in the Centre, caused by children who gained access through a broken pane of glass. A subsequent claim to the Insurance Company was made and settled.

Amenities.—Notification has been made to the Woking U.D.C. of complaints received regarding the state of the grass verges and pavements. No complaints have been made this year regarding delivery of coal to the flats—this may be due to the mild weather.

Other Activities.—Mr. Bobby Jenkins and his School of Dancing assisted the funds of the Association to the extent of £15 by the presentation of their new show on January 18th.

NOMINATIONS.—Nominations for Honorary Officers and members of the Council should be made in writing to the Secretary, Mrs. G. M. Howard, of 23, Paxton Gardens, giving name of Nominee, Office, and names of Proposer and Secunder. The consent of the nominee must be obtained before nomination is proposed.

6, Devonshire Avenue.

Dear Sir,
Our new hotel, which will soon be a gaily-coloured landmark on the Sheerwater Estate, is now very near completion.

I am wondering what the many discriminating people halting there will think when they look across and see that disgraceful array of empty shops in Dartmouth Avenue.

In their present state one expects to see lions, tigers and monkeys behind those ugly bars.

A long, bright row of attractive shops is a dire necessity and there must be some definite reason why they are not these. Maybe the traders' desire for these shops is like a miner's wife for an evening dress, but I doubt it as there are certain kinds of goods, such as drapery and hardware, offering a profitable investment. Perhaps these last two words are the crux of the trouble.

If the rents are too high, then I am sure that the Authority concerned would see the wisdom of attracting more traders by lower rents.

Far better to have every shop attractively occupied and serving the Estate than just the few there are, magnifying by their isolation the desolation around.

Yours sincerely,

A. E. TIMMS.

Ed.—This letter confirms what quite a number of residents are now saying. What are your views?

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ALL MEDICAL AND TOILET REQUIREMENTS

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82, Chelsea Drive,

Durban North,
Natal, S. Africa.

Dear Mr. Baulf,

Firstly, I must record my thanks for the continued arrival of the "Pylon"—it continues to arouse interests and nostalgia! It is true that names have changed and that many developments have taken place since our removal, but Sheerwater seems much the same in many other aspects.

It is now almost three years since we left Sheerwater behind, and although I visited the Estate during my trip to Britain in '55, it really seems much longer.

My impressions are indeed varied—and I must confess often strongly influenced by the news of the day. Make no mistake in thinking that South Africa is anything but a beautiful, wild, rugged, huge, and in parts a civilised country. I have just returned from a 4,000-mile tour of the Union, and I have visited every area. I have seen the many African peoples of this vast land; I have seen their squalid, ugly townships and their new-planned ones; I have seen them in their natural habitation and in the mine compounds.

Much is being done—much remains to be done. I sometimes wonder if the pace can be quickened, and then I wonder if these near-primitive people are not happier with as little of our civilisation as possible: a difficult question and one that can only be answered with time.

But the native problem, as it is often termed, is not the only worry. There is the constant bickering between the two European groups here in South Africa. Between the English-speaking and the Afrikaans-speaking there is always some bone of contention. At the moment it centres on a Bill now before the House of Assembly—a Bill to remove the Union Jack as one of the



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I, Murray Green.

Dear Mr. Baulf,

From time to time it gives us much pleasure to note the kind remarks said about the social work we try to do on the Estate, and it certainly makes our work worth while when we feel this work is appreciated.

We, in our turn, would like to thank all those who support us by regular attendance at the functions, and many thanks to those who are not on the Social Committee but help us and are always there when needed. To the "Pylon" we say your effort is magnificent in the work it does, and the very hard work to the many hours put in by the Editor and staff.

A final word for the end of our Social Year—if you really feel we do our best for you, we would ask one favour from you all; note March 19th as the A.G.M. of the Community Association, and please show all Councillors (not ourselves only) your interest in the work they do for you. Your support at this meeting will tell us if you wish us to carry on for a further term of office. Many thanks.

Yours sincerely,

DORIS and SYDNEY CLAMP.

Ed.—A letter of sincerity which I hope is duly appreciated. Many others have expressed their willingness to continue, if it is the majority wish of members of the Association. The attendance and voting at the A.G.M. will indicate your desire.

23, Paxton Gardens.

Dear Sir,

"Hiding one's light under a bushel"—so read the letter from the "Old People's Club" in the February "Pylon."

Never has so much applied to Mr. Jim McDermott, our present Vice-Chairman.

He has worked so hard for the Community that my wife and I feel it is only a just reward to bring his name forward for the next Chairman of the Association.

Throughout the years we have been members we have evinced no more worthy candidate for this office than our friend "Jim."

His nomination for the Association's greatest honour is made with the unanimous support of his present Council colleagues.

Yours faithfully,

CECIL W. HOWARD.

101, Devonshire Avenue.

Dear Sir,

In the February edition of the "Sheerwater Pylon" you stress the need for assistance with the Library at the Community Centre.

I live quite near to the Centre and am much interested in this work. May I therefore offer my services to help in any way needed?

Yours faithfully,

JOAN THORP.

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official flags of the country (the other is the Union Flag). Of course the two language groups' newspapers have really gone to town, bringing old quarrels into the open again—the Prime Minister, Mr. Strijdom, reminding us that the Union Jack was accepted as the flag of the conqueror (a reference to the South African or Boer War, 1899-1902), and so on.

Yes, South Africa is a wonderful country with its wide open spaces, scenery, animals, its native life and, oh, so many things . . . from Table Mountain to Springboks; but politically and racially there is much to

be desired. We look to the future with some concern.

Sincerely,

HUGH MOORE.

P.S.—I have been appointed to bring a party of students to Europe in December. I hope to visit Sheerwater on Saturday evening (December 21st).

H. M.

Ed.—To Hugh Moore, one of our pioneer workers, I send greetings from his many Sheerwater friends. Nice to hear from you. Nicer still to know your thoughts are continuously with us.

The Life Boys—The Junior Reserve of The Boys' Brigade



SINCE the Life Boys' Team was enrolled in May, 1954, no report of its activities has been made to this Magazine, so let's put you in the picture: first the object:—

The advancement of Christ's Kingdom among young boys and the training of a body of suitable recruits for The Boys' Brigade.

We cater for boys between the ages of 9 and 12, and our activities include such as figure marching, physical education, games, music, handiwork, etc., and in the seasons football and cricket.

The first Sunday in each month you can see the Team on parade, and very smart they are, too.

Last May we held our first Display, and hope that very successful event will again be repeated this year: will you support us? The date is Saturday, April 27th; the time is 7 o'clock, and it will be held in the Methodist Church Hall. Admission

will be by programme, price 1/6, and these will be available later.

We have now started a percussion group, but we are stuck for some of the instruments, so if any of you have old tambourines, small drums, or any such pieces tucked away, you could do us a good turn by passing them on.

A warm welcome awaits any lad who is between the ages of 9 and 12, who does not belong to any other organisation. We meet every Wednesday evening; if your age will be 9 or 10 on your next birthday come along at 6 p.m., and if it will be 11 or 12, the time is 7 p.m.

To all parents of those at present in the Team I would like to say "Thank you" for your support in the past and hope for its continuance in the future.

D. REUSS.

67b, Dartmouth Avenue,
Sheerwater.

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SHEERWATER AMATEUR BOXING CLUB

MEMBERS of the Club continued with their list of successes during last month, and here are brief reports of the matches.

For the Southern Counties Senior Championships held at Hove, it was unfortunate that J. Griffiths and J. Weller were both ill and had to withdraw, but consolation came with the Flyweight Championship won by Danny Rees in his first season as a senior boxer.

In the first of his three contests he stopped his opponent, R. Godfrey (Southampton), in the second round, after out-boxing him in the first. His semi-final was against B. Martin (Henleys), a very good opponent. The first round was a treat to watch, with Rees just ahead, and in the second round Martin cracked fast left leads, but Danny boxed his way out of trouble and again took the round. Round three saw the end for Martin; Rees came out fast, punching with both hands, and put Martin down for eight. He got up, but two long right hands knocked him through the bottom ropes. A count of nine and he was up again, but Rees put him back with two further right hooks to the heart and the referee stopped the bout, with Martin hanging over the middle rope.

The final was a classic with Rees against A. Bowles (Brighton), a rough-and-ready Marciano-type of fighter. Bowles went all out from the bell and worried Rees for a bit until he found the answer with long rights and left hooks as Bowles came in with head low. Rees was pinned on the ropes but threw a series of hooks which dropped Bowles for eight, and eventually won a very close round. In round two it was

Rees who came out fighting, and he soon put Bowles down for eight again. Danny made the mistake of walking into a hard right when he moved in to finish the bout and took a count of eight himself. This was too much for Rees, who went straight in and put Bowles down for six then for eight. The lad got up again, much to everyone's surprise, but was promptly sent back to the canvas—saved by the bell at the count of nine.

Round three was to be Bowles' exit, but he was still game and pinned Danny on the ropes with a surprise rush. Rees was somewhat "roughed up" by this, but got out of trouble by his superior boxing skill, and down went Bowles for another count of eight. He still came back with all the pluck in the world, but after he had been down three more times in succession the referee stopped the fight with Bowles laying back on the ropes and taking terrific punishment from every punch in the "book."

In presenting Danny Rees with the championship trophy, Mr. J. Palmer (President of the Southern Counties A.F.A.) warmly congratulated him, both on his feat of winning a Senior championship the year after being a Junior champion, and also for his grand performance in stopping all three of his opponents.

The following week another honour was won when Keith Moody became the Surrey Junior "B" 7st. 10lb. Schoolboy Champion, beating J. Troy (Holy Family School) at the Central Hall, Camberley. Keith Moody was a worthy winner of this Surrey Schoolboys' (Continued at foot of next column.)

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Sheerwater Gardening Association

WITH the very mild weather we have had lately comes a stream of keen gardeners, and the Hut has become a centre of activity not known before at this time of the year.

Early and Maincrop Seed Potatoes have arrived (Scotch A.I. Tested) together with a large selection of Seeds, Onion Sets, Shallots and Apple Trees. Plenty of Insecticides, Vermiculite, Fertilisers and Composted Manure at 2s. 6d. per sack (advertised elsewhere at 5/6 for a paper-bag). We also have many garden tools available. Such are the advantages offered to members for this spring, and there is much more to come.

Take advantage of the good weather—clear the remainder of the land and prepare trenches for Peas and Beans. Pot inside Tomatoes on to larger pots, leaving room for top dressing; sow Indoor Onions and plant Onion Sets. Get outside seed beds ready, applying 3 oz. of superphosphate to a square yard.

Make sowings of Parsnips to ensure a long season; it is a good plan to mark this bed with a thin sowing of Radish or Lettuce until the Parsnips mature. Sow outside Spinach and plant out Early Potatoes, covering well against possible frost—we haven't quite got away with it yet.

Feed and support fruit trees—plant if you haven't already done so.

Later on in the month plant out Cauliflower and Cabbage; sow Parsley, Thyme, Sage and Celery; sow root crops—Carrot, Beetroot, Turnip, etc. Complete preparation of land for your herbaceous border—Delphiniums, Lupins, Campanulas, Michaelmas Daisies, Aelgiums, Pyrethums, Geums, Gypsophila, etc. Plant Roses and Gladioli. Plan your borders and get ground ready for annuals.

Take Dahlia and Chrysanthemum cuttings, and stock cuttings inside of Coleus. Winter-flowering Begonias, Fuchsias, Geranium, Heliotrope, Gloxinia and tuberous-rooted Begonias.

March is a very busy month, if not the busiest. Let us do your ordering of seeds and plants—we have them in stock orders which will always get for you.

Our new membership year starts from April 1st. To maintain and improve our present standard of service it is essential that all renewals of subscriptions be made as early as possible; please help by paying these at the Hut and thus relieve the work of your Committee to give them more time for the many other jobs which have to be done to continue the success of your Gardening Association. BOB GOOCH.

BOXING

(Continued from page 20.)
Championship for 1957. This lad should go a long way in the boxing game under the tuition of his father, the Sheerwater trainer Mr. Frank Moody, who was himself a Welsh Lightweight Champion, and is a cousin of the famous Light-Heavyweight Champion of the 1920's, E.K.

THE FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION

The Clinic at 77a, Chertsey Road, is now open every Wednesday, 5.30-8.30 p.m., and the last two Tuesdays in each month, 7.30-8.30 p.m. Please phone Woking 3959 for first appointment.
Further details: Mrs. Thomas, 221, Albert Drive, Sheerwater.

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Sheerwater Angling Club Hints and Haunts for Anglers

By "CASTER"

AS the days grow longer, and with the arrival of March, Coarse Fishing will go out of season; one season's fishing will end and another will begin. How do each of us look forward to the future? The passage of a season is something each of us will view in our individual way.

For myself, I see first the early morning tranquillity of summer; when the countryside seems to stand still, with the mist rising from the water and the promise of the sun's warmth on my back. On such mornings I shall go to quiet places along the banks of still lakes, ponds and canals, where I may catch Carp or Tench.

To see the first sliding away of the float through untroubled waters, though seen before many times, still holds a fascination for me. Then will come another of those truly wonderful moments when the heart stops, the rod arcs, and an unseen weight bores deep.

As the season progresses I shall go to the rivers that wind through our district. Perhaps I shall fish all day and my float will seem painted to the surface with not so much as a tremor; that's how fortune often goes for many of us, but I hope there will be other days when the float will dip again and again, with fish contesting the strength of my line.

Autumn will come—the golden weeks when all fish will be coming into their finest fettle—and I will go to places I know on the River Wey; quiet, secretive places where the current runs slowly through the weeds.

These are the swims where other autumns have brought me Roach—healthy, colourful, red-finned Roach. Then will come mornings with feathery clouds and a touch of dampness in the air. For such there will be the rivers with swims under the banks, with knotty boles and roots of trees jutting into them, where I may again encounter the lurking, shadowy Chub, that powerful, olive-backed fellow with shell-pink fins, and the sudden snatching bite with the heavy, dragging pull as the fish runs for the roots. I shall also fish for Bream—the big autumn Bream—and the graceful, silvery Dace.

With the passing of autumn and the approach of winter, I will go to the gravel pits, the lakes, and lay-bys on the rivers where the bright green reeds of summer will now be brown and sagging. There will I cast my spinner or live-bait in full anticipation that the Pike will be there; and in the deep holes and eddies I am hoping my lobworm will be taken by that fish which so reminds me of a bristling pirate—the Perch.

Through winter to March with the stirring once more of spring and the ending once more of another season of Coarse Fishing; much like others past and many still to come. But always the wonderful freshness and excitement, expectancy and disappointment, moments of triumph and moments of despair.

In that way do I look forward to June—the start of another fisherman's season.

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