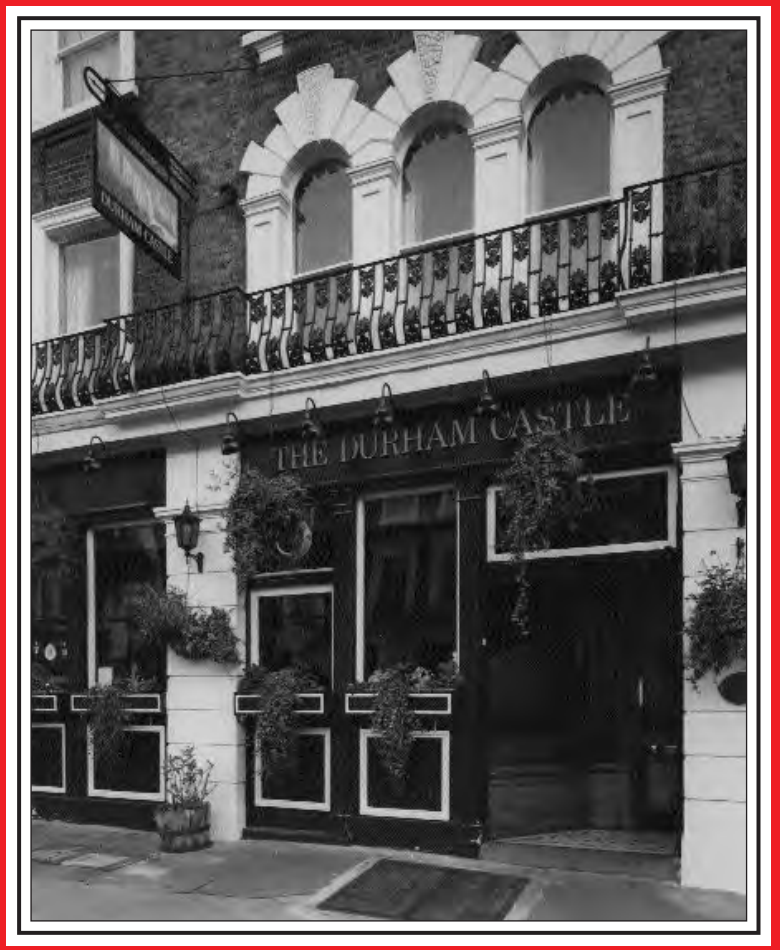


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THE EDITOR'S JOTTINGS

I'm typing quickly because we're into February's second week and Castellum has to be out next week! I try (and don't always succeed) to get it out six weeks before the reunion to encourage bookings to come back by return, and to be up to date with the latest news. We're up to 56 pages and material held over again this year which is always good in case nobody writes in! We have a retrospective feel with several obituaries and a short story kindly sent in by Roy Heady before he died. If you knew him, you can almost hear Roy recounting the story, perhaps, from a chair along the east wall of the Undercroft surrounded by friends.

We have a picture of a different Durham Castle on the front page this year. I enlisted the help of the chairman of the judges of the "Spirit of Castle" Competition whose professional expertise was wasted through our being underwhelmed with entries for the photographic competition I launched two years ago. Being London-based, I asked Richard Ingle to take a walk from Royal Oak tube west of Paddington and find the pub, hoping he could find a bright day when there would be no large vans parked outside. It's a pleasant little London pub, and they even have a flat for short term lets out the back. I suggested to James Egglestone, the landlord, that it should be called Moatside Court, but don't let that put you off!

Two changes this year. I have now added the schools from which freshers at the College have come, which should be more interesting than printing a raw list of names. Of course, these are mostly published as a matter of record for referring back to in future years. There's a deliberate omission too. You'll know I like the internet, particularly the ability to cut and paste material to the page. This makes production much simpler, and reduces the cost of typesetting considerably. We have been receiving material this way for five years and the more the better. In fact, I can't remember the last time one of the "News" forms cut from the magazine actually arrived here, so since 1/48th of last year's costs was spent printing a form nobody uses I have cut it out completely. Your contributions, however, are still wanted as much as ever and can be mailed, faxed or e-mailed to me at any time. Please also note I handle publication, not distribution: notices of changes of address should be sent to the College for the attention of Vivian Flowerday.

Burnopfield, Co Durham
February 1999

THE MASTER'S LETTER 1999



First, I must introduce myself as the new Master: I graduated from Durham (University College of course!) in Geology in 1968 and have been in Durham University for 16 years now, the last five years as professor and chairman of the Geological Sciences Department. Before Durham, I held lectureships in Sierra Leone, University of Wales at Cardiff and University of Newcastle upon Tyne, and spent a year's sabbatical in Berkeley, California, in the early 80's. I took over from Ted Salthouse in October and I must record the College's enormous debt to him for his sterling work over the 19 years he was Master. During Ted's time there were many developments which he had to manage and organise: the College going mixed, increasing student numbers, financial pressures, and major renovations around the site, including the West Courtyard, Lowe Library and the new College office block. Ted and his wife Denise have retired to the Scottish Borders and I am sure everyone who knows them will want to wish them many happy and enjoyable years in their retirement.

Apart from a new Master, the College also has a new Senior Tutor. Mrs Paula Stirling took over from John Ashworth last August, when he became the new principal of St Aidan's College. Paula has a half-time appointment; she is also a teaching fellow in the Law Department. Judging by the success of the admissions procedure in August and the smooth beginning of term in October, Paula has the tasks of senior tutor beautifully under control.

Len Slater, Master of Castle from 1953-1973, sadly died in early January, aged 90. He will be fondly remembered by several generations of Castle graduates and will be sorely missed at the

Castle reunions. During Len's time as Master, Castle expanded significantly, with the construction of Bailey Court and Moatside. Len was Master when I was an undergraduate here and I well remember tea and cakes in his house and pleasant conversations with him and his wife. An appreciation by Dai Morgan is included in this issue of Castellum.

As many of you will know from the news, at the end of December Dr Peter Rowe, lecturer in Maths, was killed in the Yemen during the rescue attempt after being kidnapped. Peter's wife Claire was also shot but has made a good recovery. Peter and Claire were very active members of the Castle Senior Common Room and Peter was a College tutor for many years. It is such a tragic and unnecessary loss of life and Peter will be sadly missed in the SCR, Maths Department and University generally. Alan Piper has written an appreciation in this Castellum.

This College continues to be the most popular in terms of undergraduate admissions, with nearly 10 applications for each place. Our quota now is 185 students per year and with a total of 365 beds we can only guarantee a room in College for two years for each student. As we have said before, it is useful if the College Office can be informed of applications coming from sons or daughters of Castlemen. However, it has to be said that in view of our popularity, our quotas for many degree courses are filled by mid-late November, several weeks before the UCAS closing date. The decisions over offers are made more by the department than the College these days, in view of the numbers applying.

The University now has a very active Alumni Office, run by Scott Hayter. There are two telephone fund-raising campaigns each year, when current undergraduates call graduates to see if they are able to donate money to the University, their college or their department. Castle has been very fortunate in having many former students willing to make significant contributions. We are extremely grateful for this support. In addition the University College Durham Trust, set up by the Castle Society a few years ago, continues to raise money for the College from covenants of Castlemen and this contributes towards development projects. I am sorry if some of you receive telephone calls from the Alumni Office when you are already contributing via a covenant to the Trust. We have been trying to prevent this happening.

The Lowe Library extension was our most recent project, paid for mostly by donations from former students. This has made a great improvement to the study facilities in College. For our next project we are considering a second phase of development to the West Courtyard. There is a need for more recreation space for the JCR and there are several storerooms that can be incorporated into the present West Courtyard common room to provide this.

One other section where there is a need for investment is in the IT facilities of the College. This is really a continuous investment since hardware and software need updating all the time. The University has plans to cable all student rooms in the colleges this coming summer, so that PCs can be networked and telephones provided as well. Much teaching nowadays involves use of the WWW and departmental intranets, and e-mail is now doing away with paper for communication between staff and students and amongst students themselves.

The Annual Reunion is the focal point of the year for members of the Castle Society and I look forward to meeting those of you who can attend on 27th March. In September this year, the University is holding a reunion weekend and the Castle Society is organising a Grand Ball in the Great Hall on the Saturday evening, 25th September. If you cannot make the March reunion, come to the early Millennium Ball in September – or come to both – they will be great occasions I am sure.

There are a number of regular, but informal reunions during the year, I have discovered, when groups of Castlemen return to Durham. The College is very pleased that this happens. However, sometimes there are functions and events in the Castle, Great Hall or Undercroft, with restricted access, and we do have to be more vigilant over security these days so that on many evenings JCR patrols are at the gate. If we know in advance that graduates are returning, and maybe want to have a drink (or two or three) in the Undercroft, then we can try and make arrangements with the JCR if necessary. Just let me know if you are coming back; I will meet you then if I can.

The Castle itself is in need of some repairs; the stonework of the North Wall in particular needs replacing and some of the roofs are in need of attention too. In fact the estimated cost of imminent repairs is £2.5 to £3 million! Hence a bid is being prepared for the

Heritage Lottery. However, these days it is not possible to apply for a grant just for repairs; provision must also be made to 'enhance the visitor experience'. Thus part of the bid will include improved disabled access and a visitor centre. The latter may be located in the new College office block, with the offices moving to Cosin's Hall.

The Michaelmas term in College was very busy indeed. The highlight was Ladies Night, when Castle ladies invited men to dinner in the Great Hall and then a salsa band entertained afterwards, with lessons included. The Castle Symphony Orchestra gave a concert at the end of term, playing Dvorak and Telemann, and finishing with Pomp and Circumstance, encored several times with audience participation! The College now has a small fitness suite and the music practice rooms in Bailey Court have been refurbished.

Within the University a new Vice-Chancellor has taken over, Sir Kenneth Calman, formerly the Chief Medical Officer for Britain. He has already made it very clear that he is a firm supporter of the college system here and that bodes well for our future. Durham's new college at Stockton, recently renamed University of Durham Stockton Campus (UDSC) continues to expand and has around 1600 students now. Several new buildings were opened by the Chancellor, Sir Peter Ustinov, in December. New degree programmes are being offered in Psychology and Biomedical Sciences, and a new medical degree may be established jointly with Newcastle. On the Durham Science Site, the pre-fabricated huts have at last been demolished and the whole area is now more attractive with lawns and flower beds.

Durham City itself has changed in the last few months with the opening of the new shopping centre between the Market Place and the river, behind Brown's Boathouse on the site of the multi-storey car-park. There may be further new developments on the other side of the peninsula where the ice-rink used to be, in the City's millennium project.

To finish this first Master's letter, perhaps I should say a few more words about my work. My appointment as Master is a half position; the rest of my time is spent in the Department of Geological Sciences. I will do some teaching, but theoretically I will have all my research time. My interest is in sedimentology,

especially of limestones. Limestones are important raw materials – cement and aggregate; they contain metals, especially lead and zinc, and within them occur more than half the world's oil. My work is concerned with understanding how limestones were deposited and their subsequent burial history; from this it is possible to predict reservoir potential. My research involves fieldwork in many parts of the world, more recently in the French Alps, the Pyrenees and southern China, and the examination of subsurface material, as from the Middle East and the North Sea.

I am looking forward to taking the College into the next Millennium and facing the challenges and pressures that will doubtless be there. I am also looking forward to meeting Castlemen here in Durham at reunions and elsewhere in Britain or around the world. With all good wishes

Maurice Tucker
15th January 1999



PETER ROWE

It is with deep regret we have to report the death of Dr E G P Rowe. As many of you will have read, Peter was tragically shot in the desert in the Yemen after being taken hostage with several other tourists at the end of December. Peter and his wife Claire, injured in the shoot-out, were very active members of the College SCR and for many years he was a tutor to undergraduate mathematicians. He had been a lecturer in the Department of Mathematical Sciences at Durham since 1964. Peter's wife, Dr. Claire Marston, was due to take up an appointment in the New Year at the University Business School. Peter was an adventurer, travelling to the far corners of the world. He also had a wonderful motorbike which he rode around Durham and out into the countryside. Peter will be greatly missed around the College.

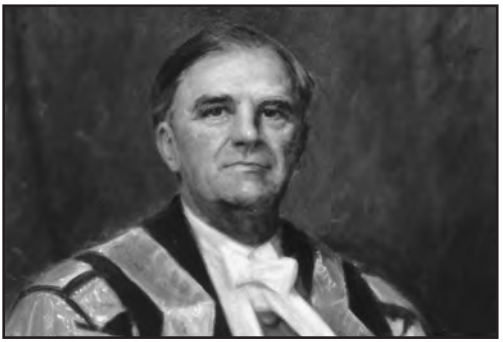
Maurice Tucker, 30th December 1998

PAUL HANCOCK (1956–59)

Castlemen will be saddened to learn of the recent death of Paul Hancock, Professor of Neotectonics in the Department of Earth Sciences, Bristol University. Paul did his first degree in geology in Durham, as a member of University College, and then a PhD here under the supervision of Professor Martin Bott and Sir Kingsley Dunham. Paul became an eminent structural geologist, and founded a major international journal on the subject in 1979. Paul had an unflagging enthusiasm for fieldwork, which for his research, was concentrated in the eastern Mediterranean: Turkey and Greece especially, but also in the south western United States and Argentina. In many ways, Paul, like other field geologists, preferred the hotter, more arid parts of the world where the rocks are not obscured by vegetation. Paul will be remembered for his research publications, but also for his genial and sage counsel, for his care in supervising students and his enthusiasm for the subject.

Maurice Tucker, 25th January 1999

LEONARD SLATER
Master of University College 1953–73



The affection and respect in which the memory of Len Slater is held should be accompanied by an appreciation of his crucial role in restoring University College after the War, fashioning its buildings and its ethos into the viable inheritance it is today. In charge at the Lumley Castle outpost for seven years, followed by a twenty year reign as Master, he will be mourned by many gentlemen of Castle and by a wider circle in the University, the City and beyond.

Born in Lancashire on 23rd July 1908, Leonard Slater went to Hulme Grammar School in Oldham and on to St Catherine's College, Cambridge, where he began his geographical career, including an expedition to the then British Guiana in 1929. After some research and teaching at Cambridge, he went as Lecturer in Geography to the University of Rangoon from 1932–37, returning to teach at Repton before being appointed to Durham in 1939. War service returned him to the east, to GHQ in Delhi and Kandy. There he met again Olga Patricia George, who had been one of his students in Rangoon. They married, and as Mrs Pat Slater, she will also be warmly remembered.

After demobilisation in 1945, Len returned to Durham and immediately began his long association with Castle, the couple moving into the Chaplain's set. Soon he was asked to plan the adaptation of Lumley Castle as an outpost of University College, to accommodate the 'bulge' in admission with the return of ex-

servicemen. He was in charge and resident there from 1946, becoming Vice-Master of the College.

Residence at Lumley Castle will be recalled as a feature of many members' college experience over the next twenty four years but for Len and Pat it ended with his translation to be Master of University College in 1953. Here his experience in adapting Lumley Castle for student occupation became valuable. The Castle in Durham was in poor condition and so expensive to operate that it had to be subsidised by the University. This was such a cause of jealousy among other colleges that there was a plan to cease housing students there and replace them by University administrators, presumably regarded as more worthy of the expense. The new Master set about improving the facilities in the historic buildings and re-housing students from scattered sites, including Lumley, to be nearer the Castle itself. Work in the Castle doubling the usable area of the Undercroft and improving access to it and to the gallery of the Hall, moving the Lowe Library into its more spacious accommodation on two floors, dividing the Keep rooms for individual use rather than shared between three inmates and the recasting of the interior of Cosin's Hall, as well as extensive improvements to the heating and plumbing. Extra rooms were fitted into the old buildings but the strategic re-grouping of accommodation was essentially achieved by building Bailey Court and by a start on Moatside, for which agreement and funding had been agreed before his retirement. Other schemes existed in Len's fertile mind, one of which, the building in the Fellows' Garden, has since been accomplished. This is a record of very substantial contributions to the fabric of the College, but a college is more than its buildings. Members resident during these years will remain indebted to the Master for his pastoral oversight and leadership. He lives in our memory as a stocky figure with a judicious frown which could quickly give way to a generous smile and a hearty chuckle. We admired his integrity and hoped to live up to his example.

Even as a lecturer in charge of the Geography Department, Len was involved with matters of accommodation. Beginning with one other lecturer in two huts on the site of what is now the University's Main Library, he planned the move into the West Building, from which the present department has overflowed. He

was appointed Reader in 1948 but, following his appointment as Master, he handed over the Department to W.B. Fisher in 1954 while retaining his association with it as Honorary Special Lecturer. He also took an active part in University government, being Pro-Vice-Chancellor from 1969 to 1973 and becoming Deputy Warden. As an experienced Head of House and academic his advice was appreciated nationally as Chairman of a committee of wardens of halls of residence and he was one of the original steering committee for the UCAA system of university entry.

Beyond the University, Colonel Slater, as he was sometimes addressed, was active in public affairs, notably in the National Health Service. He was Chairman of the Durham Hospital Management Committee and the Area Health Authority and a member of the Newcastle Regional Hospital Board, for which activities he was awarded a C.B.E. in 1976. His geographical expertise may have been a factor in his appointment to the Peterlee Development Corporation (1956–63). He was only the second J.P. appointed from the University, in 1961, and in 1978 he was designated a Deputy Lieutenant of the County.

Following retirement from the University in 1973, the Slaters remained within a convivial social circle in Durham, while Len remained active in the Area Health Authority and in other positions. We continued to welcome him almost every year at College reunion. The untimely death of Pat in 1983 was a great sadness but with friendly assistance, Len coped well at home until he was ready to move into the more supportive ambience of Sherburn Hospital. Here, once again, his qualities of wise counsel and unobtrusive leadership were valued when dispute arose. Following his death on 5th January 1999, a well-attended funeral service was held in its chapel.

For all he achieved for University College, for all his public service, but mostly for the person he was, we shall remember Leonard Slater.

In 1986, Len recorded his own recollections of his time in Durham and these are of very considerable interest; a typed version is available in the University Library's Archived and Special Collections as MS Add. 752.

W. T. W. Morgan

ROY HEADY

Roy Heady died at his home in Corbridge on 20th May 1998, aged 75. He was one of that generation of Old Castlemen who came up to Durham during the Second World War on the RAF Short Courses, survived active service, and after completing their studies founded the Durham Castle Society and ensured that it prospered. Roy frequently said that the Royal Air Force and University College, Durham were the most important influences on his life; and in return he was an enthusiastic supporter of both. Deeply conscious that many members of the RAF Short Courses did not survive, he devoted much of his time in retirement to the collection of photographs and other material about the Short Courses; and he wrote a monogramme which focussed largely, though not exclusively, on his own wartime experiences. The collection now forms an important part of the archives of University College.

Roy Ernest Humbert Heady was born on 9th March 1923 in Eastbourne. He attended Eastbourne Grammar School and was admitted to University College to read Physics. He was in residence from October 1941 to March 1942 on No. 2 RAF Short Course; and then again from October 1946 to June 1949 to read for his degree. Between these periods he was selected for aircrew in the RAF, volunteered for flying boats and was sent for pilot training on Catalinas with the US Navy at Pensacola, Florida. On being awarded his Wings he was commissioned as a Pilot Officer and returned to England for further training at RAF Little Rissington, before converting to the Short Sunderland Mk V operating over the Atlantic from bases in Northern Ireland and Scotland. This was followed by a posting to 204 Squadron at RAF Jui in Liberia, flying the Short Sunderland Mk III. On cessation of hostilities he returned to the UK, trained as a flying instructor and served at RAF Woodley until demobilisation in September 1946.

The student body to which he and other servicemen returned was very different from the pre-war intakes. Many were in their twenties and some, like Roy, were married. In 1941 he met Sylvia who was then a student at Whitelands College which had been moved from London to escape the blitz and was accommodated in Bede College. They were married in 1944.

Roy enjoyed his university career and took a degree in Physics in 1949. His Head of Department described him as 'inquiring and intelligent' and the Master of the College, with considerable presience, thought him to be 'a good fellow'. As an undergraduate he rejoined the Durham University Air Squadron half expecting to be recalled to active service in the difficult political climate in Europe and the Far East which followed the end of WWII. Happily this did not happen, but such was his affection for Service life that thereafter he never missed the opportunity in conversation with like-minded people to revert to that distinctive style of speech so common in the RAF during and after the War.

For ten years after graduation Roy worked for Hedleys, the soap and synthetic detergent manufacturer in progressively senior management posts. This served as a useful apprenticeship for the following ten years during which he worked as a consultant in the same professional area, in both Europe and North America. He finally took up a teaching appointment in the Management Studies Department of the Newcastle Business School, now part of the University of Northumbria.

Outside work he displayed a restless enthusiasm for all that he did; and in his retirement his literary and musical talents and aspirations blossomed. His narrative on the RAF Short Courses contains colourful descriptions of the life of a pilot in wartime. Under the nom de plume of Rex le Tetu he wrote a comic opera set in the RAF and short stories about a mythical RAF fighter pilot. His sonata for viola and a collection of songs further demonstrated the breadth of his interests. He also worked for a number of charities, including the RNIB and the Talking Books Service. With characteristic thoroughness and good humour, when he knew that he was dying he wrote notes for his obituary in Castellum and suggested the following epitaph:

> Old Castlemen pilots never die
> They just move onto another plane!

Throughout his life he took an active interest in, and made a considerable contribution to, the affairs of the Society and for many years served on its Committee. His wit and cheerful, outgoing perhaps ebullient personality, which tended to mask his immense sincerity, made him a jovial and popular figure at

Reunions. With Dave Thackery, Terence Crannigan and Bruce Covington he was one of 'The Four' (as they became known), who always arrived on the Friday morning and stayed together throughout the weekend. They were determined to enjoy themselves and to support the Society; and they did. But they were always appreciative of all that the College staff did to make the Reunions a success. Indeed, Roy was much loved by the College staff because of his unfailing kindness and courtesy.

Roy is survived by his wife, Sylvia and their children, Edwina and Mark. The celebration of their Golden Wedding at a dinner in the Senate Suite in 1994 gave the family a great deal of pleasure.

Albert Cartmell

RAF SHORT COURSES

Before Roy Heady died last year, he collected together a great deal of detail about members of the RAF Short Courses. He did this most successfully and produced an extremely valuable addition to the archives of the College which contains not only an account of his own wartime experiences, but also photographs and biographical material on other members of the Short Courses.

We owe it to Roy's memory to try to take the project which he started a stage further. I should therefore be grateful if anyone with any additional photographs, documents, memorabilia or reminiscences (or even ideas) would get in touch with me. If you were not a member of a Short Course but have information about someone who was, and are willing to share that information, I would also like to hear from you. Similarly, if you know of the whereabouts of members of Short Courses who are not members of the Durham Castle Society and who would not therefore see Castellum, I would be very interested to know. In the longer term I hope it will be possible to produce a formal 'History' of the RAF Short Courses.

I hope that members of the Society will be able to help. Please address any letters to me at University College and annotate envelopes '**RAFSC**'.

Albert Cartmell



Prof. Sir Malcolm Brown, F.R.S. (1925–1997)

George Malcolm Brown was born in Redcar in North Yorkshire and received his school education at Wensley, in the Yorkshire Dales and then at Sir William Turner's (Coatham) School, Redcar. In 1944 he joined the Royal Air Force and, as a cadet, was sent on a 'Short Course' at the Durham Colleges, chiefly to receive further training in mathematics and physics. Natural History had been a strong interest at school, so he also attended a few classes in geology given by L.R. Wagner. He completed his aircrew training in Canada but did not see active service. On being demobilised in 1947 Malcolm came to Durham with the intention of reading chemistry. Such was the flexibility of courses at that time, that he was able to change to geology at the end of his first year, going on to obtain first class honours in 1950. In common with many at that time just released from the Forces, he lived a full life and took advantage of all that the University and Castle had to offer, working exceptionally hard but still finding time to row, play rugby and take an active part in the Natural History Society.

At Durham, Malcolm became deeply interested in the petrology of igneous rocks (perhaps not surprisingly since, at that time, three of the four teaching staff in the Geology Department were specialists in petrology and mineralogy!). It was therefore natural that when Wager moved to Oxford University in 1950, to take up the Chair in Geology, Malcolm followed him as a research student. His D.Phil. topic was on the layered ultrabasic rocks of Rum, in the Hebrides. This work resulted in a classic account of these rocks, which was published by the Royal Society, and it confirmed Malcolm in his life-long interest in igneous rocks and magmatic processes. In 1954–55, he spent a year at Princeton University on a Commonwealth (Harkness) Scholarship carrying out research on the pyroxene group of minerals and travelling extensively. Returning to Oxford as Lecturer in Petrology, he continue research on diverse topics, including the minerals of layered intrusions, the origins of granitic rocks in the Hebrides, and volcanoes in the West Indies. He was also the first Managing Editor of the *Journal of Petrology*. Much of his work was with L.R. Wager, and this close cooperation had its culmination in their definitive book on '*Layered Igneous Rock*s', completed by Brown following Wager's untimely death in 1965.

Following a year at the Geophysical Laboratory in Washington D.C., Malcolm returned to Durham to take up the Chair in Geology, vacated by Kingsley Dunham who had just become Director of the Geological Survey. Malcolm built up a strong research group, several members of which continued the investigation of Carribean volcanic islands. It is, however, for his work on lunar petrology that Malcolm will be best remembered. Following the arrival in Durham of the NASA Apollo lunar samples in October 1969, and their public display, a period of intensive investigations ensued. The Durham team (Malcolm, Roy Phillips, Grenville Holland and Henry Emeleus; later joined by Andrew Peckett) worked without break preparing for the first Lunar Conference, held in Houston, Texas, in the following January. The 30 or so papers published by the group over the ensuing years, are a testimony to Malcolm's scientific knowledge and imaginative use of the data generated. He was elected to the Royal Society in 1975. Malcolm also excelled as a teacher, as those who attended his 1st and 3rd Year lectures, or participated in his field excursions, will verify. He was Chairman of the Department of Geological Sciences, alternating the post with Martin Bott, and made significant contributions

to the administration of the University, which he served as Dean of the Faculty of Sciences and as a Pro-Vice-Chancellor.

In 1979, Malcolm was appointed Director of the Institute of Geological Sciences which, under Sir Kingsley Dunham's leadership had greatly expanded to include both the Geological Survey of Great Britain and the Directorate of Overseas Surveys. Malcolm joined the Institute at a point where there was a downturn in its fortunes. Over the years, Government policies had forced the Institute to become heavily dependent on contract work at home and overseas, but with drastic cuts in Government expenditure, contracts and funds dwindled. Also, the Institute had become a part of the Natural Environment Research Council (NERC) and that body's propensity to interfere in minute detail was, to say the least, irksome. The Institute too had internal problems in coming to terms with inevitable changes and, in addition, it was being uprooted after almost 150 years in London and transferred to its present headquarters near Nottingham. His early years in this post were therefore not always happy and, furthermore, he became ill, which necessitated major heart surgery.

Financial cuts led to inevitable staff reductions but Malcolm managed to retain most of his promising younger staff, who now came to occupy the more senior positions. With their support Malcolm was able to effect considerable reorganisation, not least breaking down some traditional departmental boundaries allowing, for example, the formation of groups of experts in various areas of the science to tackle specific problems, notably in North Wales and the Lake District. He also strengthened the policy of cooperation with universities (earlier begun by Kingsley Dunham against a certain amount of internal resistance), from which Durham has directly benefited. Finally, he saw to a change of title, to the 'British Geological Survey', a widely welcomed move which was regarded as wholly appropriate in view of the field-based nature of the Survey's activities.

Malcolm retired in 1985, in which year he presided over the Survey's 150th anniversary celebrations, and received a knighthood in the Queen's Birthday Honours. It gave him much personal satisfaction that the award was given at least as much for his services to science as for his Directorship of the Survey. Other awards received by Malcolm had included the Geological Society of London's Wollaston Fund (1963) and Murchison Medal (1981), and Honorary D.Sc. degrees from the Open University and from the University of Leicester.

In retirement, Malcolm maintained his active interest in geology, and undertook some major assignments, including one, on behalf of the United Nations, where he advised the Government of India about possible measures to increase the efficiency of its vast Geological Survey (with a staff of 17,500). He served on the Council of the Royal Society and was President of Section C (Geology) at the 1988 meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science. His interest in Durham remained strong, he was the first President of the Society of Fellows (in 1982–83), and thereafter took an active interest in the Society's activities.

Malcolm was a man who would concentrate on his work to the exclusion of everything else but, that completed, he would relax completely. Although perhaps on first acquaintance giving the impression of being somewhat distant, he was in fact the most warm and companionable of men; friendship with him was for life. He revelled in company and conversation, and his parties, especially after the end of the Summer examinations, were notable.

Malcolm's first marriage, to Valerie Gale, was dissolved in 1977. His marriage to Sally Marston, in 1985, was exceptionally happy and he became deeply attached to his two step daughters; he had no children of his own. His death from pancreatic cancer, at the early age of 71, was a sad loss to his family and friends, and to the geological community which he had served with such distinction.

DURHAM CASTLE SOCIETY REUNION 1998 52ND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

In the Chair
The President of the Society, Dr E C Salthouse, Master of University College.

Present at the Meeting
66 members signed the register.

Apologies for Absence
John Ashworth, D.W. Bell, Sandy Baker, Arthur Blishen, Prof. J.T. Boulton, J. Bridges, Albert Cartmell, B.W. Chambers, Bruce Covington, Rob Halton, Roy Heady, Derek Hollbrook, Ian Matthew, David Moore, Robin Morgan, Harold Morley, R.C. Pinchbeck, Tom & Bill Worswick, Charles Yeats (Chaplain), Ian Young.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting
The minutes of the 51st Annual General Meeting held on Saturday 19th April 1997, having been published in Castellum, were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman, subject to adding Len Harman to Apologies for Absence.

Matters Arising
None.

Correspondence
The Secretary reported that day to day correspondence had been handled by Vivian Flowerday, the Society's part-time administrator. He proposed a vote of thanks to Vivian for her efforts in the past year following Mike Pulling's retirement as Secretary/ Treasurer.

Annual Accounts
The Treasurer, Martin Gunson talked through the Income & Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet as at 31st December 1997, which shows a surplus of income over expenditure of £2,997.61 and a balance of £9,751.18. Any funds not required for day to day purposes are now automatically transferred into the Business Premium Account to attract higher interest. Our income has been bolstered by Freshers, who are charged the first five years subscriptions to the Society on battels. We may need to consider increasing subscription next year. Martin will also report back to next year's AGM on the scope for transferring an additional sum to the University College Durham Trust after taking any liabilities into account. The accounts were adopted.

University College Durham Trust – Chairman's Report
Neville Pearson reported that the Trust was in good shape. In 1990 the Trust was established with seven trustees. This has now risen to ten to allow for co-optees and to reflect the split of Treasurer and Secretary roles. The Trust now has assets to the value of £206,338, and a liability to pay £42,000 towards the cost of the Lowe Library project. In the last eight years we have raised £122,000 from donors to the Trust, the balance represents the return on our investments. Of our 1,600 members, approximately 80 contribute to the Trust and we would like to see an increase in the number contributing. If we could get one hundred additional Castlemen to pay £10 a month by standing order, this would raise approximately £100,000 over seven years after grossing up for tax. Any Castleman who is willing to volunteer to assist in fund-raising was asked to contact Neville. The Master gave his thanks to those who have made donations to the Trust or to the University Appeal for their financial contribution to the Lowe Library project.

Business from Durham Castle Society Committee Alumni Association
The University Alumni office will communicate to all Durham graduates requesting a contribution to the University Appeal which is separate to the appeal on behalf of our own Trust. Donations to the University Appeal can be earmarked for University College and this has already provided another substantial contribution to the Lowe Library project.

Wine for 1999 Reunion
In future, only wine bought from the College Bar can be brought into the reunion dinner. The College will aim to offer a wider selection, and any suggestions should be made to David Watson.

Millennium Dance
Nick Mercer advised that he is organising a Millennium Ball in Castle on Saturday 25th September 1999 for Castlemen and their partners. Requests for tickets should be directed to him c/o Vivian Flowerday at University College.

Election of Officers
The following officers were re-elected on a general aye:

Secretary	Kevin Hawes
Treasurer	Martin Gunson
Membership Secretary	Nick Mercer
Editor of Castellum	Alex Nelson
Trustee, University College Durham Trust	David Mallett
Representative on Governing Body	Neville Pearson

The following were elected to fill vacancies for members of the committee: Roy McKenzie and Carolyn Fowler to serve until 2001; Philip Sladdin to serve until 1999.

Any Other Business
Nick Mercer reported that a full membership list had been published in February. If he is advised of sufficient changes he may propose re-publishing the list in 1999. The meeting expressed its thanks and congratulations to Nick and to Vivian Flowerday for this significant achievement. Alex Nelson announced that the winner of the Castellum photographic competition was Peter Kirby, who was presented with a prize. He also mentioned an intention to publicly thank donors to the Trust or to the University Appeal in the pages of Castellum. The feeling of the meeting was that this should only be done if the person has given their permission. Peter Kirby announced that an auction of paintings would be held after the dinner, with proceeds going to the Trust. The Master advised the meeting that Len Slater is 90 during 1998,

and that the Society may wish to recognise that with an appropriate gift. Nick Mercer proposed a vote of thanks to Vivian Flowerday and Lynne Carrick for their support to the Society and the reunion. A motion was proposed by Nick Mercer, seconded by Kevin Hawes, and agreed on a general aye, to give honorary life membership of the society to the Master and to Mike Pulling.

1999 Reunion

The reunion normally takes place in the last week of the Easter vacation, unless that is the Easter weekend in which case the reunion is held on the first weekend of the vacation. The 53rd reunion will take place on from Friday 26th to Sunday 28th March 1999.



Photo: P.L. Kirby

52nd Reunion Dinner
Saturday 18th April 1998
GREAT HALL

Parcel of Salmon with Prawns
in Prawn and White Wine Sauce

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Noisettes of Lamb
in a Chasseur Sauce
Roast Potatoes
Courgettes, Baton Carrots

★ ★ ★

Port Sabayon

★ ★ ★

Cheese & Biscuits

★ ★ ★

Tea/Coffee
After Dinner Mints

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TOASTS

THE QUEEN The Master

THE COLLEGE John Hollier

REPLY The Master

ABSENT FRIENDS The Master

WHALLEY ABBEY 1998

September 4th 1998 saw the Annual Castle Society Dinner held in the graciously restored Abbey House, set within the immaculately kept grounds of the ruined Cistertian Monastery at Whalley. Our host was Canon Geoffrey Williams who has organised this attractive venue for Castlemen over the past nine years and twenty-seven members of the College with wives were able to meet and greet each other. The mix of years at Castle was well balanced, with veterans of pre-war vintage, a goodly company of recently retired stalwarts with their wives, and a welcome group of more recent years. The presence of the Master and Mrs. Salthouse, on this their last official visit, gave the interested assembly the opportunity to hear of the most recent developments at Castle. We were assured that the new Master, Dr. Maurice Tucker, a member of Castle Senior Common Room, was a welcome and judicious appointment, together with his assistant, the new Admissions Tutor Mrs. Paula Stirling, who not only had already circumvented the minefield of the 1998 admissions, but as the first feminine member of the Senior Common Room would prove to be a most welcome and able colleague.

Overnight accommodation was available for Castlemen who had travelled far or who wished to stay on after the dinner to continue to hear friends' latest news over drinks in the spacious lounge.

As a supplementary gathering to the Durham Annual Reunion, Whalley Abbey can be an equally attractive and satisfying occasion for Castlemen to meet each other. The prospect of inviting Dr. and Mrs. Tucker to join us next year should prompt many members who so far have not ventured to make it to Whalley to book their diaries now – September 3rd, 1999.

Revd. Bernard Mather (1947–51)

J.C.R. REPORT 1997–98

In this report I intend to begin by discussing the JCR activities that go on from year to year, before moving on to mention the particular JCR-led initiatives that have occurred this year. I shall then conclude on a more personal note.

The JCR culture that thrives in University College rests on three secure building blocks: arts, sports and the social calendar. I shall deal with these in turn. The tradition that was revived two years ago of having an entire week, in the second term, devoted to showing off the artistic talent within the JCR is still going strong. This year's Arts Week success was under the direction of Miss Sophie Whalley, who provided a display-case week of all areas of artistic endeavour to be found within college. The Castle Symphony Orchestra performed to great success, as it has done throughout the year. As did what is now essentially the college band, the eponymously titled John's Band, who staged several live performances in college in the course of the year. The exhibition of 2-D and 3-D work was pulled together under the auspices of the Castle Fine Arts Society. This society was founded at the end of last year by two girls now in their second year, and has spent the year organising trips to local galleries and art classes. Arts Week also provided an outlet for the budding thespians in Castle, who were given their chance to tread the boards in Anna Seymour's production of Habeus Corpus, itself a huge success. At the end of the summer term it was the turn of the Castle Theatre Company to try and impress the crowds with their production of As You Like It, staged in the Fellows' Garden. The company then took the play on a highly successful tour of the Home Counties, a tour which is now in its nineteenth year.

As usual Castle's sporting achievements have waxed and waned somewhat through the year, but we have still demonstrated our prowess in most fields. The rugby team this year, under the captaincy of Mr. Peter Henderson, has had a hit-and-miss season. However, all of this was forgotten in light of our resounding 19-7 victory over Hatfield College on Sunday 1st March; our first victory over Hatfield in fourteen years. Although the Boat Club has suffered from some internal wranglings during

the year, we were well represented by our Fresher crews in the Hatfield Cup, the top women's crew placed very well at Tideway Tournament in London and the top men's crew had the enviable honour of being invited to row at Henley this year. On the hockey field the Castle sides held their own through the season, but it is worth mentioning that Mr. Charlie Briggs, returning for his fourth year at Castle, has been selected as next year's captain of the University Hockey 1st XI. The football pitch once again saw Castle sides giving stalwart performances, on and off the pitch, especially the women's side who had their most successful season to date. Although I have only covered the major sports here, it goes without saying that Castle's JCR is represented well in almost all areas of sporting endeavour, both at college and university level.

The closest contact between the JCR and the college takes place over the JCR social calendar, and, the hub of that calendar, the Undercroft Bar. Certainly this year has been no exception. The Social Chairman, Mr. Peter Newbold, has had a largely successful year, staging a series of enjoyable entertainments available to the whole JCR. For the purposes of this report I would like to highlight the particular success of the two events which have previously been considered the most sensitive in the JCR social calendar, the second-term German-style 'bierfest' and the end of year June Ball. I hope that Governing Body will agree that this year these two events were carried off smoothly and without incident, and will continue to allow the JCR the freedom to host such events. It has been accepted that the so-called 'Pretentions Day' is no longer an official part of the JCR social calendar, but that the college may be sympathetic to any more sensible ideas for an event/day organised in the name of celebrating University College. It should also be noted that this year's DUCK week raised more money than ever before, under the lead of Miss Camilla Ginoux.

I feel it is imperative to acknowledge the manner in which the Undercroft Bar has been run in this last year. Since the appointment at the beginning of the year by selection committee of Mr. Chris Harrocks to fill the post of Bar Treasurer, he, together with the Bar Chairman, Mr. Jeremy Stain, and the Bar Vice-Chairman, Mr. Andy Blackman, have run the bar immaculately. As well as their impeccable management of the bar, they have been quick to act in a firm and decisive fashion at the first sign of

any trouble, and thus there have been very few incidents during the year. In addition, Mr. Harrocks has formalised the fashion in which the bar accounts are kept, making them more transparent and easier to manage. I hope that the Governing Body will support my endorsement of this year's Bar Executive Committee, and place their confidence in next year's Committee who were appointed by the sound process of selection committee earlier in the year.

In addition to these three main pillars of JCR activity, members of Castle are involved in other areas of university-wide activity. Due to the unfortunate departure early in the year of Castle's Senior DSU Representative, in covering his role I have been afforded the opportunity of registering just how active Castle is within DSU. Further to this, and once again because of my own involvement, I must observe that there is a great deal of acting talent within college that is being well-received in the context of the University drama scene. Finally, I must make special reference to Mr. Kumar Iyer, who has been successfully elected as President of the Durham Union Society for the Michaelmas Term, 1998.

During the year there have been three changes introduced that affect the whole of the JCR. The first of those is the Green Bike Scheme, started up on the back of the prize money awarded to the college in last year's University Environmental Competition. Although slow to get started, due to investigating opportunities to collect other second-hand bikes free of charge, the JCR is now the owner of two first-class second-hand bikes which can be and have been regularly signed out from the Porters' Lodge. All of the initial prize money has not yet been spent, and I hope that with supplementary funding (possibly from BRAC) the scheme will grow in size and success. I also hope that the possibility of setting up a secure bike-shed on the college grounds, for the safe storage of college and privately-owned bikes, is realised. Certainly if the principle behind the scheme, that of discouraging students at University College from bringing cars into Durham, is to be upheld, then a storage area seems both logical and necessary.

The second major project that has been set in motion this year is the long-needed refurbishment of the music rooms and the location of a site for a college gym. The plan, as it stood at the end of the year, if to refurbish the two smaller music rooms in Bailey

Court, leaving the third free to be utilised as a JCR gym. The plan was drawn up in consultation with the Music Department and the College Office, and it was agreed that the charges incurred would be jointly paid off by the college and by the JCR via BRAC. On this occasion I wish to acknowledge the efforts that were put into this project by Mr. Charlie Briggs and Mr. Charlie Upton, who have bequeathed to this year's JCR a fairly comprehensive plan for how best to set up the gym. I also wish to thank the Bursar, Mr. Alan Gibson, without whose support and persistence I genuinely believe that this project might never have gotten off the ground. My only regret is that those of us who have left will not be able to see the project completed.

The third and final JCR initiative worth mentioning, are the changes made to the JCR constitution in the areas of BRAC and Sports and Societies. In the second term of this year, a series of changes were ratified by the JCR which have formalised to a greater degree the manner in which money is passed out through the Bar Reserves Allocation Committee and the Sports and Societies Committee. It has been made clear that BRAC will provide funding for major capital projects that can be demonstrated to be of benefit to a substantial majority of the JCR (for instance the music rooms/gym). BRAC will match the amount of money available at present to the Sports and Societies Committee (after the Boat Club insurance) to give to recognised sports clubs and societies within college. Furthermore, BRAC will donate, each year, 10% of its annual financial intake to the Social budget in light of the fact that the social calendar is run for the benefit of all those in college. Finally, the now joint committee of BRAC & Sports and Societies can give out a limited number of travel bursaries to individual members of the JCR under certain specific conditions designed to guarantee the validity of requests.

In conclusion I believe that it has been an enormously successful year for the University College JCR. There has been a rich diversity of raw talent displayed on every front of university life, and Castle can be proud that its members are among the finest that the University has to offer. It simply remains for me to thank all the members of the JCR Executive Committee this year. All performed the tasks required of them admirably, and then gave a little extra besides. I want to make a special reference to Miss Kate

Dexter-Smith, who, as those of you who have had cause to work with her will agree I am sure, has been an invaluable source of sound advice and common sense throughout the year, and who has provided a bedrock of support for those around her that none should overlook. I also wish to thank the Bursar, Mr. Alan Gibson, once again. In the course of this last year, Mr. Gibson has been supportive, enthusiastic and enduringly reasonable. In short, it has been a pleasure to work with him.

Finally, it has been my good fortune to have had the opportunity to be Castle Senior Man for a year, an opportunity I have relished and enjoyed at every turn. I wish Miss Anna Murphy and the rest of next year's Executive committee (I know that they will do themselves proud) and the new senior college management all the best for the future.

Campbell McDonald, Senior Man 1997/98



GOING NATIVE IN JORDAN

Durham Castle Society Travel Award



On the 23rd March 1998 I embarked on a journey to possibly one of the hottest, driest places on Earth – the Middle East, Jordan in fact was my specific destination. The culture and environment I encountered was unlike anything I knew or expected. To visit a place like this was a real eye opener to the Arab world. However one could say that for me the trip was in essence an Archaeologist's dream. Not only a country deep in the heart of Biblical history, but also home to one of the most amazing cities ever built – Petra, also made famous by the film 'Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade'. Though it is true that most have heard of Petra, many have no idea where it is, Jordan generally means little to most people. However Jordan is not important archaeologically simply for one site or time, it has much to offer from Prehistoric to Ottoman times, from Crusader castles to Roman ruins, from Biblical Edom and Moab to the campaigns of Laurence of Arabia. Jordan has seen it all – not forgetting the present turbulent situation of the Middle East, which Jordan is very much part of too.

The main reason for my journey was to pursue my interest in Archaeology. I was working on an excavation half way up a hill overlooking the Dead Sea at the south eastern end of the Jordan Valley – the site of an early Byzantine monastery. The work was hard especially at the temperatures one had to work at, but I was not alone and the local workforce who worked longer hours, and carried out harder physical tasks, never complained though they earned a pittance for their work. This did not mean that digging and excavation was a sombre affair, Jordanians are a naturally cheerful friendly people, eager to help, though my being the only girl on site most of the time – perhaps a little too eager to help. The site director said it was great, I gave them an incentive to work – even if this meant I had to dodge the marriage proposals.

As well as an archaeological excavation I also played the role of tourist visiting the amazing sites of the country from the most preserved Roman city in the world – Jerash, to the all too well known Petra. However it was the little known sites and ones off the beaten track that perhaps inspired me most. For example visiting the site of 2000 Byzantine (7th Century AD) alongside 3000 Middle Bronze Age (2000BC) burials, or the site of Jesus' supposed baptism in a heavily militarised zone, less than 50 metres from the Israeli border. Usually no-one other than military personnel can be within ten miles of the border between Jordan and Israel due to modern relations.

I was able to see the country for what it was worth, sample the culture, widen my horizons, view the world below sea level (the Dead Sea in the Jordan Valley is 500 metres below sea level), a land which shaped the dreams of so many. Everything felt so distant and far from England but I did not feel lost or lonely, just amazed at the difference from our green and pleasant land. The climate was incredible with temperatures of 35 degrees centigrade at night. I was able to stand in desert conditions looking at the unspoilt stars buffeted by hot wind as if in a natural sauna, and spend whole nights dripping with sweat constantly drinking to prevent instant dehydration. Yet it is also a culture where religion is so important. The call to prayer at the mosque; the dress – some women covered completely from head to foot. A country where marriage is paramount, where every taxi driver, shop owner or guard asks if you are married, if you have any children – and if not, why not! As time went by my complexion deepened and I even began to be mistaken for a native Bedouin nomad – one embarrassing day being shouted

at in Arabic to move my sheep and goats from the behind the dig house (I of course only realised this when it was translated). One of my own countrywomen even failed to recognise me when she passed me on the road one day. It is a country with a language very alien and poetic compared to English. Where a simple workman asked to comment on the progress of delicate fragile excavation replied 'their work is like flowers'.

The sights and sounds have made this the trip of a lifetime, but I shall never forget the Jordanian culture of hospitality and generosity, never before have I met such a genuinely helpful and friendly nation. To such an extent that even as a young woman travelling alone it was possible to feel safe and on the most part comfortable. As long as one is a sensible traveller, Jordan is a lovely and fascinating place to visit, steeped in Arabic religious belief and culture with an amazing archaeological backdrop, which for the moment thankfully lacks the obvious tourism realised in Israel. Jordan has certainly not seen the last of me.

I gratefully thank University College and the Durham Castle Society for making my first visit to the country possibly as without this grant I may have had to accept a marriage offer in order to help pay for the expenses of the trip!

Naomi Belshaw



Watercolour by P.L. Kirby

TRIALS IN THE BAILEY

A short story

My Uncle, the ex-fighter pilot from Alnwick, attended, in his youth, a well known University, and despite an itinerant existence with journeyings East of Suez (and even South of the Brahmaputra) at the whims of the various 'panjandrums with the little round buttons on top' – known to the RAF as Officers of Air Rank, had managed to maintain contact with at least some of his College Contemporaries.

Every so often this little band of ex-warriors (for they were all ex-Servicemen) would make what, to them, was in the nature of a pilgrimage to their old College, the location of which was in a Castle in the far North country. This reunion would be attended by others of like ilk; the demography of which from 1926 onwards shows a bulge in the early 40s becoming a positive billowing out in the years after the war, tailing off, as one would expect, to the 80s. In order to preserve its population, popularity and productivity, the College went 'comprehensive', i.e. became mixed, in 1986. Such, however, is the wisdom of some of the young ladies now attending, that according to the Senior Man's (or Person's) annual letter to the alumni, they, bless their hearts, prefer to be known as 'Castlemen' – even as their forefathers before them. Be that as it is, may the institution and all who belong to it (and quite a few have spent more than 40 years ministering to the needs of its members) prosper for a very, very long time to come.

Came March '79 then and it was once again the occasion for the gathering of the class of yesteryear at their Annual Reunion. The form, for my Uncle and his cronies, was to meet on the Friday, attend the AGM of the Castle Society in the Undercroft, then, after a drink or two, have dinner in the Great Hall on the Saturday and depart in good order but leisurely fashion on the Sunday. Now, just as my Uncle turned up on the Friday, so the leaden mid-afternoon skies grew even darker and the wind started to whip tiny white particles of snow into nooks and crannies and coat the grass on the Green with a light covering of fresh white snow dust. Parking round the Green has been, since the 50s, a bit of a bother. Had it not been for the quite perfect diplomacy of the University policemen, it is not unlikely that one would have read of public disorder, affray and riotous assembly in the National press, because too many people were demanding to park their vehicles in an extremely limited space all at the same instant. Under their careful, courteous and patient guidance (what a loss they are to the Foreign Office, to be sure), the place runs like oiled clockwork on greased springs but every now and then even they cannot squeeze in yet another car. This Friday, because of a Congregation at the University, the place was chock-a-block full. Arriving out of the whirling particles of snow, my Uncle was pleasantly surprised at the warmth of the noble policeman's greeting, but could see at a glance the difficulty, nay

impossibility, of parking on the Green. Helpful as ever, the policeman directed him into the North Bailey and thence to the South Bailey, where he could park until the Congregation ceremony was over and then, given it was timed judiciously, a return could be made to the Green and a place no doubt found for his car.

Starting off, my Uncle noted just how quickly the snow was building up. In the few moments he had been stopped, the grass had completely disappeared and the road markings had become obliterated. Stopping at the gates of the Castle, he off-loaded his bags and left them in the temporary care of the lodge-keeper who had controlled the comings and goings at the Castle for well over 40 years which, he mused, had included himself at some time. By the time he had reached his car, the undisturbed snow, as he found to his cost, was at least ankle deep and covered his town shoes quite nicely. Driving down the very steep cobblestones past the master's lodgings to make a right turn into the North Bailey, he noted that a taxi ascending the steep gradient had its rear wheels just on the point of losing traction and beginning to spin. Attempting the right turn, he noted with very considerable interest that even at walking pace the steering wheel was not having a lot of effect. Proceeding most carefully along to the place where he could park until the Congregation was over, he decided that such was the rate of acceleration of snow he would leave the car there longer term rather than for the hour or two originally planned and seek warmth and shelter in the Castle Buttery. Trudging back towards the Castle, he fell to thinking of Longfellow and that youth with the somewhat bizarre habit of carrying a banner through villages as the shades of night were falling fast, 'mid snow and ice, and which bore the strange device, Excelsior!' This in turn switched his mind to the occasion in the brutal winter of '41 when he and a number of other RAF cadets had been crossing the Green in deep snow at night and for astro-navigational purposes had been practising their star recognition.

'That's Bettlejuice' (it is spelt Betelgeuse but students obviously prefer their pronunciation to that of the ex-RAF navigator, xylophone artist, composer and most amiable of lovable English eccentrics, Patrick Moore).

'There's the belt of Orion', 'That's Benus', 'And Sirius', 'What a lot of heavenly bodies' says one wag and then the loud, clear voice of Policeman Plunkett interrupted their activities. 'May I enquire if you gentlemen are drunk?' That had brought my Uncle and his pals down to earth with a bump, for it was no mean thing in those days to be found as tight as a tick out of College. 'Certainly not', was the chorus of replies. 'What then are you doing pointing up to the sky, wandering about and uttering strange words like "beetle juice" for?' 'Is this some newfangled slang for what are generally known as strong cordials? Because it is certainly an old-fashioned way you exhibit their effects.'

Explanations of the need to be able to identify stars and planets for the purpose of night navigation won the day – including the point that if you both look upwards and walk forward in examining the night sky, you do tend to meander about a bit. This little incident brought to my Uncle's mind the word now just about lost to use – 'buller' (the student word for

University policeman) and the little rhyme couched in pseudo-academic language about these gentlemen and undergraduates:

> 'Our buller's dead and gone,
> He's left for regions starry,
> And there he chases cherubim
> In statu pupillari.'

By now, my Uncle was in reflective mood; the phrase 'in statu pupillari' (literally 'having the status of a student') bringing back to his mind other times when he and his pals had been in a blacked-out Castle as undergraduates and particularly that winter of '41. It started early with snow in October, and later the river froze. The only source of heat in their rooms was a fireplace and a bucket of coal a day! This in temperatures of 25°F by day and much lower at night. Coupled with this were wartime rations and quite ghastly preparations – leek and potato pie was one that had left scars on both his palate and memory. Came the run-up to Christmas and, of course, the Japs went and attacked Pearl Harbour. What had started as a 'Hostilities only' job looked like turning into a lifelong career. And so it came to pass that a four ringer naval captain came to lecture them on the new situation on real geo-politik and the influence this could have on various outposts of the Empire. Introduced by the Adjutant of the University Air Squadron, almost the first thing our RN straight-striper asked on this day – it must have been Friday 12 December was 'What part of our Far Eastern Empire would now as a result of the Japanese aggression, become untenable?' He, of course, meant Hong Kong for, with few military forces and surrounded by the Japs in China, it must fall very quickly. One bolder but more witless cadet responded to his question, and with a bright interrogative lilt in his voice, said, 'Singapore, Sir?' Our four-ringer, straight-striper career RN officer staggered back as if hit by a clenched sock filled with wet sand. Gasping, his eyes turned upwards as if in supplication, his face working and going an interesting shade of heliotrope, the muscles around his eyes twitching, he clenched and unclenched his hands.

Finally, he leant forward and, fairly hissing at us, his voice choked with emotion at our collective but supreme ignorance, he squeezed out with a certain amount of loose spittle, 'My Gawd, if Singapore goes the Empire's lorst!'

When it came to 14 February 1942 and Singapore, together with 100,000 Servicemen (although we did not know that then), was indeed lost, there was much speculation about his return. But he never came back to apologise. The cadet, who for all the wrong reasons had got it right, remained slightly out of favour with the hierarchy for his impulsiveness and even perhaps for his perspicacity. Such was a cadet's life in those days, get it right and you're still in the wrong.

Over dinner fragments of student life came into the conversation, the built-in witticisms of the Physics Department lecturer who was also the C.O. of the O.T.C. His mention of the 'idle or wattless current' not, of

course, to be confused with the 'idle or witless student' was remembered together with the night the new post-war University Air Squadron Head Quarters had been opened in Newcastle and he had been a guest of honour.

Some around the table had attended this occasion where a welcoming drink was served from an astrodome (a hemisphere of perspex used in an aircraft for astro-navigation purposes), which had been inverted and into it poured every known form of liquid that was palatable and potent. This fearful admixture had been disguised by pouring in some orange squash and a tin of fruit salad. Suffice it to say that a merry time was had by a lot of people who were then students but now head up solicitors practices, are respected and revered members of the medical profession, authorities on meteorology and the aerodynamics of modern Mach 3 aircraft.

Next morning the Physics Department lecturer gave his tutorial from behind eyes that were grey, glazed and suffused with reddish flecks. With a voice that would have suited a frog with laryngitis, he said, 'Must have smoked a little too much last night'. You could fool some of the students some of the time but not those who were in the know.

As he turned in, my Uncle looked out of his bedroom window. To his astonishment, consternation and alarm, it was still snowing like blazes. Next morning my Uncle again looked out of his bedroom window and, this time to his continuing astonishment, considerable consternation and heightened alarm – it was still snowing – like blazes!

Breakfast of bacon and eggs, toast, marmalade and a gallon or two of coffee almost convinced him that all was well with the world, until he stepped outside and into the snow at least 18-feel deep. And, of course, his car was still in the Bailey! With snow that deep, nothing was moving and the car was not in the way, so perhaps it was time to glissade down the steepnesses to the University booksellers and buy a paper. Looking at the weather forecast he could hardly believe his eyes – the blizzard was not yet over, not by a long chalk.

One of his pals wanted a new college tie and so on the way back up to the Green not so much a visit as a Royal Progress was made to the outfitters that have long served the needs of the students in terms of sartorial elegance. The staff had, for as long as anyone could remember, always made it an occasion when my Uncle and his merry men called. A spirit of banter and exchange of repartee enlightened the simplest of transactions which always took far longer to complete than with any other group of customers. At last, a tie, cut to perfection was found, sold and bought, paid for and the group found itself out in the busy street – 'wandering abroad'. Time flew and after what is known in these high latitudes as a 'snecklifter', lo and behold! it was time for lunch (and more snow!).

The scene inside the Castle courtyard was not dissimilar from one of those glass enclosed scenes you shake and watch the snowflakes swirl round until eventually they settle.

What to do in the afternoon was the cry. It's the France v. England game at the Stade Colombe', said someone – it's on the box, let's see that.

We'll do it in style then, said someone else, for I know some people who live down the South Bailey. Let's take a bottle of Scotch with us and make a bit of a do of it. And so it came to pass this little band trudged Indian file down the narrow track made by pedestrians, watched the game and then, as they were leaving their new found friend's house, my Uncle requested the loan of a spade on the morrow so that he could dig out his car. For by now only mounds and lumps showed where cars were under the deep snow.

'A pleasure', he was told. 'See you about 10.30 then', said my Uncle and the little group retraced their steps still in single file through what was now a rather beastly blizzard to the Castle.

Dinner after the AGM was the usual tremendous success with the staff exhibiting a brand of loyalty way beyond the call of duty by walking in from outlying areas of the City. The speeches, the jokes, the meetings with those not seen for 5, 10, 15, 20 or more years, all these items trivial in themselves perhaps, but combining to create a synergy that makes the whole greater than the parts.

Sunday morning dawned bright and crisp and immediately after breakfast my Uncle and his friends presented themselves to the owner of the spade. Not a man to do things by halves, my Uncle set to with a will to dig out his car. Soon spadefuls of snow were flying; the tiny particles twinkling in the sunlight like fragments of diamond, the blue sky providing a background against which my Uncle's breath was silhouetted as a continuous recapitulation of evaporating and renewing mini-cumulus cloud, white and evanescent, the cycle of growth and decay, matching his labouring lungs – not to mention his hands, arms, legs and back!

While his friends were busy watching these exertions, describing his efforts as sheer poetry in motion, a solitary figure, a complete stranger but wearing a rival College's scarf, approached, unnoticed. He stopped and after watching the efforts of my Uncle with the spade, the flying snow, amid the utter stillness of blocked in cars and roads made impassable, spoke. 'Watcha doin?' he asked. Silence reigned, my Uncle swung the shovel into a position across his body that is known in rifle regiments as the 'high port' and advanced in what could be construed as a threatening manner upon the stranger.

Now, suffering fools gladly is not normally one of my Uncle's more endearing traits and his friends rather held their breaths as to what might happen next. Would they, they wondered, have to clean blood, flesh, even bits of bone off the space before returning it? My Uncle spoke; true it was in fairly high pitched, strangulated tones, as if he were trying to lift some very considerable weight, but spake he did and not, as his friends had feared, possibly offer violence to the idiot questioner. 'What am I doing?' he fairly squeaked, 'I'm just making sure my car's not parked on a double yellow line!'

Rex le Tetu, Blandings, Corbridge, November 1988

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NEWS ROUND-UP

HONORARY GRADUATES FOR 1999 ANNOUNCED

Two long-serving members of the University staff join international figures in receiving honorary degree from the University of Durham this year. The awards are to be awarded are: On Tuesday 29 June at Stockton:

Professor Charles Putman, international figure in clinical and academic medicine: Doctor of Science.

Dr. Jonathan Miller, for his unique influence on arts and minds for four decades as a psychologist, stage and screen director, writer, performer, thinker and talker: Doctor of Letters

On Thursday 1 July in Durham: **The Rev. Canon John Polkinghorne**, a rare contemporary scholar eminent in both science and theology who was a Professor of Mathematical Physics before embarking on ordination training: Doctor of Divinity.

The Rt. Hon Dr. Marjorie Mowlam, herself a graduate in Anthropology from Trevelyan College, a gifted politician as MP for Redcar and a key mover in the peace process in Northern Ireland: Doctor of Civil Law.

Lord Cowdrey of Tonbridge, an outstanding cricketer over 21 years and 117 Test matches, a sporting ambassador, and the Patron of the University's Cricket Centre of Excellence, created a Life Peer in 1997: Doctor of Civil Law.

Mrs. Cynthia Connolly, the Master's Secretary at Hatfield College, serving three Masters over 26 years. Assistant Editor of the Hatfield Record and active in the SCR and Hatfield Association, due to retire in 1999 and become Assistant Director of the Hatfield Trust: Master of Arts.

On Saturday 11 December in Durham: **Lord Laming**, accomplished professional in probation and social services, and a former Durham student who obtained a Diploma from Durham (King's College) in 1960 and after a life time career in the Probation Service he retired last year as Chief Inspector of the Social Services Inspectorate: Doctor of Science.

Professor Sir Martin Rees, one of the world's leading astronomers, twice Director of the Institute of Astronomy and Astronomer Royal since 1995: Doctor of Science.

Mrs. Audrey Warner, the highly respected University Observer, who compiles daily meteorological readings enabling the university to maintain its position as the country's second longest provider of continuous weather records at the same site, and who retires this year: Master of Science.

DURHAM TEAM DISCOVER A COSMIC FLOW OF GALAXIES ACROSS ONE BILLION LIGHT YEARS OF THE UNIVERSE

The Universe is a lot lumpier than current theories suggest and a cosmic cavalcade of galaxies is streaming across it at a rate 2 million kilometres per hour, according to a team of astronomers at the University of Durham, and colleagues in Victoria, Canada and Princeton, USA. They have discovered that the distribution of dark matter is far less smooth than has been predicted by theorists, and that the Milky Way is among a flow of galaxies moving together in the direction of the constellation Vela in the southern hemisphere. The team observed galaxies in 56 galaxy clusters spanning a volume some 1.2

billion light years in diameter. By measuring the motions, rather than the positions of the galaxies, the group investigated the distribution of matter, seen and unseen, in and around this huge region of space.

RESTAURANT AND LEISURE TYCOON LUKE JOHNSON LAUNCHES DURHAM MAIN ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Luke Johnson, one of the country's most successful young entrepreneurs, lends a hand to another cohort of managers and directors when he launched the 1999–2000 session of the new MA in Entrepreneurship at Durham University Business School in January.

The former chairman of Pizza Express, current chairman of the restaurant group Belgo, has business interests ranging from financial and employment services to dental practices, pubs and menswear. After studying medicine at Oxford he started work as a stockbroking analyst.

Barclays, one of the world's leading financial services groups, backed an initiative developed by the Durham University Business School last year with a £1.5m deal over five years to establish the Barclays Centre for Entrepreneurship. The initiative aims to promote further the entrepreneurial behaviour of business owners and founders which may involve them finding appropriate outlets for their entrepreneurial drive.

ABSEILING DOWN THE CASTLE

Expert abseilers made a daring assault on Durham Castle in October, without breaking any College rules! Commissioned by the University of Durham, the team employed the latest techniques in laser technology in a bid to penetrate the secrets of the building's ancient west wall. Using the abseiling equipment, the team implanted a series of reference discs into the Castle's west face. The discs will be used to collect previously unobtainable data, on boundary dimensions and sizes, for the first ever full physical survey of the Castle in its 900 year history.

Richard Metcalfe, Director of Estates and Buildings, from The University of Durham said: "This project will give us vital data which will help us in our key aim to renovate the Castle and, crucially, improve the level of public access."

The University has received funding from English Heritage to help it carry out its innovative survey. It is currently preparing a National Lottery bid to help it restore the Grade I listed Castle and provide new facilities for visitors. The survey is being carried out by Smiths Gore with the abseiling work undertaken by Premier Design Surveys.

COMPLETION OF NEW FACILITIES AT STOCKTON

Sir Peter Ustinov, Chancellor of the University, has flown from Stockholm to Stockton in December to inaugurate Phase 2 of the University of Durham, Stockton Campus – a new £15 million site for learning and living.

The Chancellor, whose series Planet Ustinov is currently on Channel 4, has made time in a gruelling world-wide schedule to mark the completion of the University's largest ever single building project, which is also the most substantial project to date on the invigorated river bank development site. He joins in celebrating the achievement, and formally declaring the new facilities open.

The four-storey teaching building and the five linked halls with 200 en suite study-bedrooms have been built in a remarkably rapid 11 months. The students' accommodation and 200-seat ground-floor lecture theatre came into use in the first stage of a phased completion programme. It includes five large teaching laboratories, several smaller class-rooms, staff offices, a fitness laboratory and new

Information Resource Centre, combining library, IT and TV and video-conferencing work stations.

UDSC now has over 1,200 full-time students, compared with 190 when it opened in 1992 and an equivalent number of part-time students. They are served by about 100 Durham academic staff and a growing number of support staff. The original building has been named after Professor Sir Frederick Holliday, the chairman of Northumbrian Water Group, who helped to shape the original proposals for the Stockton Campus as Vice-Chancellor at Durham 10 years ago. His successor, Professor Evelyn Ebsworth, who retired earlier this year, has given his name to the new teaching and learning building. The new development was built with the support of the European Regional Development Fund, English Partnerships, Teesside Development Corporation and the New Towns Commission. The main contractors were Shepherd Construction.

EXCEPTIONAL MANUSCRIPTS AND BOOKS STOLEN FROM PALACE GREEN LIBRARY

Staff at Palace Green Library in the University of Durham discovered the theft of seven exceptional manuscripts and early printed books on 17 December. The three rarest items include two late fourteenth or early fifteenth century manuscripts. One is a piece by the medieval political writer Egidius Romanus with an added fragment of a poem by Chaucer. The other is an English translation of the New Testament. Also missing is a 1623 First Folio of Shakespeare.

The other items are two printed works by the tenth century scholar Ælfric, Abbot of Eynsham, a first edition of a version of Beowulf, printed in 1815 and a 1612 book of maps and poetry of the English counties, Drayton's Polyolbion. They were taken from glass-topped display cases in Bishop Cosin's Library, where they had been part of an exhibition since late July. Library staff are working with the Police and have alerted the antiquarian dealer network about the missing items. Such items are irreplaceable and it is therefore very difficult to set a cash value on them.

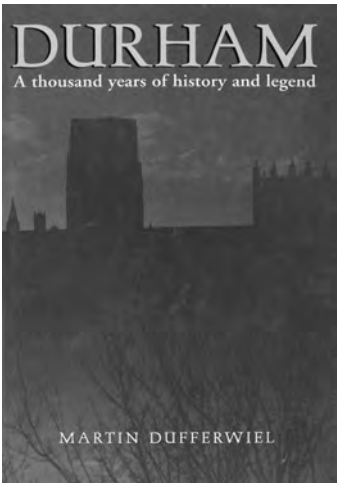
DURHAM'S NEW VICE-CHANCELLOR PURSUES WORLD HEALTH INITIATIVES

Before becoming Durham's Vice-Chancellor last October, Sir Kenneth Calman was Chief Medical Officer at the Department of Health, and continues to chair the Executive Board of the World Health Organisation (WHO). He recently chaired international discussions in Geneva on major health problems, including smoking, polio and the uneven supply of drugs around the world.

He is chairman of the Executive Board of the World Health Organisation, which is made up of representatives from 31 countries. Key topics on the agenda are stronger international controls on tobacco, renewed efforts are needed to wipe out polio world-wide, and measures to help improve the availability of reliable medical drugs where international trade agreements can have adverse effects of local production, prices and information about drugs.

CITY RECOGNISES CHAIRMAN OF UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

City University awarded Dr Robert Hawley, Chairman of Durham University Council, energy expert, adviser to HSBC Investment Bank and Chairman Designate of Taylor Woodrow, an honorary doctorate at Guildhall in London. Dr Hawley was Managing Director of CA Parsons, becoming an international authority on power generation and energy. Until 1995 he was CEO of Nuclear Electric plc. He was CEO of British Energy after privatisation in 1996.



ST. CUTHBERT AND THE LOST BOMBERS

'Modern-day myth, or modern-day miracle?'

This article was taken from the book *'Durham – A thousand years of history and legend'* by Martin Dufferwiel

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In the spring of 1942, RAF Bomber Command introduced a new tactic in their escalating campaign against Nazi Germany. Large formations of heavily armed bombers began to attack German towns and cities. These attacks – 'concentrated incendiarism', as Chief of Bomber Command, Arthur Harris, called them – were inflicted over a comparatively short space of time and the resulting amount of damage was usually extremely high. No one, however, resident at the time in Durham could have imagined that two of these RAF raids, on the medieval German cities of Lübeck and Rostock, would eventually lead to the making of a modern-day legend in their own city.

On the night of Palm Sunday, 28/29 March 1942, Bomber Command attacked Lübeck. In medieval times the old port had been the chief exchange and distribution centre for the Hanseatic League, the loose amalgam of north European cities which had dominated trade for nearly 200 years. Much of the city's medieval core was still intact, and there were large numbers of seventeenth- and eighteenth-century warehouses still standing. Starting at 10.30 p.m. and for the next three hours, 234 bombers dropped 304 tons of bombs. Only 20 minutes after the first wave of bombers had gone in, other crews reported that fires had spread right across the 'Altstadt', the island upon which the old medieval part of the town was situated. The raid succeeded in destroying vast quantities of stores bound for the Russian campaign. It also succeeded in burning to the ground an area of 200 acres, the greater part of the old town. Lübeck's medieval cathedral was destroyed.

Bomber Command then turned its attention to the next target. For four nights in early April, Rostock was pounded. Precision bombers, Manchesters

of 106 Squadron commanded by Squadron Leader Guy Gibson, later to command 'The Dambusters', attacked Rostock together with the new four-engined Lancasters carrying high-explosive bombs. The official target was a group of Heinkel munitions factories. In the first attack all the bombs were dropped within an hour. Observers reported fires raging in the harbour, the smoke from which was rising 8,000 feet into the sky. By the final night of the raid it was estimated that 70 per cent of the city had been destroyed, 100,000 people had been made homeless, and again the medieval part of the city had been obliterated.

The reaction of Adolf Hitler to the raids was swift and predictable. He ordered immediate revenge bombings, terror raids aimed at British centres of historic and cultural interest. A new type of Nazi offensive was about to be launched. Hitler gave the order for these retaliation raids on 14 April 1942, saying to Goebbels: 'There is no other way of bringing the English to their senses. They belong to a class of human beings with whom you can talk, only after you have first knocked out their teeth.' The German tourist guidebooks. the *Baedeker Guides*, contained information on all such British historic cities and towns.

After the destruction of Lübeck and Rostock, the Deputy Head of the German Foreign Office press department, Baron Gustav Braun von Stumm, had said: 'Now the Luftwaffe will go out for every building marked with three stars and more in Baedeker.' The idea stuck, and the new Luftwaffe raids became known as the 'Baedeker raids'. Goebbels was reputedly furious at the statement, fearing it to be a propaganda mistake showing the Nazis to be little more than vindictive, malicious vandals. Hitler, however, was insistent, telling Goebbels that the raids would go ahead 'night after night until the English are sick and tired of terror attacks'. People living in the historic cities of Britain braced themselves for the coming onslaught.

Targets for the attacks were chosen using certain criteria. The cities were chosen because they were prominent or easy to find. They were always within 50 miles of the coast. Historic cities were 'soft targets' anyway, being virtually undefended. Most of the raids would take place only on bright, moonlit nights, even though the Junkers and the Dornier bombers were preceded by Luftwaffe 'Pathfinder' units using new electronic targeting equipment, and the attacks would last for only half an hour to an hour.

The bombs of the Baedeker raids began falling, on Exeter and Bath. Over 400 people died. In Exeter the old centre of the town was destroyed. Though apparently using only a small number of aircraft, the bombing of the Luftwaffe was very accurate and it was confirmed by Intelligence sources that the German bombers were indeed using a recently developed electronic beam to guide them to their targets. On the night of 27/28 April, Bath and Exeter were joined in the destruction by Norwich which was bombed and machine-

gunned for more than an hour. A clear sky and a brilliant moon illuminated York the following night, giving the bomb aimers an easy target. Seventy-nine people died. After York it seemed that Durham could well be their destination. The local defence organisations needed no warning, and on 30 April people in Durham held their breath and wondered what the coming night would bring. What did happen that night would later be considered by some as a modern-day miracle, and by others as a modern-day myth. The arguments for and against continue, no doubt, unto this day.

As a legitimate target for the Baedeker raids, Durham City certainly conformed to their primary considerations, namely that a target must possess some or all of the following features: a major cathedral, monastic remains, a castle, city walls, medieval housing, and a congested town centre. Above all, it must have an historic core, concentrated within an area small enough to be devastated by a limited attack force. The events of the night of 30 April/1 May 1942 were eventually to be recorded in a brief descriptive passage, by an unknown writer, in a 1945 edition of *The Leader* magazine. In that article it was revealed that on the night in question, early in the morning of 1 May, Durham City and the cathedral were bathed in bright moonlight and would have been a perfect target for the enemy. However, as aircraft were heard approaching the city, a thick white mist suddenly rose up engulfing both the cathedral and castle, hiding them from the bomb aimers' view. The enemy planes circled around for some time looking for their target, but eventually gave up and turned eastwards, leaving the city and the cathedral undamaged. The unknown writer of this account said that some had considered what had happened to be a miracle, ascribing it to St Cuthbert who lay behind the High Altar in the cathedral, and comparing it to the appearance of the 'Angels of Mons' in the Great War. A somewhat embroidered account of the original article was then published in the *Durham County Advertiser* in May 1945. The response to that article highlighted the diverse interpretations of what actually happened, interpretations given by different people all of whom, early that May morning, had either been at the same place or had witnessed the same phenomenon.

One lady wrote that looking out over Durham City from her home, high up near the village of Cassop, she had witnessed the whole event. She maintained that the ominous droning of the bombers' engines, familiar and fearful, could already be heard even before the mist began to rise. She at least was convinced of the origins of this rapid and miraculous transformation, from bright moonlight to dense mist, saying: 'Truly, I saw the hand of God.' The chief ARP warden, who was on duty that night, was more sceptical. He insisted that the 'mysterious' mist was in fact a common sight to the wardens of Durham. Given certain conditions of climate, it had risen quite naturally from the river below the cathedral scores of times before. He contended that

if St Cuthbert had indeed miraculously brought about this whole event to foil enemy bombers, then he had rather carelessly left the top of the central tower sticking out above the layers of mist. The chief warden was convinced that if the Germans had been determined to bomb Durham Cathedral, they would have simply returned on another, clearer night. A simple mist, he suggested, would not have stopped the Luftwaffe. He maintained that the bombers droning menacingly overhead were merely lost.

South Street stands directly to the west of the peninsula. Situated high above the river, it overlooks the western towers of the great cathedral. It was from this perfect viewpoint that a young lady member of the Royal Observer Corps stood on fire guard duty that night. Her description of the events seemed to confirm the original story. Shortly before 3.00 a.m. the air-raid siren began to wail its piercing tone. Suddenly a white mist began to swirl up from the river below her and clouds covered the moon. The whole scene, which up until minutes ago had been bathed in bright moonlight, was dimmed and shrouded as the mist rose. It covered first the western towers and the castle, then the central tower. No part of the central tower, she maintained, was visible. The mist had risen so quickly that others she had spoken to after the event had suggested that it must in fact have been a deliberate smokescreen. The mist continued to hang over the peninsula as the bombers circled overhead. When at two minutes past four in the morning the all-clear was sounded, the mist dispersed. At that, the young lady returned indoors; she later described the feelings she had had: 'As I closed the front door I paused for a moment removing my tin hat, and stood in silence; and with bowed head thanked God for our deliverance . . . I shall believe to the end of my days that I witnessed a miracle.' Both a Home Guard officer on duty that night and a city councillor, who was at the time Officer in Charge at ARP County Control Headquarters, confirmed what had happened. The initial warning had been received at 2.33 a.m. A number of bombers were heard circling above the mist, eventually turning east and dropping high explosives at Grange Colliery, Belmont and on the loop of the River Wear at Finchale believing it, some said, to be the loop of the Wear around the cathedral.

What then is today's reader left with? A fanciful account of a natural, if curious, phenomenon or a timely demonstration of divine intervention? After the Baedeker raids on other historic cities, especially the raid on York only the previous night, it was surely reasonable to assume, given the criteria of a Baedeker 'target', that Durham would also now be attacked. Therefore when the civil defence authorities were warned that large numbers of enemy bombers had crossed the County Durham coast at several points, it was surely also reasonable to assume that some, if not all, of the aircraft were headed for the cathedral city. All reports later confirmed that aircraft were indeed heard in the skies over Durham. Everyone who responded to the newspaper article

agreed: that on a night which had previously been clear and moonlit, a mist had risen suddenly, even as the enemy bombers approached, and obscured to a great degree the cathedral and peninsula. The same night other parts of the region were bombed in a concentrated raid on the north-east. In Sunderland people died as high explosives rained down. The shipyard areas of Jarrow, South Shields and Newcastle were extensively bombed. But on Durham not one bomb was dropped; the historic core of the city was left totally unscathed.

Each individual who was present early in the morning of 1 May 1942 formulated their own personal interpretation of what happened. Some attributed the event to coincidence, confusion and the vagaries of localised climatic conditions: the mist had risen from the river naturally, the bombers heard overhead were simply lost, it was mere coincidence that the mist materialised at the time it did. To others, however, who witnessed the mist suddenly form and rise into a clear night sky, there to shroud the cathedral even as the engines of the enemy aircraft could be heard approaching, and later to disperse only at the sound of the all-clear, other forces were at work. Some have ascribed what they saw that night to the miraculous workings of St Cuthbert. After all, did not the monk, Symeon of Durham, tell us that 900 years ago St Cuthbert had brought forth a similar mist to sow confusion and fear in the forces of the aggressor of that day, and it had halted for a while the march of William the Conqueror.

Today's perhaps more pragmatic reader may consider this. The chief warden himself said that during the course of the war many hundreds of enemy bombers must have flown over Durham City, both on misty nights and in bright, clear conditions; indeed, it was thought that the Luftwaffe aircrews used the cathedral and the distinctive loop of the river around the peninsula as a navigation point. The cathedral and the city must therefore have been to them a familiar and easy target. Given the fact that there was so much hostile air activity over the city – hundreds of Nazi bombers aided, according to British Intelligence, with electronic targeting devices – does not the real wonder lie in what the chief warden later told the *Durham County Advertiser*, namely that 'in our five years of war, the only bomb to fall within our boundaries . . . exploded harmlessly beside a sewage bed'. Surely the fact that throughout the whole duration of the war neither city nor cathedral was damaged by one single bomb is in itself a miracle.

'True believers' will remain 'true believers', no matter what convincing, if apparently mundane, evidence is produced which throws doubt or pours scorn upon that which they believe. 'True sceptics' will remain 'true sceptics', regardless of any curious but genuinely recognised factors that make logical, matter-of-fact explanations seem uncomfortably unconvincing in the eye of the neutral. They will insist that there is always a rational explanation, even for that which on occasion defies the norm.

NEWS OF CASTLE PEOPLE

John E Crowther (1961–64)

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We are in our fourth year in Pennsylvania and this August I celebrate 25 years living in the U.S.. Am still running my own consulting practice Dunelm International! I keep in regular contact with old Castlemen mates Peter Guest (61–64), Guy Edwards (61–64) and David Bland (59–64). Peter is now C.E.O. of Maxtek, a high tech. corp. based in Portland, Oregon. Guy runs his Formula One motor racing sponsorship business from Monaco – lucky devil. David is director general of The Chartered Insurance Institute and was recently awarded an O.B.E., so he now sees people ''by appointment only!!''. On a more serious note, if any Castlemen pass through Philadelphia, I could be persuaded to have a jar at the Dickens Inn ... they serve real beer!!

John Crowther has usefully suggested that it would be useful to ex-pats to pay a lump sum to receive Castellum to resolve the logistics problem of sending a small amount in sterling each year. He is a member of the board of The American Foundation for the University of Durham. U.S. and Canadian residents can make tax deductible contributions, which can be forwarded to the U.C. Durham Trust. He has kindly offered to pursue expat. Castlemen in North America if we can provide him with addresses.

This same problem of small payments in sterling affected Brent Whitted (#102-5600 Dalhousie Road, Vancouver, B.C. Canada V6T 1W4 (604) 224-0455 e-mail whitted@unixg.ubc.ca. He has exhausted his sterling account, and (as he says himself) as a starving graduate student suffering from the low Canadian dollar, has had to resign his membership, but would no doubt be pleased to hear from friends by e-mail.

Nick Mercer writes: Sadly I have to report the death of my Mother Kay Mercer on 19 June. She was a Hilds graduate and many Castlemen of the 40–42 era knew her well. My father, E.R. Mercer is now in a nursing home in Cirencester and cannot recognise old friends or speak coherently. But they look after him very tenderly. The address is Hunters Care Centre, Cherry Tree Lane, Cirencester, Glos GL7 5DT. If anyone wishes to write or send condolences they should do so through me and I will try to explain to my Father. Sometimes things register with him. My address is as per the Members List: Cheyneys, 9, Ivy Close, Lower Sunbury, Middx TW16 5JX.

The Reverend Bernard Mather (9 Lindisfarne Rd, Shipley, West Yorks BD18 4RD Tel. 01274 583 693), a Lindsay Scholar from Durham School, has

returned from North India where for the past 34 years he has served as a missionary of the United Society for the Propagation of the Gospel based at Ranchi in Bihar.

He has made contact with the group of Anglican ordinands who were at Castle after the last war. Chris Leigh-Hunt, former chaplain to the Middlesex Hospital, now retired in Ealing, Alan Grainge, former Archdeacon on the Gambia, a member of the Society of St John the Evangelist (the Cowley Fathers) is at their Saint Edward's House, Westminster, Ivor Scott-Oldfield, former chaplain to the Royal Society for the Deaf, has retired with Mary his wife (former Saint Mary's) and is living in Canonbury, North London. Roy Lambert, former chaplain to Hull University and parish priest in the Salisbury Diocese, has retired to Cirencester, Ted Underhill is the long standing vicar of Saint George's church Gateshead. This group of returned ex-service men were under the care of the College chaplains, Ronald Jasper, subsequently Dean of York, and John Wallace, a chaplain to the Royal Marine Commandos, who was subsequently Rural Dean in the Salisbury Diocese. (This information was sent by Dr Dick Ingle, 53 Dorset Rd, Merton Park, London SW19 3HE)

Andrew Betts (1978-81) writes: After Durham, I went to UCL, did a post-graduate diploma in Linguistics and then a Ph.D. in German Linguistics. I worked at PCL and Goldsmiths' College London on a part time basis and then worked at Essex University for five years on a research project in Machine Translation. I left that to become a schoolmaster at Lancing College in Sussex where I still am, having just become a Housemaster. I am married with four children.

The Editor writes: I am informed of the deaths of Mike O'Loan, Senior Man 1981-2 (d.o.b. 22/10/60) and Michael V. Smith (d.o.b. 16/3/58) who left in 1979. No further biographical details are to hand. Finally, I was able to attend Len Slater's funeral on behalf of the Society at Sherburn Hospital where Alan Piper, Secretary to the SCR and a lay reader, gave the address. One pleasant as aspect of this sad event to report was meeting Cicely Shaw together with Mr. Hedley, Jean Oliver and other members of staff. Ted Salthouse was there with Denise, now retired in the Borders, and many other members of the Geography Department and civic community. Unfortunately, funerals are not really as time for taking photographs but on this occasion I rather wish I had broken the usual conventions. Cicely and Jean send their good wishes to members of the Society.

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DURHAM CASTLE SOCIETY

Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st December 1998

	£	£
INCOME:	***(1998)***	*(1997)*
Subscriptions	**7,399.00**	6,344.00
Reunion Receipts	**–**	4,420.05
History Sales	**12.00**	–
Interest Received	**743.30**	364.76
	8,154.30	11,128.81
EXPENDITURE:		
Castellum	**3,274.95**	2,188.42
Reunion Expenses	**122.20**	4,683.67
Postage	**804.00**	71.77
Other Printing & Binding	**106.89**	84.00
Miscellaneous	**176.50**	111.00
Secretarial Costs	**399.84**	321.90
Bursar's Retirement Gift	**–**	100.00
Master's Portrait (1/3rd share)	**–**	570.44
	4,884.38	8,131.20
SURPLUS for the year	**£3,269.92**	£2,997.61

DURHAM CASTLE SOCIETY

Balance Sheet as at 31st December 1998

	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS:	***(1998)***	*(1997)*
High Interest Business Account	**10,340.34**	–
Business Premium Account	**10,330.76**	13,240.76
Community Account	**100.00**	260.42
	20,771.10	13,501.18
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Subscriptions in Advance	**7,750.00**	3,750.00
	13,021.10	9,751.18
REPRESENTED BY:		
Accumulated Fund:		
Opening Balance	**9,751.18**	6,753.57
Surplus for the Year	**3,269.92**	2,997.61
	£13,021.10	£9,751.18

Martin E. Gunson, F.C.C.A., F.R.S.A., **Hon. Treasurer**

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE
Admissions, Subject and School of Entry
Undergraduates Michaelmas Term 1998

Name	*Subject*	*School*
Miss V.C.E. Abbott	AHist/Arch	Yoevil College, Yoevil
Miss. A.J. Aitchison	Hist/Econ	Trinity Academy, Edinburgh
Ms. S.E. Amjad-Ali	Theol	Reading Blue Coat School, Reading
Mr. J.W.R. Anderson	Econ	Royal Grammar School, Guildford
Mr. R.M. Anderson	Nat Sci	Rugby School
Mr. G. Andronikashvili	Econ	Stamford School, Stamford
Miss A.J. Ashurst	BS	Sidcot School, Winscombe
Mr. N.M. Atkin	Nat Sci	Solihull Sixth Form College
Miss C.L. Atkins	Nat Sci	Worksop College, Worksop
Mr. M.R. Ayre	MB/Bioch4	Maidstone Boys Grammar School, Maidstone
Mr. E.P. Baran	Law	Leeds Grammar School, Leeds
Mr. A. Barnafo	Comp Sc	Malvern College
Miss L.A. Barrett	Jap Euro	All Saints Comp. School, Huddersfield
Mr. M.N.A. Bartlett	Mod Lang	William Hulmes Grammar School, Manchester
Miss J.E. Battye	M Chem	Greenhead College, Huddersfield
Miss S.G. Beddoes	Eng/Mus	Denefield School, Reading
Mr. N.C.M. Beresford	Engng/Mech	Oundle School, Peterborough
Mr. J.A. Berry	Phil/Pol	Aylesbury Grammar School, Aylesbury
Mr. C.O.J. Betts	English	Shrewsbury School, Shrewsbury
Mr. J.B. Billyard	Theol	Churchers College
Miss A. Birch	Geog(SS)	Coloma Convent Grammar School, Croydon
Miss D. Bishop Bryan	Theol	Enfield College
Mr. A. Blissett	Nat Sci	Simon Langton Grammar School, Canterbury
Mr. M.G. Boulton	MMaths	Liverpool College, Liverpol
Mr. T. Bradshaw	History	Merchant Taylors Boys School, Crosby
Mr. D.A.P. Brett	Arch/Anth	European School, Culham
Miss H.M. Brewer	Psych(S)	St. Bartholomews School, Newbury
Mr. M.D.P. Brown	Law	New College, Pontefract
Mr. O.R.D. Brown	MChem	Greshams School, Holt
Mr. R.W. Brownell	Engng	Royal Grammar School, Colchester
Miss E.M. Brownen	Eng/Phil	Loughborough High School, Loughborough
Mr. M.A. Burrell	Law	Galashiels Academy
Mr. D.M.A. Campbell	Phys/Ast	Dunblane High School, Dunblane
Mr. J.P.G. Campbell	Soc Sc Csh	Judd School, Towbridge
Mr. G.S. Carberry	Eng Lan/Ln	Henley College, Henley
Miss N.A. Carter	BS	King George V Sixth Form College, Southport
Mr. D. Charles	Maths(S)	Durham 6th Form Centre, Durham
Mr. S.J. Charters	History	Davntsky's School, West Lavington
Miss A.C. Clarkson	Arts CSH	Haileybury College
Miss S.E. Cooke	SSP	Queen Elizabeth Sixth Form College, Darlington
Mr. E.G. Cork	Arch BA	Hills Road Sixth Form College, Cambridge
Miss L. Croneborg	Geog(S)	Proctor & Gamble Ltd., Newcastle
Mr. J.A. Cumming	Geog(S)	Eltham College, London SE9
Mr. C.J. Cunliffe	MMaths	Deanery High School, Wigan
Miss M.C. Curnew	Classics1	Alice Ottley School, Worcester

Name	*Subject*	*School*
Miss A.H. Cutler	Arch/Anth	Ludlow College
Mr. O.R. Davis	Psych(S)	Corsham School
Ms. E.R.M. Dawson	Phil	Wirral City Boys Grammar, Bebington
Mr. P.T. Dawson	Law	Dame Allans Girls School, Newcastle
Mr. S.P. Dean	Meng/Ele	Ounsdale High School, Wombourne
Miss E.K. Diver	Education	Redborne Upper School, Ampthill
Mr. J.R.B. Dixon	Arch BA	Tarporley County High School, Tarporley
Miss J.M. Donnelly	M Chem	Kesteven/Grantham Girls School, Grantham
Mr. J. Dueing	M Ma/Phy	Desborough School, Maidenhead
Miss J.E. Dunlop	Geog(S)	St. Swithuns School, Winchester
Miss M.L. Eddy	IES	Bucknall University, PA, USA
Mr. B. Edwards	Mod Lang	Eton College, Windsor
Miss V.L.M. Evans	Anthrop	Lord Wandsworth College, Hook, Hants
Miss T.A. Everson-Davis	BS	Godolphin School, Salisbury
Miss P. Fergus	Eng Lan/Ln	George Watsons College, Edinburgh
Mr. J.H. Firmin	MMaths	Oakham School, Oakham
Mr. J.K. Fisher	MMaths	Driffield School, Driffield
Mr. E.A. Ford	Bus Econ	Woodbridge School, Woodbridge
Mr. J.V. Ford	Nat Sci	South Derbyshire Post 16 Centre
Mr. A.C. Fowlston	Engng	Loughborough Grammar School, Loughborough
Mr. E.A. Fox	History	Woodhouse Grove School, Bradford
Miss K.T. Franzen	Phil	Castlefield School, Dorchester
Mr. A. Fukuta	Jap/Man	Collingham Tutors, London SW5
Mr. J.J.V. Fulton	Geol	Loretto School, Musselburgh
Miss L.M. Gallimore	Psych(S)	Hungtington Secondary School, York
Miss E. Gascoyne	Anthrop	Giggleswick School, Settle
Miss E. Gaunt	Soc Law	Godolphin/Latymer School, London W6
Miss J.W. Gaunt	MMaths	Queen Elizabeths Grammar School, Horncastle
Miss S. Ghosh	Mod Lang	Withington Girls School, Fallowfield
Miss T.Y. Gilmore	Arch B Sc	Farnborough Sixth Form College, Farnborough
Miss M.C. Goodyer	Soc Law	St. Johns School, Leatherhead
Miss C.A.J. Grey	Mod Lang	Hills Road Sixth Form College, Cambridge
Miss V.L. Halkerston	History	Wycombe Abbey School, High Wycombe
Miss E. Hall	Geog (SS)	Epsom College, Epsom
Mr. M. Harris	Law	Hampton School
Miss C. Henaghan	Law	Westholme School, Blackburn
Miss P. Henderson	Mod Lang	Glenlola Collegiate School, Bangor
Mr. M.J. Hillary	Maths(S)	St. Wilfrids C. of E. School, Blackburn
Mr. J. Hogg	Geol	Yarm School, Yarm
Miss S. Holcroft	Music	Christ College, Brecon
Miss C.S. Hotham	Anthrop	St. Annes School, Windermere
Mr. B.J. Hovell	Engng	Farlingaye High School, Woodbridge
Mr. B.C.J. Hu	English	Repton School, Repton
Miss S.A. Hume	Hist Fr	Mary Erskine School, Edinburgh
Mr. S.W. Hume	Soc	Cramlington High School, Cramlington
Mr. J.A. Isherwood	Phys	Moorside High School, Stoke
Mr. D.H.P. Jones	Inf Sys Mn	Hinchingbrooke School, Huntingdon
Miss E.H. Jones	M Lang/Ln	St. Swithuns School, Winchester
Mr. O.N. Jones	Mbio/Bioch	Hampton School, Hampton
Miss N.V. Jubert	Bus Econ	St. Catherines School, Guildford
Mr. A. Kabir Sheikh	Law	Charterhouse, Godalming
Ms. L.C. Kay	Education	Queen Elizabeth High School, Hexham

Name	*Subject*	*School*
Mr. C.G.M. Kenyon	M Phys	Queen Elizabeths Grammar School, Blackburn
Miss E. Ketteley	Arts Csh	Kings School, Canterbury
Mr. S.P. Kettle	Theo Phys	St. Thomas More R.C. School, Blaydon
Miss A.E. King	Education	Neston County Comp. School, Neston
Miss R.C. Knowles	Econ	Bolton School Girls Division, Bolton
Mr. R.M. Lanfear	BS	Blundells School
Mr. D.M. Lewen	Nat Sci	All Saints Roman Catholic School, York
Ms. H.A. Liljeberg	Cla Theol	Nantyglo School, Brynmawr
Miss E.R. Liptrot	Geog (SS)	Wrekin College, Telford
Mr. J.D. Lomax	Pol	Austin Friars School
Mr. N.J. Makin	Sport	Canford School, Wimborne
Mr. N.j. Manassei	Soc Sc Csh	Eton College, Windsor
Mr. M.J. Marriott	M Phys	City of London School
Mr. R. Martin	Engng/Mech	St. Bedes Grammar School, Bradford
Miss A.J. Martindale	Eng Lan/Ln	Careers Office Huntingdon, Huntingdon
Mr. T. Masterman	Law	Belmont Academy, Ayr
Mr. G.W. Matthews	Sport	Bolton School Boys Division, Bolton
Miss H.E.J. Maynes	History	St. Swithuns School, Winchester
Miss R. Mazur	Music	Strathallan School, Forgandenny
Miss S.M.D. McColl	Pol/Hist	Holyhead County Secondary School, Holyhead
Mr. D.T.O. McCrum	Econ/Pol	West Buckland School
Miss K.L. McGuire	Anc Hist	Wakefield Girls High School
Mr. J. Meldrum	M Chem	Merchant Taylors Boys School, Crosby
Miss S. Merali	Mod Lang	St. Lawrence College, Ramsgate
Miss E.J. Micklem	Soc	Uppingham School
Mr. A.T.H. Milner	Anc M&M HS	Leeds Grammar School, Leeds
Mr. J.G.C. Minoprio	Psy Arts	Harrow School
Mr. A.M. Molloy	Meng/EE	King Edward VII School, Lytham
Miss M.J.A. Morleo	SSP	Lancaster Girls Grammar School, Lancaster
Miss M.C. Mosse	Soc Sc Csh	Tavistock Centre, London NW3
Mr. N.J. Mudd	MMaths	Leeds Grammar School, Leeds
Mr. M. Nattivi	Erasmus	Trento University, Italy
Mr. B.A. Naumann	Law	Merchant Taylors School, Northwood
Mr. M.P.J. Nelson	Pol	City of London Freemens School, Ashtead
Miss C.P. O'Neill	Geol	Liverpool College, Liverpool
Mr. M. Otoyoshi	Occ Soc Sc	Kumomoto University, Japan
Miss V.F. Page	Geog(S)	Lady Eleanor Holles School, Hampton
Miss I.M. Painter	Classics	Leicester Grammar School, Leicester
Miss H.A. Palmer	Psy Arts	Cheadle Hulme School, Cheadle
Mr. I.T. Paterson	Geog(SS)	St. Peters School, York
Mr. R.G. Peel	M Chem	Broxbourne School, Broxbourne
Mr. J. Peterson	Nat Sci	Abingdon School, Abingdon
Miss P. Pigem Colls	Mod Lang	Malvern College, Malvern
Miss K. Pocock	M Phys	Chase High School, Malvern
Mr. S.J. Porteous	M Phys	Kingdom Comprehensive School, Warminster
Miss C.V. Quarman	M Phys	Alleynes School, Stevenage
Miss M. Rana	Econ/Pol	Heathland School, Hounslow
Miss K.L. Rathmell	Mod Lang	Shrewsbury Sixth Form College, Shrewsbury
Miss S.C. Robinson	Arts Csh	Island School, Hong Kong
Mr. E.A.B. Rogers	Econ	Churchers College, Petersfield
Mr. T.J. Rose	Phil/Psy	Hutchesons Grammar School, Glasgow
Miss R.K. Sansum	Arch/Anth	Winterborne School, Bristol

Name	*Subject*	*School*
Miss M. Santoianni	Erasmus	Trento University, Italy
Mr. T.D. Sapsford	Biol/Zool	Abingdon School, Abingdon
Miss Y. Sato	Occ Soc Sc	International Christian University, Japan
Miss M.K. Saunders	Arch BA	W. Calder high School, W. Calder
Miss R.F.J. Saxby	Geog (SS)	Careers Office, Westhoughton, Bolton
Mr. T.H. Sealy	Maths (S)	Ward Freman School, Buntingford
Mr. R.A. Sellwood	Bus Econ	Churchers College, Petersfield
Mr. R.S. Sewell	Education	Melton Mowbray Col. of F.Ed., Melton Mowbray
Miss V.E. Shapiro	Geog(S)	Forest School, London E17
Miss M. Silgoner	Erasmus	Trento University, Italy
Mr. C.J. Simpson	Geol	Danum School, Doncaster
Miss K.E. Simpson	Phil	Kesteven/Grantham Girls School, Grantham
Miss L.C. Slater	Theo Phys	Wakefield Girls High School, Wakefield
Miss V. Slater	Mod Lang	Caistor Grammar School, Lincoln
Mr. J.D.C. Smith	Env Geosci	Kings School, Worcester
Miss J.M. Smith	Arts CSH	Tarporley County High School, Tarporley
Miss J.A. Snowdon	JS	Queen Annes School, Reading
Mr. M.W.B. Spencer	BSCB	Queen Elizabeths Grammar School, Ashbourne
Mr. E. Style	Engng	Eton College, Windsor
Miss S.S. Suffield-Jones	Maths(S)	Bradfield College, Reading
Mr. A.D. Swainbank	Env. Geosci	Keswick School, Keswick
Miss A.D.R. Symington	Law	Queen Annes School, Reading
Miss E.L. Taylor	Phys/Ast4	Tormead School, Guildford
Mr. J.A. Taylor	Phys/Ast4	Cardinal Newman College
Miss C. Teale	History	Kings School, Gloucester
Mr. A.L. Thomas	Pol/Hist	Neath College, Neath
Mr. T.W. Thornton	Psy Arts	Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Wakefield
Mr. T.L. Traynor	Phil	Nottingham High School, Nottingham
Mr. J.A. Tsalikis	Maths (S)	Kings School, Macclesfield
Miss S.K.J. Tuckey	Econ	St. Francis College, Ketchworth
Miss E.M. Turnbull	History	Campion School, Northampton
Mr. R.D. Turtle	Phys	Wellington College, Crowthorne
Miss C.L. Twiss	Engng/Mech	Withington Girls School, Fallowfield
Mr. E.D. Ullman	Geog (SS)	St. Josephs College, Ipswich
Mr. C.D. Unwin	Psych(S)	Culford School, Bury St. Edmunds
Miss L. Varley	CLS	St. Wilfreds R.C. High School, Pontefract
Miss A.A.B. Walker	Econ/Pol	Newham School, Chelmsford
Mr. J.F.R. Walsh	Phys	City of Westminster
Mr. J.M.O. Wardell	Geog(S)	Bishop Veseys Grammar School, Sutton Coldfield
Miss D. Warren	Mod Lang	Brentwood School, Brentwood
Mr. A.D. Wheeler	MChem	Alcester Grammar School, Alcester
Mr. A. Whelan	Bus Econ	Leeds Grammar School
Miss S.L. Whewell	Phil	Kirkham Grammar School, Kirkham
Mr. A.H.P. Wong	Geol	Eltham College, London SE9
Mr. P. Yates	M App Phys	Bryanston School, Blandford

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FINAL DEGREE RESULTS
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Name	*Subject/Result*
Alexander, R.N.	History 1
Allen, M.F.	Bus.Econ. 2.2
Amos, T.G.	History 2.1
Babbe, S.M.	Mbio/Bioch 2.1
Baker, M.J.	Mbio/Bioch 2.1
Beale, E.C.	Phil 2.1
Berteussen, L.M.	Psych(S) 2.2
Birkett, J.R.	English 1
Blackman, A.R.	Comp Sc 2.2
Borthwick, M.E.W.	Phil 2.1
Bowskill, E.E.	Mod Lang. 2.1
Bramall, D.G.	Engng 2.1
Broke-Smith, H.M.	English 2.1
Burt, L.J.	History 2.1
Bush, D.J.	Engng 2.2
Bushen, C.E.	Law 2.2
Buxton, H.D.	Comp Sc 2.2
Calver, P.J.	MMaths 3
Cameron, R.	Law 2.1
Carter, D.A.	Mod Lang 2.1
Colley, P.A.	Arch BA 2.1
Collins, A.L.	English 2.1
Connell, C.	History 2.1
Cort, A.J.	Music 2.1
Cousins, K.S.	Psy Arts 2.2
Craster, A.	Arch B.Sc 2.1
Crawford, N.S.	Geol 2.1
Crighton, D.S.	Engng 2.1
Cunningham, R.A.	Phil/Theol 2.1
Cupitt, P.L.	Engng 1
Deakin, C.E.	Law 2.2
Dexter Smith, K.E.	Econ/Law 3
Digby, R.J.	Engng 1
Digwood, A.J.	Law 2.2
Dodds, B.	History 1
Dunham, R.C.	History 2.2
Dunn, N.	Education 2.1
Edwards, I.P.C.	Mod Lang 1
Ethelston, W.F.	Pol 2.1
Fairhead, B.J.	Nat Sci 1
Fujii, J.Y.	Maths (S) 3
Gibbons, D.M.	English 2.2
Glasspool, K.B.	Econ 2.1
Goddard, T.V.	Arts Csh 2.1
Goodwin, H.L.	Arts Csh Pass
Goulty, D.	Phys 2.2
Gray, R.D.	Law 2.2
Greenish, R.P.	History 2.1
Gutteridge, A.F.	Arch BA 1
Gwyer, Q.A.R.	Mod Lang 1
Hadden, J.F.D.	M Phys 2.1
Hall, M.N.	Hist/Econ 2.1
Harbron, J.R.	English 1
Harrocks, C.M.S.	Soc Sc Csh 2.1
Hebblethwaite, H.J.P.	Geol 2.1
Hebron, C.	Mod Lang 2.1
Henagulph, R.M.	Psych(S) 3
Henry, K.J.	Nat Sci 3
Hepplewhite, C.B.A.	Classics1 2.2
Hildrew, S.J.R.	Psych(S) 2.1
Hill, A.M.	Mod Lang 2.1
Ho, A.Y.	Mod Lang 1
Hoad, P.N.E.	Theol 2.2
Howlett, S.A.	Biol/Zool 2.1

Name	*Subject/Result*
Hutchinson, H.A.	English 2.1
Hyman, D.	Phys 2.1
Jackson, D.J.	Mod Lang 2.1
Jones, C.M.	Eng Lang/Ln 2.1
Jones, D.R.	Comp Sc 3
Jones, K.A.	Psych(S) 1
Kimpton, B.J.	Pol 2.1
Kirkman, P.R.	Music 2.1
Knowles, O.A.	Pol 2.1
Kornicki, E.B.	Classics1 2.2
Lakeland, C.A.	Music 2.2
Langston, R.J.	History 2.1
Lawson, H.J.	Geog (SS) 2.2
Lawton, K.	Biol/Ecol 1
Lee, E.A.	Geog/Ant 1
Lendrum, O.D.R.	History 2.1
Lester, C.J.T.	Law 2.2
Lightfoot, S.D.	Geol 1
Lowe, J.J.	Geol 2.1
Mackenzie, L.M.	Music 2.2
Marriott, C.P.	Phil 2.1
Marshall, L.A.M.	Music 2.1
Maunder, N.K.P.	Classics2 3
McCullagh, N.P.	Arch BSc 2.1
McDonald, D.C.	Phil/Pol 2.1
McIntyre, N.L.	Law(Euro) 1
McKay, J.M.L.	Chem 2.2
McLaren, L.J.C.	Soc Sc Csh 2.1
Minale, M.P.	Mbio/Bioch 2.1
Molloy, A.J.	Comp Sc 2.2
Molloy, T.J.	Mod Lang 2.1
Moody, R.E.	Geog(S) 1
Murray, D.T.	Geog(SS) 2.2
Murrells, R.K.	Mod Lang 2.1
Newbould, P.J.	English 2.1
Nicholson, K.D.	Arch BSc 3
Norris, M.A.	Engng 2.1
O'Donnell, N.J.R.	Law(Euro) 2.1
O'Neill, C.	Theol 2.1
Pickering, A.J.	Psych(S) 2.1
Pickup, S.M.	Chin Euro 2.2
Pike, J.E.	Arts Csh 2.2
Porcher, E.A.	Econ/Law 2.1
Pottage, J.T.	MPhys 2.1
Potts, J.W.	Biol/Zool 2.1
Powlesland, C.	Phil 1
Pullen, T.J.	M Lang/Ln 2.1
Randall, T.A.	Gees 2.1
Ricketts, C.F.	Arab Euro 1
Russell, N.E.	Psy Arts 2.1
Salmon, J.F.	English 2.1
Seaward, J.L.	Mod Lang 2.1
Sheehy, I.M.	Mod Lang 2.1
Simpson, C.L.	Classics2 2.1
Smith, A.C.	Mbio/Bioch 2.2
Smith, J.K.	Geog(S) 2.1
Smith, P.M.	Arts Csh 2.1
Souter, M.G.	Law 2.1
Sowler, P.E.M.	Soc Sc Csh 2.1
Squirrell, H.A.H.	Mod Lang 2.1
Stain, J.T.	Geol 2.2
Staples, T.J.	Theol 1
Stevens, P.R.L.	English 1
Stokou, L.	Psy Arts 2.1
Stone, E.L.	Soc Sc Csh 2.1
Tanner, J.	MChem 3
Thompson, D.J.	Law 2.1
Turner, J.D.	Phil 1
Upton C.N.J.	Soc Sc Csh 2.1
Ure, A.A.	Mod Lang 1
Vaughan, A.D.	English 2.1
Virgin, J.K.	Geog(S) 2.2
Walker, A.H.	Mod Lang 2.1
Walker, B.J.D.	Econ 2.1

Name	*Subject/Result*	*Name*	*Subject/Result*
Warren, N.H.	Anthrop 2.1	Whittaker, N.	SSP 1
Waters, R.H.	English 2.2	Whittall, P.J.K.	Engng 2.2
Watson, V.J.	Mod Lang 2.1	Williams, B.A.	Arts Csh 2.2
Webb, K.	History 2.1	Wilson, A.C.	Econ Fr 2.1

SUMMARY OF RESULTS

As at 29th June 1998, the final examinations candidates achieved the following results:

	Total graduates		146		
	Men		77		
	Women		69		
	No. of First	*2.1's*	*2.2's*	*Thirds*	*Pass*
All	24	81	31	9	1
Men	11	43	17	6	
Women	13	38	14	3	
Arts	10	34	10	1	
Science	6	18	11	6	
Social Sciences	8	29	10	2	

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Asti, F.D.H.	51-56
Atkinson, P.D.	59-62
Aubin, D.	55-58
Barnett, R.T.J.	62-65
Barry, M.	58-61
Beard, D.J.	58-61
Briant, J.	80-83
Brown, M.J.	88-92
Burdus, W.R.	SCR
Burn, D.B.	55-58
Butterworth, N.	45-49
Campbell, R.	88-91
Chapman, J.G.	58-61
Clare, G.	49-52
Clarke, P.	58-62
Cliffe, M.	64-67
Coats, R.	49-52
Cobham, Miss J.	90-94
Coleman, P.	55-59
Crisp, B.	86-89
Cross, P.J.	58-61
Delaney, N.	86-89
Dobson, J.	52-56
Drakesmith, F.G.	58-65
Eaton, R.D.	52-59
Elliott, D.	55-58
Evans, M.	62-65
Evans, R.T.	55-58
Farrar, A.R.	70-74
Fisher, M.	55-58
Fowler, Mrs. C.	SCR
Fowler, T.	85-88
Gibb, A.W.T.	62-66
Gibson, K.B.	34-38
Golden, P.M.D.	68-71
Gordon, H.K.	55-57, 58-59
Gunson, M.E.	73-74
Green, S.I.E.	56-62
Hall, B.	90-93
Hamer, J.	48-51
Harrison, A.I.	58-62
Hassall, N.	58-62
Hastings, W.T.	42-43, 47-50
Hawes, K.M.	77-80
Hill, N.	63-66
Hollier, J.	49-52
Hopkins, H.	87-92
Hundleby, L.	80-83
Iddon, M.	94-97
Ingle, R.	48-52
Jeavons, A.P.	62-65
Jeffreys, P.T.	49-52
Johns, B.	57-60
Johnson, D.	88-91
Jones, A.C.	80-87
Jones, E.	47-51
Jones, G.	88-91
Jones, S.	88-91
Jonsen, P.	78-81
Kirby, P.L.	42-44
Lilley, R.S.	68-71
Lloyd, J.E.	58-64
Long, C.	62-65
Lumsden, J.C.	SCR
Mallett, D.J.	62-65
Mather, B.H.	47-51
McCormick, J.	58-61
McKeating, D.	55-59
McKenzie, R.D.	45-46, 48-51
McLachlan, J.	52-55
Mercer, N.	73-76
Metcalfe, C.S.	49-53
Morgan, W.T.W.	SCR
Morrison, C.	68-71
Nelson, A.J.	80-83
Nicholls, J.W.	51-55

Name	*Date of Res.*
Noble, D.	60-63
O'Leary, L.	87-90
O'Leary, Mrs. S.	87-90
Pallister, M.	50-55
Pearce, D.	86-89
Pearson, D.E.V.	68-71
Pearson, J.	87-91
Pearson, J.H.N.	59-62
Pinkney, M.R.	73-76
Pinnock, D.D.	73-76
Price, J.D.R.	80-84
Pulling, M.K.	50-52
Rawson, G.C.	42, 47-50
Reid, J.	83-86
Rex, J.H.	47-50
Robson, J.A.	49-52
Roebuck, M.	56-61
Ross, P.	53-57
Sawers, J.A.	86-89
Scott-Bayfield, D.	58-61
Sexton, M.	58-61
Siffleet, B.R.P.	50-54
Silvester, D.J.	51-58
Sladdin, P.	83-87
Slater, L.	39-40, 46-73
Stobbs, A.R.	47-50
Stubbs, M.	80-83
Taylor, E.H.	47-50
Thompson, J.E.	49-52
Thompson, P.J.	94-97
Thurlby, R.	67-70
Timmins, B.C.	54-55, 56-60
Todd, R.	56-60
Townley, P.A.	60-63
Varney, P.	58-61
Waterhouse, J.	67-73
Waters, M.	67-71
Watson, I.	67-70
Weedon, A.J.	44-47
Wilkins, D.	61-64
Williams, G.A.	35-39
Williams, J.N.	67-70
Wilcock, F.	87-90
Wilson, R.	83-86
Wood, A.	68-72
Woodcock, A.C.	58-61
Master	
Bursar	



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