The magnificent response which our Members gave to the appeal I sent to them on the 6th of May has enabled us to clear off every penny of our deficit, and encouraged the Council and myself to make even greater efforts than in the past to justify the confidence which they place in us. If I remember rightly, it was the poet Gray who wrote: "yet sweeter far the still, small voice of gratitude," and I would like every one of our generous friends to realize that although the expression of our gratitude is expressed in few words, it is none the less deep and sincere. No association in the world possesses a more loyal and enthusiastic body of followers than our own, and I hold it to be a great honour and privilege to sign myself

Ph.D.

Your grateful and obliged president,

John Merchant.

We take this opportunity of announcing two magnificent donations to the Association: one a gift of £50 to the Guarantee Supplementary Fund by Miss M. B. Clark, sister of the famous Esperanto historian, W. J. Clark; the other a second gift of £100 by Mrs. Mudie, in memory of Captain Harold Bolingbroke Mudie.

Mr. Merchant himself, Dr. H. B. Overton, and another anonymous Member, in addition to their own personal gifts and guarantees, between them subscribe an additional £11 to the Capital Fund for every £100 subscribed by others—a fine example.

To these and other friends, who so generously themselves practice what they preach to others, the Movement owes an inestimable debt of gratitude.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF THE B.E.A.

Minutes of Annual General Meeting of the Association held on Saturday, 30 May, 1925, at 7 p.m., in the Urquhart Hall, Leamington Spa.

In the Chair: Mr. John Merchant. About 150 Fellows and Members were present. The Secretary read the list of Group Representatives, and called for and read proxy forms.

Minutes. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

Apologies for Absence. Apologies were received from various members unable to attend.

Matters arising from Minutes. (a) Auditors. Messrs. H. S. Baker and Co., who had been appointed Auditors for 1924, did not take up the appointment, and the vacancy was filled by the Council, who appointed Messrs. Fitzpatrick Graham and Co. (b) Co-operation of B.E.A. and U.E.A. A contract had been signed with the U.E.A. on the lines approved, the undertaking with regard to land-names having been given. A resolution on the lines of the B.E.A. attitude with regard to land-names had been passed by the Vienna Congress, but the Lingva Komitato had not taken up the matter so far.

Annual Report, Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet. Various questions on points of detail were asked and answered. Mr. Auty proposed the adoption of the Report and Balance Sheet, and expressed hearty thanks to Messrs. Edmonds and Long for the admirable way in which they had edited the magazine International
Campaign.

Mr. Edmonds gave details of the Esperanto Gramophone
Secretary of the Literary Committee, reported on the
services during the past year, and be elected Auditors
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Suggestions were invited as to the best means of celebrat-

21st Anniversary of the Association, October, 1925.

Suggestions were invited as to the best means of celebrating
this event. Those received included:— (a) A Dinner
with eminent educationists and others as guests; (b) To
ask local groups to organise festivals and give the profits
to the B.E.A.; (c) An "Esperanto Week" of propaganda
similar to those already carried out in other countries.
(d) A propaganda tour by Andreo Ĉe whom the Centra
Komitato offered to send to this country; (e) A Press
Campaign.

Mr. Edmonds proposed, Mr. Clayton seconded, and it
was agreed, that arrangements should be made for Mr.
Ĉe to tour the country in the autumn or early winter
on behalf of the B.E.A.

Election of Trustee of B.M.M.F. Mr. Millidge,
retiring by rotation, was re-elected.

John Pollen Prize Fund. It was reported that the
sum subscribed to date was £31 18 6, and an appeal
was made to members to raise this total by the end of the
year to the £100 required for the carrying out of the full
scheme which had been prepared.

B.E.A. Literary Competitions, 1924-5. Mr. Shelton, as
Secretary of the Literary Committee, reported on the
results of the Literary Competitions just closed.

Other Matters. At the conclusion of the business
Mr. Edmonds gave details of the Esperanto Gramophone
Records then being made.

Dr. Edward Privat, at the invitation of the President,
addressed the meeting on the present state of the
Esperanto movement.

MONTH BY MONTH.

A meeting of the Council of the Association was held
on Saturday, May 30th, in the Urquhart Hall, Leamington
Spa, at the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting of
the Association.

Present:—The President (Mr. Merchant) in the Chair. Misses
Blake, Drinkwater, Hogg and Taylor, Mrs. Clayton, Messrs.
Appleby, A. E. Smith, Wadham, Holmes, Long, Robertson, Robinson, Shelton, A. E. Smith, Wadham and
Wright.

Owing to the lateness of the hour the meeting was adjourned until 10.30 the following morning, when there
were present:

The President (Mr. Merchant) in the Chair. Misses Blake, Hogg
and Taylor, Mrs. Clayton and Mrs. Blaise, Messrs. Applebaum,
Appleby, Birtett, Boll, Edmonds, Farmer, Holmes, Long, Marriott,
Robertson, Robinson, Shelton, A. E. Smith, Wadham and
Wright.

In attendance:—The Secretary.

Dr. Edward Privat was present during the meeting by invitation of the Council.

Minutes. The minutes of the meetings held on 8th
December, 10th January, and 28th February, were read
and confirmed.

Standing Committees for 1925-26 were appointed as follows:—

Executive Committee. The President, the Hon.
Secretary, the Hon. Treasurer, Miss Blake, Messrs.
Boll, Long, Robertson, Shelton, A. E. Smith, Yelland.
No quorum fixed: meetings to be held as necessary.

Propaganda Committee. It was decided not to
appoint this Committee, but to charge the Executive
Committee with its work, leaving the Executive
Committee to deal with the Propaganda Fund as it
thought advisable.

Publications Committee. Messrs. Boll, Clayton,
Edmonds, Page, Robertson, Yelland. (Secretary: Mr.
Boll).

Examination Committee. Miss Baird, Miss Caw,
Messrs Harvey, Paget and Senior. (Secretary:
Mr. Harvey).

Instruction Committee. Mrs. Clayton, Messrs.
Clayton, G. D. Lewis and T. J. Richards (Secretary:
Mrs. Clayton) with power to co-opt.

Literary Committee. Messrs. Edmonds, Harvey,
and Shelton (Secretary: Mr. Shelton) with power
to co-opt.

Censor Committee. Mr. Long, in accordance with
notice given, moved that this Committee be not
re-appointed. Miss Baird wrote that she advocated
retention unless reasons were shown to the contrary.
Dr. Privat on being asked stated that he knew of no
other national association with a similar committee.
Mrs. Clayton said that if the Committee were not
re-appointed there must be some provision for
supervision and responsibility. Several members
thought the committee unnecessary under present
circumstances, though necessary in the past. Finally
Mr. Long moved, Mr. Shelton seconded, and it was
carried unanimously "That the Censor Committee
be not re-appointed, but that in future the individual
or Committee responsible for the publication of any
literary work be responsible to the Council for the
Esperanto contained therein." The Secretary was
asked to write to the members of the Censor Committee
thanking them for their services.

Congress Committee. Messrs. Goldsmith, Harvey,
Holmes, Long (Secretary: Mr. Long).

Radio Committee. Messrs. Boll, Edmonds, Epton,
G. T. Smith, Wadham (Secretary: G. T. Smith).

Pointers Fund Trustees. Messrs. Chatterton, Clayton,
Fairman.

Gramophone Records. The Hon. Secretary submitted
a contract entered into with the Linguaphone Institute
for the production of Esperanto Records. A vote of
thanks passed was to Mr. Edmonds for his conduct of the
matter and also to Dr. Privat for his operation he had
shown. It was agreed that the sub-committee of the Council appointed to examine the question of Esperanto Gramophone Records be dissolved, and that arrangements for the advertising and sale of records be in the hands of the Executive Committee. On the motion of Mr. Applebaum, seconded by Mr. Marriott, it was agreed that authority be given by the Council for special withdrawal from the Capital Fund of an amount not exceeding £100 at any one time, at the discretion of the Executive Committee, to enable stocks of records to be maintained and extra discounts secured.

Committee on Co-operation with U.E.A. In view of the contract signed with the U.E.A. this Committee was discharged. The minutes were read and it was agreed that the Committee on the working of the contract in due course.

Universal Congress in 1926. The President reported that following on correspondence with Dr. Privat on behalf of the C.K., that body had agreed to waive two of the three suggested conditions for future Congresses, and on behalf of the Association he had agreed to accept the third condition, viz., that the C.K. should receive 20% of Congress subscriptions. These arrangements had the approval of the Edinburgh Society, and Dr. Privat had now intimated to the Association that the C.K. had accepted the arrangement for the Congress to be held in Edinburgh. The Council congratulated the President on the result of his negotiation, and Mr. Long moved, Mrs. Clayton seconded, and it was carried unanimously “That on hearing the report as to the acceptance by the C.K. of the invitation made by the Association for the Congress to be held in Edinburgh, the Council establish the memorandum drawn up at its meeting of the 10th January, 1925, as the procedure to be followed.”

Dr. Privat gave the text of a formal letter of acceptance about to be sent by the C.K., in which the hope was expressed that although in this particular instance the C.K. had expressed its willingness to cede its desire to establish an increased Congress subscription for persons who were not members of their National Association and of the Universal Association, the B.E.A. should nevertheless suggest to the Edinburgh Society that it reconsider the matter with a view to the objection to the difference in subscription being withdrawn. A number of Councillors spoke on this suggestion and a resolution was moved recommending to the Edinburgh Society the reconsideration of the question, with a view to an intimation being made to the C.K. that the arrangement may be instituted for the Edinburgh Congress.

At this point the meeting was adjourned until 3 p.m. on the following day, and paid a visit to Mrs. Alfred Mudie and Miss Clark for generous donations to the funds of the Association.

Vienna Congress Deficit. A complaint was brought forward that numerous members had sent sums of money to the Vienna Congress Committee without receiving any reply. It was agreed to ask the K.R. to place the matter on the agenda of its meeting during the Geneva Congress.

Votes of Thanks. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mrs. Alfred Mudie and Miss Clark for generous donations to the funds of the Association.

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THE LONDON ESPERANTISTS.

The London Esperanto Club’s Annual Excursion to Kew Gardens will take place on June 20th, 1925. Tea and Concert at Pitt’s Restaurant, Kew Green. Tickets 1/6, from H. Boll, Trelawney Mansions, 5 Stuart Crescent, N. 22.

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DIARY OF COMING EVENTS.


* Propaganda Lecture. Details from B.E.A.
VARIous.

"Torquay Times," Nos. 3154-6, contains brilliant articles on the experiences of Torquay Esperantists in Paris during the Radio Conference. The three issues from Torquay Times, Fleet St., Torquay, for 9 pence, post free.


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