

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ALPINE CLUB

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Club was held in the Hall, 74 South Audley Street, London, W.1, on Tuesday, December 10, 1940, at 2 P.M., Sir Claud Schuster, G.C.B., C.V.O., K.C., *President*, in the Chair.

Members were informed that the Committee had appointed Mr. Bryan Donkin to the offices of Honorary Secretary and Treasurer of the Club, in the place of Mr. E. S. Herbert, resigned.

The *PRESIDENT* announced that the Committee had elected Major J. C. Hawksley and Capt. M. B. Heywood Members of the Club.

As provided by Rule 29, there being no other candidates, the *PRESIDENT* declared the following elections and re-elections as Officers and Elective Members of Committee for the year 1941 :

President : Mr. G. Winthrop Young in the place of Sir Claud Schuster, G.C.B., C.V.O., K.C., whose term of office expires.

Vice-President : Mr. C. H. Pasteur vice Mr. A. F. de Fonblanque, retired.

Honorary Secretary and Treasurer : Mr. Bryan Donkin in the place of Mr. E. S. Herbert, resigned.

Elective Members of Committee : Pilot-Officer Lord D. Douglas-Hamilton, R.A.F.V.R., and Mr. G. R. Speaker, in the places of Mr. R. F. Strickland-Constable and Capt. H. W. Tilman, M.C., R.A., whose terms of office expire.

Mr. R. L. G. Irving, Vice-President, and the other eligible Members of Committee were re-elected.

Sir LEONARD PEARCE, C.B.E., proposed that Messrs. T. A. Rumbold and Walter Sedgwick be appointed Auditors to audit the Club Accounts for the current year. This was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

The *PRESIDENT* mentioned that it had been suggested that a Club Luncheon to which ladies could be invited should be held early in the New Year, and it was desired to ascertain the views of the members. The general opinion of the meeting was favourable so long as the Luncheon was not held on a Saturday. A Friday was suggested as the most suitable day.

Reference was made to the deaths of the following Members :

Flight-Lieutenant William S. Bull, R.A.F., elected 1933. He was killed in action over the North Sea on July 4. His body has

been recovered and buried in Denmark. An In Memoriam notice appears in this number of the JOURNAL.

J. D. Patterson, elected 1923. A Canadian Member.

W. B. Worthington, elected 1907. Brother of the Member A. H. Worthington.

In Memoriam notices of G. W. Hartley, J. C. Morland, M. R. C. Overton and M. E. S. Rudolf, all of whom died since the last General Meeting of the Club, were published in the November (1940) number of the JOURNAL.

The PRESIDENT then delivered his Valedictory Address.

Mr. R. L. G. IRVING, Vice-President, proposed a Vote of Thanks to the President and said he felt sure members had appreciated the masterly way in which the President had conducted the business of the Club, putting suggestions that might have become controversial in such clear and persuasive terms that opposition melted away, and the encouragement he gave to young, middle-aged and old. The assured representation of the younger members of the Club on the Committee was largely due to him. The Vote of Thanks was duly seconded and carried with acclamation.

A GENERAL MEETING of the Club was held in the Hall, 74 South Audley Street, London, W.1, on Tuesday, February 25, 1941, at 6 P.M., Mr. G. Winthrop Young, *President*, in the Chair.

The PRESIDENT referred to the deaths of Dr. C. Thurstan Holland, elected 1919, and Mr. W. C. Burnet, elected 1929.

Gunner A. D. M. Cox, R.A., then read a Paper entitled 'Rock Climbing in North Wales,' which was illustrated by lantern slides. Discussion of the Paper followed, and a number of members and visitors took part. The proceedings closed with a cordial Vote of Thanks to Gunner Cox. Forty members and visitors present.

On the same day, Tuesday, February 25, 1941, a Club Luncheon was held at The Connaught Rooms, Great Queen Street, Kingsway, London, W.C.2, and by invitation of the President and Committee, Sir Claud Schuster, G.C.B., C.V.O., K.C., took the Chair. The principal guests were His Excellency The Norwegian Minister; Miss Kate Gardiner, President of the Ladies' Alpine Club; Capt. A. D. McPherson, representing the Alpine Club of Canada; Mr. A. M. C. Trower, President of the Oxford University Mountaineering Club; and Mr. Lewis Smith, Hon. Secretary of the Cambridge University Mountaineering Club. Ladies attended this function as guests of

members, and covers were laid for 88. The speakers were Sir Claud Schuster, Chairman, and Mr. G. Winthrop Young, President.

A GENERAL MEETING of the Club was held in the Hall, 74 South Audley Street, London, W.1, on Tuesday, April 1, 1941, at 6 P.M., Mr. G. Winthrop Young, *President*, in the Chair.

The PRESIDENT announced that Major G. R. de Beer was elected a Member of the Club at a meeting of the Committee on February 25.

The following obituary since the last General Meeting was referred to by the President:—Robert Corry, elected 1895; E. C. Oppenheim, elected 1895; H. W. C. Bowdoin, elected 1896; and Lt.-Col. W. G. Johns, D.S.O., elected 1909.

The HON. SECRETARY AND TREASURER, Mr. Bryan Donkin, then presented the Accounts for 1940. Mr. J. E. C. Eaton proposed that the Accounts be adopted. This was seconded by Mr. G. R. Speaker, put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

Mr. Bryan Donkin proposed a Vote of Thanks to the Auditors, Messrs. T. A. Rumbold and Walter Sedgwick. This was duly seconded and passed with acclamation.

The Hon. Secretary, Mr. Bryan Donkin, then read a Paper entitled 'Cliff Climbing in Cornwall,' which was illustrated by lantern slides, many of them coloured. Mr. E. H. F. Bradby, Mr. L. G. Shadbolt, Mr. J. L. Longland and Mr. H. Scott Tucker carried on a discussion of the Paper. A cordial Vote of Thanks was passed to Mr. Donkin.

Attendance, about 21 members and guests.