

EDITORIAL

In launching our thirty-eighth number, we trust we have provided items of interest to suit all tastes. Wherever you are, in this country or far away over the sea, it brings good wishes and remembrances from those who knew you in the University, with an invitation to visit us and to meet your fellow students at the Whitsun Reunion.

We thank all who have contributed to this Magazine. Wardens of Halls, Professors and Lecturers, Year Secretaries, members of the Students' Union and many Old Students have provided news, and without their help our efforts would have been poor indeed.

For frontispiece we give you, by kind permission of the proprietors of the *Berkshire Chronicle*, a picture of Professor J. Deseigne receiving the ribbon of the Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur from the French Ambassador, M. Rene Massigli, in the garden of Wessex Hall. This presentation took place at a garden party given by the University for the recipients of honorary degrees on July 12th, 1951.

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(With acknowledgments to the Report of the Council, the University Gazette, Shell and other University publications).

The Vice-Chancellor and Mrs. Wolfenden gave great pleasure to those members of the Association who attended the dinner at Crosby Hall on October 24th, 1951.

The friends of the University, at their 24th Yearly Meeting held on May 16th, 1951, agreed to make the following gifts to the University:—£350 for a portrait in oils of the Chancellor; £150 for the purchase of books for the Library of Whiteknights Park House; £200 for the purchase of trees to be planted in Whiteknights Park.

Mr. F. S. Barton, of Garden Cottage, Eversley, gave a valuable collection of books and specimens to the Department of Geology.

Mrs. Meyer Sassoon has given to the University a sum of £5,000, under a Trust Deed, for the promotion and encouragement of studies in the Faculty of Agriculture and Horticulture. The money is to be used to provide one or more travel scholarships. The first scholarship was awarded to Mr. S. Fox, Lecturer in Agriculture, who visited Scandinavia in the Long Vacation.

The Nutfield Foundation has made a grant of £1,580 for a research project into the nature of the process by which information and instruction are conveyed by visual means. The project will be carried out under Professor Oldfield in the Department of Psychology, and the work directed by Miss Vernon.

Mrs. Dodgson has presented 50 volumes from the bookshelves of the late Mr. J. W. Dodgson to the Library. His pictures and slides were divided between the Geography Department and the Fine Art Department.

