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## The British Esperanto Association

(Incorporated)

### ANNUAL REPORT of the COUNCIL for 1958

To be presented to the Members at the Annual General Meeting,  
at the Royal Hotel, Woburn Place, London, W.C.1, on Sunday,  
17th May, 1959

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**Membership.** At the end of the year 1958 there were 1,470 Members of the Association, compared with 1,471 at the end of 1957. Of these, 93 were Fellows, 1,296 Ordinary Members and 81 Junior Members. In view of the vigorous activity of the Association in 1958 an increase of membership might reasonably have been expected; but these net figures do not give the full picture. During the year the Association recruited 212 new members, *of whom 55 (just over 25 per cent.) were junior members.* This clearly shows that new blood is coming into the Association and that young people are being attracted. Unfortunately, of course, the Association loses members through death and other causes; at the same time, among our junior members some reach the age limit for juniors and either pass into full membership, or find the full subscription more than they are willing to pay.

The loss of any member is regretted, but it should be borne in mind that ex-members of the Association are still Esperantists, and are often doing good Esperanto work in other fields.

The Council feels that the claim of solidarity made in the 1957 Report has been fully justified, and that a recruiting figure equivalent to 14 per cent. of the 1957 membership gives a clear indication of effective publicity work.

The year was notable for the deaths of a number of well-known pioneers, among them being Harold Pilling, Esther Richardson, Agnes B. Deans, G. W. Roome and W. H. Hirst. The Council records their passing with profound sorrow, and honours their memory.

**Finance.** The revenue account shows increases in membership subscriptions, donations, examinations, correspondence courses and profit on book sales, of which the last is particularly welcome. Expenditure, however, has been cut to the minimum, and the deficit of £722 compares very favourably

with the 1957 deficit of £1,153. The staff of three (including one working part-time) dealt with 9,790 incoming letters and 367 parcels.

The 1958 Annual General Meeting agreed that instead of devoting further funds to national advertising a fund should be built up to support *The British Esperantist*. A target of £400 was fixed, and a good start was made at Edinburgh, but at the close of the year the total sum received was only £165. The beneficial effect of this sum is shown in the Revenue Account.

The Council thanks the contributors to the "B.E." Support Fund and the general funds, and particularly the steadfast supporters of the "Contributory Scheme".

The Capital Account shows the receipt of £2,166 from various bequests, and to the extent that this sum exceeds the deficit on Revenue Account the Association was better off at the close of the year's work. These bequests were doubly welcome, as the Association has experienced several lean years.

**Groups and Federations.** The number of affiliated groups at the end of 1958 was 52 (compared with 57 in 1957), and of federations 12 (12). The reports which appeared in *The British Esperantist* during 1958 showed a marked increase in activity in Groups and Federations throughout the country, and this activity was mainly in the external publicity field. Thanks to reports in the Journal, the Secretary's regular Group Bulletins, the exchange of Federation Bulletins and of visiting speakers, the regular Federation Conferences and the well-attended meetings of the Council, there was a healthy and stimulating exchange of ideas and encouragement throughout the whole Association, and as a result Groups became more and more active in local social life. All the evidence points to a reader understanding and acceptance of Esperanto in local social circles because Esperantists are taking a fuller part in social life. The number of Mayors, Aldermen and Councillors expressing their support of Esperanto is steadily growing, and it is they who have great influence in Local Education Authorities.

The Council takes the opportunity to congratulate and thank the Group and Federation Officials.

**Youth Section.** The difficulty of maintaining contact with young Esperantists after they have left schools in which Esperanto is taught, and the wide scattering of our Junior Members, have hitherto prevented the establishment of a really effective Esperanto Youth Movement in this country. The Council and Executive gave much thought to this question in 1958, but it was not until the end of the year that a suitable Youth Leader was found, and some prospect of success envisaged.

**Esperanto in Schools.** At the close of 1958 Esperanto was being taught in fourteen schools, one Technical College and one Training College (for teachers of Domestic Science). Altogether, 940 school children in nine schools were learning *during normal school hours*. The Technical College had five students and the Training College nine. Of the schools where Esperanto was being taught, two were Primary Schools, six were Secondary Modern, four Secondary Grammar Schools, one Secondary Technical (for blind pupils) and one Comprehensive.

**The Journal.** The punctual and regular issue of *The British Esperantist*, the high quality and judicious mixture of its contents, and in particular the

excellence of the book reviews, have once again been indicative of the master hand of its Editor, Mr. C. C. Goldsmith, and of the admirable work of his helpers. It was with profound sorrow that the Council learned of Mr. Goldsmith's serious illness in December, which compelled him to give up his editorship, and the Association will ever be in his debt. It is justifiable to say that Cecil Goldsmith is one of the most admired men in the British Esperanto Movement.

At the close of the year the editorship was taken over by Mrs. G. Osmotherly, whose ability and devotion to the Movement are well known.

**Library.** The Association's library has been so splendidly maintained by Mr. M. C. Butler for so many years that it has become taken for granted. The Council therefore reminds the members of their debt to Mr. Butler, who has done so much on so little.

**Publicity.** In view of the decision early in 1958 to limit severely (compared with the two previous years) expenditure on national advertising, a recession in general publicity might have been expected. The contrary proved to be the case. The energy of Federations, Groups and individuals was concentrated on local activities, and in this way full advantage of the long-term effect of the previous national advertising was seized. With great courage and enthusiasm the Gloucester and Somerset Federation took a stand at the Royal Show in Bristol. With equal courage and zest the London Club arranged a six-months' period of advertisements on the London Underground. In both cases considerable expenditure was involved. The South Eastern Federation, with dogged persistence, concentrated on the B.B.C. and managed to get part of one of its conferences broadcast. The Birmingham Group broke into the local musical world with the help of Mr. Frank Merrick; the Croydon Group stirred up the whole district, and the Manchester Society gained useful publicity by the visit of Dr. Kuwahara. In the Lancashire and Cheshire Federation area there was constant activity (including a stand at the Burnley Hobbies Exhibition), and the Edinburgh Society carried out an effective planned campaign. The Co-operative Esperanto League achieved a notable success at the Co-op Easter Education Convention, our member, Alderman Mrs. F. M. Brash, the Mayor of Luton, broadcast a New Year message from Sweden, and the Esperanto wedding of two members of the London Club (Mr. Peter Miles and Miss June Kerrison) received splendid publicity in the national press and radio.

Within the limits of its resources the Association supported the worldwide preparations for the *Zamenhof Centenary*, and the President was able to obtain the consent of Lord Boyd-Orr and Lord Pakenham to become members of the *Internacia Patrona Komitato* set up by the U.E.A.

The account could be considerably extended, for the enthusiasm was contagious.

Through it all our Secretary played a giant's part (ably supported by Mrs. Leslie), for in addition to doing his routine secretarial work he was tireless in his skilful publicity work, which won for him valuable contacts in every direction and for the B.E.A. splendid publicity.

Once again the Press Panel concentrated on writing, or following up, letters to the Press, and Mrs. G. P. Weston and her team handled 502 press cuttings in 1958.

**Correspondence Courses.** In 1958 there were 118 enrolments for the Popular Course, 32 for the Intermediate Course and 19 for the Advanced Course. The corresponding figures for 1957 were 294, 24, and 23. The total number of Popular Courses sold up to 31st December, 1958, was 10,801. All marking was done by voluntary tutors, most of whom have been doing this work (and enjoying it) for many years. They enable these courses to be run cheaply, but at a profit, and the Association is greatly indebted to them.

**Examinations.** During 1958 there were 29 candidates successful in the Association's Elementary Examination. Eleven gained certificates of success in the Written Part of the Advanced Examination, fourteen in the Oral Part, and eight were awarded Advanced Diplomas.

During the year thirteen schoolchildren took with success the special examination devised for use in schools. The Council once again thanks the admirable panel of Examiners.

The examinations of the Royal Society of Arts were not well supported, the figures being:—

Stage	Candidates	Passed	
		1st Class	2nd Class
I	10	4	4
II	13	7	5
III	6	1	5

It will be difficult to justify the continuance of these important examinations unless more candidates present themselves.

**Congresses.** The British Esperanto Congress at Edinburgh during Easter was splendidly organised and carried through, and the inclement weather did not damp the ardour of the 250 members present. After performing the opening ceremony Lord Mathers accepted copies of the *Angla Antologio* and *La Biblio* for the Library of the House of Lords.

The L.K.K. arranged for the famous Newhaven Fisherwomen's Choir and a section of the Royal Scottish Folkdance Society to entertain the Congress, much to everyone's delight. The Annual General Meeting of the Association was an extremely serious one, which ended on a note of high hope.

The Universal Congress at Mainz was well attended and included a fair contingent from Great Britain, Mr. J. C. Wells greeted the Congress in the name of the Association, and Messrs. F. Parker and N. R. Smith attended the meetings of the U.E.A. Committee. Awards in the various competitions were gained by Miss M. Boulton and Messrs. V. Sadler, H. W. Holmes and T. Fraser.

**U.E.A.** Subscriptions for 579 Individual Members of U.E.A. were paid for the year 1958 through the Association (compared with 628 in 1957).

In January the President and General Secretary of U.E.A. informed the Council that the Association must fulfil the decisions of the U.E.A. Committee, and asked the Council, therefore, to reconsider its decision of 7th December, 1957, to take no action against E.A.N.A. This the Council did, but decided not to change its previous decision to refuse to boycott E.A.N.A. However, a decision was taken not to accept advertisements for *Amerika Esperantisto* or to express approval of it.

At the April Council meeting a Commission of three Councillors (Messrs. Allen-Smith, Diaz and Willan) was set up "To study how best to improve the present relations between the B.E.A. and the U.E.A.", but by the time its report had been compiled, circulated and considered in detail by the Council it was unanimously agreed that satisfactory steps had been taken within the B.E.A. to meet any reasonable criticism. During the Council's consideration, Mr. Willan stated that he and his colleagues had found no evidence that any officers of the Association had acted "as if they were the Association," i.e. they had not assumed powers or acted beyond their proper competence.

The goodwill expressed by the 1958 Annual General Meeting towards the U.E.A. was conveyed by the President to the President of the U.E.A., who expressed his satisfaction but reaffirmed the obligation of the Association to carry out decisions of the U.E.A. Committee.

To test this, Messrs. Smith and Parker moved a resolution at the Mainz meeting of the U.E.A. Committee to the effect that National Associations are not bound to obey decisions of that Committee, but the motion was defeated by 31 votes to 3.

At the close of the year the position with regard to E.A.N.A. and the *Amerika Esperantisto* was as decided at the Council meeting in February, 1958, and the Council's resolution of 21st June, 1958, "That this Council is of the opinion that decisions made by the *Komitato* or *Estraro* of U.E.A. touching the *Landaj Asocioj* are in the form of recommendations. . . ." has not been rescinded.

**Business of the Association.** The Council met five times during the year: in Edinburgh, Birmingham, and three times in London. All the meetings were well attended, and the affairs of the Association were freely and vigorously discussed.

The Executive Committee met nine times, and the volume of business was such that seldom could a meeting be concluded in less than six hours. The President and Officers were in constant communication with the Secretary and each other.

**Staff.** It was possible to obtain the services of an office girl for only a few weeks, and consequently the Secretary and Mrs. Leslie and Mrs. Owen again carried the heavy burden for practically the whole of the year. Messrs. Capp, Houghton and Hughes again voluntarily carried out specific tasks (for which the Council expresses its thanks), but this could not, of course, affect the book-keeping, book-selling, correspondence, etc., which make up the bulk of the routine office work.

The Council thanks also those of our members who understood the position and were reasonable in their demands on the time, energy and patience of the Secretary and his staff.

**Appreciation.** The Council expresses, on behalf of all members of the Association, sincere gratitude to the President, Mrs. F. W. White, for her admirable leadership, and to the other Officers, the members of the Executive Committee, the Correspondence Course tutors and the many other voluntary workers for their enthusiastic and valuable work during 1958.

We would specially acknowledge our deep indebtedness to our Honorary Secretary, Mr. W. A. Gething, not only for his actual secretarial work, but also for his wise counsel to his fellow-officers and the staff at headquarters.

# The British Esperanto Association (Incorporated)

Registered Office : 140, Holland Park Avenue, London, W.11

## ANNUAL CIRCULAR

Notice is hereby given that the Fifty-fifth Annual General Meeting of the British Esperanto Association (Incorporated) will be held on Sunday, 17th May, 1959, at the Royal Hotel, Woburn Place, London, W.C.1, at 11 a.m. prompt.

## AGENDA

- (a) Receive the Annual Report of the Council.
- (b) Receive the Annual Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet.
- (c) Receive the Report of the Secretary as Returning Officer on the Election of Officers and Ordinary Councillors.
- (d) Consider as to place for holding the next Annual General Meeting.
- (e) Consider and if necessary take action with reference to any other business or motion of which due notice may have been given, or which the majority of those present and entitled to vote may determine to entertain, not being inconsistent with the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Notice is hereby given that the first meeting of the new Council will be held immediately after the afternoon session of the Annual General Meeting on the same day and at the same place, for the appointment of Sub-Committees and other business.

J. W. Leslie,  
Secretary.

The following is a list of the present Council:—

### President:

Mrs. F. W. White, F.B.E.A.

### Vice-Presidents:

Rev. W. J. Downes, M.A., B.D.  
J. R. Grocott, F.B.E.A.  
Miss V. C. Nixon, B.A., F.B.E.A.

### Honorary Secretary:

W. A. Gething, O.B.E., B.Sc.

### Honorary Treasurer:

R. B. Wilkinson

### Ordinary Councillors:

#### *Due to retire in 1959:*

D. Kennedy  
Mrs. M. Kennedy  
Mrs. E. Laudyn

Rev. H. Martin  
N. R. Smith  
W. M. Goodes

#### *Due to retire in 1960:*

Dr. C. M. Bean  
L. I. Gentle  
E. R. Holt  
C. M. Houghton  
P. W. Miles  
R. A. Newland

#### *Due to retire in 1961:*

D. B. Gregor  
A. C. Oliver  
F. Parker  
G. L. Preedy  
A. Venture  
Mrs. E. Warren

## Delegate Councillors

### GROUP COUNCILLORS—

Birmingham	..	Miss E. M. Wheatley
Blackburn	..	F. Netrväl
Blackpool	..	Miss F. Pilling
Bournemouth	..	A. H. Middlemast
Diservo	..	A. J. Hicks
Bradford	..	L. G. Livett
Bristol	..	Miss E. L. Parson
<i>British Association of Blind Esperantists</i>		Miss E. Woodget
<i>British Esperantist Humanists</i>	..	F. Thurgood
Burnley	..	F. Parker
<i>Co-op Esp. League (British Section)</i>	..	A. A. Ager
East Ham	..	E. K. Osmotherly
Edinburgh	..	R. Calder
<i>Fellowship of Christ- ian Esperantists</i>	..	Mrs. F. W. White
Glasgow	..	W. A. Miskimmon
Hexham	..	J. Brownlee
Ilford	..	E. K. Osmotherly
Leeds	..	J. K. Challinger
Leicester	..	D. S. Broughton
Letchworth	..	Miss I. Tritton
London (Central)	..	H. P. Saunders
<i>London Esperanta Spiritista Societo</i>	..	H. W. Holmes
<i>Manchester and District</i>	..	Miss J. Clayton
Newcastle upon Tyne		Miss L. Ovington
Plymouth	..	S. R. Hawkins
Romford	..	C. Steel
<i>Scouts' Esp. League (British Section)</i>	..	C. Bardsley
<i>Society of British Esp. Teachers</i>	..	Mrs. P. Holt
Southport	..	H. Brisbane Eldon
Watford	..	L. E. Edwards

**FEDERATION COUNCILLORS—**

<i>Devon and Cornwall</i>	D. H. H. Scarle
<i>Eastern</i>	D. Scott
	C. W. Veness
<i>East Midlands</i>	G. E. Collis
	N. Wooding
<i>Lancs. and Cheshire</i>	Mrs. J. H. Bowers
	F. Willan
<i>North Eastern</i>	Miss M. Boulton
	Mrs. L. E. Cant
<i>Scottish</i>	Rev. H. Martin
	Miss P. C. Sinclair
<i>Somerset and Glos...</i>	F. Curtis
	Rev. W. J. Downes
<i>South Eastern</i>	J. A. Cox
<i>South Midlands</i>	H. W. Allen-Smith
	M. Lewin
<i>Southern</i>	Miss E. Chaundy
	A. Diaz
<i>Yorkshire</i>	J. D. Applebaum

**Members of Committees, etc.**

*Executive Committee:* The President, the Hon Secretary, the Hon. Treasurer, A. A. Ager, L. I. Gentle, W. M. Goodes, Miss V. C. Nixon, N. R. Smith, A. Venture, Miss E. M. Wheatley.

*Correspondence Course Tutors:* A panel of experienced teachers. D. Kennedy (Hon. Secretary).

*Examiners:* K. Alexander, B.Sc., H. F. Ashworth, Miss M. Boulton, M.A., B.Litt., C. D. A. Capp, L.B.E.A., Rev. J. S. Dinwoodie, D. B. Gregor, M.A., L.B.E.A., E. P. Ockey, Miss C. Sawyer, A. Venture (Hon. Secretary).

*L.B.E.A. Commission:* M. C. Butler, M.R.S.T., M. M. Du Merton, B.A. (Hon. Secretary), A. Venture.

*Joint Examination Committee:* The Controlling Examiners and Secretary of Commission.

**U.E.A. Committee Members:**

F. Parker  
N. R. Smith

**Honorary President:**

Bernard Long

**Honorary Vice-Presidents:**

E. D. Durrant  
Mrs. M. Kennedy, M.A.

**Honorary Education Secretary:**

M. C. Butler, M.R.S.T.

*Editor of the Journal:*  
Mrs. G. Osmotherly

**Trustees of the Association:**

W. M. Appleby, J. R. Grocott

**LIST OF NOMINATIONS****for the Election of  
Officers and Councillors, 1959****President:**

Mrs. F. W. White

**Vice-Presidents:**

Rev. W. J. Downes, M.A., B.D.  
J. R. Grocott, F.B.E.A.  
Miss V. C. Nixon, B.A., F.B.E.A.

**Honorary Secretary:**

W. A. Gething, O.B.E., B.Sc.

**Honorary Treasurer:**

R. B. Wilkinson

**Councillors, 1959-1962:**

W. M. Goodes  
D. Kennedy  
Mrs. M. Kennedy  
Mrs. E. Laudyn  
Rev. H. Martin  
N. R. Smith

**B.E.A. LIBRARY**

The Librarian acknowledges with sincere thanks the following gifts to the upkeep of the Library:—

K. Alexander, 10s.; T. L. C. Bluett, £1; C. E. Collis, 9s.; H. A. Epton, 10s.; W. H. Higham, £1; C. M. Houghton, £5; London Esperanto Club and friends, £4 5s.; J. R. Miller, 10s.; E. Head, F. Parker, books.

These sums have largely solved the problem of Spring binding.

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The Esperanto "Key" has perhaps outlived its original purpose, but it still remains a very valuable document. It not only gives a synopsis of the grammar and essential vocabulary at a very low price, but can be easily carried in wallet or note case for immediate use as a piece of propaganda. In this new edition is incorporated the resolution accepted by U.N.E.S.C.O. during its General Conference in Montevideo.

**REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1958**

	<i>1957</i>	<i>£</i>		<i>1958</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>1957</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>1958</i>	<i>£</i>
	1,346				1,371		1,936		2,059
	50				50		577		693
Rent of Library									
140, Holland Park Avenue, W.11 (Domo)—									
Rates and Taxes	266			271		1,359		1,366	
Insurance	10			10		152		187	
Lighting and Heating	132			123		216		193	
Repairs	85			85		76		72	
	—			—		6		17	
	493			489					
<i>Less Rents Received</i>	49			53		26			
Postages	444			—	436	52			
Printing and Stationery	132			—	—	72			
Office Expenses	203			135		361			
Conference Expenses	195			120		5			
<i>The British Esperantist</i> (net cost)	24			227		1,153			
<i>Less "B.E." Support Fund</i>	860			23					
	—			823					
	—			165					
	—			—	658				
Advertising and Publicity	499			58					
<i>Less Advertising and Publicity Fund</i>	353			47					
	—			—	11				
Sundry Expenses	32			86					
Depreciation of Office Furniture and Equipment	20			20					
	—			—	—				
	<i>£3,452</i>			<i>£3,137</i>		<i>£3,452</i>		<i>£3,137</i>	

(Signed) F. W. WHITE, President.  
R. B. WILKINSON, Hon. Treasurer.

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1958

1957		1958		1957		1958	
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Capital Account—				Premises at 140, Holland Park Avenue, London, W.11, as at 1st January, 1958			3,213
6,299	20	Balance as at 1st January, 1958	..	5,167			
		Wihl Bequest	..	25			
		Baldwin-Smith Bequest	..	872			
		Clogg Bequest	..	188			
		Ford Bequest	..	1,080			
<u>6,319</u>				<u>7,332</u>			
<u>1,153</u>		Less Deficit on Revenue Account, 1958	..	<u>722</u>			
<u>5,166</u>				<u>6,610</u>			
Reserves—							
40		Provision for Repairs	..	122			
		Subscriptions in Advance—					
811		Membership	..	834			
153		Less U.E.A. Subscriptions	..	178			
<u>658</u>				<u>656</u>			
Sundry Creditors—							
432		Deposit Accounts	..	504			
969		Trade and Other Accounts	..	1,346			
<u>1,401</u>				<u>1,850</u>			
555		Braille Publications Fund	..	500			
		Robinson Bequest	..	171			
				<u>671</u>			
80		Denaska (Neal) Fund	..	70			
10		Less Expenditure	..	7			
<u>70</u>				<u>63</u>			
<u>£7,890</u>				<u>£9,972</u>			
					<u>£7,890</u>		<u>£9,972</u>

(Signed) F. W. WHITE, President.  
R. B. WILKINSON, Hon. Treasurer.

In addition to the funds shown in the above Balance Sheet the following investments made by the Association on behalf of the Blackpool Esperanto Society stood in the Association's name as at the 31st December, 1958:—

Alliance Building Society Deposit	..	..	£100
Fleetwood Corporation Mortgage Loan	..	..	£200
			<u>£300</u>

I have audited the above Balance Sheet as at 31st December, 1958, and the Revenue Account for the year ended 31st December, 1958, and I have obtained all the information and explanations I have required as Auditor. In my opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the Association, so far as appears from my examination of those books, and this Balance Sheet and the accompanying Revenue Account are in agreement with the books of account and are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of affairs of the Association according to the best of my information and the explanations given to me and as shown by the said books. In my opinion, the said books give the information required by the Companies Act, 1948, in the manner so required.

37, DEVONSHIRE ROAD, HARROW, MIDDLESEX,  
8th February, 1959,

(Signed) H. MILSOM, F.C.I.S., A.T.I.I.,  
Accountant and Auditor.

## Societo de Britaj Esperantistaj Instruistoj

La Jarkunveno kaj Konferenco de S.B.E.T. okazis la 31an de Januaro, 1959, ĉe la College of Preceptors, London.

Dum la aferkunsido matene la sekretariino, F-ino V. C. Nixon, raportis pri la stato kaj laboro de S.B.E.T. en 1958 kaj atentigis, ke en "B.E." (Decembro, 1958) estis citata la oficiala sinteno de la Ministerio por Edukado rilate la instruon de Esperanto en niaj lernejoj. Si plue raportis, ke "Esperantistaj Geonkloj" progresas kaj jam akiris internacian karakteron, tamen necesas pli da "genevoj"; ankaŭ, ke la "Esperanto Vocabulary" de S.B.E.T. vendigas kontentige kaj povus efiki kiel modelo por similaj vortaretoj en aliaj lingvoj. Bon-auguraj signoj de subteno sekvis la anoncon, ke S-ro W. M. Goodes organizos S.B.E.T. Lernejon ĉe Herne Bay, tuj post la B.E.A. Kongreso je Pentekosto.

En sia parolado S-ro K. I. Stephenson, M.A., prezidanto de S.B.E.T. en 1959, elokvente pritraktis la temon, "Esperanto: Elirpunkto por Lingva Vojago". Li emfazis la dezirindecon instrui fremdan lingvon al kiel eble plej junaj infanoj kiam tiuj lernas laŭ-nature per "rekta" metodo, tamen avertis, ke tia lernigado al tre junaj infanoj postulas, ke la instruanto mem perfekte regu la lingvon kaj flue parolu ĝin. Se Esperanto estus instruata al infanoj en la unuagrada lernejo, jen estus bazo por pliposta studado de aliaj lingvoj kaj efika rimedo rekonigi tiujn kun talento je lingvolernado. Li vidas en Esperanto unu el la plej potencaj iloj de lingvo-studado disponigebraj en nia epoko aparte de ĝia praktika rolo kiel internacia lingvo.

Sekvis parolado pri temo aktuala, kiam S-ro O. Melton priskribis la

organizon kaj funkcion de la Ĉiugrada Lernejo (Comprehensive School). Estis aparte interese aŭdi liajn faktajn informojn, kiam plej ofte aŭdigas nur la opinioj de polemikuloj rilate tiun temon. Sekvis la paroladon vigla diskutado.

Elstare brila estis la kontribuajo de Cia Delgado. La dekunujara fraŭlineto detale priskribis sian viziton al la Infankongreso en Mainz kaj vere ĉarmis la aŭdantaron per sia ĉielinda parolado en Esperanto. Eĉ pli oni admiris, kiam Cia alrespondis demandojn poste.

Aliaj eroj en la tre varia programo estis prezentado de kolorbildoj pri vizito al Barcelono, kiun prezentis S-ro Melton, enkonduka paroladeto de S-ro H. R. Tonkin, la nova organizanto de la Junula Sekcio de B.E.A., kaj disaŭdigo per sonbendo de tri poemoj de Marjorie Boulton, deklamitaj de la aŭtorino, kiu mem ne povis ĉeesti.

E. R. Holt.

### SOCIETY OF BRITISH ESPERANTIST TEACHERS Whitsun School, 1959

(following the B.E.A. Congress)

Tuesday, 19th May (lunch) to Saturday, 23rd May, (breakfast). At Reculver Lodge, Beltinge, near Herne Bay, Kent. Entrance fee (non-returnable) : — 5s. S.B.E.T. members; 7s. 6d. others. Cost of stay £4 4s. (No entrance fee for children).

Reculver Lodge is a modernised Georgian mansion, only 200 yards from the sea. Buses pass the door for Herne Bay and the station. Vegetarians catered for. Bedrooms for 1, 2, 3 and 4 persons.

Information (stamped envelope, please) from Mr. W. M. Goodes, 7, Osborne Close, Hornchurch, Essex.

# TRANSLATION COMPETITION

## Result of Test Piece No. 17

### The Fundamental Error

The present accumulation of trouble which we call Civilization, is the result, not of human nature, but of social error; and the justification . . . for the persistence of hope even among the survivors of two World Wars and a Bankers' Depression, lies in that very assumption that human nature is all right, and also in the further one, that the natural man, or rather, child, is, in himself, neither pugnacious nor corrupt, but is made so by the social system.

What then? Is not the social system the product of human nature, as this has developed in the process of social evolution? No! There is nothing natural, or inevitable, about human social arrangements; and the term, "Social Evolution," is a misleading contradiction. Evolution produced the human brain, but has had nothing to do with the social system, which is the result of observations and deductions made by that very fallible mental instrument; and if those observations and deductions were mistaken, we should not blame evolution.

Several good entries were received. In the forefront were A. Caubel (Olivet, France), N. Hanson (Halifax), E. Lefebure (Enfield), K. Twinn (Atherton), the latter winning by a narrow margin. Honourable mention goes also to R. Bland (Nelson) and A. Rickwood (Hastings).

We print the winner's entry as received, but an ideal translation of the piece from "Effective Democracy" (A. J. Abbey) would be a mosaic composed from the entries of all six of the named competitors. In the last clause of the first paragraph *faras lin tia* or *sed tia estas farita de* would be more acceptable. In the second paragraph we preferred Mr. Rickwood's *homaj sociaj aranĝoj estas neniel naturaj aŭ nepraj*, and similar solutions by Messrs. Foster and Hughmanic.

### La Fundamenta Eraro

La nuntempa amasiĝo de malagrablo, kiun oni nomas civilizo, estas la frukto, ne de la homa naturo, sed de socia eraro; kaj la pravigo de la persista espero en la koro eĉ de la transvivintoj de du mondumilitoj kaj de bankiera depresio, baziĝas sur la supozo mem, ke la homa naturo ja estas brava, kaj ankaŭ sur la plua supozo, ke la natura homo—aŭ prefere, hominfano—estas mem nek batalema nek malvirta, sed tia fariĝas pro la socia sistemo.

Kion, do? Ĉu la socia sistemo ne estas la produktajo de la homa naturo tia, kia ĝi disvolviĝis konforme al la socia evoluo? Ne! Ne estas iel naturaj aŭ neeviteblaj la sociaj aranĝoj homaj; kaj la termino "socia evoluo" estas miskomprenda malkonsekvenco. La evoluo produktis la homan carbon, sed tute ne rilatas kun la socia sistemo, kiu estas la rezultato de observoj kaj konkludoj faritaj per tiu erarema mensa aparato; kaj se tiuj observoj kaj konkludoj estas nekorektaj, oni devus ne kulpigi la evoluon.

C. D. A. Capp.

# LA ŜTELITA STELO

(daŭrigata)

"Ne perdis. . . . Oni forrabis ŝin de mi!" venis kvazaŭ aŭtomate la vortoj.

Nun Gorfeso vere angorigis.

"Oni fo — fo — for — rabis ŝin? Forrabis ŜIN? Ne ŝercu al mi, S-ro Krono. Ĉi tiu estas serioza ekzameno, kvankam nur ekzerca kaj ne oficiala . . . aŭ . . . ĉu vi drinkis . . . aŭ malsanas?"

Nenia sono. La kapo de Georgo kliniĝis, senresponde. Gorfeso gratis sian verton kaj ekmarŝis denove. Lia vizaĝo fariĝis revema, perpleksa. Li ĉesis rigardi aliajn verkajojn de la ekzamenatoj.

Ankaŭ Georgo revis . . . sed ne pri Venuso. Neniu forrabis Venuson. Sputnikoj ankoraŭ ne tiom evoluigis en tiu tempo. Denove, li simple revis pri . . . Anna.

Al Karlo Ronks li, antaŭ pluraj tagoj, parolis pri Anna, ĉar laŭ informo de alia kamarado, "Anna kaj Georgo" nun emas fariĝi "Anna kaj Karlo". Karlo eksolvis por Georgo la enigmon pri la neapero de Anna, kiam ŝi lastfoje endis renkonti lin, sed ne plenumis la rendevuon. Ŝi havas alian amikon. Efektive . . . Ŝi akompanis Karlon al kinejo!

Unue Georgo protestis sed devis konsenti, ke li ne havas apartajn rajtojn rilate al Anna. "Bone!" . . . li diris, tamen senkonvinke. Karlo fine, aldone, diris kun incitema voĉtono kaj ridetante large, je la konsterniĝo kaj malkompreno de Georgo, "Amiko! Anna nun estas mia Verda Stelo!" Je tio li pardonpetis pri subita, deviga forkuro . . . eble, pensis Georgo, por renkonto denove sian . . . sian Verdan Stelon. "Verda Stelo? mistifikite demandis Georgo al si. "Jes . . . mi ja aŭdis lin diri 'Verda Stelo'. Verda Stelo? Verda Stelo? Kio, je la nomo de la sanktuloj, povas esti Verda Stelo?

Mi neniam vidis ŝin en verda kostumo."

Li hazarde renkontis Anna denove en lerneja koridoro. Li haltis antaŭ ŝi. Ŝi ne forkuris sed ridete ankaŭ haltis.

"Saluton, Georgo. Ĉu ĉio iras bone ĉe vi?"

"Jes, dankon," respondis Krono, "Kion pri vi? Mi volas demandi al vi pri io, sed mi esperas, ke vi ne opinios, ke la demando estas stulta. Se jes, ne mi sed alia kulpas.

"Pafu!" okulmire respondis Anna, "sed rapidu, ĉar mi ne havas tro da tempo por oferi nunmomente!"

"Nu!" hezite, tamen klare, demandis Georgo, "Kial iu nomas vin . . . Verda Stelo?"

Je la tuja konfuziĝo de Georgo, ŝi iam pli ol ridete respondis, "Aha! Mi estas la ŝtelita stelo kaj fariĝis verda stelo, ĉar mi baldaŭ portos verdan stelon same kiel aliaj en la klaso."

"La klaso? Pardonu mian konfuziĝon, sed vi estas ano de la klaso pri la literaturo, ĉu ne? Kial ili portos verdajn stelojn . . . aŭ ĉu vi ŝercas? Ha . . . titolo de libro, de literatura teatraĵo?"

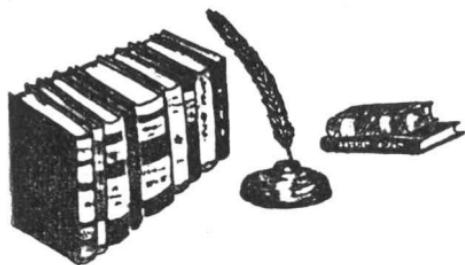
"Ne, stultulo—pardonu min! Mi nun studas la internacian lingvon, Esperanton, kun Karlo, en alia klaso!"

La ŝtelita stelo forrapidis. Nun frontas Georgon nova tasko . . . lerni Esperanton!

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## Legindaĵoj en la Gazetaro

*Germana Esperanto-Revuo*,  
Februaro, 1959: Henriko Heine  
(Prelego farita de Prof. Waringhien  
en Somera Universitato, Mainz, 1958).



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*Order starred books from the B.E.A., others from the addresses given*

Verkojaj recenzotajn oni bonvolu sendi po du ekzempleroj al la Sekretario, B.E.A., 140, Holland Park Avenue, London, W.11: nepre samtempe indiku la prezon kaj la afrankon

**Enketo pri Esperanto.** Eldonita de Komuna Konversacia Klubo, Randbølvej 4, Kopenhagen F, Danujo. 26 p. multobligitaj. Prezo ne indikita.

Dek ok elstaraj samideanoj respondas al la jenaj demandoj:—

1. Kio instigis vin lerni Esperanton ?
2. Kion donis al vi Esperanto en la vivo ?
3. Kial vi fidas al plua disvastigo de la lingvo kaj al ĝia fina enkonduko en ĉiujn internaciajn rilatojn ?

Demandoj, kiujn ĉiu samideano povas fari al si kun profito.

### Oficiala Bulteno de la Akademio de Esperanto N-ro 1—Decembro 1958.

This bulletin contains *Sepa Oficiala Aldono al la Universala Vortaro* and can be obtained for one International Reply Coupon from Akademio de Esperanto, Wassenaarseweg 11 c, Den Haag, Netherlands. We summarise the contents:—

List 1 consists of roots which are to be found in *Fundamento de Esperanto*, but not in the part called *Universala Vortaro*. These roots, many of which were already *Oficialaj*, are now recognised as being **Fundamentaj**:—

a	diplomati'	instituci'	neniom	sofism'
absolut'	dogm'	jo	o	special'
aktiv'	doktor'	jo	po	sufiks'
alfabet'	dokument'	ko	paradoks'	šo
arhaism'	e	kilometr'	paralel'	to
autor'	energi'	kompetent'	patent'	teatr'
autoritat'	fo	kongres'	pfenig'	telegraf'
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co	fotograf'	lo	projekt'	tragedi'
centim'	go	literatur'	ro	u
eo	geograf'	mo	rezultat'	üo
cial	gó	metr'	so	vo
cies	ho	milion'	sankci'	valor'
ćiom	ho	no	scen'	zo
do	i	naiv'	sistem'	zoologij'
diplomat'	ide'	nenial		

**Esperanto for Beginners** by M. C. Butler. Price 6d. This excellent introduction to the language has recently been reprinted and advantage has been taken of introducing a few minor improvements. This booklet is particularly suitable for sale at public meetings and exhibitions.

**Esperanto and You.** Price 4d. This twelve-page leaflet has recently been reprinted. It contains useful information for the enquirer.

Both items are available from the B.E.A. Office, postage extra.

In addition, thirty-five proper names are now recognised as **Fundamentaj**. They are:—

angl'	Elizabet'	hebre'	Luter'	rus'
Ann'	Ernest'	hispan'	Nikodem'	Sofi'
Anton'	Esperant'	Jozef'	Nikola'	Stefan'
Aŭgust'	Eŭrop'	Kalvin'	Pariz'	Ŝiller'
Berlin'	franc'	Klar'	Paŭlin'	Teodor'
Bert'	Georg'	London'	Petr'	Vašington'
Bulonj'	german'	Ludovik'	pol'	Vilhelm'

List 2. **Oficialaj.** Roots ending in *log-* or *nom-* which describe a practitioner of a science ending in *logi-* or *nomi-*, providing that the name of such science is already *Oficiala*. (Exception: *ekonom-*, which already has a meaning other than ekonomiist). Sixteen roots:—

agronom'	etimolog'	genealog'	mineralog'	paleontolog'
antropolog'	etilog'	grafolog'	mitolog'	patolog'
biolog'	fiziolog'	meteorolog'	ornitolog'	zoolog'
entomolog'				

(Here -logo = -logiisto, and -nomo = -nomiisto.)

List 3. **Oficialaj.** Fifteen noun roots (denoting 'practitioners') which correspond to abstract nouns ending in pseudo-suffixes such as *-grafo*:—

aŭtokrat'	etnograf'	homeopat'	oligarĥ'	teokrat'
bibliograf'	geograf'	kartograf'	oligark'	tipograf'
biografi'	geometr'	kosmograf'	paleograf'	topograf'

The sum of Fundamental Roots is now 2,759, and that of Official Roots 1,777 (Total: 4,536).

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## LOCAL NEWS

**Bournemouth.** Diservo okazas en Friends' Meeting House, Avenue Road, la unuan Dimanĉon en ĉiu monato je la 3.30 ptm. Je la 5a de Aprilo, Paska Diservo, gvidos F-ino J. Cheesman.

**Lancashire kaj Cheshire Federacio.** La 197a Konferenco okazis en Blackburn je la 24a de Januaro. Oni diskutis pri la Zamenhofa Jaro kaj pri la R.S.A. ekzamenoj kaj emfazis la neceson partopreni la ekzamenojn en multe pli grandaj nombroj por certigi ilian daŭrigon. Post temanĝo kaj film prezentoj la lokaj grupanoj

prezentis unuaktan Komedion "April Dawn", kiun ili mem tradukis en Esperanton. La venonta konferenco okazos je la 25a de Aprilo en la Egerton Park County Secondary School, Denton.

**London.** Diservo en Esperanto okazos en la Franca Protestanta Preĝejo, Soho Square, W.1, je la 3.15 ptm., la 12an de Aprilo. Parolos S-ro Mearns.

La Londona Klubo decidis daŭrigi sian reklamadon sur la subtera fervojo (kune kun la B.E.A.), dankas pro donacoj jam ricevitaj kaj bonvenigos pluajn. (Vidu p. 347 de "B.E.", Dec., 1958.)

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J. W. Leslie, Secretary.

### Morto

**Moore.** Je la 14a de Januaro mortis 68-jara S-ro Percy Moore de Beckenham, Kent. Li estis membro de B.E.A. de 1944.

Sinceren kondolenco al la parencoj de nia forpasinta samideano.

### LA INTERNACIONA ESPERANTA MUZEO

Unu el la multaj vidindajoj en Vieno estas la Hofburg, kiu troviĝas en la centro de la urbego. Ĝi estas malnova palaco, vere belega, kaj allogas multajn vizitantojn. Sed por Esperantistoj ĝi havas apartan intereson, ĉar en ĝi troviĝas la Internacia Esperanta Muzeo, la sola daŭra eksposizio de Esperantaj en la mondo.

Ni eniru la palacon. Sekvante la indikilojn ni komencas grimpi ŝtuparon. Mia kutimo (eble infaneca) estas kalkuli la ŝtupojn, kiam ajan mi grimpas longan ŝtuparon, sed ĉifoje, pro la ekskito de atendata rigardo al "nia muzeo", mi forgesis tion fari.

La rekompenco estis granda. Dum la tuta tempo je la dispono de nia grupo, regalis min la mirinda kaj miriga kolekto da libroj, bildoj, fotografajoj, gazetoj, revuoj, ktp., kiuj konsistigas la historion kaj la geografion de nia movado.

Ĉu vi estas veterano? Jen la plej fruaj lerno-libroj kaj bildoj de la unuaj pioniroj. Ĉu vi estas komencanto? Vi konstatos kaj surpriziĝos pri la tutmonda disvastiĝo de la Internacia Lingvo, kaj, se akompanos vin neesperantisto, tiu nepre impresiĝos.

Al la iniciato de Hugo Steiner nia movado ŝuldas multon, ĉar li ne nur laboris pri la kolektado de ĉio, sed sukcesis instigi la registaron disponi pri la tri ĉambroj kaj pri la hejtado, lumigado kaj purigado de ili senkoste. Kiam sufice da registroj montras sin tiel favoraj al Esperanto kiel la Aŭstra, nia fina venko estos certa.

Je mia dua vizito mi esperas havi pli da tempo por esplori ĉion . . . kaj por kalkuli la ŝtupojn.

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