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CARLYLE GIRL'S SCHOOL, HORTENSIA RD. CHELSEA, S.W. 7.30.p.m. - 9.30.p.m.

WEDNESDAY CLASSES AND DANCES.

Nov. 7th.	SWEDISH CLASS	by Dr. Cyriax.	Music Mdm. Barbara.
" 14th.	POLISH "	" Tolek	" "
" 21st.	ESTONIAN "	" Gladys Noble	" "
" 28th.	GENERAL "	" Irene & Ivor	" "

FRIDAY ADVANCED CLASSES.

Nov. 2nd.	POLISH	" Tolek	" "
" 9th.	KOLOMEJKA	" Irene & Ivor	" "
" 16th.	ESTONIAN	" Gladys	" "
" 23rd.	SWEDISH	" Dr. Cyriax.	" "
" 30th.	KOLO	" Philip Thornton	Records.

INNS OF COURT MISSION, BROAT COURT, DRURY LANE, W.C. 6.30.p.m. - 9.30.p.m.

SUNDAY.	4th	M.C. David Rasbash.	Music - Nim Titheradge.
"	11th.	" Jim Titheradge.	" " "
"	18th.	" Ivor Sober.	" Henry Schuster.

CECIL SHARP HOUSE, 2, REGENTS PARK RD. N.W. 11. 6.30.p.m. - 9.30.p.m.

SUNDAY.	27th.	M.C. Bert Price.	Music Jim Titheradge.
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HARROW GREEN FOLK DANCING GROUP, TRUMPINGTON ROAD SCHOOL, LEYTON, E. 7.30.p.m. - 10.0.p.m.

WEDNESDAY	7th	General Class & Dance.	
"	14th	SWEDISH "	" Dr. Cyriax.
"	21st	General Class	" "
"	28th	ESTONIAN "	" Gladys Noble.

SATURDAY - DECEMBER 1st. The above group are holding a dance at GOODALL ROAD SCHOOL starting at 7.30.p.m. Jim Titheradge will be playing for them - this should be a good evening and they hope to see some of the Society's members there. The nearest station to this school is LEYTON on the CENTRAL LINE.

On FRIDAY NOVEMBER 3rd They are also visiting the South Bank Carnival Night and staging an impromptu dance, if any of our members would like to join them they will be welcome. They are meeting outside OYSTER CREEK STATION (one of Emmetts Railway stations) at 8.0.p.m.

Whilst we are talking about Harrow Green, I would like to draw all Members attention to the following;- They have now become affiliated to our Society, and all members of both groups when visiting the other must pay non-membership fee for entrance, unless expressly invited by one of the other group.

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A message from the retiring Chairman.

"May I have the privilege of thanking you all for over four happy years as your Chairman? To have seen the Society grow from the dozen of us who danced at Pont Street to whatever it has become today has been a grand experience. To have been one of those who helped to run the Albert Hall Show was a very wonderful climax. I am deeply grateful to all who gave so generously of their time and the real reward is the hugely staisfying knowledge that the dancing by the Society was a highlight of the evening. Not even the most glamorous and exotic of the other dances overshadowed our dancing. The costumes were a great success and the folk dance band was just right. The work done by Bert Price would take pages to catalogue - never forget it please, also have regard for the untiring work of Marjory Latham, Ivor Sober and the other members of the Committee.

In conclusion may I be permitted to welcome our new Chairman. I know David Rutter to be a young man of high ideals and integrity and one well able to lead you to further heights. If you will give him the loyalty and backing I have received I know that all will go well in the future.

Thank you. "

Charles Fawkes.

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

49 Members were present at this meeting and the evening was quite a success, evening though we did not achieve our usual ambition to end with general dancing. After much discussion the reports published were accepted and a vote of thanks was given to our retiring Chairman who replied and in welcoming the new, David Rutter, asked him to take the chair for the rest of the evening. The three motions put forward by Ivor Sober, were all passed, and the evening finished with General Discussion. The Officers and Committee for the next year are as follows:-

- CHAIRMAN. Mr. David Rutter, SECRETARY. Miss Marie Le Fort,
- TREASURER. Mr. Bert Price,
- COMMITTEE. Mrs. Marjory Latham, Miss Gladys Noble, Miss Mary Butterworth, Mr. Ivor Sober, Mr. Jim Titheradge, Mr. James Harding.

For the benefit of those who could not attend the meeting, the full result of the voting was;- CHAIRMAN, D.Rutter, 26, C.Fawkes, 18. COMMITTEE, M.Latham 46, I.Sober 40, G.Noble 43, J.Titheradge 38, J.Harding 30, M.Butterworth 27, D.Rutter 11, J.Brolly 10, L.Skinner 7, G.Kemp 6.

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DEMONSTRATIONS.

I purposely kept down the demonstrations for this last month in order to give all possible time to the rehearsals for the Albert Hall. We did do one unexpectedly through Leslie Skinner who made the contact originally through John Brolly I believe. This was for the G.P.O. Folk Dance Section, Avenue Exchange, Tower Hill, E.C. They hold regular English Folk Dancing evenings and on this occasion the M.C. was Mr. P. Shuldham Shaw of the E.F.D.S. It was a very enjoyable evening. Mr. P. Shuldham Shaw had recently returned from a visit from Yugoslavia full of enthusiasm for their dancing. He asked us to join him in a Kolo - a slightly different version of the Dratchko Kola - which 'caught' very well and was great fun.

And now we come to the 'big event' of October. I should like to thank all of you very much indeed for all the help and hard work which you gave and which made the Albert Hall evening possible and a success. Some of you had to face bitter disappointments over the dances you were'nt asked to do and most of you did so with a good grace. This help, me personally, very much indeed and I was very touched by the unselfish attitude of so many of you, who came up and said 'I don't mind standing out of this if it will help! Well the thought of it did help very much indeed to brighten some of my darker moments. I hope you all had your reward in the satisfaction of seeing your own little bits go off so well.

I very much want to enlarge the present demonstration team. Dancing for Demonstrations involves a certain amount of responsibility. It represents the best of the dancers in the Society, from the outsiders point of view, so ones burden is a heavy one. We need to attend all classes regularly and extra rehearsals when necessary and possible. This involves a lot of time and energy. Some of our present members are unable to give this amount of time at present because of evening classes, exams, etc; we must therefore have a larger team to relieve the present strain. We shall be on the look out during the next few weeks for promising new dancers prepared to work really hard.

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Marjory Latham.

MUSIC, MUSIC, MUSIC.....

Publication of music and instructions at 1d. per sheet are now available to Members as under:-

- 1. Weggis. Switzerland.
- 2. Viru Waltz Estonia.
- 3. Swing Dance-Kugadi Kasgadi ... Estonia.
- 4. Bleking. Sweden.
- 5.& 6. Tarantella Italy.
- 6. Oige ja Vasemba Estonia.
- 7. Running Polka - Jooksu Polna .. Estonia
- 8. Fyrmannadans. Sweden.
- 9. Russian Waltz ---

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

- 10.& 11. Trekarlspolka Sweden.
- 11& 12. To Ting - Two Things Denmark.
- 12. Open Waltz - Zu Lauterbach ... Austria.
- 13 & 14. Kreutz Koenig. Germany.
- 14. Wrona Gapa. Poland.
- 15. Eide Tatas - Spinning Wheel ... Estonia.

also available;- (at 1s.Od. per copy).

- Gamal Reinlander. Norway.
- Meitschi Putz-di. Switzerland.
- Hambo. Sweden.
- Kujawiak Poland.

We regret that numbers 1 - 15 can be sold to Members only, since it is otherwise impossible to keep pace with demand.

We are trying to present a reasonable variety, whilst at the same time covering dances for which instructions are otherwise not available. Any special requests will be dealt with as soon as possible.

---oOo--- Gladys Noble.

VISITORS.

During the last month we have had two visitors from America, namely Miss Madelynne Greene and our old member Mr. George Challis. George was here in time for the A.G.M. it seems fated that the few times we meet, there's always a meeting, but he told me he enjoyed seeing us all again and hopes to back in the spring, this time to do some dancing.

Madelynne unfortunately was only here for a weekend, she had already spent a few days with our member Miss Cathie Ramsay in Scotland, with whom I understand she left some music and instructions (these I hope we shall see in due course). Madelynne was very happy to know that the dancing she loves so very much has found a permanent place here and thought the spirit of the folk she met at Inns of Court was 'just fine'. Let's hope she will be able to come again and spend more time with us.

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When you have finished with this News Sheet why not pass it on to a friend and so get other people interested in our kind of dancing.

---oOo--- Marie Le Fort.

I would like to become a member of the Society for International Folk Dancing, please send me particulars.

Name

Address

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Please post to Hon. Sec.
Marie J. Le Fort,
3, Selwyn Road,
Upton Manor, E.13.
