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WELFARE FUND FILM SHOW

The Welfare Fund Committee regret that the Film Show which was to be held on Thursday, the 21st Jan. has had to be cancelled owing to adverse weather conditions.

Your support is sought for later showings from February onwards when a very attractive programme for the season has been arranged.

ADMIN. DINNER DANCE
Book Friday, Feb. 26th - at the Shillingford Bridge Hotel.

A.E.R.E. NURSERY SCHOOL

The Parent-Teachers Association will soon be holding a Bring & Buy Sale at the School. Watch out for a further announcement!

CHILTON C.P. SCHOOL

Parents, whose children reach the age of 5 years on or before 22nd July, 1960, and who want them to attend this school from 28th April, please send the following particulars to the Headmaster: Full name of child; address; date of birth; father's initials; family religion; whether attended Nursery School. Information by February 1st please. F. J. DENZEY.

There will be no club meeting this Fri. the 22nd Jan., but the Club will meet as usual on Monday 25th Jan. in the Games Room, Social Club. All new members are welcome.

CRUISING UNDER SAIL

Book Tues., Feb. 9th for the 6 p.m. meeting in the Social Club if you are interested in joining a Harwell sailing crew this summer. The details given in last week's "News" will be repeated next week. Anyone interested should preferably write in advance of the meeting (no phone calls please) to C. H. Booth, Bld. 412T.

Contributions are welcome at all times but entries for Round I of the <u>Fifteen Guinea</u>

Contest must be in by Mon., Jan. 25th. This is the closing date also for competition entries and voting slips.

CAMERA CLUB

Last Monday's Colour Night produced two very worthy winners, Ray Kenyon's slide in the 'Glamour' section and Paul Quirk's slide of the Scottish Highlands in the General Section.

The next Club night is a print night on the 25th Jan. when the subject is "Portraits" - interpreted as liberally as you please.

DRAMATIC SOCIETY

Next Production: 'This Happy Home' (Michael Brett), Thurs., Fri. and Sat. 7th, 8th & 9th April.
The play will be cast at a rehearsal on Mon. 25th Jan. in the Social Club at 7.30 p.m.
Members and interested newcomers are invited to attend. Mary Collins (Secretary) will welcome enquiries regarding the Society, c/o 'B' Mess (Icknield Way House).

CAMPING & TOURING CLUB

The next club night will be held in the Social Club on Tuesday Jan. 26th at 7.45 p.m. The evening will be devoted to talks and colour slides on several touring areas, including Spain, Italy, France and Gt. Britain. Anyone with interesting slides to show please contact Mr. Yeates on Ext. 2911. All members and friends are cordially invited.

FOOTBALL CLUB

Sat. 16th Jan. Both Matches postponed. Weekly Competition. Two Highest: 22 and 23 £3 Os. Od. 27 with one of 13-15-24-31-12 Two Highest Away:

Accumulator not won.

Home. K.O. 2.30.

Fixtures - Sat. 23rd Jan. 1st XI v Abingdon Utd. Res.

Oxon Senior Lge.

Away. K.O. 2.30.

2nd XI v Viking Sports Res.

Oxon Intermediate Lge.
Transport leaves Pavilion 1.15 p.m.

RIFLE CLUB

Berkshire County League. Round 4 results

Div. 1. A.E.R.E. 'A' - 396 v Racal - 393 (R. Bint - 100).

" 2. " 'B' - 385 v Abingdon B.L. 'C' - 387 (G. Biddle - 100).

" 3. " 'C' - 384 v Windsor Libs Lte. 'A' - 383.

" 4. " 'D' - 387 v Reading University - 373.

" 6. " 'E' - 358 v Faringdon 'C' - 371.

" 9. " 'F' - 364 v Inkpen 'B' - 363. A marginal win but sufficient to put 'F' team at the top of the table with 8 points.

National Rifle League. Round 4 results.

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Div. 4. A.E.R.E. 'A' - 491 v Liverpool University - 493 (R. Bint - 100). Div. 4. A.E.R.E.
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" 25. " 'B' - 490 v County Hall, Trowbridge - 472 (N. Prow - 100).

" 41. " 'C' - 470 v Ruthin - 478.

Forthcoming Events. Entry forms have been received for the following individual and team competitions. Entry fee and closing date are given below for your guidance.

Mackworth Praed - One team of eight. Club entry. Jan. 25th.

National Team Handicap - teams of four (1/3d. each) Jan. 25th.

Queen Alexandra Cup - Inter-County Team. (Stage 1 - Individual 2/-) Feb. 8th.

Women's Individual Championship (Classes A, B, C & D). (2/- each or 3 sets for 5/-) March 7th.

Members are advised to start practising 90 second time-limit shooting now, ready for the

Queen Alexandra Cup competition. British Indoor targets will be used for all the above competitions.

Friendly Match. A friendly postal match, for a team of eight rifle and a team of eight pistol, will be shot next month against the Canadian Deep River Club. The pistol and rifle matches will be shot separately on dates to be given later.

Berkshire Individual Pistol Competitions. The Club's Pistol Section has agreed to run these

competitions for the County. Two competitions are to be run (a) Individual championship, (b) Self-handicap, both in three stages. The first stage is from Jan. 20th to Feb. 10th.

Berks. S.R.A. Extraordinary General Meeting. Following the resignation of Mr. A. J. Bolter from the office of Chairman, an E.G.M. of the Association will be held on Jan. 30th to elect a new Chairman.

WHIST & SOLO CLUB

The Solo Drive now begins at 7.15 p.m. on Mondays and Progressive Whist starts at 7.45 p.m. on Thursdays in the Social Club. Come along and make these evenings enjoyable.

ABINGDON CAMERA CLUB. The Club meets every Tuesday evening in North Abingdon. Visitors will be welcome. Future events include a print and colour slide competition with Newbury Camera Club on Feb. 2nd., and a talk on "Alpine Photography" by B. P. Barton on Feb. 9th. be a practical portraiture evening on Feb. 23rd., an Auction Sale on Mar. 1st., and an illustrated lecture by Kodak Ltd., on Mar. 8th. Further details can be obtained from the Secretary, Mr. Roy Jenkin, Ext. 2273 (and Rush Common House) or the Chairman, Dr. M. J. Poole.

Unclaimed Mail awaits collection from Post Room, Bldg. 77.2: A. T. Willmore, W. D. Norman, D. Watkin, L. J. Rann, Mr. ? Laws, Mr. H. H. El-Shatoury, R. Pilgrim Esq. and "Ext. 2747".

B.D.H. Soil-Testing Outfit in own Cabinet with 26 tubes, also spare box containing 48 Tubes.

Richards, Oxford, Ext. 48.
"Airsporter" - 0.22 - Telescopic sight £11. Extn. 3685.

T.V. Table, Dark Oak on Castors 30/-. Clare, Ext. 2325 or Didcot 3131. "PELSO" Pale Blue CARRYCOT, almost new 35/-, also Child's Car Seat 7/6d. Richards, Ext.

2661 or 49 Meadow Way, Didcot.
Television AERIAL, B.B.C. and I.T.V. £8. Grey
Corduroy Seat Covers Farina A40. £5. Davies, Ext. 3359 or 9 Courtenay Road, Wantage.

Three Piece SUITE Two Seater Settee, Reddish Colour, Sound Condition. £12 o.n.o 16 The Grove Abingdon. Johnson 2385. Green Upholstered FIRESIDE CHAIR, as new

£3 o.n.o. Oak SIDEBOARD £5, Murphy Richards

Heat Controlled IRON £2 o.n.o. Chadwick 2120. Small Kitchen Table 35/-, 3 ft. Bed Ends and Spring 30/-, 8 ft. Ruflette Curtain Rail & Valance, Wooden Backing, 10/-. Symonds, 8 Letcombe Ave., Abingdon. Tel. 147 or Ext. 2416.

G-Banjo (Good Tone) in Case, Trumpet in Case, Washboard. Browne Ext. 2785 or Staff Club B. Valor Convector HEATER £5 10s. Od. Morphy-Richards Electric Two-Bar FIRE. 1½ kw. £2.

Both new condition. Langley, Ext. 3596. Two Bargains - Gent's Mohair Shortie OVERCOAT,

Black 26. Lady's two-piece COSTUME 34" Bust, Grey, 50/-. Groves, 14 Wantage Rd., Didcot. Child's Pusher, good condition £1; Child's desk 30/-. Stafford, Abingdon 1197 or 16 Boxhill Walk.

Three Electric FIRES, Used 4 months. Cost £7. Two 1 kw and one 2 kw, sell for £3. Anderson, Ext. 2345.

SALE
Dining Table, Extending £3; Electric Refrigerator, tall, absorption type, £4; "Dannimac"

Weterproof-Tweed Grey/Brown as new.

Ext. 2921.

Pair of real Hide Motor Cycling Gloves, hardly used £2. Stanley, Messengers Room, Ext. 2788
71 John Morris Road, Abingdon.

Holdsworth Lightweight Racing CYCLE - 4 Gears, very fast Bike, J. A. Birmingham, Abingdon 416.

Baby Belling Electric COOKER, perfect working order. £4 10s. Od. o.n.o. Dawson Ext. 2807, or 40 The White Road, East Hendred.

Wray Enlarging Lens; 5 cm, f3.5, £5. Small Microscope in Case, £3. Thompson Ext. 3468.

Karri-cot with Hood, Apron and Stand, as new, £3 10s. Od. Girls Grey School Coat 32", hardly worn. 25/-. Johnson Ext. 2385.
Gas WASH BOILER, with built-in Wringer, 5 gall. capacity. Enquiries: P. Lloyd, Ext. 3425. £5 o.n.o.

Two med. 500-14 car TYRES. J. R. Michaelis, 3220.

Two 3-ft. BEDS, Oak Head and Foot Boards, Matching, £3. each o.n.o. Spring Interior MATTRESS 3-ft. £4 o.n.o. Chadwick Ext. 2120. Gent's BIKE, Excellent Condition. Offers? Mrs. Belcher, Main Street, Chilton, Berks.

Chucks, Pratt, Self-Centring, Two Sets Jaws, Good Order 4" - £4.5" - £5. Banister 24.74. Esse Minor Solid FUEL COOKER, Two Hotplates, Good Condition, Complete with Tools, Going Cheap. Ring Kay 3648 or Blewbury 358.

Adjustable Set Car Ice Chains, as new, 30/-o.n.o. Tyre 5.25 x 16 new unused Remould £4. Collar Ext. 2907 or 20 Blackstone Rd., Wallingford.

CARS AND MOTOR CYCLES ETC. FOR SALE

1953 VELOCETTE Mac. Fairing, Craven Panniers, 1950 SUNBEAM S.8, perfect mechanical condition, recent £20 overhaul. £60. o.n.o. Longley,

£85. o.n.o. Pring, Ext. 3567.
RILEY 9 Lynx Tourer, Full running order, with spare engine, gearbox and many other spares. £40. J.A. Birmingham, Abingdon 416.

1938 MORRIS 8, Taxed 12 months, good tyres, engine, body and battery. £50 o.n.o. Gibbs Ext. 2869.

1938 TRIUMPH Vitesse, 14 h.p. healthy engine, 75 MPH, Sporty Exhaust, Lowslung, capable high sustained speeds, good tyres. nearest £26. Constantine 2469.

Bdg. 393 Ext. 2564. Reliable Machine. STANDARD 8, July 1955, 22,000 miles, black, excellent condition. £310. Jones Ext. 3154.

1952 BUSMAR C/A Sidecar, on Watsonian quick Fit and Release type Chassis. £35. Gibbs Ext. 2869.

1938 M.G. VA Drop Head Coupe, new paint and hood, available Feb 28th. £75 Anderson Hqr.7 Ext. 2345 Blewbury 345.

Hard CASE for Large Guitar (i.e. zenith). WANTED

Browne Ext. 2785 or St. 22 Browne Ext. 2785 or Staff Club B.

A GARAGE within cycling distance of the Chilton Prefab Esate. I.C. Pyle, 19, Kennet Rd., or Bdg. 8.9 Ext. 2865. LIFT:
To BRISTOL, for two, on Friday evening 29th Jan. Returning Sunday 31st Jan. share expenses.



Stop Press. Since 'The News', was published last week, heavy snow has fallen, cancelling week-end sport and completely cutting off road transport and marooning some staff at out-of-the-way places. Conditions were still not at their best when, on the sixth day of Dr. Barbara Moore's trek from John O'Groats to Lands End, a small expedition of Harwell and Aldermaston pioneers set off at 1400 hours to cover a route 164 miles north. The 'AERE News' went too - weighed down with camera, sketch pad and other personal effects - so that this report could be made available to readers.

The most hazardous part of the journey came after the first seven miles, necessitating inch by inch navigation through icy slush with the greatest danger and difficulty. This was for the distance from the Guard Room to the main runway of Abingdon Aerodrome. From there in the Heron aircraft that took off at 1430 it was plain sailing. As the party sped overland, road-weary travellers were seen groping their way by the four-wheeled earth transport that is a relic of the rickshaw days. Tquch-down was in less than an hour at Ringway (Manchester), 164 road-miles away.

The New Service. This flight described was a proving flight to check final details of the daily air service for the Authority by the swifter, more comfortable Heron:

North Hurn

8 a.m.

8.40 a.m.

9.40 а.т.

As those of you who have used the existing service know, flight is connected by car service with U.K.A.E.A. establishments: in the north with Risley, Culcheth, Capenhurst and Warrington stations; in the south with Winfrith.

South Ringway

Abingdon

5.15 p.m.

6.15 p.m.

6.50 p.m.

It will be seen that a whole day can be spent at the A.E.E. Winfrith between two nights at a hotel, or hostel such Durley Hall. The plane charted by the Authority from Jersey Airlines is available for all U.K.A.E.A. staff and attached staff, on official duties. Staff who have previously been discouraged from using the earlier flight service envisaged to use their own transport in lieu of the car service, will now need little encouragement to use the improved flight facilities. With the larger aircraft there is now less likelihood of seats not being available for charter aircraft on a particular day. Bookings can be made through your D.A.O.

As prophesised on this page earlier in the month, the rickshaw/air-balloon days of travel are past. From next Monday, the 25th January, the trouble will be taken out of travel with the inauguration of the Heron service that can give a flying start to outside duties.

THE RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB "FIRST DANCE OF THE NEW YEAR" To be held in the Social Club Sat. Jan. 30th 8 p.m.-12 Midnight DANCING TO ERIC POTTER'S BAND SPOT PRIZES. Bar Ext. Applied for.

REFRESHMENTS Late Transport to Didcot; and Abingdon if sufficient demand ADMISSION - 3/6 (By Ticket Only)

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM:
D. K. Dawson, Bdg.364 Ext. 2403 J. H. Woodhouse, Bdg.H.8 Ext.3055 or 'B' Club. Tickets are limited.

Members of the Recreational Association attending the Dance must produce their Membership Cards.

CHEMICAL ENGINEERING DIVISION ANNUAL BALL

in the SOCIAL CLUB 29TH JAN. 8.00 p.m.-1.00 a.m. DANCING to the HARRY SWIFT BAND Buffet Supper.

pper. Dress Optional Ticket 11/6 From K. Sutherland B.353 Ext. 3642 Mrs. J. Naish B.351.15 Ext. 2441 K. Poole B.392 Ext. 2408 D. Horton B.351.15 Ext. 2443 Tickets will not be available

at the door

Pleasant FLATLET, Comprising double bedsitting Drayton, close room, and kitchen, constant hot water, regret Kitchenette no children. Abingdon 902 or Blewbury 369. Wanted, Unfurnished HOUSE to Rent, Morse X 3058

Drayton, close to Bus Stop, Furnished Bedsitter, Kitchenette, Use of Bathroom. Suit Lady or Gent. Ring Drayton 92.

HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION

DEVON - Fully equipped 3-4-5 Berth Caravans | SWANAGE - Dorset. Full Board or B.B. and for hire on site overlooking sea with sands and safe bathing. Amenities include flush toilets, shop, restaurant and games room. Sal. Seaford Caravan Camp, Merley Rd., Westward Ho! Devon.

SWANAGE - South Coast, 4-Berth Caravan near sea and town. Fully equipped. s.a.e. Brochure. Murray, 108 Market Street; Poole, Dorset. CORNWALL - Country House 7 Miles from North Coast Beauty Spots. Terms on Application.

Evening Dinner. Children welcome. Highly recommended. Brochure and terms from

Mrs. Alexander, Verulam Lodge, Cluny Cresc.
Tel. Swanage 2900.

DEVON - Guest House with large garage and attractive garden and beach hut. Liberal Devonshire fare; h & c water; full board 7-8 gns. each with reduction for children according to age - "Uplands" Orchard Hill, Bideford, N. Devon.

HARWELL PARISH CHURCH

ISH CHURCH SUNDAY, 24TH JANUARY, EPIPHANY III

8 a.m. Holy Communion
11 a.m. Morning Prayer
6.15 p.m. Evening Prayer
7.30 p.m. Prayer Fellowship

Church Rotices

CHILTON PARISH CHURCH 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion 10.15 a.m. Morning Prayer 3.30 p.m. Evening Prayer

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(ST. HELEN'S)	11 a.m. Morning Prayer 6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer
HOLY TRINITY ARDINGTON	8 a.m. Holy Communion 9 a.m. Sung Eucharist ALL SAINTS' 6 p.m. Evening Prayer 6 p.m. Evening Prayer LOCKINGE.
ST. AUGUSTINE'S EAST HENDRED	8 a.m. Holy Communion 3 p.m. Catechism Rector: 11 a.m. Matins 6 p.m. Evensong Canon H. Pickles
HOLY TRINITY WEST HENDRED	9.15 a.m. Holy Communion Rector: 6 p.m. Evensong (Alternate Sundays) Canon H. Pickles
ST. MARY'S EAST HENDRED	ROMAN CATHOLIC SERVICES ON SUNDAY Mass at 8.30 a.m. and 10.30 a.m. This Sunday, the 3rd in the month, the special bus will leave AVON ROAD, CHILTON, at 8.05 a.m., calling at WEST DRIVE, STAFF CLUBS 'B' and 'A' and NORTH DRIVE Bus Stop.
THE ENGLISH MARTYRS, DIDCOT ST. EDMUND'S ABINGDON	Evening Mass at 7.45 p.m. Catch No. 30 bus at the Main Gate at 7.10 p.m. Mass at 7 p.m. Catch No. 12 bus at the Main Gate at 6.18 p.m.
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HIGHFIELD AVE., NE TRINITY METHODIST ABINGDON ALL SAINTS' METHOD RUSH COMMON	WBURY Wed: 7.30 p.m. Guild of Friendship (Non-denominational) 11 a.m. Morning Service Preacher: Rev. M. H. Jelbert. 6.30 p.m. Evening Service Preacher: Rev. N. B. Cooper. 11 a.m. Morning Service Preacher: Rev. A. Cooper.
HIGHFIELD AVE., NE TRINITY METHODIST ABINGDON ALL SAINTS' METHOD RUSH COMMON HARWELL METHODIST PRESBYTERIAN	WBURY Wed: 7.30 p.m. Guild of Friendship (Non-denominational) 11 a.m. Morning Service Preacher: Rev. M. H. Jelbert. 6.30 p.m. Evening Service Preacher: Rev. N. B. Cooper. 11 a.m. Morning Service Preacher: Rev. A. Cooper. 6.30 p.m. Evening Service Rev. A. E. Perry.
HIGHFIELD AVE., NE TRINITY METHODIST ABINGDON ALL SAINTS' METHOD RUSH COMMON HARWELL METHODIST PRESBYTERIAN ASTON TIRROLD	WBURY Wed: 7.30 p.m. Guild of Friendship (Non-denominational) 11 a.m. Morning Service Preacher: Rev. M. H. Jelbert. 6.30 p.m. Evening Service Preacher: Rev. N. B. Cooper. 11 a.m. Morning Service Preacher: Rev. A. Cooper. 6.30 p.m. Evening Service Rev. A. E. Perry. 10 a.m. Sunday School; 11 a.m. Morning Service; 6.15 p.m. Evening Service. 11 a.m. Morning Service Minister, Perr C. Portogue
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FILM SERMON. The ultrasonic pulse location system used by bats is one of the remarkable devices of God in nature demonstrated in the Fact & Faith film this Sunday at Abingdon. The film will be shown during Evening Prayer held by Northcourt Church of England church. In Fitzharry's School Hall at 6.30 p.m. All are welcome.

WOMEN'S VOLUNTARY SERVICE (W.V.S.) DIDCOT AREA. Helpers are urgently needed to assist with the serving of teas to members of the Darby & Joan Club, at the Barn, Park Road, Wednesdays between 2-4 p.m. Please come to the club any Wednesday. Also needed (in the Wallingford Rural Area) anyone willing to help W.V.S. - Car Drivers, Knitters, Public Speakers, Leaders of Clubs for old people, etc., etc. Helpers needed in Didcot for sorting and baling clothing for Refugees, Feb. 20th for one week. Please write to:- Mrs. H. M. Watson, Apple Trees, West Hagbourne, Nr. Didcot.

FIRST AID COURSE - WANTAGE. The Wantage Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade is sponsoring a six-weeks course of first-aid lectures, leading up to the Association's examination. Of two hours duration, these are to be held at their headquarters, the Reading Rooms, Mill St., Wantage, beginning on Thurs. 28th Jan. at 7.15 p.m. All who wish to take a course in first-aid are very welcome and should contact the Divisions Superintendent H. F. Knott, Ext. 2700 or at 15 Hampden Road, Wantage 566.

ABINGDON AMATEUR OPERATIC SOCIETY. This society meets every Tuesday at the Fitzharry's School, Northcourt Rd., Abingdon at 7.30 p.m. Rehearsals for Edward German's opera "Merrie England" start at the beginning of Feb. when auditions for principal parts will take place. Anyone wishing to join the society will be very welcome.

CALEDONIAN SOCIETY

Have you got your tickets for the Burns Dinner, on 22nd Jan? These are available, price 15/- from Miss J. Webb, at Grove (W.R.L.) or any Committee Member. There will be a Reel Club on Tuesday 26th Jan. starting at 7.30 p.m. and the Spring Ball will take place on 25th March - more details later.

Letters to the Editor

Regularly throughout the year the Press, Radio and Television covering the whole of the British Isles put out articles and programmes on Welsh, Scotch and Irish Patron Saints and

British Isles put out articles and programmes on weish, Scotch and Irish Patron Saints and Poets. At the time of writing Burns Night is upon us again and I can presume fairly reasonably that I shall hear Welsh announcers trying to say "Burns Nicht" with a Scotch accent.

My big complaint is that the English press and radio carry all these peculiar pagan rites in spite of the fact that Scotland, Wales and Ireland have their own newspapers and radio and television Regions. Why can't they put out their own National Programmes without foisting

them on the English as well? I realise, of course, that Wales, Scotland and Ireland must be pretty terrible countries to live in judging by the number of Welsh, Scots and Irish who manage to invade England for jobs but I do not consider this is any reason why we should have to listen to the ghastly noise of bagpipes, Irish reels or melancholy Welsh choirs.

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Again, why Burns' Night? Have the Scotch only one poet worth celebrating? And was the language in which he wrote most of his poems a vain attempt at a national tongue?

Why don't we English give all these races a real treat: let us make St. George's Day a live date on the calendar and thump home to them what a truly magnificent country England is: let us have a Shakespeare's Night to laud the greatest poet who ever lived, a poet who made a song out of a language: let us have a Tennyson's Night, a Longfellow's Night - but then there aren't enough nights in the year and even Burns Nicht would have to go by the board in favour possibly of some lesser English poet who would still be greater than Burns!

Yours sincerely.

Yours sincerely, "English Nationalist."

But surely Longfellow was not English? Ed.

BURNS'

" O wad some power the giftie gie us. To see oursels as other see us."



It has been said that Shakespeare's personality is enigmatically concealed in his works. That is not so with Burns. Since his death in 1796 his life and work have been the source of an unceasing stream of biographies, essays and biographical novels. The writers have not always with impartial judgment, to assess his place in the literature of our land. The writers have sought, in moods of fervent admiration have placed him on the topmost pinnacle. Others, like Matthew Arnold, have dismissed him impatiently, dubbing him a drunken ploughman whose verses in the dialect are not worthy of serious consideration. Goethe pronounced him first of the in the dialect are not worthy of serious constneration.

lyricists in virtue of the two hundred and fifty songs which he wrote or rescued from rags,

squalor and indecency to adorn and transfigure. Wherever the truth may lie, and Burns himself had no high hopes of achieving immortality, there is no doubt that he stands supreme in the affection of Scots folk the world o'er.

A.E.R.E. CINEMA (Rec. Association Members only) REGAL, NEWBURY Sun. 24th 'The Maggie' P. Douglas 'Target Zero' Richard Conte & P. Castle (6.00) also 'The Black Tent' A. Steele & PLAYHOUSE, OXFORD
Mon. 25th 'A Passage to India' (from the nove) Mon. 25th NEW THEATRE, OXFORD
Mon. 24th 'Puss in Boots' with Bruce Forsythe. RITZ CINEMA, OXFORD
Sun. 24th 'The Maggie', also
'The Brass Legend' (6.55)
Mon. 25th 'The F.B.I. Story' also 'Danger List' (7.05) REGAL CINEMA, ABINGDON
Sun. 24th 'The Halliday Brand' J. Cotten and V. Lindfors, also 'My Wife's Family' R. Shiner and Mon. 25th Ted Ray. 6 days. Mon. 25th 'Top Floor Girl' (7.15) also 'The Last Train from Gun Hill' with REGENT, K. Douglas and A. Quinn.
Thu. 28th 'Undercover Girl' Paul Carpenter & Sun. 24th K. Callard (7.10) also 'Blind Date' H. Kruger. Mon. 25th NEW CORONET, DIDCOT Sun. 24th 'Tribute to a Badman' J. Cagney & S. McNally, also 'Third Party Risk' Lloyd-Bridges. Thu. 28th 'Battle of the Coral Sea', C. Robertson & Gia Scala (6.50) also 'Killers of Kilimanjaro' R. Taylor. Mon. 25th Thu. 28th 'Life in Danger', Julie Hopkins (7.10)
'Yesterdays Enemy' Stanley Baker REGAL, WAI and Guy Rolfe. Mon. 25th What's On

D. Sinden.
'The Last Mile'(X) Mickey Rooney (7.00) also 'The Case of Dr. Laurent'(X) Jean Gabin, etc.
Thu. 28th 'Pier 5 Havena', C. Mitchell &
A. Hayes (7.15) also
'The Devils Disciple' B. Lancaster and K. Douglas. FORUM, NEWBURY Sun. 24th 'Da 'Dangerous Voyage' W. Lundigan and N. Chance (6.10) also 'The Naked City' B. Fitzgerald. 'Oregon Trail (7.00) also 'The Navy Lark' C. Parker, R. Shiner WANTAGE th 'Run for the Sun' R. Widmark, T. Howard (6.20) also 'The Broken Star' Howard Duff. 'Watusi' G. Montgomery & Taina Elg (7.5) also 'The Tunnel of Love' Doris Day and Richard Widmark. 'Last Train from Gun Hill'K.Douglas and A. Quinn (6.20) also 'Top Floor Girl' Kay Callard and Neil Hallett. WALLINGFORD 4th 'Band of Angels' Clark Gable, Yvonne de Carlo, also 'Naked Paradise' Richard Denning. 'I Want to Live' Susan Hayward (X) (8.05)'Invitation to Monte Carlo' (7.05) 'The Siege of Pinchgut' Aldo Ray & Heather Sears.

VALENTINES BALI SOCIAL CLUB PRIDAY 12TH FEB. 8.30p.m.-1.00a.m.
DANCING TO THE "HI-FI's" NOVELTIES. LICENSED BAR.
TICKETS 4/- From BUFFET. Ext. 2111. Miss Farmer. 2073 Mr. Woolford. B.431 2210 B.220 Mr. Wright. B.404.1 2139 Mr. Imms.

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