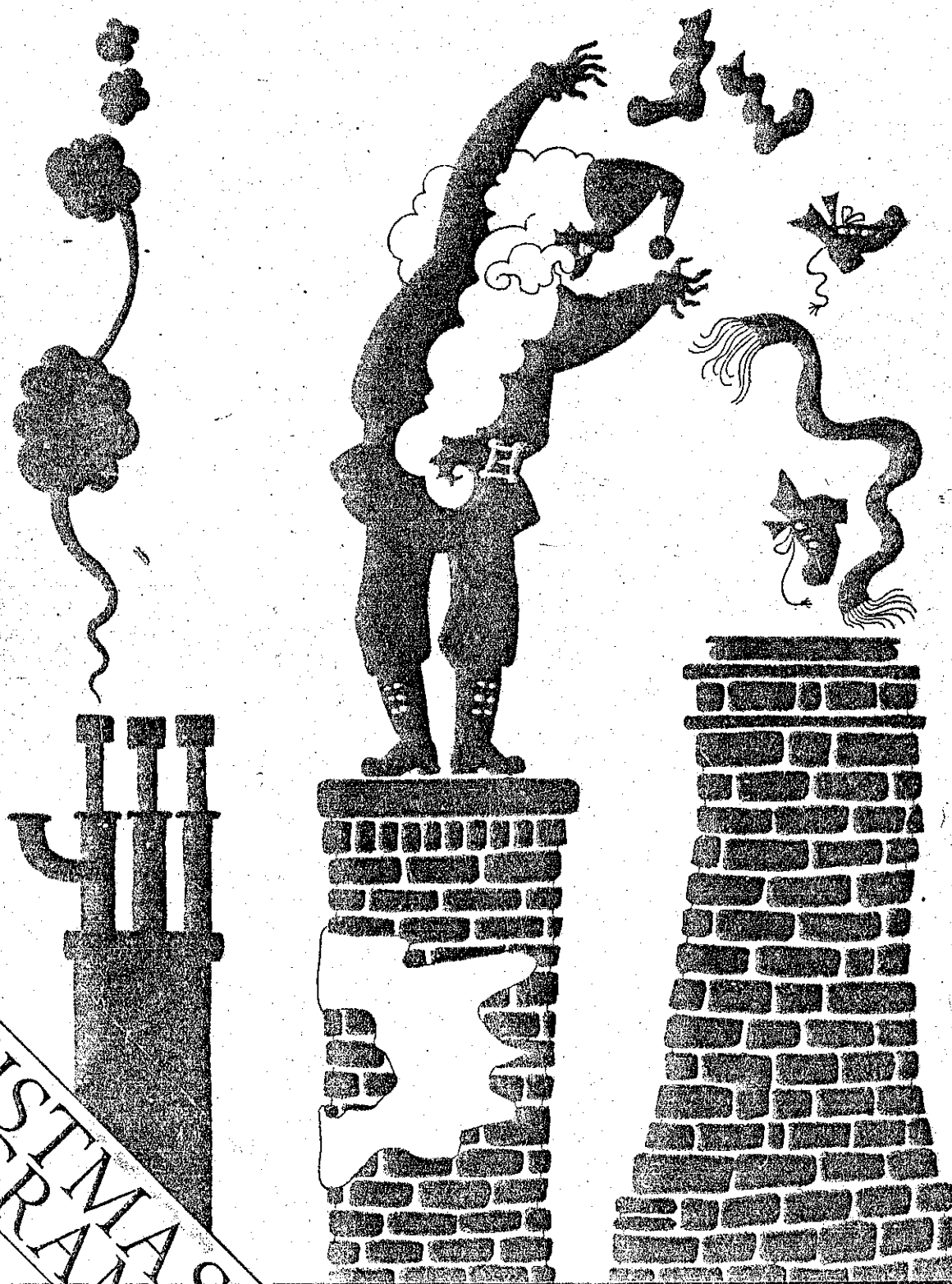


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CHRISTMAS '78
PROGRAMS

PRIME MINISTER TO RE-ROOF SITE HUTS: SHOCK REPORT

In a magnanimous gesture of unparalleled generosity, the P.M. Sir Brian "Barry Bucknell" Hobley volunteered to mend the holes in the GPO mess hut roof. The offer came in response to the question put by the Minister for Tools, Equipment & Tudor St., who had discovered that the maintenance of site huts is not a Museum or Corporation responsibility, but must come out of the excavation budget. Other good news discussed at the December session of Parliament was that ALL 52 Non-established posts are SAFE UNTIL MARCH 1979: the £19,000 shortfall has been uplifted, following long and delicate negotiations with the Powers That Be in a nearby corridor.

As for the Great Thereafter, the so-called DOE posts are safe for the rest of the next year, while, with reference to the other ("JCP") positions, the P.M. said that the DUA was in an "...optimistically improving consolidation situation", which "...should be resolved by Xmas".

It is clearly understood by all parties that the DUA cannot function with less than the 62 persons at present employed. However, as the funding for this staffing level for next year will not all come from THE SOURCE, other un-named sources, not as yet operative, would have to be financially forthcoming. This would mean that different types of contract would have to be offered. It could not be guaranteed that all the present members of staff would be in post next year, but every effort would be made to ensure that the correct staffing levels would be maintained. At this point, Brothers Gadd and Flude (National Society for the Preservation of Workers) pressed the P.M. to elaborate on this, but he felt unable to do so at that stage. However, he agreed to address the shop floor on Thurs 14th Dec at 1 pm at Broadcasting House. This meeting would follow the latest of a long round of summit conferences at the Highest Level, designed to resolve these vital issues.

STEP Scheme research has shown that there are 107 archaeologists and 63 historians registered out of work in London, so the initial 6 person pilot scheme for the DUA looks like coming into operation very soon. In addition, the freezing of unfilled vacancies amidst the present staff was thawing.

On Dec 5th Lord Collins at the Treasury gave the green light to the Annual Clothing Allowance: jeans, boots and anoraks may be selected in the warmth and comfort of the DUA's collective fireside from the GLC's mail-order catalogue. A vote of extreme gratitude was passed in the general direction of Lord Maloney whose unrelenting efforts over the last 30 months has triumphantly born fruit. And while we're on the subject of bearing fruit, Tony Dyson, the Secretary of State has gone forth and multiplied, to the great applause of the assembled multitudes. Congrats!!

The fire drill was looked at again, and it was considered that sweepers-up were vital, although it was recognised that the check lists on the reception desk were essential for insurance purposes if nowt else.

The question of members private work making inroads upon their duties to the House was brought up. The guilty parties were asked to treat such matters responsibly: it was accepted that post-graduate research was good for the DUA as a rule, "...but it was all a matter of degree." said the PM.

The DUA, it was announced, was becoming increasingly synthetic: contributions for the 2nd Antiq Interim should be in by the end of the week, work on the CBA "academic" Interim was progressing, and plans for the "Popular" Interim are being developed, thanks to Lord Maloney Moboiling the machinery.

Plans for the DOE's Cripplegate Fort cosmetic job were outlined, only minimally involving the DUA. The officers reports followed -as broadcast elsewhere in this programme- after which the PM told a relieved House how "rewarding and enlightening" the National Advisory Panel had found their 2 trips to No. 71 had been. The governments long fight against disemployment was thus continuing to win influential friends. And guess who'll be working on Watling Court over the Xmas hols??

The 'Chunderer' is back!

The famous Basinghall St. monthly, Radio Carbon, has returned after the one month lock-out of its Union Staff by the Management. Lough St. tycoon G.M. took this strong line as he felt that the new technology should enable the Staff to finish production well before the usual 5.00 a.m. completion, and thus reducing the need for working in unsociable hours. Editor-in-Chief P.H. revealed that the new Technology consisted of 2 Smith-Corona Electric Typewriters and one (Super Deluxe ed.) Golf-ball, and should enable the affectionately named 'Chunderer' to continue to hold the torch to Democracy for years to come.

The Union men, initially thrilled with their new toys, soon began to feel that they did not seem to be working any quicker. K.F. said "we've still only got 10 fingers you know and personally mine are all thumbs," to which G.M. added, "mine ain't even arrived yet so what use is a productivity deal to me?" P.H. said that he would use his Golf-ball as soon as his clubs arrived, "...and anyway it only writes in Blue." Thus, the blue-print for the industrial settlement was written by the RC editor, P.H., and barring incident should again be a regular feature of everyday life.

K.F.

R A D I O C A R B O N - A H E A D O F T H E T I M E S

CALENDER DATES

TUESDAY 19th. DECEMBER :

An Evening with JAS
Christmas Seminar - Towards understanding London - DUA Excavations in 1978.

Christmas Fayre Provided

MONDAY 25th. DECEMBER :

Lecture by Elizabeth Windsor at Buck House - Food, Drinks and O.B.E.'s provided - No dogs allowed - ITV have exclusive Broadcasting rights for the 3.00 P.M. kick off this year. - therefore RC will unfortunately not be giving its usual in depth coverage.

SUNDAY 31st. DECEMBER :

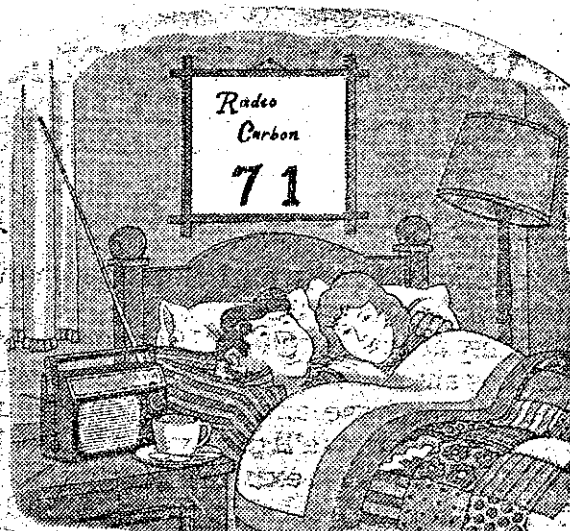
Late night Lecture by A. Stewart, K. Mc. Kellar and Ms. M. Anderson

TUESDAY 2nd. JANUARY :

First of a Series of Lectures from the Finds Dept.
Medieval Pottery -
by Clive Orton

DON'T FORGET -

Brian Hobley will reveal all in the Basement at 1.00 P.M. on
THURSDAY 14th. DECEMBER : A site to be cherished, I'm sure.....



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BASEMENT TAPES

The Grand (unexpected) arrival of Mendoza in the Basement this month sparked off a Spring cleaning epidemic where the downstairs drawing office finally received the brown carpet treatment, the festering smell of the sewer will be sadly missed, but it was all made worthwhile by the site of Diana crawling under the Drawing desks, carpet tile in hand with Alison following close behind. Robert (north of) Britton has been painting the town red (blue, yellow and green) with his offerings for the future library of brochures which are presently being draughted, these include the £20,000 full colour comprehensive study (money donated by a well known Oil company, with more than a little help from John MOBILoney), an 'Old Persons Guide to Archaeology' for use by the Trust Fund (money donated by the Printer), and J.A.S.'s ever Popular Interim which will be an exact copy of the first publication.

Globe trotting Merry Morgan will be leaving on the 15th. staying with cuddly Trev on the 19th. leaving for the States on the 20th. getting married on the 30th. (everybody invited) celebrating her Anniversary on the 31st. and arriving back in the G.B.'s on the 10th. of Jan. where she will be heading straight for Stafford in order to start a new Wife.

Talking of new wives, Vanessa had a wonderfully, winey Wedding reception and is moving to a 16th. Century Cottage in Hampton Wick despite the offer of a 20th. Century barn in Coventry.

TONY DYSON gave birth to a baby boy last Wednesday, who is to be known as Lawrence (of Jewry fame), well done Tony, all the best babies are Sagittarians.

Jon Cotton was never cut out for the building trade and so Katy has now become Mikes personal Assistant, Jacqui has recently been baptised but religion would still not convince her about sniffing Alan Wick-er while Alison will be driving the Magistrates up the wall without due care or attention on Dec. 19th..

'Thoroughly Mott and Bailey' has been smartening up John 'cigarette' Byrne's Office with the negs. from his diploma inbetween moonlight shots on Watling Ct. and Frances has been breeding mice.

Duke Maloney has done wonders with the Clothing Allowance and is at present collecting orders as long as you measure Small, Medium, Large or Trevor Hurst and know your size to boot. (For more info see below).

P.H.

WEAR WHAT WHEN AND WHY

At a meeting with Ray Collins on Dec. 5th. the proposals put forward for a Clothing Allowance were accepted and the Staff reps. were instructed to compile a list of the items required for the Field Section, the Allowance takes the form of personal selection from three groups of items, namely: Anoraks, Jeans and Boots. It entitles recipients to 2 pairs of Wrangler heavy, heavy jeans and either an anorak and a pair of boots OR 2 anoraks OR 2 pairs of boots. Finds Section Staff have been included in this years scheme and will receive a pair of jeans and a Warehouse coat or similar.

The goods will, unfortunately, have to be ordered from the G.L.C Supplies dept., the Catalogues have been circulated and a list of your requirements will be made in the next day or so.

J.M.



CHRISTMAS CARBON

CHANCE DIGGINS

CHAPTER ONE
CHRISTMAS EVE

It was the day before Christmas, the Snow blanketed the ground, and, deep in the heart of the City, the 52 strong Scratchit family were hard at work; cold, poor and dressed in rags, the Scratchit family were nevertheless happy; they loved thier work and Mac. Scrooge knew it, that was the one point upon which he relied in order that they would not leave him; but as he sat at his desk, he began to ponder nervously over the way they had pressurised him of late, would he, he wondered, survive this new year? the Scratchits were starting to fight back, the British Public were behind them and he knew that they were there to stay; they were good workers, the best, and he could not help feeling that they were becoming too strong.

"Bumhug!" he muttered under his breath, as he locked his wallet in the Wall safe.

"Bumhug! they got thier blasted Christmas holiday, didn't they? some of them don't seem to want that, so what more do they think I am going to give them?"

He turned around, and as he did so, the corner of his eye found the Clock on the wall.

"Bumhug!" He roared, banging his fist on the table, "look at the time, it will soon be dark, those blasted Scratchits will be the death of me!" and with those words he grabbed his hat and coat and fled the building.

As we walked towards his car, he began to hear music and laughter flooding from the Office buildings around him, he would not listen, he cursed under his breath, which, apart from being his usual habit, had an added advantage of drowning out the music; he clambered into his car and hurriedly drove into the snow, his eyes firmly fixed on the road ahead.

At home, his wife had cooked a large meal and his family were sitting around the table waiting for him, but Mac. Scrooge did not feel hungry.

"Bumhug Woman!" he shouted, I expect that I am supposed to pay for all this extravagance, well you can take it all back and tell them it was a mistake." and with that he went straight up to bed, leaving his children with tears in thier eyes.

No sooner had he fallen asleep than he started to drift into the mysterious world of the subconscious, slowly, through the mist, an apparition formed before him, he recognised the grey hair and beard as belonging to Maloney Scratchit the retired Shop Steward.

"Damn you," he screamed, "you have been the cause of all this, you and your Union, if it hadn't been for you I...." His jaws clamped tight he could not speak, Maloney Scratchit stepped up closer.

"Tonight Mac.Scrooge, you will meet three Spirits who will show to you the Archaeology of the Past, Present and Future, and you will see the error of your ways. I, Mac.Scrooge, am the Spirit of Londons Past."

As he spoke these words, he turned around and as Mac.Scrooge squinted into the dim distance he saw the rest of the Scratchit family, the apparition was addressing the workers but although Mac.Scrooge dug his his fingers as deeply into his ears as was physically possible, he could not silence the words of Maloney Scratchit.

"In May 1974, I started work for the DUA as a GA, and was paid the princely sum of £18 per week; having left a job selling hi-fi for which no previous knowledge or experience was required, just an insulting and aggressive attitude to the 'Punters'. Unlike Schieman of Troy et al, I didn't make my fortune but I had been earning £50+ per week.

At that time the DUA were paid on a fee and subsistence basis, which we were assured would render our £18 not liable for tax. It didn't because fee and subsistence payments were only supposed to be made for a MAXIMUM of 3 months; this perpetuated for nearly 2 years! Further, because we were regarded as Self-employed, we had no job security whatsoever; our N.I stamps were not paid; we had no formal entitlement to sickness or Annual leave; no Clothing Allowance - in short, we had none of the basic benefits taken for granted for decades as providing a normal basis of employment.

On January 1st. 1976, we became employed on a more formal basis, with the issuing of Contracts. However, there were still problems: we were arbitrarily tied to the Corporation pay scales by the simple expedient of arriving at a gross annual figure based on our weekly fee and subsistence payments and placing us on the nearest point gentry above that figure. Whereas previously our wage had not been taxed, now that our salaries were, the net result of this (in my case) was a loss of over £100 per annum, 11.58%! not only that, shortly afterwards I received a demand from the Inland Revenue for over £600 for the years 1974-6, as well as a demand from the D.H.S.S. for stamps for the same period. To rub salt into the wound, on April of that year we were issued with a 1 year Contract (in spite of a 3 year commitment to the DUA by the DOE), that contained a clause that we waived our rights to redundancy payments! Therefore we did not sign these Contracts, nor any successive ones for the same reason. In my case, the issuing of 1 year (instead of 3 year) Contracts was particularly aggravating, because, when I was subsequently trying to get a Mortgage, it proved a grave liability.

It was these events that led us to seek Union help - first ASTMS and, when this was blocked, IPCS. Since 1976 our position has gradually improved, the Museum agreed to pay our N.I. contributions from April to December 1975; Myself and other Staff successfully fought the Inland Revenue; since the advent of Contracts we have received London Weighting allowance, annual increments, and the annual increases allowed by pay policy; we've gained an annual (or very nearly!) Clothing Allowance and despite the annual (unsigned) Contracts, some members of Staff have managed to get Mortgages.

So, What of the future? In april the so-called non-established Staff can expect Open-ended Contracts and hence redundancy payments, if such an eventuality should arise. The influx of the ex-JCP's has increased the DUA's manpower from approx. 32 to 52, and they are guaranteed employment until April 1979. We've come a long way from paragraph two!"

"So why do you haunt me?" cried Mac.Scrooge.

The aparition turned around to face him.

"To remind you," he started, "of the struggle and hardship that we have had to endure, in order to get this far."

"Then why do you..." but the Spirit had gone, all that was left was the cool mist and the rest of the Scratchit family, sitting, transfixed, as if frozen into position. Mac.Scrooge had just noticed that the Earthly body of Maloney Scratchit was sitting with them whensuddenly the sound of chains behind him made him start, he looked around and found himself confronted by the ghostly image of Derek Scratchit.

"You m-must be the Spirit of Londons Present." Mac.Scrooge uttered nervously; but the aparition passed him by and faced the gathering, ignoring him, knowing that whatever he said would be impregnated on the mind of Mac.Scrooge for eternity.

"The DUA is currently passing through a crucial phase in its funding, the outcome of which will decide the number of staff in the department, their status within the museuand may well have far-reaching repercussions for our approach to our work for years to come. The issues are twofold; ensuring a full staff complement until next April and then maintaining that staff on a securely based three year rolling programme. The only problem is getting someone to pay for that and go on paying for it.

At the moment that staff complement comprises 62 positions and it is essential that we stand firm on that figure as the minimum for a viable Dept., in terms of you and your workmates jobs as well as the good of city archaeology. It is a fundamental of Union policy that the 62 positions are established with open-ended contracts. Ten of the 62 are already established i.e. permanent, 27 are contracted with fixed-term contracts that expire next April i.e. semi-permanent and 25, the ex-JCPs, are as those in that position are painfully aware without any security of employment except on a "month by month" basis i.e. tempory.

The immediate problem of the £19,000 shortfall appears to have now been resolved, pending a meeting of the Trust fund in January.

The situation arose because of the timing of the withdrawl of MSC funding, which ocured with a suddenness that the system by which we are normally funded could not cope with. That system involves the provision of estimates for a given financial year during the previous summer and by the autumn our "mainstream" funding bodies- the DOE, the GLC and the DES should have earmarked all the funds at their disposal. The latter two have apparently refused to do anything to fill the vacumn left by the MSC and only our old friend Brian Davidson at the DOE has scraped the bottom of his contingency funds to bail us out,

According to the CUA at the Monthly Meeting, the DOE's reaction to our estimates has been to provide sufficient long term guaranteed funds to employ the 27 contracted staff on a three year rolling programme and this should result in the Museum offering those staff, established Museum posts.

Originally the DOE were not prepared to fund the 25 ex-JCP's, however the AMB National Committee for Rescue Archaeology- ie Cunliffe, Rhartz, Wilks et al and Maurice Mendoza, the new Director of the DOE and also at a high level delegation from the Museum Board of Governors has resulted in additional grant aid from the DOE. This will be sufficient to fund one year contracts for a considerable percentage of the ex-JCP's. The CUA is confident however, that those ex-JCP's who can't be offered a one year contract will be kept on on the existing tempory basis, using external funds from private sources eg Mermaid, Lloyds, Cutler St.

A Union meeting will be held shortly to discuss the reactions of the people concerned in addition to a guest apperance by Brain himself, on Thursday at lunchtime, when he will address all the staff.

Obviously, the next major aim is to try to secure all the ex-JCP's on a three year rolling programme in order that we can plan ahead with a knowledge of our available manpower which would then be at a workable level."

Before Mac. Scrooge could utter a word the apparition had disappeared to be replaced immediately by a peculiarly moustached man in short flared jeans and odd socks. Mac. Scrooge's face hung motionless for a moment as they both stood, transfixed, staring through each other.

He had immediately recognised the form as being that of Schofield Scratchit, the Foreman.

"I - I know who you are" stuttered Mac. Scrooge, more nervous than ever. "you are the Spirit of London's Future.. I have feared you more than any, please, I beg you, I am afraid to see what the future has to hold."

"I only show the future in a number of alternatives," spoke the spirit "It is up to you to decide. Each of the alternatives have happened many times, but you will know which one to choose. You will instinctively choose that which is better for you, your problem is that you do not know which is the better."

Mac. Scrooge bowed his head as he listened to the apparition address him personally.

"It is important to realise that many of the excavation sections are engaged on projects which prevent them from participating in digging. If there were to be a cutback in April, those staff who are facing redundancy would have to stop site work immediately and finish their previous post-excavation commitments. This would seriously affect work on site during this financial year.

Given a full-strength digging team of 30 people with volunteer support and probable cash funding from developers on certain sites, next year's programme looks like this:

A. GPO Newgate St.

(i) complete the southern part of the site, thereby obtaining a full sequence of buildings adjacent to early Roman Newgate St. Feb/march '79

(ii) investigate the pre 13th century building(s) protected by the later Greyriars' garden, which would be unique in the DUA's experience.

(iii) investigate the 9th century long-house below (ii) which was suggested by excavation in 1975. Crucial for our understanding of the mid and late Saxon period. Excavation 3 months at least.

This will make a total of 5 year's work on the site. We shall very probably never be given the opportunity of studying the various periods of the City's archaeology, over such a large area again. In comparison to similar exercises in other towns, e.g. Coppergate in York, the GPO will be seen as an excavation which extracted an immense amount of information in a fairly short time.

B. Excavations carrying over into the next financial year are:

Cutler St.: the most important suburban excavation to have arisen in the last 5 years, will be taking place in Jan-May with perhaps two staff aided by further short term staff on developers funding.

Trig Lane: because the two staff writing up the large report on excavations of 1974-6 will also be engaged upon a watching brief at Bull Wharf in the spring, they may not be finished with both sites until May

Watling Court: large scale excavation finishes on 10th Jan. but a substantial watching brief will be required until March.

C. Excavations during the year 1979/80, with reasonable requirements in resources:

(i) Peninsular House, Lower Thames St.- an important part of the Billingsgate Area Research Project. Development here could destroy Roman buildings and twenty metres of probable Roman road. 6 people for 6 months: second half of 1979.

(ii) 8-10 Crosswall: site of Bastion 4, perhaps to be restored in development. 6 people for 9 months: mid-summer 1979.

(iii) 24/5 Ironmonger Lane: site recently earmarked for development, proposals being made to the Corporation. Potentially rich Roman and Saxon site between the streams of the Walbrook. 4 people for 4 months: late 1979.

(iv) Holy Trinity Priory Research Project: forthcoming sites at 17-33 Creechurch Lane (summer 1979) and Heneage Place (?late 1979), small exercises with 2 to 4 staff.

(v) Trig Lane: medieval house plans and early revetments to complete the dendro. sequence: an excavation of international importance requiring completion. 10 people for 8 months.

There are in addition twelve watching briefs viable from selected sites elsewhere.

It is clear from the above that the present digging team will be very tightly stretched to give even adequate cover to the developments described. Any severe reduction will cut this programme at a stroke. The excavation staff funded by the DOE at present number 10½ and only 7 of these would be available for new excavations (and that by postponing post-excavation work). The whole staff would be transferred to finish off GPO. Trig Lane would not be started. Neither would any of the above excavations. One or at most two people would take these major sites as watching briefs, having great difficulty in making any historical sense of them and the building community would rapidly become disillusioned and angry with the lack of archaeological presence, especially when they may be prepared to offer cash support. Any short term externally-funded exercises would take precious time to arrange and would only contribute to the general chaos. Short term externally-funded exercises are only viable when the central digging team can handle the main archaeological priorities. They must remain at the present strength of 30. Finds, environmental and photographic support must also continue at least at present levels: the non-established staff of 52 must be held together. To think otherwise is folly, and archaeologically and historically disastrous."

Mac. Scrooges head was buried in his hands; when he looked up, the apparition had gone, as had the whole Scratchit family, he looked around and a blanket of night fell over him, he woke up.

"Bumhug!" he muttered, untangling himself from the blankets, "I can not even get peace from those blasted Scratchits when I'm dreaming!" and with that he leant over to the bedside cabinet for a sleeping pill.

P.H.



the end

THE BATTLE OF WATLING COURT (7,8).

There have been some dramatic topographical developments over the last couple of months and Boris is badly cut up. Now we have HENRY looming on the horizon, hungry for spoil, and the casualties amongst volunteers mount daily.

Up in the northern mountains Superman Bros & Co. (Chris really picks her men) are maintaining a savage guerilla offensive against The Black Earth. Fearlessly they explore the weird terrain and cross meaningless pits, using an interesting indigenous invention - the plank. Deserters - Mike, Tom, Pete, Nevil and Craig - have left in search of a less pitiful existence. The very Queen herself has taken refuge abroad, and under the loyal protection of Roskams, in her spider-infested exile, draws up plans. Amanda has come to grips with Deep & Meaningful, or whoever fell in. She and Monique are busy hatching plots and surveying bomb craters for their commando Absent and Seldom Seen.

The traditional rivalries on the southern front have been suspended in the face of a sustained aerial attack perpetrated by professional sharp shooters John & John: GA's and volunteers alike spent a whole day sheltering in the Higgs and Hill bunker. Severe undermanning has led to the establishment of cordial relations between all parties involved, and to the Hoover Agreement by means of which Lord of the Dirtiest has the right of pressgang. John and Marie have come to the end of their road and gone into partnership with Artoo Detoo as a mercenary vacuum force.

Meanwhile Dave is clearing up his house after a rash of civil insurgence and arson. Midnight pillage has been rife in the south western kingdom where Ian, a king without subjects, plunders his own territory for booty till all hours of the night. And from the Finds Section nearby Angela has her own resistance movement - randomly shooting at anything that moves, breaking obscure and ancient decrees and then procuring supplies of chocolate cake from Sheraton's for the wounded.

And finally, from 51 Cannon Street, swell the unmistakable strains of a sea shanty as the Admiral JJ scans the fire horizon for a sailing manual.

In what was once a flourishing Italian pavement cafe the iron discipline of the tea führer now prevails and tea will never again be taken at 4.45. And the scouring of the mugs renders the Tetanus shots quite unnecessary.

Welcome back to Gruno, come to decontaminate 53 Bow Lane from a fallout of Gauloise and paper cups; and to Dave the Knee (briefly) apparently in no way related to Bentley of Wounded Knee. And congratulations to Lucy who appeared to have broken the DUA's game of a voluntary lunacy programme until they decided to change the rules and send her back to the front.

Meanwhile with winter here, 8.30. snow-bound starts and Jan 8 only how many hours away Jon-Jon? we return to our trials and they to us (ahum). M.M.

LAST POST BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Rosy Lee has left for Reading, leaving everybody to drink Ann's tea in peace. Steve is off to Gloucester for a week, while Marrietta will be leaving shortly for Ireland, although nobody is prepared to tell her what to do with her blouse with no buttons. Mr. Wright is at present building a corridor for the wheelbarrows in order to keep the diggers on the straight and narrow, and dynamic Dave has left the cess pits of Watling Court for the deeper, more exciting cess pits of the GPO.

Brian is noticeably absent at dinner times, which is probably just as well otherwise he would have finished off Fredrica's stilton soaked in port, which was hanging around after her delicious birthday party, only to be added to Claire's french wine, which came with her all the way from Province, (it's a hard life on GPO).

Chris has finally let her hair down and has left WAT'78 (much to Peter's disappointment), and Anny is thinking of opening a pub in her house in Roman Bath Lane now that she's stratigraphically getting to grips with her neighbours Marrietta and Simon.

MAJOR FIND BY MINØR FLUDE.

A section of Roman timber Quay, some 10 m. long, has appeared in Kevin Fludes TST78 near St. James, Garlic Hythe, and excavations in the Shaft just to the W. has uncovered another substantial segment lap joint n'all. This is the first ever discovery of a Roman Quay W. of the Walbrook!!!!!! although the recording is only possible in the lunch hour, Kevin, backed by the Trig Lane team, has rescued much valuable info inc. a series of Dendro samples with +100 growth rings - the cross-sections have to be seen to be believed.....

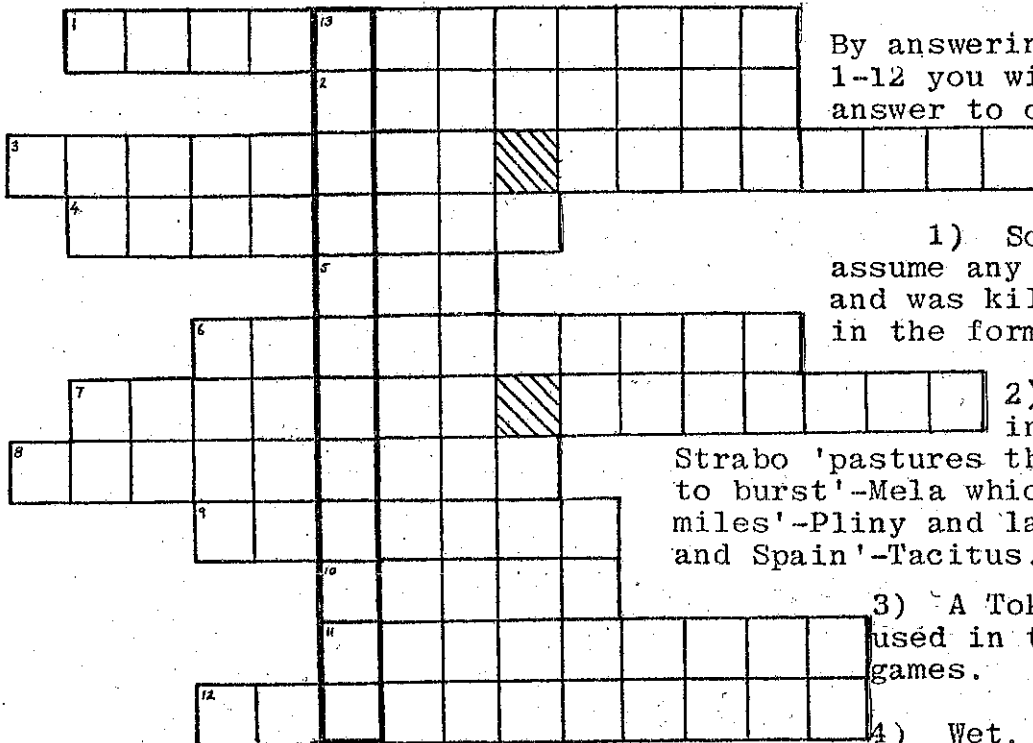
G.M.

CHRISTMAS CARBON CLASSICAL CROSSWORD

It's the chance of a lifetime, yes you could win a full weekend of solid digging on Watling Court-the luxurious multi-period site surrounded by a complex of disgusting office blocks, within easy spitting distance of St. Pauls. No expenses will be paid by us and you will be accommodated at the hotel of your choice and your expense. Cold germs spread like margarine on Watling Court and there is always the possibility of lock-jaw developing from the tea cups. So don't delay, write today. All you have to do is answer every question incorrectly and complete the sentence : 'I think Patrick Allen should be certified because.....' in not more than twelve sides of foolscap, and that lucky person could be you.

Second prize of a week on Watling Court contains all the bonuses of the first prize except that you must supply your own trowel.

50 runners-up will each receive an invitation to work all through the Christmas holiday, so if you don't like Billy Smarts Circus, send your answers on a self stamped addressed envelope today.



By answering all the questions 1-12 you will discover the answer to question 13.

1) Son of (4) who could assume any shape when fighting and was killed by Heracles while in the form of a fly.

2) The land of 'greedy incestuous cannibals'- Strabo 'pastures that caused the cattle to burst'-Mela which measured '80x100 miles'-Pliny and lay 'between Britain and Spain'-Tacitus.

3) A Token (often circular) used in the playing of games.

4) Wet, but destructive, brother of Zeus, who helped build the walls of Troy.

5) The chief imperial and official worship whose dedication fell on December 25th.

6) World famous Samian theorist of angular and numerical fame.

7) Prefect of Judaea and responsible for the condemnation of Jesus.

8) Anarchistic political leaders of Rome who challenged the Optimates.

9) A Germanic people who settled in the Baltic and have a relationship to the Stretford End.

10) A British tribe whose King Prasutagus' wife started a rebellion after the attempted suppression of independence by Roman officials in A.D.60.

11) A culture of the middle and late Bronze Age which gave Italy it's 'Dark earth'.

12) A collection of some 50 fabulous anecdotes from natural, mostly animal, history, of a moralizing and symbolical character.

- 13) Subject of the Edict of Milan in 313 A.D., which scored a victory at Chrysopolis in 324, and at the Council of Nicaea in 325 to go on to beat the Mediterranean world under Theodosius in order that we might celebrate Christmas.

FOR WHOM THE (LUTINE) BELL TOLLS

Due to a generous grant from Lloyds Insurance, the DUA has moved into the Lloyds Insurance Building to dig in the Basement and to use the facilities to wash the MLK 76 finds. Kevin, whose brother works for Lloyds, and Hester are digging 5 small areas totalling about 60 sq.m., all that was left untouched from the foundations of printing machines. Work so far has concentrated on the cut features, 2 pits may suggest an Industrial use for the site, one has a yellow mortar lining and a primary fill of charcoal and ash with Clinker in the backfill, this was cut by another pit with, apparently, a Med. bone Ice-skate in the Section. The second pit has a series of grey clay fills, which suggests by virtue of their cleanness and homogeneity that they are either successive clay linings or the remains of clay preparation, the pottery appears to be 11th. or 12th. cooking pot. A square pit may be a Well or soak-away and large square Post-Holes suggests the presence of a large building post-dating a large early Roman pit.

Sandra has a large hall for washing the Milk Street and Lloyds pot with the help of Volunteers who particularly like the clean, warm and spacious conditions, next to an Archaeological Site, to which they can relate their work. To stimulate their interest, Site tours, and a Slide-show lecture by Steve, explaining the background of their work on MLK 76 have taken place with the promise of a Film show history of Lloyds Insurance.

Working in the vicinity of Leadenhall Market has also been a pleasure, as the Market has the atmosphere of a friendly Village (I always thought they were a bunch of crooked.) the Architecture, and the tradesmen provide an old world charm when tradesmen were friendly and had pleasure in passing the time of day with you. The Arcade of the Lloyds building, built in 1928 is also worth a visit, and is being kept as it is scheduled.

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C14 BRITANNIAWIDE

'Private Eye' style lawsuits have been flying around Winchester as of late, since Ed Harris felt that Martin Biddle (our foundation stone) had rather boxed him in over the article he was about to publish on the great towns archaeology: Mr. Biddle threatened to sue him if he did so, to which Ed replied by suing him first for Censoring his right to publication. We have just heard that both have now decided to sue Radio Carbon for Publishing an article on the subject to which Radio Carbon are alledgedly threatening to Sue.

C14 Dave Bentley has just been accepted into Hareford Hospital near Uxbridge for an operation on his heart, I'm sure that Radio Carbon speaks for everybody in wishing him a very speedy recovery.

C14 Radio-Carbon would like to take this opportunity to comiserate with the 6 successful candidates for the short-term contract jobs with the DUA, frozen as they were after the job was offered. We would like to add that this unseemly action is deplored by this Radio Station

C14 So this is Stanley Baldwin signing off for another year, everybody here at Broadcasting House would like to wish everybody in the Unit a Merry Christmas and would just like to Closedown with a final look at the man at the top.....

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