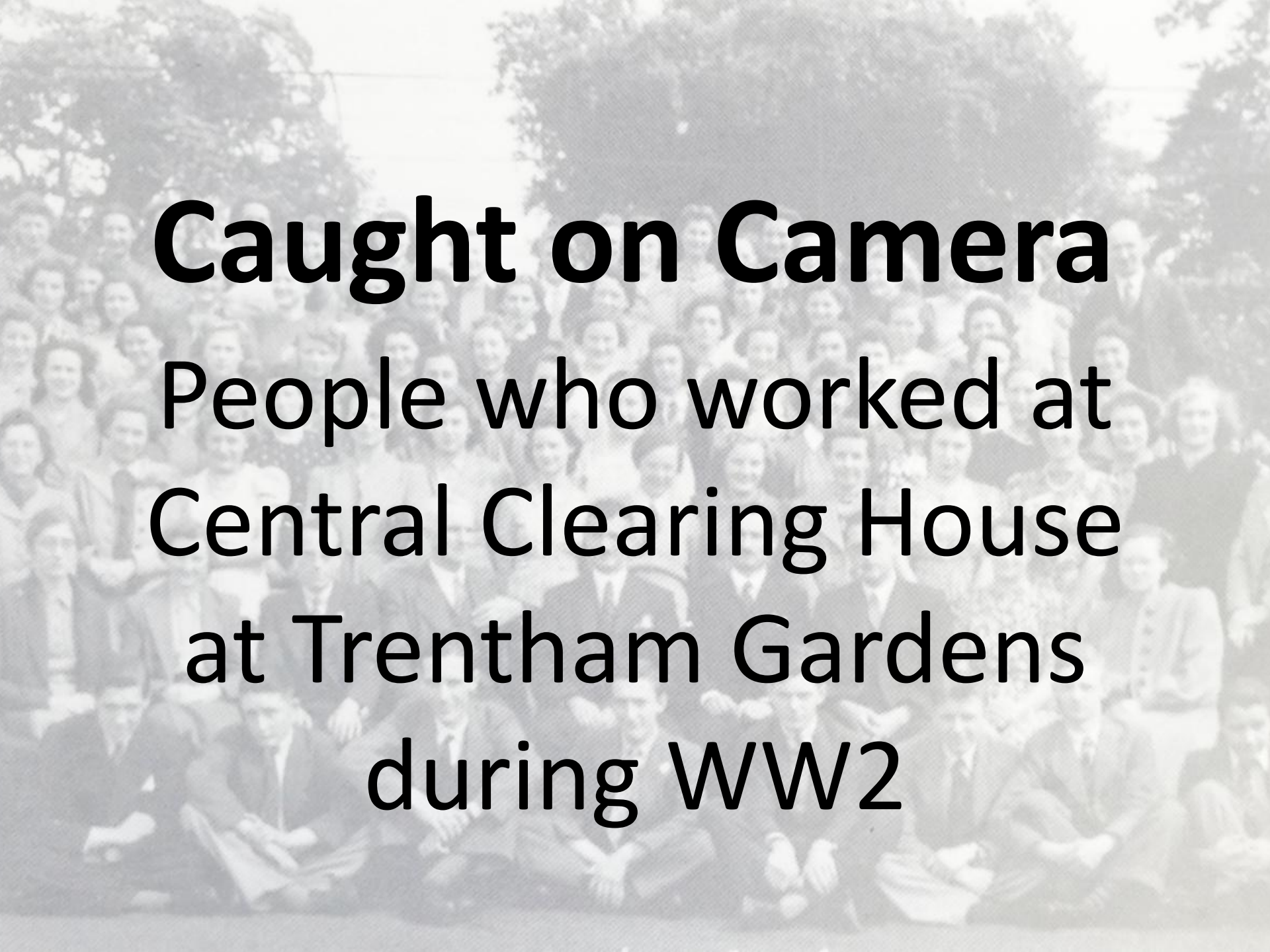




Caught on Camera

People who worked at
Central Clearing House
at Trentham Gardens
during WW2



The following images are taken from:

- Files built up by the Trentham Heritage Project from various sources, including the late Graham Bebbington
- A collection donated by Peter Skilbeck of images, taken by his father (Harold) Allen Skilbeck during his time at the Central Clearing House.

They are offered here without comments, names or dates, but they build up a picture of the working and social lives of the Central Clearing House staff during a time of war.

Working













Large group photos













Small group photos



















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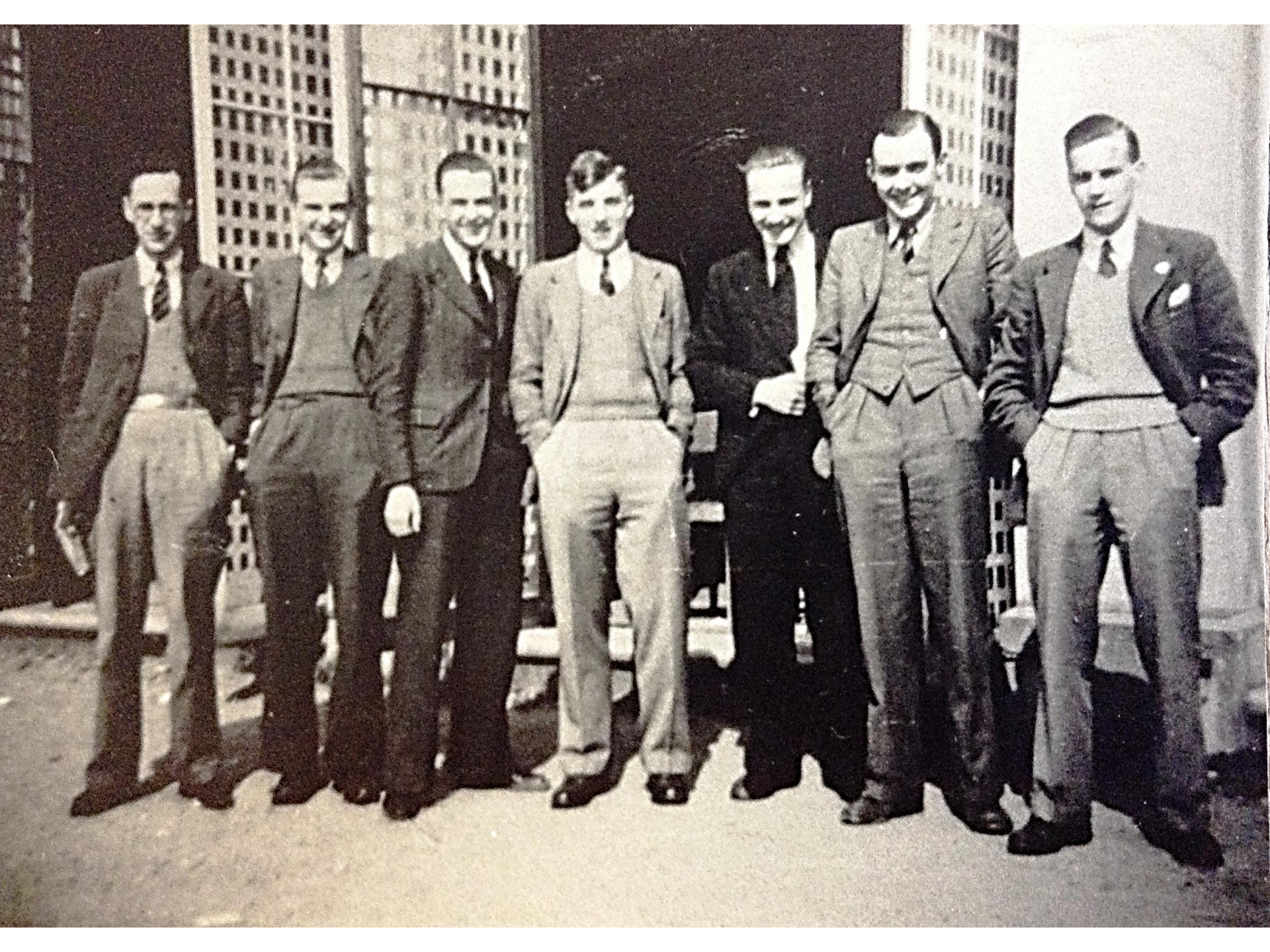


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W. SMALLWOOD, W. ANGIOLINI, J. FORREST.



A. W. MITCHELL, J. EMERY, R. BROOKS,
J. FORREST, W. J. ATTEWELL, W. R. COLLINS.





Sporting activities

TRENTHAM GARDENS SWIMMING POOL

The **Swimming Pool** will be RESERVED for the

"OUTCASTS"

Swimming Club Sports,
To-morrow, Tues., 2nd Sept.,
from 3.30 p.m. to 5.0 p.m.

The Public admitted as spectators on payment of usual charge

TRENTHAM SWIMMING GALA



The "Outcasts" annual swimming gala was held at the Trentham open-air bath. An assembly of competitors before the events.

SWIMMING GALA



SOME of the competitors at "the Outcasts" swimming gala, at Trentham yesterday.

TRENTHAM PARK GOLFERS

NEW TROPHY FOR CLUB

At the Trentham Park Golf Club annual dinner-dance, held at the Central Clearing House, Trentham Gardens, last night, it was announced that the Clearing House had presented a trophy to the club.

The trophy, which was on show, bears the inscription, "Presented by the Central Clearing House to the Trentham Park Golf Club, in appreciation of hospitality, 1939-1946."



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ATHLETIC MATCH AT STOKE



Group at an athletic match between the North Staffordshire Harriers and "The Outcasts." held on the Michelin Sports Club ground at Stoke last night.

Social activities

















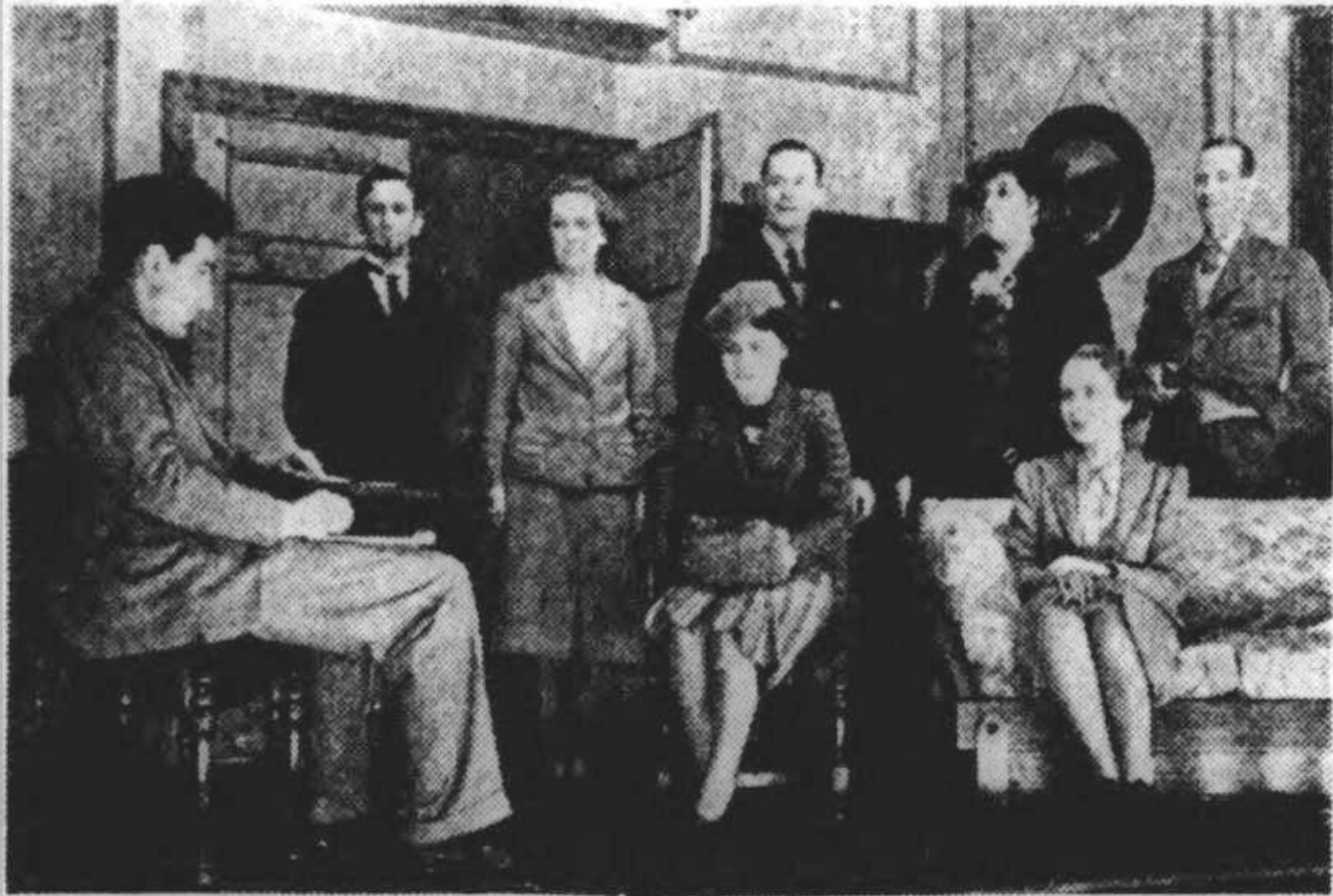






Entertainment

OUTCASTS DRAMA CLUB



Mr. Leonard Crainford (producer) with members of The Outcasts Drama Club, who are to present "Fresh Fields" at the Repertory Theatre, Shelton, next week.









To "Tom"
with best wishes for
Lady Lilian
Trenchard. April 1940

THE CONDUCTOR



Mr. ALFRED H. PINNINGTON, conductor of "The Outcasts" Choral Society, who are presenting a concert of Christmas music in the Victoria Hall, Hanley, on December 28th. From being a member of the famous choir of the Chapel Royal, St. James's Palace, Mr. Pinnington has become a talented and inspiring conductor.



Dr. Malcolm Sargent, who shortly leaves for an American tour, conducts the Ceramic City Choir's performance of Berlioz's "Damnation of Faust," in Hanley to-night. Here he is, at last night's choral rehearsal in the Victoria Hall, discussing points in the score with the Chorus Master (Mr. A. H. Pinnington).

Publication

The Outcast Magazine

Monthly articles, photos, drawings, contributed by the workers

The Outcast



Outcast Observer



VOLUME III. No. 12.

JUNE, 1946.

SIXPENCE

1940—1946.

The "Outcast Magazine" was inaugurated in February, 1940, to chronicle and to entertain as the medium of expression of nearly 1,000 "Outcasts" from the City of London who, by the exigency of war, found themselves in strange surroundings to carry on a vital national service.

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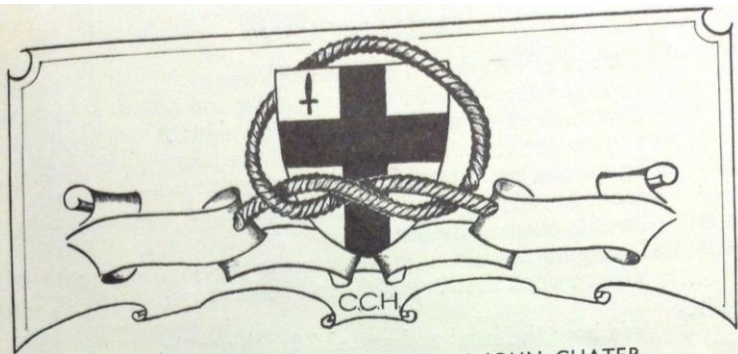
The Magazine itself has passed through as many vicissitudes of paper rationing, security regulations and rising costs of production. Though changes of style, size and price became necessary from time to time continuity of issue has remained unbroken, and with this number of the "Observer" has maintained monthly publication until the dissolution of the establishment which gave rise to its inception.

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The Contributors past and present whose valued efforts have served the community, the Printers who have given much time with and service to its production, and the Editors past and present all desire to express their gratitude to readers for their support and encouragement through the years, and it is their valedictory message to wish all Members the best of luck for the future wherever they may be.

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EDITORIAL.

"Curiouser and curiouser," remarked Alice, as she wandered in Wonderland.

Do you, gentle reader, harbour a similar thought as you explore the pages of this first number of "The Outcast" magazine?

We make no apology for adding yet another publication to a well-stocked market: rather do we glory in an achievement calculated to preserve for all time an historical record of an outstanding development in banking life and practice.

To those members of His Majesty's Civil Service who are our fellow "Outcasts" and to all the charming Staffordshire ladies who have filled the gaps left by colleagues recalled to London, we give cordial greeting. May their sojourn among us be a happy one and ensure for us all a memory of true comradeship which Time shall not dim nor age decay!

Within these pages, month by month, will be presented a picture of community life at Trentham but to attain this end we rely entirely upon the ready co-operation of you all.

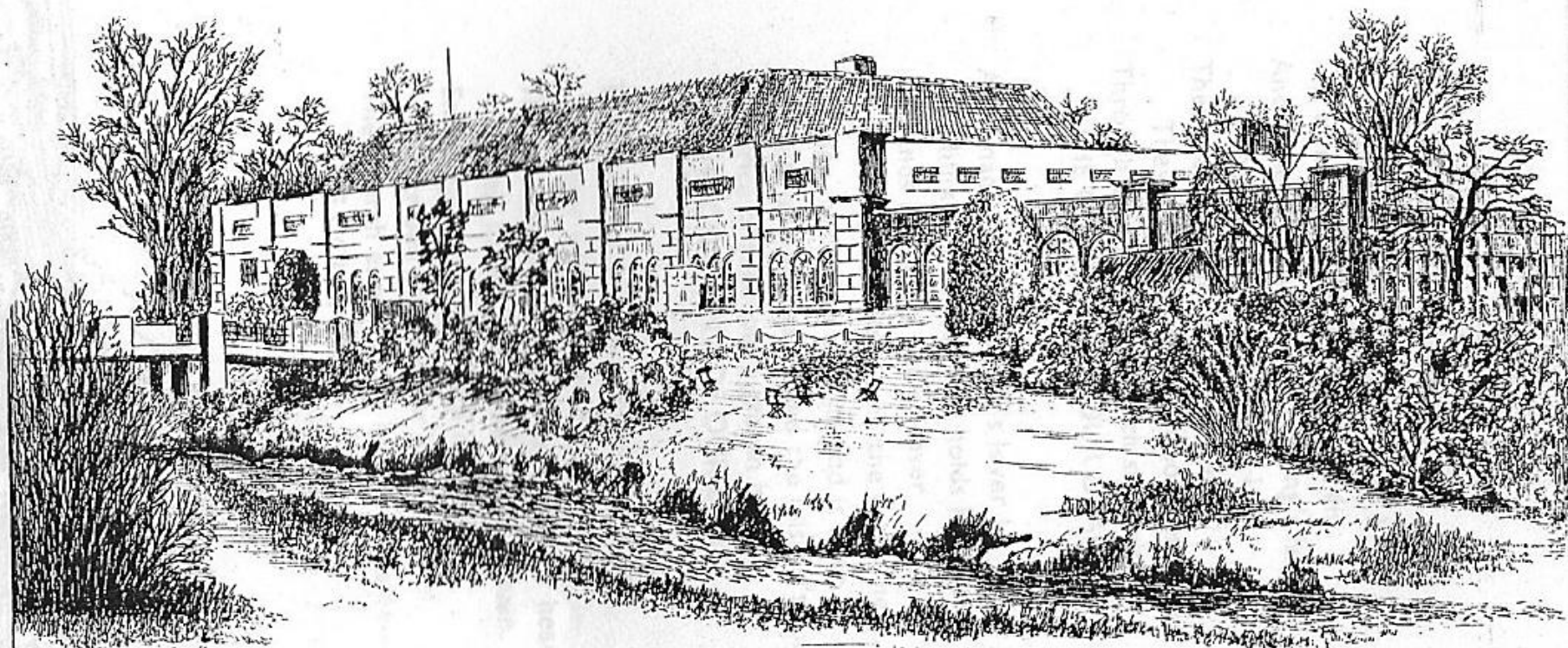
"Get going," Outcasts! Shake up the old "grey matter!" See to it that your own magazine lacks neither good material nor smart ideas. John Emery and F. C. Bovis have given us an excellent start in the fine cover and Sports Section designs but in order to encourage those who feel a little diffident at expressing themselves on paper, a prize of TWO GUINEAS will be awarded for the best original contribution received by April 30th. Existing contributors and those not actually employed in the Central Clearing House may not compete nor will reports of social or sports activities rank for this award.

Contributions should be typed or written on one side of the paper only and must be signed with a *nom-de-plume*. A sealed envelope, marked with this *nom-de-plume*, must accompany each entry and contain a slip indicating the name and bank of the author. All entries must be handed to the various banks' representatives and the Editors reserve the right to publish any or all MSS. so received.

So once again, boys and girls, we say "Get going" . . .

"IT'S UP TO YOU!"





The Ball Room Genthorn Gardens

HOUSE PERSONALITIES.



Sandy

H. Davis

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Janet







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If you have any photos from your family album of this place at this time, please share them in the Facebook group *Trentham 100 years ago* or contact us trenthamheritage@gmail.com



**THE BANKERS' CLEARING HOUSE
WAS TRANSFERRED TO
TRENTHAM GARDENS FOR
THE DURATION OF THE 1939/45 WAR
AND IN COMMEMORATION THIS STATUE
WAS PRESENTED ON BEHALF OF THE
COMMITTEE OF LONDON CLEARING
BANKERS BY SIR ERIC FAULKNER ON
24TH. FEBRUARY 1976**