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THE COLLEGE

St Antony's is a postgraduate college which specialises in the inter-disciplinary study of Europe, Russia and the other successor states of the former Soviet Union, the Middle East, Africa, Japan, South and Southeast Asia, China and Latin America. Fellows of the College are specialists in modern history, language and literature, politics, economics, anthropology, sociology and international relations. Visiting and Research Fellows, as well as Senior Associate Members, complement the Fellowship. Junior Members of the College are men and women working for higher degrees of the University.

The corporate designation of the College is 'The Warden and Fellows of St Antony's College in the University of Oxford'. Its foundation was made possible by a gift of the late Antonin Besse of Aden, a leading merchant of French nationality. Provisional arrangements for the foundation of the College were made by a decree passed by Congregation on 21 September 1948. On 30 May 1950 a further decree bestowed on the College the status of a New Foundation. Its main functions were then defined: '(a) to be a centre of advanced study and research in the fields of modern international history, philosophy, economics and politics; (b) to provide an international centre within the University where graduate students from all over the world can live and work together in close contact with senior members of the University who are specialists in their field; (c) to contribute to the general teaching of the University, especially in the fields of modern history and politics.'

In Michaelmas Term 1950 the College opened its doors on the Woodstock Road in a former Anglican convent built in the 1860s which had hitherto been used by the University as a graduate hostel. Today, many of the academic facilities, the Library and the administration of the College can be found in the old convent, now known as the Main Building. In 1970 the newly built Hilda Besse Building was opened. Named after the wife of the Founder, herself a benefactress of the College, the Besse Building houses the Hall, Common Rooms, Buttery and other rooms for College functions. In 1993 a new building was opened, housing a new Lecture Theatre as well as the Nissan Institute of Japanese Studies and the Bodleian Japanese Library. And in 2000, the College's 50th anniversary year, the Founder's Building, containing extra accommodation and teaching space and named in honour of Antonin Besse, was inaugurated by HRH The Princess Royal. Other College properties, both within and beyond the curtilage, include the centres for regional studies, student residences and the Warden's lodgings.

The original body of the College consisted of the Warden, the Sub-Warden, the Bursar and seven students. Soon, the College grew and became recognised by the University and beyond. On 1 April 1953 a Charter of Incorporation was granted, and the Statutes of the College were approved by the Queen in Council. On 2 October 1962 a Supplementary Charter was granted to enable the College to admit women as well as men. On 21 May 1963 a statute was passed in Congregation making the College a full College of the University, and this was approved by the Queen in Council on 20 December 1963. The body of the College consists of the Warden, the Bursar, some forty Fellows, about 470 students and, at any time, more than 120 Senior Members.

The name, St Antony's, was chosen for the group set up to create the new College, the St Antony's Foundation, and intended to allude to the name of the Founder. For many years there was some ambiguity about whether the patron saint was St Antony the Abbot (17 January) or St Antony of Padua (13 June). When in 1961 the College was persuaded by one of its members that St Antony the Abbot was more appropriate, it decided also that the College flag should be flown on both saints' days. Nine years earlier, in 1952, the College coat of arms had been designed in the colours of the Red Sea (Red) and desert sands (Gold) with mullets borrowed from Antonin Besse's trade mark and crosses of St Antony the Abbot: Or on a chevron between three tau crosses gules as many pierced mullets of the field.

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COLLEGE AFFAIRS**Report by the Warden on the Academic Year 2007-08**

As I look back over my first year as Warden, my first thought is how fortunate I have been to take over my post at such an interesting and lively College with its distinguished Fellowship, outstanding students from all over the world, and, last but not least, its highly efficient administration. I am immensely indebted to my predecessors, most recently Sir Marrack Goulding and Professor Roger Goodman who have built such a strong institution. They have made my first months much easier than I expected. I am also fortunate in the senior staff: the Bursar, Allan Taylor; the Domestic Bursar, Peter Robinson; the Librarian, Rosamund Campbell; the Registrar, Margaret Couling; the Computing Manager, Ray Allen; the Accountant, Fiona Shickle; and the Development Director, Emma Tracy, and all those who report to them.

I have been impressed, as who could not be, by the range of academic activities at the College and the way in which our Fellows participate in the public discussion of issues of the day. Our seven centres, as their separate records show, mount lively programmes. The College, as it always has, reaches out to the wider world; we bring in speakers from other worlds such as government and business. In the past year, to pick out just a few examples from the fuller reports elsewhere, speakers have included Dora Bakoyannis, the Foreign Minister of Greece, José Manuel Barroso, President of the European Union Commission, Professor Shlomo Ben-Ami, the former Israeli foreign minister, and Sari Nusseibeh, the Palestinian philosopher. Our Fellows maintain a strong record of teaching, publishing and lecturing and continue to gather awards and honours. Again to take only a few examples, Paul Collier has been awarded the CBE and has won several prizes for his book, *The Bottom Billion*, including the Arthur Ross Gold Medal from the Council on Foreign Relations. Vivienne Shue, Director of the Contemporary China Studies Programme, has been elected a Fellow of the British Academy and Sir Adam Roberts, an Honorary Fellow, has been elected for a four-year term as its President. The University continues to show its appreciation of our Fellows by recruiting them for its own administration. Professor Roger Goodman is the new head of the Social Sciences Division and Professor Joe Foweraker is moving from the Latin American Centre to take up the leadership of the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies. Dr Philip Robins has been elected as a Proctor.

Two of our Governing Body Fellows retired this year, both of them from the Latin American Centre. Rosemary Thorp has been University Reader in Economics since 1979 and has taught several generations of Latin American economists. Her pioneering work in Peru's economic history has made a major contribution to our understanding of that country and has won her an international reputation. She has also devoted a great deal of time to Oxfam serving recently as the chair of its board of trustees. Malcolm Deas was elected University Lecturer in Politics and Government of Latin America in 1966 and was a founding member of the Centre for Latin American Studies. He too has taught generations of Latin American scholars. He is one of the world's leading experts on the history and politics of Colombia and has been awarded that country's highest civilian honour, the Cruz de Boyaca, as well as the OBE. David Washbrook, the Reader in South Asian

Studies, has not retired but has moved to Cambridge to become a Senior Research Fellow at Trinity College. We are pleased that he is maintaining his connection with the College as a Visiting Fellow.

In the past year, two new Fellows joined Governing Body. Sho Konishi, a member of the Nissan Centre for Japanese Studies, is the University Lecturer in Modern Japanese History. He did his doctorate at the University of Chicago and his areas of interest are cultural, intellectual and transnational history. Rachel Murphy is University Lecturer in the Sociology of China. She did her doctorate at Cambridge and works on the sociology of China with a particular interest in population and development. Governing Body also elected a new Honorary Fellow, Sir James Craig, a distinguished Arabist and a leading expert on the Middle East.

I am sad to report the loss of one of our Emeritus Fellows, Geoffrey Lewis, who died in February 2008. A distinguished scholar of Turkish and modern Turkey, Professor Lewis was a Research Fellow at St Antony's from 1961 to 1965 and a Governing Body Fellow from 1965 to 1987. You will find his obituary later in the Record.

Students

In the autumn of 2007, we admitted 188 new students with significant numbers specialising in politics, economics, development studies, and area and regional studies. Over a third are going directly into DPhil programmes and over a quarter are doing two-year MPhils. As is appropriate for such an international College, they come from 53 different countries from Australia to Zimbabwe. The students run a very effective Welcome Week at the start of Michaelmas Term and put on a full programme of social, sporting and other events during the year which help to build a strong community spirit. The JCR has provided a fuller account of its activities below.

Administration

There have been a number of changes both in the personnel and the organization of the College administration. Dr Philip Robins has been succeeded as Senior Tutor by Dr Nandini Goptu. Dr David Johnson continues as Dean and Tutor for Admissions and has handled both the routine and special demands of his post with great efficiency. Dr Mark Rebick has completed a two-year term on the Management Executive Team as the Governing Body Delegate for Finance and will be succeeded by Dr Carol Leonard. Professor Paul Collier has completed his term as Sub-Warden and will be succeeded by Professor Avi Shlaim. My thanks to all who are stepping down for their invaluable service in these important posts.

Finances

While the College's finances remain something we watch carefully, the picture is better than in the past. We hope to end the 2007/8 financial year with a slight surplus and in 2008/9 we expect to benefit from the settlement which has finally been reached between the University and the Conference of Colleges on the new formula for distributing government funding. The Collegiate Funding Formula, as it is known, continues to provide support for undergraduate education but it now recognizes and provides incentives for graduate teaching and research.

In addition we have had a number of successes in fundraising. The College now has a full-time Development Director and I am devoting a considerable amount of my time to fundraising. We are working to increase both the amount of the Annual Fund and the number of its donors. In the past year we have received several large donations for specific purposes. These include scholarships from the Nona and William Heaslip Foundation worth up to £25,000 per year for a student from my old institution, Trinity College, to study at St Antony's and from Joseph Sassoon to support a DPhil student; the Centre for Lebanese Studies are supporting a Visiting Fellow and we have received an endowment for a Fellowship which will be awarded annually in memory of Sir Siegmund Warburg to an intellectual of distinction whose specialisation or academic research is in one of the College's areas of interest. Lady Iona Wright, widow of Sir Dennis Wright, former Honorary Fellow, remembered the College in her will, adding to Sir Dennis' generous bequest. Our Centres have also attracted funds to support their work: CVC Partners have donated £25,000 to the new Russian Library; the Centre for the Study of African Economies has received a grant of £100,000 from the Oppenheimer Foundation. The Middle East Centre held a successful fundraising campaign in connection with its Gaudy and established two new scholarships: the Hourani scholarship and the Hadid scholarship; and the MELCOM project received a grant of £5,000 from BP for a library conference.

Building projects

The College has an overall master plan to enhance its amenities and to build within its curtilage. At present, we are renovating and restoring the Russian and Eurasian Studies Library which, when it is completed in Michaelmas Term 2008, will provide much needed space for its collection and for study and seminars. The new Middle East Centre building, designed by the world-famous architect Zaha Hadid, is wending its way, so far with success, through the Oxford planning process. Governing Body has recently approved the designs for two new Gateway Buildings along the Woodstock Road frontage and their planning process is underway. When completed, the Gateway Buildings will provide office and student accommodation space and will help to create a new quadrangle and a more dignified entrance to the College than the present one.

University

The University has launched a major fundraising campaign with a target of £1.25 billion. The College has been working closely with the University to identify collaborative projects and potential sources of funding. One issue which has proved contentious from time to time is how to determine who has the right to approach potential donors first. As a guideline, each College manages development communications for its own graduates, and the University Development Office leads on approaches to non-matriculated potential donors; but it is less clear when it comes to people who have been associated with the College in other capacities. St Antony's is unusual among the colleges in that it has a significant number of Senior Associate Members, Visiting Fellows or simply those who take an interest in the work we do here and we would like the opportunity to approach some of these before the University does. The protocols remain to be worked out in detail although relations between the College and the University remain generally good and amicable.

The replacement for John Hood, the Vice-Chancellor, has been announced. Professor Andrew Hamilton, currently the Provost of Yale University, will take up his position in

2009. Reaction to the news of his appointment has generally been enthusiastic across the University. Two other developments may also affect the College. Work is starting on the Radcliffe Infirmary site (now renamed, not entirely to everyone's satisfaction, the Radcliffe Observatory Quarter) and the first buildings scheduled are for the Humanities Division. The move of Humanities to the site will, we hope, benefit the College by bringing faculty and students working in areas of interest to us closer. The Humanities Division is also proposing a centre of Advanced Study for visiting scholars. For the time being, the College's reaction is undecided since such a centre could act as a complement or as competition to our own activities. I and the heads of several of the other North Oxford Colleges have started to meet as a group to discuss these and other matters of common interest.

If I can sum up my feelings at the end of what has been for me a year full of events, meetings, and simply learning the job, they are relief that I am still standing and that my liver is still intact and gratitude that I am part of such a marvellous place and have such very good and helpful colleagues.

Margaret MacMillan

From the Bursar

To many people Oxford colleges are a symbol of continuity. They do not expect them to change. However in the last academic year St Antony's experienced a major change; as I warned in my last report it was the end of an era. I am referring, of course, to Jill Flitter's retirement. Jill joined the College in June 1986 so was College Secretary for over 21 years. Known to students as Mrs Flitter, many of them have told me with gratitude of the understanding with which she helped them with the difficulties of life at Oxford. She had an encyclopaedic knowledge of students and if I mentioned a name she could give me a very useful resumé of that student's career without the need to consult their file. Jill made a major contribution to the College over many years. We are very grateful to her for that and wish her well in what is clearly going to be a very busy retirement.

As you would expect a lot of thought and consultation went into deciding how we should replace Jill. We decided to establish an integrated office responsible for Senior Members, students and general administration with a structure that would give students a 'one-stop shop' and maximum availability of help. We created a new post of College Registrar to manage this office and were very fortunate to recruit Margaret Couling who used to work in student admissions at the LSE. We also recruited Rachael Scalf who joined Gillian Crook as an Assistant College Registrar. These three are supported by three part-time administrators: Julie Irving, the daughter of Mike Dean our last but one Head Porter, who deals with Senior Members, Grace Sewell who looks after Governing Body and Management Executive Team papers and Mary West who does general and student administration. These changes were cost neutral.

Jill was not the only member of staff to leave during the last year. Janet Pearson, whose last position was Senior Members' Administrator but who also worked at the

European Studies Centre and the Library during her time with the College, left in October. Graham Jowett, the College Accountant, left in February to take up a similar post at Worcester College. Also in the Accounts Office, Joan Yardy retired after fourteen years. In the Library, Hilary Maddicott retired after over 17 years although we still frequently see her as she is working on a special project cataloguing Sir William Deakin's books which have been given to the College. In the Domestic Bursary, Sam Walker and José Gomes left the Kitchen and Glyn Bounden left Housekeeping. Finally, Ken Wilkinson left the Lodge after more than ten years, the first porter to leave in nearly seven years. We thank them all for their contribution to the College and wish them well.

Another area of change is the College site. Work is now well under way on refurbishing the Russian Library. We are discovering the hard way that such a project can be a lot more difficult than a new build on a self-contained site and are very grateful to Fellows, staff and students for their tolerance of the disruption. The improvement in facilities will make all the difficulties seem worthwhile. In addition we have during the year applied for planning permission for the extension to the Middle East Centre designed by Zaha Hadid. Finally, Governing Body has agreed that we should apply for planning permission for two buildings on the Woodstock Road frontage. These will include a Porters' Lodge, 54 student bedrooms, administrative offices, a meeting room and a Senior Members' workroom. This project will make a significant difference to the College community by increasing the number of students living on site. It will also ensure that what we can offer to applicants is competitive with other colleges despite the considerable investment in graduate facilities being made by many undergraduate colleges.

The financial results for the year ended 31 July 2007 were good. The surplus shown by our published accounts was £301,000. It was the fifth successive year in which we have shown a surplus. It was heartening that we managed to achieve our objective of increasing maintenance expenditure by a much needed further 20%, an increase in the year of £51,000. The results were good because expenditure was well controlled and the permitted withdrawal from the General Endowment increased because of market movements.

Since then, however, we have moved into a more difficult financial environment. Markets showed the first signs of increased volatility and declining values not long before July 2007; since then volatility and reduced values have become well established features. In addition we are facing increasing levels of inflation for employment costs, energy, food and maintenance. For example University pay awards and pension contribution increases mean that the employment costs of most staff will increase by more than 9% in 2008/9 compared to 2007/8. None of our income is increasing at that rate. As a result at best we expect to break even in 2008/9.

I would also like to thank the students for their contribution to the College. The JCR, now under Bryony Green's leadership, does an enormous amount for our community particularly during Welcome Week. The activities which they organise not just then but throughout the year, their support of the College and their ideas are all much appreciated.

Allan Taylor

The Junior Common Room

The cause for most vocal celebration this year for the St Antony's JCR has been our first-ever victory of the MCR football League this year. We started the season as relegation battlers, but managed an unbeaten run of games that secured us the league title in the very last match. While we have a sterling reputation in the social and cultural spheres, our all-graduate college is not really renowned for sporting achievements, which made our victory even sweeter. Beyond the achievement itself, the victory awarded new students (both players and the amazing supporters) a sense of belonging to the college and amazing team memories. The rowing, as usual, provided similar entertainment. As in past years, the college was successful at Torpids. The Men's First VIII won blades, bumping five times in four days, moving up a division (now number 8 in Division 4). The Men's Second VIII boat bumped twice (now number 7 in Division 6). The Women's First VIII bumped three out of the four days (now number 3 in Division 3).

Fostering the intellectual community in the College is also of key importance to the JCR. We have tried to achieve this by organising informal lunches that bring together Fellows and students to discuss interesting topics related to academic subjects. The JCR has hosted a number of faculty lunches where Warden Margaret MacMillan shared her thoughts on the challenges faced by women in academia and Professor Archie Brown discussed Soviet-British relations, the history of Sovietology at St Antony's, and the role played by St Antony's and its Fellows at the end of the Cold War. STAIR (The St Antony's International Review) also continued to enhance the intellectual life of the college releasing another two issues: 'Religion and World Order' and 'The Politics of Human Trafficking', making it six editions of the journal in total.

A new initiative we are proud to announce is the establishment of the St Antony's Women's Committee, which offers a lively space for women to interact, socialise and dialogue on a range of diverse issues. While in its infancy, this committee is already highly active, with programmes planned throughout the term. Another pioneering project is our new Fellows Drinking Plan (what a great name!), which offers a limited number of small subsidies to students who wish to take a Fellow out for coffee or a pint. Through this small gesture, we hope to offer a more convivial context for one-on-one conversations between graduates and Fellows, thus creating a greater sense of community between all members of St Antony's. Not so new, but equally community-building, are our writing tutorials. The writing service, which was established in 2003, continued unabated. The tutors provide an especially valuable service to the College's large population of second- or third-language English speakers who may need assistance to improve their prose, and find being able to support their peers in this way very rewarding.

An enduring feature of St Antony's is our seemingly innate ability as a college to create great reasons to play hard as we work hard. We have had an action-packed social year with popular events varying from potluck dinners to poker evenings, karaoke idols to salsa nights, football in London to formal dinners. And, of course, our legendary bops live on. The Australian Bop earlier this Hilary term proved particularly successful for both the Australians (who left the party less clad than they had arrived), and the rest of us (who left with wonderful Facebook blackmail material!)

It is precisely this threefold thriving of the scholastic, sporting and socialising arenas that makes St Antony's such an amazing home to its students. From incredible discussions on international politics to football, yoga and rowing to coffee in the CCR, brewing your own beer or a less time-consuming drink in the Late Bar, St Antony's provides something (and often too much!) for everyone. Part of the reason for this is the amazing work done by ever-diligent and cheerful Antonians, such as Giselle Aris, Allegra Funsten, Karlin Younger, Frederik Beelitz, Stefano Caria, Janice Winter, Laura Valadez, Diarmuid Torney, Michiel Paris, Penelope Julian, Sarah Hannan, Adam Berry, Thais Bessa, Dominik Piech, Elisabeth Becker, Emanuela Paoletti, Heather Kincaide, Charlotte Bruckerman, Joseph Rowsell and Milos Damnjanovic, among many others. To all of them, my heartfelt thanks. As Thomas J Peters exclaimed, "Celebrate what you want to see more of." There was much to celebrate this year at St Ants, and there is much to look forward to in the 2008/2009 academic year. The JCR is looking to make the most of it!

Bryony Green

The Library

The College Library, comprising the Main Library and the library of the Russian and Eurasian Studies Centre, together with the associated libraries of the Middle East Centre and the Latin American Centre, contain over 100,000 volumes, and subscribe to over 200 journals and newspapers, the collections reflecting the major disciplinary interests of the College.

The Main Library reading rooms occupy what were formerly the chapel, refectory and chapter house of the first Anglican convent, the Society of the Holy and Undivided Trinity. It holds the general collections in modern history, politics, international relations, economics and development studies, and the regional collections on Europe and Asia. The western language collections on Russia and the former USSR are also in the Main Library, while the Slavonic language material on these areas and the Eastern European countries are in the Russian and Eurasian Studies Centre library. Archival holdings at the College include an extensive collection at the Middle East Centre of private papers and photographs from diplomats, businessmen and others who worked or travelled in the Middle East. The Main Library's archives include a number of collections of private papers relating to twentieth century Europe, of particular importance being those of Sir John Wheeler-Bennett.

While the primary aim of the College Library as a whole is to serve the needs of members of the College, the area studies centres fulfil a wider role in providing facilities to all members of the University whose studies come within their orbit; they also, under certain conditions, admit other scholars. The Main Library also admits a number of researchers from outside the College to use its unique material, in particular those on the Third Reich and fascist Italy.

We were very sad to have to bid farewell to Hilary Maddicott on her retirement in November after nearly eighteen years as Assistant Librarian. Happily she was willing

not to shake the dust of the library from her feet altogether, and so we were delighted to have her return in January to work part-time on the Sir William Deakin bequest. Her extensive knowledge of the existing collections and her cataloguing expertise have proved invaluable in this project.

In the spring we were hosts to a conference of sixty librarians from Oxford and Cambridge colleges, the first ever held. The occasion went off nicely and St Antony's was properly complimented on its library, conference facilities and catering. It was all accounted such a success that Cambridge will host a return match next year. The retroconversion of the pre-1990 catalogues holdings has continued through the year; the records for all the Reading Room loan collections are now online and work is now being concentrated on the stack holdings.

We are very grateful for donations received during the past year, including gifts from: Dr M Badawi; J Brunstedt; Lady Bullard; Dr M Butora; Professor J Caplan; Dr L Carter; Catholic University of Lublin; R Chenciner; Dr G Cheung; Dr J Clifton; Geneva Centre for Security Policy; Sir Marrack Goulding; Profesor K Hardach; Dr M Hauner; Professor WR Louis; Iverach Macdonald bequest; Dr M Macmillan; Dr S Mennell; Nuffield College Library; Oxford Institute for Energy Studies; Professor R Pommerin; Program in Intrastate Conflict; Professor V Rittberger; the Ryhajlo family; Professor R Service; Slavic Research Center, Hokkaido University; Dr D Spilker; Professor M Szöllösi-Janze; Dr S Tsang; EB Weaver; Dr J Wright; Dr I Yi.

Rosamund Campbell

The St Antony's Series

This long-established series publishes manuscripts by authors who are members of the College or associated with it as students, visiting members, or in other ways. While the editor and the committee play an important role in soliciting books and in making academic recommendations, the final decision on proposals is made by Palgrave/Macmillan who also generally require external reviewers and are increasingly guided by the commercial viability of books. This policy has significantly reduced the number of books published annually. The board meets once a year to consider broader strategies; editorial decisions are taken as individual manuscripts are received.

During the last academic year the board included William Beinart, Nandini Gooptu, Jane Caplan, Alex Pravda, Jan Zielonka and Rosemary Foot. The Warden joined us for the annual meeting. This was not well attended but included an interesting discussion about the possibility of commissioning a series of interdisciplinary edited books on different regions in which St Antony's fellows have expertise.

Michael Strang is now handling the series at Palgrave/Macmillan.

We continue to have a good rate of submissions, mostly dealing with recent history and politics. About twelve proposals have been considered since last year, and about six are

likely to go through to the contract stage. We are also hoping to publish paperbacks of a couple of those which have sold well.

The copies of books in the series that have previously been stored in the Warden's office are to be moved to the Senior Common Room.

Books recently published, in the press or contracted include:

- Clogg: *Bearing Gifts to Greeks*
- Lankina et al: *Local Governance in Central and Eastern Europe*
- Bernini: *Family Life and Individual Welfare in Postwar Europe*
- Tzanakis: *Women and Nationalism in the Making of Modern Greece*
- Belopolsky: *Russian Relations with Challenger States*
- Anastasakis and Koppa: *Democratization in the Balkans*
- Bunse: *Smaller States and EU Governance*
- Thorun: *Russian Foreign Policy and Changing Attitudes to the West*
- Golani: *End of the British Mandate in Palestine*
- Marquand: *Development Aid in Siberia*
- Li Chen Sim: *Rise and Fall of Privatization in the Russian Oil Industry*
- Rangsimapor: *Russia as Aspiring Great Power in East Asia*
- Milner: *Refugees, the State and the Politics of Asylum in Africa*
- Myburgh: *Thabo Mbeki and the ANC in South Africa*
- Otkem, Kerslake and Robins: *Turkey's Engagement with Modernity*
- Lidstrom and Loughlin: *Territorial Governance in Europe*

William Beinart (General Editor)

SPECIAL ARTICLES

Mr Malcolm Deas' farewell speech given at the Governing Body dinner on 16 June 2008

My departing speech at dinner on 16 June was delivered from notes. This is what I recollect saying:

A speech?

Last week at the Latin American Centre I thought it better to offer a poem, so I have looked for another, and I thought I had found one with this:

“It is Christmas Day in the Workhouse
And the cold bare walls are bright
With garlands of green and holly
And the place is a pleasant sight:
For with clean-washed hands and faces,
In a long and hungry line
The paupers sit at the tables
For this is the hour they dine –

And the guardians and their ladies
Although the wind is east,
Have come in their furs and wrappers
To watch their charges feast ...”¹

So far, so good, very apt; alas, then it drifts off the point. Still, it does for a start, it sets the mood ...

Forty-two years I have been here, man and boy, which in a ten minute speech means fifteen seconds per year. Under five Wardens - that means a maximum two minutes per Warden. But then there are eleven Bursars of one sort or another, which would mean if I just concentrated on them, less than a minute per Bursar. Work it out! And then there are the Fellows, scores of them, and then the University ... No time at all for them, or for that?

Best get on, start with Wardens. They are all over town, lots of them when you come to think about it. Our own, relatively austere, don't cost all that much, so perhaps it was a bit unfair what came to me in the still watches of the night, when thinking about what to say on this occasion, which is the sort of thing one thinks about in the watches of the night...

1. 'In the Workhouse, Christmas Day', from A. Calder-Marshall, ed., "Prepare to shed them now." *The Ballads of George R. Sims*, London, 1968.

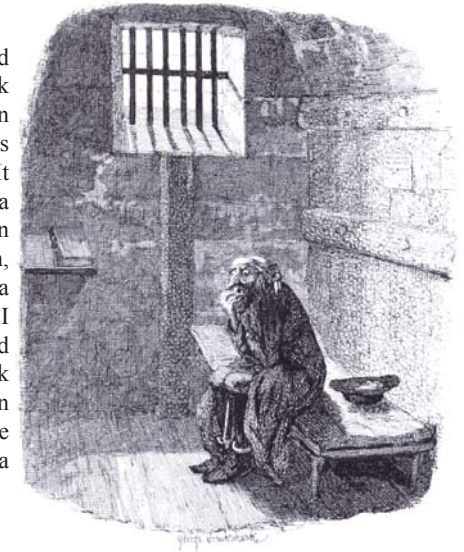
An adaptable trope from David Lloyd George kept coming into my mind. He was referring to Dukes, but my version would go: “A fully-equipped Warden costs as much as a Dreadnought...”, He compared the two expenditures for the purposes of the defence of the realm, to the disadvantage of Dukes. Of course, apart from a passing mania for re-decorating bathrooms, our Wardens have not cost so much, but the naval analogy still pursued me... I thought of the Dreadnoughts at Jutland, and as the fantasy took hold I cast myself as Admiral Beatty, directing the battle and dismayed and frustrated by their erratic gunnery: “Something wrong with our bloody ships today”, he was heard to mutter. On a number of occasions, I thought, thinking of Wardens, had I not been tempted to mutter something similar ...

Perhaps I was hasty in the heat of the engagement. So, all is forgiven, the College is still afloat.

On to Bursars. I have made a long study of them. My first encounter with the Bursar of St Antony's was indeed traumatic.

In 1966 I arrived at St Antony's from All Souls College. There one could lead a life of luxury. One could lift the telephone in one's room - a heavy black telephone, with proper braided cord, of the sort you don't see nowadays - and order up a dozen claret or burgundy, and the wine would be brought by a scout in black jacket and pinstripe trousers, in one of those special baskets, and one did not even have to sign a chit. The system had its costs of course, and every couple of decades a manciple or steward might have to serve a term for embezzlement, but then everything has its costs ... Then there was tea, choice of China or Indian, and fruitcake, and the Warden going round the place determined to see that the Fellows did as little work as possible, and the vast expenditure on maintenance, and the beauty of the place ... But All Souls did not pay.

The Bursar of St Antony's showed me to my room. It was at the back of a house leased by the College in Canterbury Road, and had been a butler's pantry, or a place for cleaning boots. It was long, narrow and dark, lit only by a barred window high up on its northern wall. The carpet, in bursarial mud-green, was scarred by the cigarette burns left by a previous occupant. Deferential though I then was towards Bursars, I was shocked enough to summon up the courage to ask “Is there nothing available better than this?” “No,” he replied, “You'll have to have it. It's not good enough for a student.”



(Here I passed around the accompanying Cruikshank illustration of Fagin in the Condemned Cell, which captures both my feelings and my surroundings at that time.)

No wonder I took to the study of Bursars. Again, thinking at night of what to do in retirement, an idea of niche publishing came to me. There are a good many Bursars in the land, and there is no current series of attractive titles that might appeal to the reading men among them. I have come up with a few:

- A Field Guide to British Bursars
- 101 Things a Bursar Can Do
- The Dangerous Book for Bursars

Then, perhaps to be co-authored with Gary Kasparov, a book on gambits and smart moves for defeating bursars in the three-dimensional chess games that one has in the past had to play to get them into check.

Not with the present team, naturally, I hasten to say. But in the past, response has sometimes been slow.

Once a disoriented pigeon shattered the glass in a large window in our office in Church Walk. We reported the damage. Days passed into weeks, and weeks into months, summer gave way to autumn, autumn turned to winter, the wind blew cold, message after message received no answer. A sort of forlorn hope was mounted to find out what was going on, and a source finally let us know that the Domestic Bursar was waiting for some more windows to be broken to make the glazier's visit worthwhile, or perhaps for the College to get a discount.

Enough of bursars.

The University:

I was Senior Proctor in 1986-1987, and as the whirligig of time has brought the office round again to St Antony's, I offer some reminiscences.

It was a chance to see some of the inner workings of the University, and I suppose at the end of it I understood some of them, certainly a good deal more than I do nowadays, when it requires an entire sabbatical devoted to their study to begin to grasp what is going on.

Then meetings of Council opened with the famous prayer, beginning "Prevent us O Lord in all our doings ..." The year after I ceased proctoring the saying of the prayer was suppressed by some reckless modernizer, and we all know what has happened since. Truly, God is not mocked.

Soon one heard the word *governance*, never previously used by any sane person, spoken without irony by colleagues one had previously regarded as perfectly normal. Previously, lots of things had been quietly stitched up by more or less identifiable

coteries. Now, algebraical formulae are devised by economists, which produce impractical results, which are then fudged by more or less identifiable coteries ...

All that will be familiar to you.

I did get a chance to observe some of the big men and women on campus. I remember certain persons who were on many committees, but who never spoke and seemed not to have any effect on the business at all. Why were they there? Were they deeply unhappy at home, or wanted by the bailiffs, or the police? Gradually I realized the truth: they were there on those committees to keep other people off them.

Then there were one or two *grandees*, successful University figures, who always made forceful interventions on the winning side. How did they do it? They spoke after the matter had been decided. Rumour had it that one of them had once found himself in the position of having to make as Chairman of some body or other a casting vote: it was too much for him, and he had burst into tears.

I remember two defeats. I tried to get the University to buy the freehold, then going cheap, of what is now Freud's Café in Walton Street, a noble building on a corner of the Radcliffe Infirmary site. No, I was told, "wiser heads" – they still dared then to use that expression in the University Offices – thought it was not a good idea.

Then Harold Macmillan died, who had been to the end of his days a perfect stylish Chancellor of the University. I wrote a memo suggesting that the way to commemorate him was to appeal for a scholarship fund that would cover those parts of the world not favoured by the Rhodes Trust. Wiser heads again, and they decided that a statue of him would be put up in the middle of the garden in Wellington Square. A sizeable sum was raised to pay for it. Have a look there, next time you pass by ...

Back to St Antony's.

I found as I visited other Colleges that I did not feel at home in them. I found I missed the old place. This was not for its penchant for squalor, its total lack of any collective aesthetic sense - Colleges, like ships, are somehow frozen in the date of their launch, and St Antony's has the misfortune of having been born in 1948, not a good year. I missed its lack of pomposity and self-importance, and the presence of numerous foreigners – Colleges full of English people seemed to me unnatural.

For all its faults I like it still.

Faults?

As a conservative, perhaps I should not complain that it is the last un-globalized spot on the face of the earth, all its Fellows shut up in their dark centres making Nescafe. I dream

sometimes of setting them free, of leading them out into the sunshine like the prisoners in Fidelio ...

Then there is its threatened essence.

One Warden came to see me with a notebook and asked me earnestly, “What is St Antony’s about?” “Well, chum,” I thought, “It’s a bit late for you to ask seeing you’ve already been elected,” but then I thought I should help him out, so I said, “It’s easy really: it’s for studying ‘abroad’, but studying abroad as if abroad was here,” by which I meant with the full range and depth, language, history, culture, complexity ...

Is that still the case?

Once I hit on a binary truth about libraries: there are libraries where the librarians look after the books, and there are libraries where the books look after the librarians. Recently I have thought you can divide scholars of our sort in a similar way: there are those that think that academic disciplines exist to help the understanding of countries, and others who think that countries exist for the advancement of academic disciplines. I put myself in the first category. I sometimes feel now part of a threatened minority.

And there is passivity in the air, vis-a-vis the outside powers.

During a recent spell as Director of the Latin American Centre, the rising tide of demands brought me two absurdities.

The first was an instruction from the University that I should prepare a detailed risk assessment: what specific threats did I see on the horizon? That looked easy enough, and I was about to fill in the questionnaire by writing ‘Oxford University’ when a trusted colleague stayed my hand ...

The second was a demand that I prepare a contingency plan for an epidemic of Avian Flu.

Amid the incessant demands for templates and paper-trails, the daily invention of deadlines, one hears too frequently the plaintive excuse that the tormentor is only obeying orders.

So I say to you all: “Resist!”

Remember this saying of Chamfort: “The feeble are the light infantry of the army of the wicked. They do more harm than the army itself. They spread contagion. They lay waste the land.”²

2. “les gens faibles sont les troupes légères de l’armée des méchants. Ils font plus de mal que l’armée même; ils infectent et ils ravagent.”

When I came to the College in 1966, it was run by a small group, and it was about to put up an expensive experimental building, in a fit of absence of mind.

I leave the College in 2008, it is run by a small group, about to put up an expensive experimental building, in a fit of ...

Well, it makes you think. The very best of luck to you all.

Malcolm Deas

Mrs Rosemary Thorp’s farewell speech given at the Governing Body dinner on 16 June 2008

My first memory of College fellows is of being given advice – in fact the best gender career advice I was ever given, and it came from someone who subsequently became a rather controversial figure in the College – Teddy Jackson – so I’m happy to record how important he was for me. When I first started as a junior research officer in the Institute of Statistics, of which he was the Director, he said in his gruff way: “No, don’t work on India. There’s lots of people doing that – you’re a woman, you’re going to get married, you’ll want children – you need a comparative advantage. Start on Latin America.” He knew there was a government commission – Parry – about to recommend things such as Latin American centres. “If you get going now, Oxford will improve its chances of getting a Centre and you’ll be the only person qualified for the economics job.”

In 1971 I came back from Berkeley and got my present post, the very post Teddy had predicted for me. I wasn’t quite the only person qualified, but almost. At that time I had no College affiliation. There was an entirely male Governing Body once Elizabeth Munroe retired in 1972. (I never knew her but the Warden did and she should speak about her some time.) There was a freeze on Governing Body appointments, which by 1977 was beginning to wear a bit thin as a reason for not making me a fellow. My friends seized on the fact that the College was by then looking somewhat old fashioned in this respect, and joined forces with the Middle East Centre, who wanted to appoint Mustapha Badawi – to attack the Warden and Bursar. This is another vivid memory, this time of Raymond Carr, the then Warden. He called me and said I could have a fellowship, on condition I NEVER asked for a room in College!

I was the only woman for a time, but then things began to move. We were three with Ann Waswo and Jennie Corbett, then came Susan McRae, never a GB fellow but this never stopped her stirring things. I’m sure it was she who stirred us to create the ‘Revolutionary Feminist Collective’, otherwise known as the ‘Bathtub Ring’, so nicely celebrated by Ann last year at this same event. It was a coming together of women in the College for friendship and good food. I cherish the memory as an early experience of solidarity – fun and supportive. So for laughter and support, I toast especially my female colleagues.

I would like to make three rather more serious points. One: these kinds of informal

getting together have been important in binding the College together – I think also of Robert Mabro’s dining club which ran for a few years. Such things go across the centres and let us get to know each other, and this has huge benefits when we have to take difficult decisions, or sort out yet another ‘Vision statement’. I hope they will always continue in new forms.

Second, I want to thank you for support to Area Studies over the years. Going right back to Teddy Jackson and Raymond Carr, the College did see that that was where the future of the College lay, and it has been hugely important to Area Studies – certainly to the Latin American Centre. As we remind you endlessly, we were first a College centre and only later a University centre. The ‘60s were boom years, then there was a long lean time. Now for sad reasons Area Studies are back in fashion, but it was that long steady support that enabled us to respond when Donald Hay was worrying about what would happen to interdisciplinarity with the new divisional structure and when he wanted to think through the idea of an area studies department. It, of course, has enabled us as a College to provide the first three heads of the new School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies. This support has not only been important for Area Studies; it has also, I think, paid huge dividends for the College. It gives life to our function as a host to our graduate students, it gives us credit for a whole raft of high quality exercises in scholarship. My international colleagues don’t know the difference between St Antony’s and the Latin American Centre.

Third and last, I have appreciated your good sense in supporting us in non-academic activities. When I had to approach the College for part-time leave to be chair of Oxfam, I quite expected a certain lack of enthusiasm, as it would clearly, and did indeed, take me out of College affairs rather completely – but I got only support. Whether it’s Malcolm negotiating with guerrillas in Colombia, or me in Oxfam, or you in all the myriad important things you do because you are academics but beyond your role as academics – I think the College’s whole-hearted backing has been terribly intelligent.

But such activities also run the risk of fragmenting us even more – so my final wish for you, in addition to many thanks for thirty most enjoyable years, is a multiplicity of informal gatherings, even if not ‘bathtub rings’.

Rosemary Thorp

TEACHING AND RESEARCH

ACADEMIC DISCIPLINES

St Antony’s specialises in the inter-disciplinary study of large regions of the world. Nonetheless, Fellows of the College are grounded in particular disciplines, and are members of different Faculties. Since the main entries in this Record are by regions, we thought it would be useful to give an indication of the distribution of subjects within the permanent active Fellowship of the College. Of course, many Fellows straddle several disciplines, and, indeed, regions. But the following list gives the primary disciplines of the College’s Governing Body in Michaelmas Term 2008. The regional section under which the main biographical entry will be found is indicated in brackets after the name.

Anthropology

Dr Walter Armbrust (Middle Eastern Studies)
 Professor Robert Barnes (Asian Studies)
 Professor Roger Goodman (Asian Studies)
 Dr David Pratten (African Studies)

Comparative Education

Dr David Johnson (African Studies)

Economics

Professor Paul Collier (African Studies)
 Dr Jenny Corbett (Asian Studies)
 Professor Valpy FitzGerald (Latin American Studies)
 Professor Charles (Knick) Harley (European Studies)
 Dr Carol Leonard (Russian and Eurasian Studies)
 Dr Marcus Rebick (Asian Studies)
 Dr Diego Sanchez-Ancochea (Latin American Studies)

History

Professor William Beinart (African Studies)
 Professor Jane Caplan (European Studies)
 Professor Timothy Garton Ash (European Studies)
 Dr Nandini Gooptu (Asian Studies)
 Professor Alan Knight (Latin American Studies)
 Dr Sho Konishi (Asian Studies)
 Professor Margaret MacMillan
 Dr Eugene Rogan (Middle Eastern Studies)
 Professor Robert Service (Russian and Eurasian Studies)
 Dr Steve Tsang (Asian Studies)