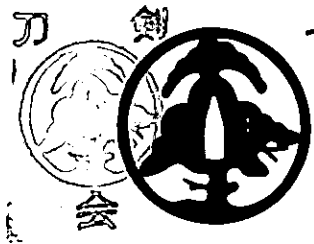


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THE TO-KEN SOCIETY OF GREAT BRITAIN
for the Study and Preservation of Japanese Swords and Fittings



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PROGRAMME

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, 1st December 1965, 7.30 p.m. Fulham Conservative Club,
1 Shorrolds Road, S.W.6.

DISCUSSION

The resolution to extend the aims of the Society to include other branches of Japanese art was unanimously defeated at the last meeting. Many arguments were put forward for and against the resolution but it was eventually decided that the Society as it stood at present was unique in England, and as swords, sword furniture and armour were comparatively new fields of study there was still considerable scope for research and study within the aims of the Society laid down in the Constitution.

PROJECTS

During this meeting a number of members undertook projects with the view to presenting their findings in the New Year. The members and subjects so far decided upon are:

- Mr. F. Maitlands: Lacquer with particular emphasis on sword scabbards.
- Mr. R.J. Bradley and Mr. L.T. Holtaway: Swords in military mountings.
- Mr. Bon Dale: Kakihan used by swordsmiths.
- Mr. A. Ford: TAMESHIGIRI
- Mr. J. Rodford: The Tsuba Smith UCHIKOSHI HIRONAGA
- Mr. C.P. Cottis: Matchlocks.

If any other members have any ideas for similar projects will they contact either the Programme Secretary or Chairman. The members preparing these projects will be grateful to hear from anyone having information on their subjects. Please let the member concerned know if you have anything which might be of interest to them.

EXHIBITION

The next meeting being the last one before Christmas we propose to make it a special one. It is intended to hold a private and somewhat informal exhibition. Members are asked to bring one or two of their best or favourite pieces to show. Don't be shy, do try and bring something even if you have shown it before, it will all help to make a good display.

REFRESHMENTS

In keeping with the "festive" spirit of this meeting we shall be having a rather more lavish spread during the break for refreshment with something slightly stronger to wash it down.

FIIMS

After the break we will again be having a film or two to round off the evening. Any guests will be welcome. It has been suggested that some members may object to having films on art subjects. Will anyone who has any thoughts on this matter or any suggestions for future programmes please contact the Programme Secretary. These programmes are arranged for the members so we must know what you want if we are to please the majority.