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There has lately been such a deluge of "Basic" propaganda in the press and elsewhere, that—with apologies for possible tedious repetition—we venture to make some further comment.

There is a case for Basic—in its proper sphere. And in Basic English and its Uses, just published, Dr. I. A. Richards puts it attractively, if not clearly. The book is Basic propaganda at its best. It is therefore a pity that what little the author has to say about Esperanto is wide of the mark. Classing Esperanto with Ido, Novial, Nulango, and other "crack-pot" schemes, he suggests its rejection by "hardheaded practical men", on grounds that are wholly inapplicable to Esperanto (artificiality, lack of literary power, and so on). In fairness to the author we can only suppose that he really is ignorant of the facts. But in that case he would be wiser to ascertain them before expressing an opinion.

He says that any I.L. scheme would need decades of widespread use before any recommendation for universal adoption would be conceivable (12), but does not mention that Esperanto has been in world-wide use for over five decades, while Basic has not yet been put to any relevant test (say in a congress, or similar international gathering) at all.

The speaker of Esperanto (he surmises) is probably putting into (it) many nuances from his mother tongue, nuances which will be inoperative for persons with a different background. With a simplified form of a living language these discrepancies are reduced. Its meanings are held in place by the extent of the common use its words have been put to (12). But Mr. Richards forgets that Esperanto is par excellence a simplified form of living language, developing on just these very lines.

In most Basic propaganda we find great vagueness and confusion of thought on two points, both of which need clarification: (I) What is Basic? and (II) What are its aims? Even this book does not make these points clear: we are presented with several schools of thought, and left to take our choice.

(I) Basic propagandists tell us again and again that Basic is English made simple by limiting the number of its words to 850 (20); "It is confined to 850 words"; "In Basic 850 words do all the work of 20,000"; "There are only 850 words in the complete list", and so on. And this is what the public is led to believe. We learn, by the way, that a tabulated list of these words with the plurals and recommended compounds is unwieldy, and that all available copies are in China (28).

But we are also told that Basic by no means stays cribbed and confined within its defensive stronghold of 850 proud words (38). As has been detailed in a leaflet on the subject published by the B.E.A., the list of 850 words may be expanded indefinitely—both by adding words omitted from the list for various reasons, and by adding a list of "international" words, and other supplementary lists, for every subject dealt with, and in other ways as necessary. If we go outside the field of general interests we will (sic) have to have other words, not listed among the 850 (20). The senses of these other words may be made clear in footnotes, or may be seen in the General Basic English Dictionary, which gives the senses of 20,000 other English words (21). In fact, there is no limit to the number of words that may be borrowed from standard English if needed for special purposes (except verbs, and even these may be used as participles or in compound tenses, though not in the simple form in which they are most useful). This vast reserve vocabulary, vague and indefinitely extensible, may vary according to circumstances—an Englishman, for example, being allowed more freedom than the foreigner.

We have therefore innumerable variants of Basic, merging from the 850 words into the vocabulary of standard English to any degree found desirable. We are told, however, that Basic Basic is essentially a sufficient English for most learners' purposes, but that they need more reading in Basic or near it (68).
Clearly, in any discussion, it must first be decided which particular variant is under consideration.

II) What are the aims of Basic? Basic propagandists in articles for English readers generally advocate the scheme (a) as a medium for the clear expression of thought in contrast to the obscurity of much current English; (b) as a first step for the foreigner wishing to learn normal English; (c) hence, leading to world-English, as a means of spreading Anglo-American influence and culture in other countries; and (d) as an international language superior to Esperanto.

Aim (a) is excellent. But that Basic fulfils this aim it is impossible to agree. The wholesale elimination of exact terms leads inevitably to vague expressions and blurred images. The writer is constantly bound to use a word expressing the genus instead of the species, and in order to avoid the precise word that he obviously needs, he has to employ periphrasis or definition. Examples may be seen in any Basic publication: some were given in our columns (B.E. 1941, pp. 69-70), in a review of the Basic New Testament.

Aim (c) naturally appeals to a section of the British Press. But it is less likely to evoke enthusiasm in the non-English-speaking countries referred to.

As regards aim (b), Basic has undoubted merits. Yet schemes like Palmer's Thousand-Word English (which teach normal English, while Basic very certainly is not normal English) seem preferable. And the argument found in every Basic propaganda article that because normal English is widely known, therefore Basic is the best solution, is an obvious non sequitur.

Moreover, its ease and utility may easily be over-rated. The following letter in The Listener (2 Dec.) comes to hand while we are writing:

**BASIC ENGLISH IN INDIA**

Statements were made (in the recent broadcast in favour of Basic) which seem to require considerable qualification... In the United Provinces we have actually experimented with Basic in the Government Training College at Allahabad for the last three years. Results have not borne out the claims made for Basic. There is no greater speed in the acquisition of English as a communication language, which is the chief claim of the system; and the transition to the use and understanding of literary English has proved very difficult—in fact, Basic is to these children a different language, and no easy path to follow in using or understanding English. Our experience—and I think we have given it a fair trial—has not encouraged us to continue in its use.

As these somewhat vague and wishful-thinking statements as to the use of Basic for teaching Indian students a proper understanding of and facility in English may do harm, I have thought it necessary to give the results of actual experiments.

(Signed) J. C. Powell-Price,
late Director of Public Instruction,
United Provinces, India.

(d) The relative claims of Basic and Esperanto for the role of an international language are summed up as follows in the B.E.A. leaflet already mentioned:

"The minimum requirements for an international auxiliary language are that it should be free from irregularities, neutral for all nations, phonetic, concise, exact and unambiguous, logical and flexible, serviceable for all purposes, stable in form, and capable of standing the severest practical tests of continuous and world-wide international use on a large scale. Basic does not fulfil any one of these requirements, and can therefore be no rival to Esperanto, which does fulfil them completely."

These statements seem conclusive, and have never been denied—not even by Mr. Ogden, when he published a lengthy and irrelevant rejoinder to this very leaflet.

A Times leader (2 Oct.) points out that though the word Basic is said to represent the initials of British, American, Scientific, International (1), Commercial, "the name is Basic, not Basical: the initial letters of Art and Literature do not form part of it". We shall wait long before we see Basic poetry. Yet young Esperantists have to be restrained from rushing into verse!

Our author candidly admits: This book might be written in Basic, but it would be clear but not very bright reading (21). A reader who has the rest of the English language gets a little tired of Basic writing after a time (21). No one who knows Basic will willingly confine himself to it—except for special purposes (113).

Again: Impromptu eloquence and after-dinner wit in Basic are tougher assignments...

In a continuous, extemporary speech in Basic one has to pause a moment between remarks to see how the next sentence is coming out. But in practice a close approximation to Basic is
sufficient to make all the difference between being well-enough understood and not. A demonstration speech made chiefly to prove that one can say it in Basic (where there is no other good reason for refraining from obvious words) is always something of a strain. It is, and feels like, a tour de force. . . . One's sense of the needs and understanding of the audience is lacking (114).

Exactly! But no fluent Esperantist could ever feel or talk like this about Esperanto. And herein lies the difference between Basic as a lifeless and highly artificial code, and Esperanto as a living and natural language with a high literary value.

**KULOJ**

(Entomologia Studo)

Kiu ne konas la bestetojn kun longaj kruroj kaj eé pli longaj pikiloj, kiuj svarme dancadas en la varma aero de la somervesperoj? Sed pri ili la ordinara homo scias nenion, krom ke ili pikas, kaj ofte trovas nur la pikilon de la dua. Similar moron havas la Logi-hulo, kiu estas tre lerta.

Antaŭ ne longe profesoro anoncis la eltrovon de nova speco, kiu skribas enaere kiel reklamado-skribanta aeroplano. Li ĝin nomis Iw-hulo, sed vere ĝi estis nur kulino. Alia scientulo ankaŭ eraris. Unu tagon li subite blasfemis, kaj kiam ĝi demandis al li, kio lin mordas, li ekkriis: “For, fi-hulo!” Tamen la kulpulo estis longa bruna besteto, kun granda pinĉilo ĉe la vosto—certe ne kulo!


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5. Any number of manuscripts may be submitted.

6. Manuscripts must reach the Office of the Association on or before March 31st, 1944.

Mia Dua Esperanta Libro—Amy Waite. Illustrations by D. Tharme. Published by S.B.E.T. 43 pp., 1/- Postage 2p.

Much that was said about Mia Unua Libro (B.E. 1942, p. 151) is applicable here also. The appearance of this second volume greatly adds to the usefulness of the first; and the two together provide a very helpful and long wanted introduction to the language for young children, which will prepare them for the subsequent study of a less elementary work.

There are one or two slips: e.g., iĝ for ĝi (29/13); mia(n) kava(n) bovino(n) (34/4), en (sur) la kampo (33/6, 10). Will the child be able to translate with his (sia) tail (5); wonderfully (15); hejmen (24); What sort of books do you read? This sort I read (26). The picture on p. 21 hardly corresponds with the text. Differentiation of the languages by varied type would have helped clarity. There is a curious paucity of exclamation marks. For English infants, at least, Sol-fa would have been better than Staff. Small things, but worth attention in a second edition.

The book may be heartily recommended. Both volumes will be invaluable to the teacher of children’s classes both in and out of school. We congratulate Miss Waite on their production, and hope some day to see a Tri Libro.
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Oct.
14, Tolworth. Woodcraft Group.
21, Walton on Thames. W.C.G.
22, Hounslow. Hounslow College (Senrs.)

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15, epsom. Sherwood School.
18, Walton on Thames. Adult School.
21, Raynes Park. St. Saviour’s Youth Fellowship.

As in 1942, the number of requests for lectures in the autumn have been disappointingly few. INVITATIONS FOR 1944 WOULD BE WELCOMED.

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POINTS TO NOTE

(a) General increase.
(b) "Beginners" now at 3d. each.
(c) Invitations for future lectures would be welcomed. The best results are shown when local friends book a week or a fortnight provisionally, and circulate local schools or other bodies likely to be interested. It is generally easy to fill several days with engagements in this way, provided that (1) arrangements are commenced two or three months previously, (2) use is made of the literature I can supply for the purpose, and (3) some one friend acts as a local centre for the arrangement of the itinerary.

M. C. Butler

RADIO-TERMINARIO

Eldonante de I.E.A. 34 pp., 9p.

Eldonante la duan parton de la Jarlibro por 1943, I.E.L. denove liveris al ni valoran teknikan terminaron. Gi jam eldonis terminarojn aeronautikan, armean, fervojan, kaj infanludan; nun sekvas la radio, ne malpli grava, kaj inda kumulo al siaj antaŭuloj.

S-ro Venture havis malfacilan taskon, kaj bonege ĝin plenumis. Per zorga utiligo de diversaj studoj jam aperintaj pri la temo (ekz., International Radio Manual de Epton), kaj konsulo de la plej lastaj aŭtoritatoj, S-ro Venture sukcesis liveri al ni pli eble plej fidindan gvidilon. Gi konsistas el 500-600 terminoj, kun kvara difino kaj ilustra diagramo de trivalva ricevilo.

Kie oni povas heziti inter eblaj sinonimoj, S-ro Venture ĝladis aŭbaŭ formojn, sed esprimas preferon por la unui: brodkast-dissend; born-klem; fad-velk; relaj-relajs; valv-lamp. Same ĝi la malfacila problemo pri la pseŭdosufiksoj -atro, -oro (adaptilo-adaptoro; amplifilo-amplifikatoro); ĝi kiuj (kaj, ni kredas, prave) li preferas la formojn per -ilo.

Vortoj kun la karakteriza finaĵo -anco (-enco) prezentes interesan fenomenon: admitane; alternane; frekvenc; impedacane; indukta (induktem); kapacacane; kondukta (permeacane); reakta; resonacane; resistacane (resistem). Kelkajn el tiuj formoj oni eble povus pridubi. Pri ili, tamen, nur la fakulo povas havi opinion valoran.

Plej koran gratulon al S-ro Venture kaj al I.E.L.

Of making howlers there is no end. One well-known teacher sends the following, which he guarantees genuine:

Ili alojado apud (they lark about).
Neniu mensas ke peceto (No one minds that a bit).
Al iri lango bonega (to go down well).
And another met to dye a glove as a translation of the word mortiganto.
R.S.A. EXAMINATIONS, 1944

The Esperanto Examinations of the Royal Society of Arts—Stage I (Elementary) and Stage II (Intermediate)—will take place this year on Wednesday, July 5th, 7.0-10.0 p.m. It is of great importance to secure a good entry.

Entries must be sent in through a recognized Local Centre.

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The following extracts from the Examiner's report for 1943 are of interest.

Section I—In many cases the translation is too literal; in some cases the candidate evidently was a foreigner who did not know English well. Difficulties were konstati and ĝuiilo.

Section II—Fairly well done; svingi is a transitive verb. Difficulties were if it shone, if he mere ... in which the past tense is inapplicable. Backwards and forwards, reached the top, he cut it beneath him, produced surprising variants.

Section III—Usually pretty well done, if the writer was obviously a speaker of the language, otherwise poor. Some attempts were too short, others did not carry on the conversation as a conversation.

Section IV—Some made the first five answers needlessly long, and thus increased their chances of making mistakes.

The chief fault, as always, was very imperfect knowledge of what is meant by the direct object of the verb. Accusatives were widely omitted, or wrongly used.

LITERATURO EN ESPERANTO

Kiu volas orienti sin pri nia literaturo kaj profiti el ĝiaj trezoroj, tiu estas nun en malfacila situacio. Plejparte la verkoj en la supraj tavoloj, inkluzive preskaŭ ĉiun majstroverkon, estas neaĉeteblaj pro militaj cirkonstancoj.


Ofte la legemulo diras: "Mi ne volus legi tradukon en Angla lingvo; mi je kapablas legi la originalon". Vere, kaj nature dirinte, de unu vidpunkto; tamen oni memoro, ke oni povas malplii multe eduki sin pri la lingvo per zorga komparo kun la originalo. Notu, ĝuste kiel la tradukinto luktis kun la frazoj, la vortoj, la vorta vico, la stilo, de la originalo. Faru al vi propran opinion. Ne estu tro aroganta, ĉar sendube la tradukinto estas spertulo: mi mem estu tro modesta, ĉar en la arto de traduko ekzistas spaco por diversaj opinioj kaj gustoj.

Inter verkoj rekomendindaj por ĉi tiu celo, kiel ankaŭ por plezura legado, mi tiru vian atenton al du libroj: Petrolo de Upton Sinclair, kaj La Naiveco de Pastro Brown de G. K. Chesterton. La unue nomita troviĝas en du volumoj, la dua en unu: ĉiu volumo kostas kvin ŝilingojn, inkluzive afrankon (kaj bonan bindajon). La verkoj sufiĉe kontrastas, same kiel la aŭtoroj: Sinclair, arda s~ocialisto, skribas romanon pri moderna Usona industrio; Chesterton, entuziasma romkatoliko, skribas detektivan romanon pri moderna Angla vivo. Ambaŭ tre legindaj.

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studanto de la historio de nia movado: Monumento de Carlo Bowrlet. Tiu ĉi kolekto da paroladoj kaj artikoloj de la eminenta Franca matematikisto enhavas multe la historion de la lingvo en la jaroj 1903-1913.

La lasta libro pri kiuj mi volus skribi nun, laŭnome Kompatinda Klem, estas originale verkita en Esperanto de la Anglo John Merchant. Ĝi estas romano, parte pri Esperantista vivo, kiu enhavas multe la bonhumoron de la provinco Yorkshire, kiel ankaŭ la vivavidon de speco famigita de Dickens.

Priskribon mi donis pri kelkaj el la - aĉeteblaj libroj. Pri la ceteraj vi povas informi vin, petinte libroliston ĉe la B.E.A.

Laste, kaj grave. La klubo, la klubanoj, aŭ la delegito en via urbo, kredeble povus, kaj espereble konsentus, pruntedoni al vi verkojn alimaniere nehaveblajn. Kontaktu ilin.

Bonan legadon !

K. R. C. STURMER

ESPERANTA DISERVO LONDONA

okazos 3.0 en la preĝejo St. Ethelburga,
72 Bishopsgate, E.C.2. Datoj : Jan. 16,
parolos M. C. Butler, kantos W. A. Clark.
(Notu la datŝanĝon en Januaro). Feb. 13,
parolos A. Krolenaum.

Extract from a letter (from Rev. R. E.
Fairbairn, Windermere, Canada).

"I attended a meeting of the . . .
Esperanto group. It was the second time
I had heard Esperanto spoken, the first
time I had spoken it myself. I joined in
the discussion, and after the meeting the
president came to ask me how I had
acquired speaking facility as an isolated
student. I promised to tell him, provided
that he would undertake to use my special
method. He assured me that he would,
and would recommend it to others. Where-
upon I looked him in the eye, and said
blandy that I was in the habit of saying
my prayers in Esperanto. You could see
it hit him! Then he remarked: 'Oh!
Ah! I see. You believe in killing two
birds with one stone.'

"Once our College Principal suggested to
me that I was undertaking too much in
trying to learn an extra language in addition
to the full college course. I gave him some
satisfaction by telling him that I had
stopped learning Esperanto; and then
spoiled it by adding: 'I just use it now.'"

One Tongue.—Col. Hugh Rowan, U.S.
officer in charge of chemical warfare, tells
a story in the Daily Sketch. It is a story
with a moral. He met a French General,
an old acquaintance from the Army of
Occupation in Germany. The General's
English and the Colonel's French were both
poor, so they talked in the only language
they had in common—German!

Air Chief Marshal Sir Hugh Dowding has
already suggested in the Sunday Chronicle
that every citizen in the world be taught
at school his own national language, and
one other, the common language of man-
kind. The Colonel's story points the moral.
If two Allied officers cannot converse
without using a common language alien to
them both, how can the peoples of the world
exchange the ideas and ideals on which
universal peace depends? (El "Sunday
Chronicle", 3 Jan.).

Esperanto uzata.—In "On horseback
through Hungary" (Hutchinson, 1935) the
author, V. Langlet, writes: "Esperanto is
widespread in Hungary. I made use of it
in the street, at my barber's, on trains, and
even among the working classes. I know
of a young Hungarian who, without
knowing Swedish, has been employed as an
Esperanto teacher in Sweden, and of a
young Hungarian girl who does likewise in
Denmark."

Neglected positives (p.75) — Mr. T. J.
Howell points out that some of the words
suggested have actually been used: nocent,
for example, and ebriated (which however
is not the opposite of imebriated). Mr. F.
Goodliffe suggests similar back-formations
from words beginning with re: "we
rehabilitate but do not habilitate: neither
do we new, cant, pent, esperate, cur, vive,
duce, peat, or trieve".

Pruntado—"Vi havas grandegan libro-
bretaron, sed en ĝi estas nur unu libro".
"Jes. En tiu libro mi nôtis, al kiuj mi
pruntis la librojn, kiujn vi ne vidas".
(T. J. O. Bulleno).

Ĉina Milittempo Lignogravuro—18 tut-
pagaj gravuraĵoj pri moderna vivo en Ĉinujo,
eldonitaj de Heroldo, Chung-king. Unika
aldono al nia literaturo. Prezo ne montrita.

The Post-War World and an International
Language—This new propaganda leaflet
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NASKIĜO

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Chambers—Je 10 Novembro, pro kancero, la edzino de S-ro J. W. Chambers, South Norwood.
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Rae—Je 3 Decembro, en Bournemouth, William Rae, membro de la Edinburga Societo, kaj longe vicdelegito de I.E.L. en Edinburgo. Fervora samideano.
Stuttard—Je 31 Oktobro, en Parkstone (antaŭe en Blackpool), Roy Stuttard, 4-jara, pro akuta bronkito. Ano de Denaska Esperantistaro.
Ratten—Je 19 Junio, D-ro A. Ratten, 83-jara, en Melbourne, Aŭstralio. Li estis lerta lingvisto, kaj dum 20 jaroj membro de B.E.A.

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PAROLU NUN
Se vi ŝatas ies farojn, Ne atendu longajn jarojn, Ĝis venkados ĉiajn barojn Lia tasko.
Kiam li en ĉerko kuŝos, Via helpo ne lin tuŝos, Nek al plua peno puŝos Danko vorto.
Sonu nun la laŭd' amika! Vana estos plej efika Epitafo retorika Post la morto.
G. M. HAYTON

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LOCAL NEWS


Beeston—Class with the Woodcraft Folk.

Bournemouth—The group meets for lunch at the Regent Café, every Friday, at 1.0.

Bristol—Dramatic performances in Esperanto under Frank Buckley: Maria Marlen, and part of La Venecia Komercisto. Also an original Marionette Show.

Burnley — Classes at the Mechanics’ Institute.

Cardiff—Class under Mr. Oswald Jones.


Chilwell—Class in the house of Ges. Sinclair.

Dewsbury — Class : Technical College, Tuesday evenings, under Mr. E. Cheetham.

Dunstable—Class of 14 children at Britain St. School, under Mr. M. Lewin.

East Molesey—Monthly meetings (full moon) Tues., 8.0, at 33 Spencer Rd.

Eccles—On 23 Oct., at a Christmas Brains Trust at the Liberal Club, the opinion was strongly expressed that to adopt Basic as an I.L. might alienate Russia and China, while Esperanto, being neutral, was suitable.

Edinburgh—Meetings: 29 Synod Hall, Sat., 3.30. Class 2.30. A recent address of special interest was given by Miss J. Baird on The poetical genius of Zamenhof.

Enfield Highway—Cooperative Class in formation.

Glasgow—The Labour Group now meets at 144 Wellington St., Mon. and Thurs., 7.30. Also Sun., 2.30. Two classes are doing well.

Gravesend—Class of 25 under Mr. Wiles, at the Cooperative Youth Club, Thurs., 7.45.

Great Burgh, Surrey—Mr. Woodruff and Mr. Primavesi led a discussion at a local Social Club, consisting mainly of science graduates.

Huddersfield—On 28 November the group heard plays in Esperanto given by the pupils of Misses M. Gee and A. Smith at the Technical College.

Kirkcaldy—Group: Thurs., 7.0, at the Public Library. Class: Fri., 7.0, at the High School.


Lincoln—Two classes at the Technical College.

London Club (153 Drummond St., N.W.1) —Fridays, 7.0-9.30.

Manchester—Meetings now at International Club, 64 George St., Manchester 1, at 2.30. 29 Jan., Cu propagandi be infanoj? 26 Feb., Aviado. Jam oni havas 10 kandidatojn por R.S.A. ekzamenoj.

Morden—Class (W. J. Brigden): Thurs., 7.0, at Hill House, Carshalton; soon to be transferred to 84 Farm Rd., Morden.

New Malden—Classes: (J. W. Butler), Fri., 7.30; (W. J. Brigden), Mon., 7.30. Both now at 50 Chestnut Grove, but soon to be transferred to Stoneleigh, Chestnut Grove.

Nottingham—Lecture: 25 Nov., at Friar Lane Adult School, by Miss N. Wilford.

Perth—Talk to Perth Practical Psychology Club by L/Cpl. J. T. Brownlee, advocating Esperanto (easy, neutral, and phonetic) as against Basic (none of these things).

Romsey—Romsey Advertiser (Nov. 19) had a long article by J. P. Nix on the fallacies of Basic propaganda.

St. Helens—The experiment in Parr School announced on p. 61 has been discontinued, owing to the illness of Mr. McDonald (to whom best wishes for recovery). Two classes: Higher Grade School, Thurs., 7.30-9.30. Je 9 Marto prelegos Prof. W. E. Collinson.


S. Midland Federation—Photo of the Letchworth Conference: 8d. post free, Miss Reed, 200 Nevells Rd., Letchworth.

Sutton—Lecture to P.P.U. by Mr. Woodruff.

Tolworth (Surbiton)—Two classes at the Cooperative Hall, Tolworth Broadway, Fridays, 7.30.

Walthamstow—Both group and class meet Mon., 7.30-9.30, at Walthamstow Educational Settlement, Greenleaf Rd.


Wandsworth—Mr. W. J. Brigden, 125 Drakefield Rd., S.W.17, is doing much useful work in the district by the sale of textbooks and general propaganda. He would be glad to hear from any Esperantists in the locality willing to collaborate. Meeting : Technical Institute, High St., 9 Feb., 7.0.

Worthing—Group Meeting: 2nd and 4th Weds., 3.0, at 40 Westbourne Avenue.

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