

GROUP FOR EDUCATIONAL SERVICES IN MUSEUMS

This Group has now been in existence for more than ten years. It was founded by members of the Museums Association directly concerned in educational work in Museums and Art Galleries, and has as its main objective the promotion of this form of educational activity. Members of the Group have opportunities for pooling and exchanging ideas and information concerning the work being done by museums in this country and abroad, and also for extending among teachers an appreciation of how the museum can help the school.

Towards these ends, the Group, among other activities, arranges Conferences at different centres in the country where there are well organised museum educational services, and from time to time holds short courses on topics related to the use of museums in education. Also on new materials and methods.

Membership is open to all those interested in furthering the aims of the Group on payment of an annual subscription of 10/-.

Enquiries about the Group and its work, and application for membership, should be sent to the Honorary Secretary, Geoffrey I. McCabe, Schools Museum Officer, Museum and Art Gallery, Dock Street, Newport, Mon.

REGISTER OF SCHOOLS MUSEUM SERVICES IN GREAT BRITAIN

This Register has been compiled from replies to questionnaires sent to all Museums organising a special service for schools and employing qualified staff to liaison with the schools. It is intended primarily as a source of information for teachers.

The Services normally include regular loan of material for use in the classroom also lessons and lectures in the galleries. Most print catalogues of the material available for use in the area served and these may be obtained on request to the Organiser.

Many Services come into operation each year and therefore a postcard to the Hon. Secretary will reveal whether one is planned in your area. It should be remembered that the majority of museums will accept school party visits and will allow a temporary loan of material if it is available, though they do not provide the specialist services listed overleaf.

Teachers are reminded that many Museums are sources of useful teaching material in the form of guide books and other publications, such as postcards, photographs and reproductions of paintings. Most Curators too, are willing to provide information of various kinds and to identify objects.