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"To save ourselves from the disintegrated atom, we must integrate mankind. In other words, we need to bring together all the varied races and nationalities into a harmonious whole. That calls for understanding made possible by an enlightened public opinion.—H. M. Tiner.

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Who's Who in the District.



THE DISTRICT CHAIRMAN.

E. H. BIRCHALL (OXFORD).

Edward Harris Birchall is a Lancastrian, being born in Bolton 50 years ago. Oxford, however, has claimed him for the past 22 years. He served for 3 years in the 1914-18 war, ending as Army Paymaster. In 1921 he was elected an Associate of the Chartered Institute of Secretaries and, not long after, he received an appointment with the Oxford University Delegacy for Extra-Mural Studies. Birchall now holds the position of Bursar to the Delegacy.

During the last war he was working at tremendous pressure as he was appointed and still acts as, Joint Sectarary of the Oxford and Reading Regional Committee for Education in H.M. Forces. During those years Edward Birchall travelled all over the South of England and South Midland areas, instituting and running courses in camps and in Universities and Technical College premises.

Our Chairman has been an ardent tennis player and founded the Oxfordshire Lawn Tennis Association, acting as its Secretary and Treasurer for 13 years. He was also a member of the Council of Lawn Tennis Associations for 12 years, and since 1935 has been President of the Bohemians Tennis Club and the only Honorary Life Member.

Those who know Edward Birchall well will not imagine that he is content with this short list of activities. He has many other interests and many other good works to his credit in Oxford. He has been for many years a member of the City of Oxford Publicity Board as well as Organist and Choirmaster at an Oxford Church.