

On November 19, the Society, in conjunction with the Asian Committee of the Embassies of Ceylon, India, Indonesia, Japan and Pakistan, under the chairmanship of Lady Coomaraswamy, wife of the High Commissioner for Ceylon, sponsored an entertainment at the Glebe Collegiate. In "Asian Presentation", members of the Embassy staffs and students from Asian countries in Ottawa put on a colourful display of their native costumes, dances and customs. The object of the evening was not only to raise funds for Friendship House, but also to show the people of Ottawa something of the cultures of these countries.

In his report, the President, Mr. H. L. Trueman, announced that the books had closed for the year with a small balance. Reviewing the accomplishments of the Society, he said that much still remained to be done in improving facilities and programmes. The ultimate goal is to have a full-fledged International House in a residential district, with adequate club-room facilities, a resident manager and hostess, and a continually developing programme of hospitality and service.

The Overseas Friendship Society is affiliated with Friendly Relations with Overseas Students, a national organization with a local committee at each major university in Canada. In Vancouver, an International House is already under construction. This has been made possible by the gift of \$150,000 by the Rotary Club of Vancouver for this purpose, a sum which has been matched by the Government of British Columbia. It is to be hoped that in the future it will be possible to have similar facilities in other centres in Canada.



An evening of games and conversation at Friendship House.