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John Ward-Perkins took up office as Director of the British School at Rome in February 1946 and thus completed his twenty-fifth year of service in February 1971.

The epoch in the School's history which will always bear his name is not thereby ended. So it is not a formal studio-portrait that we present here; instead, a casual snapshot in the field, against a background at once habitat and symbol, which should be evocative for many of triumphant achievements in the past, yet at the same time personify for posterity a planned future.