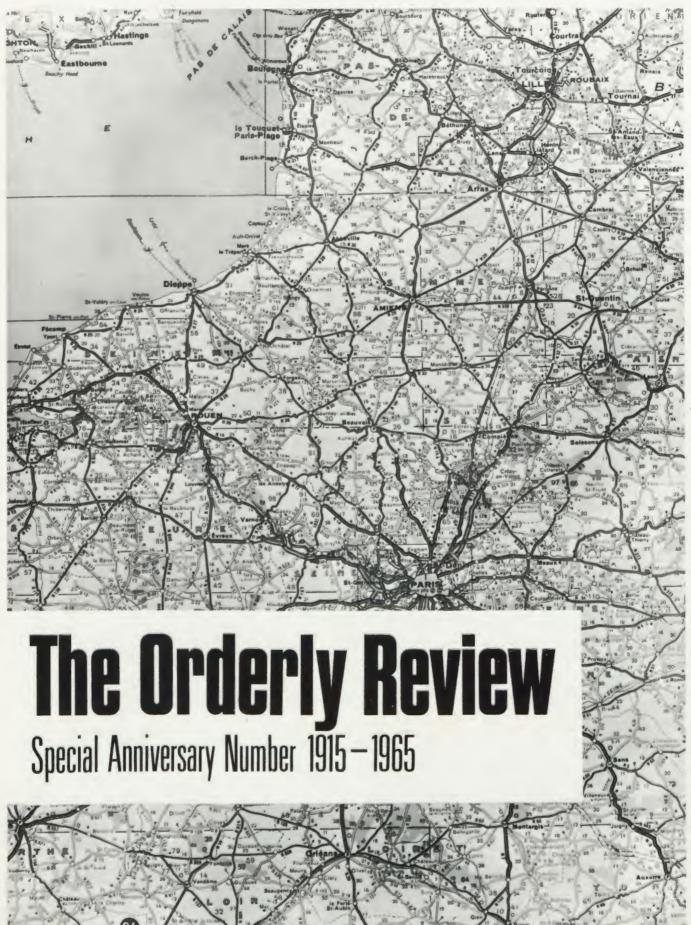
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THE ORDERLY REVIEW

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Special Souvenir Issue

to commemorate the

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY REUNION

of

OLD SIXTEENERS

at Vesthill College, Birmingham

*11th August, 1965

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*The 'Originals' arrived on A.T.16 during the night of Saturday, 14th August, 1915. The temptation to stage a reunion on Saturday, 14th August, 1965 (50 years to the hour!) was reluctantly resisted in favour of easier mid-week travel facilities.

Westhill, third in seniority of the unique group of Selly Oak Colleges, was founded in 1907 to apply the advances in educational theory and method to Christian education. It is now a constituent college - as a Free Church Foundation - of the University of Birmingham Institute of Education.

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FAU OLD SIXTEENERS FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY REUNION 10th.-12th. August, 1965

Order of the Day.

Personnel assemble in one of Westhill's fine new halls of residence -Earrow Cadbury House, which has a spacious lounge with servery and French windows on the ground floor, opening on to a terrace and lawn. On the floors above are sixty single (or double) study/bedrooms with washbasins.

TUESDAY

- 3.30 Afternoon tea for early arrivals.
- 7.00 Supper.
- 8.00 Coach tour of Birmingham City Centre and Lickey Hills for City Lights.
- 10.00 Coffee.

WEDNESDAY

- 8.45 Breakfast.
- 10.30 Coffee, conversation and souvenirs.
- 12.00 Meeting for Worship in College Chapel.
- 12.30 Lunch.
- 1.30 Group photographs on lawn.
- 1.45 Wives' visit to Cadbury Works at Bournville.
- 2.00 Roll-call and News of Old Sixteeners.
- 5.00 Afternoon tea and Reminiscences.
- 7.00 Supper, with Paul and Rachel Cadbury, Marjorie Watts and Netta Young as guests.
- 8.00 Welcome to guests and responses, followed by readings from "A Train Errant" and more reminiscences, with interval for coffee at 10.00.

THURSDAY

8.15 Breakfast and Farewells.

R.T.O. (REUNION TRANSPORT OFFICER)Ben Pope-RussellORDERLY N.C.O.HarrijohnQ.M.S.SimpyLOCAL COMMITTEEThe above, and Curly,
Jack White and Wuhu.

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Mrs. Harold Watts and Mrs. Cyril Young were present on Wednesday evening.

THE FRIENDS' AMBULANCE UNIT, 1914-1919

A Record : Edited by Meaburn Tatham and James E. Miles.

Old Sixteeners may like to be reminded of the following relevant extracts.

.... Late in 1915, owing to the circumstances of the war, the purpose of the Unit matured and became more formulated....

....(a) to provide through the means of an efficient Ambulance Unit, a good and sound instrument, to be skilfully used in the ministry of compassion to men, of whatever nation, caught in the trammels of war or in its train of suffering and death, and (b) to provide this means in such a way as to express in some degree the principles of the Society of Friends....

> (Introduction by (Sir) George Newman, Chairman, page VIII).

....there were many (FAU) members who felt acutely the meagreness of their share of sacrifice. It was largely for this very reason that service on the ambulance trains called for qualities of endurance and patience of a very high order....

Taken all in all, the work of these trains was perhaps the most consistently and solidly useful work of any kind that the Unit undertook.... If ever there was a chance to show that monotonous or menial tasks could be carried out with something more than mere mechanical efficiency, train life provided that opportunity. For it cannot have been easy to infuse the work with that spirit of human sympathy which meant so much to each patient individually.

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....Each of the four trains had a very distinct personality, and each was very properly convinced of its own superiority over all comers... To Harold Watts....belongs the credit of having initiated the high traditions of discipline and efficiency which ruled all four trains...Whatever the virtues of the other ambulance trains, there was always a certain distinction about AT.16. The cynical might ascribe it merely to the superior paintwork...; but the closer observer remembered that this was the first of the Unit's four trains, and seniority was not to be lightly forgotten....they were pioneers in an entirely new field....the staff were all trained together at the camp at Oxhey Grange.

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....For "all-round merit" two of the trains in the charge of the Unit were officially gazetted as first and second among all the ambulance trains of the British Expeditionary Force.

(Introduction, page X)

EXTRACT FROM "THE FRIEND" - 17th September, 1965.

"The fiftieth anniversary of the staffing of No. 16 Ambulance Train by the F.A.U. was celebrated at Westhill College, Birmingham, on Wednesday, August 11th, 1965, when 29 Old Sixteeners, varying in age from 65 to 81, held their jubilee reunion.

At the noontide Meeting for Worship, which fittingly opened the proceedings proper, we were reminded of the reasons for which we joined the F.A.U., the true fellowship we found on the train, and the satisfaction to be experienced by doing even uncongenial work in a spirit of disinterested service.

After lunch, the wives who had accompanied their husbands paid a visit to Bounnville, while we had a roll call, exchanging news of those present and of many of the rest of the 107 who had served on the train.

The evening was taken up by reminiscences and extracts from "A Train Errant" with Paul and Rachel Cadbury, both first F.A.U. members, as our guests. Paul Cadbury, speaking as Chairman of the second F.A.U., said how much the inauguration of its world-wide service owed to the successful experiment in co-operation pioneered by A.T.16 and consolidated by the other three F.A.U. trains.

Nearly everyone took advantage of the Tuesday evening coach tour who will forget the lights of Lirmingham viewed from Lickey Hills? and of the over-night accommodation provided before and after the Great Day, giving plenty of time for conversation. We did indeed recapture the easy comradeship of former days - and even the wives appeared to enjoy it!"

G.S.P.

A Group photograph appeared in "The Friend" on 1st October, 1965.

A somewhat similar description and photograph appeared in the August 1965 issue of the Bournville Works Magazine, whose Editor and staff gave us much help.

Eight train-men were, or became, Cadbury employees.

A Group photograph and brief notice were printed in "Quaker Monthly", December, 1965.

Caddis added the following foot-note, echoed by many:-

Those of us who came from a distance are particularly thankful to Cyril Harrison and his local committee for arranging the Reunion accommodation for two nights, transport, meals and programme.

A SELECTION OF GREETINGS FROM ABSENTEES.

Meaburn Tatham (O.C., F.A.U. 1918-1919) Many old memories will be revived, and I sincerely wish you all a most happy and enjoyable time. I am sure the reunion will be a great success. I have just been out to Zermatt for ... celebrations to mark the centenary of the conquest of the Matterhorn. I can still look at the mountain with great enjoyment and re-climb them in imagination, just as you and your colleagues will be restaffing an ambulance train.

W. Farley Rutter ... I am sure it is a good thing to get as many members of the Train personnel together as possible ... Captain Maskew, our O.C. Train (26.XI.1917 - 31.1.1919), - on leaving the Army Service had a Medical Practice at Hamworthy, and then retired to Swanage. I did meet him on several occasions, but he died some years ago.

...We in the F.A.U. were in a real sense equal persons, though for the sake of discipline and the efficient running of the work we had to conform to certain categories, and I think it was a fine demonstration of how well the voluntary principle could work in somewhat uncongenial conditions.

... I am sure we would do well to encourage the present generation of young folks to go out in a similar team spirit of voluntary service to the help and encouragement of emergent nations.... I trust you will have a very happy time together.

Felix Morley ... As I look back fifty years I keenly realise how much I owe to the F.A.U. experience, to the kindly comrades who were in every sense Friendly and to whom, living or dead, I would like to express my deep appreciation. Amid grim surroundings, in their conscientious but always good-humoured way, they helped me to learn the lesson on which Kipling has somewhat grandiloquently moralized: That to make a life, as distinct from a living, one must be strengthened to face both triumph and disaster --"and treat those twin imposters just the same."

... Best wishes to You All.

V.S. Bayliss... My warmest greetings to all the assembled faithful... My chief memory is of the good fellowship which is always so much deeper when a common task is being shared.

D.W. Collier... Most of my memories of the A.T's are rather muddled now between 16, 11 and 5, on all of which I served.... I do remember, however, the first parade at Abbeville and the doubtful look of the Sergeant-Major who accompanied the Colonel.

... Best Wishes for the success of the reunion.

J. L. Howson ... I am very disappointed in not being able to meet again my old friends of A.T.16.... The more I have seen of other groups in the intervening years, the more I esteem this particular F.A.U. group to which I once had the honour of belonging...Please accept my good wishes for all my old A.T. friends.

A SELECTION OF GREETINGS FROM A #SENTEES (Contd.)

J. W. Major ... My deep regards to all who are present on your great occasion. I wish I could shake hands with them all.... You ask about Edmund Emson. He was on my staff, a teacher of French and German (originally Russian also)... a wonderfully self-effacing and devoted colleague.

L. Redfern ... I keep wonderfully well (despite "77"), and should love to set eyes on etc. Please keep in touch.

A.L. Tiplady ... My thoughts will be with you all and I would be delighted if a few of the "boys" could telephone me on the night. (This was done, to everyone's delight). I presume someone will take a few photographs and I would like copies and will send cash before delivery.... Any old Trainite who finds himself this way at any time will be very welcome.

LINES DEDICATED TO HARRIJOHN, who did so much to make this Reunion possible.

No. 16 Ambulance Train 1915 to West Hill 1965.

What will they look like, after fifty years? Those brave young men, clear-eyed and stiff of lip, Whose high endeavour, fraught with hopes and fears, Knit them with bonds of lasting comradeship, Through endless months of toil and sweat and tears; What will they look like, after fifty years?

Now they are met, and, as they stand and stare With shy appraisal, as of men estranged, They see the wrinkles and the greying hair, But see those deeper features, still unchanged: Those well-remembered voices greet their ears, Echoing down the arches of the years.

Time stops: and all is as it was of yore: Old friendships glow and flicker into flame: Past joys and sorrows shared, are shared once more, The bonds of comradeship are still the same. Fifty long years fade like some old refrain, The ghost of A.T.16 runs again.

R.S.P.

FIFTY YEARS ON

Fifty years is a long time however you look at it, and if we in 1915 had thought of a reunion in 1965 the idea would have seemed fantastic; but looking back the distance does not seem so great. We can remember clearly our life on the Train and many of the incidents might have happened only the other day.

But what of ourselves? Have we changed so much? It is easy to think we can do what we did a few years ago until we put it to the test and find that our legs fail us.

Since I first heard of the Reunion I wondered how others would have altered in appearance. Should we recognise each other in a flash, or should we gaze blankly at a lot of strangers?

I got to Westhill and went cautiously through the entrance of Barrow Cadbury House. Through an office window I saw a distinguished gentleman with a white goatee beard - evidently the wrong shop. Ere I could beat a retreat I heard Harrijohn's voice saying something about the O.R. Board, and I pressed on to meet him and Wu and Rowley Moore. After dropping my bag in a very nice bedroom, I was taken downstairs to meet the others. The first to meet my delighted gaze was Simpy, just the same as ever in voice, manner and appearance. I won't mention all the rest. Some had changed more than others, the younger ones more than those who were older when we last met. At first a glance at the name tabs we wore was a help, but as time went on the old faces returned, or perhaps the spirit shone through, and soon we were back among our old comrades in the old Train spirit, wondering how we could have hesitated to recognise them I felt very close to some who were not with us - 'J.A.', Dukey and Christy Young and others. I hope they too were conscious of our reunion and shared our pleasure. The short Meeting for Worship will be remembered by all who attended.

In the afternoon we held a full Roll Call, when those who were present gave some account of themselves, and we learned as much as we could of those who were absent. It was evident that our time on the Train had left its mark.

After an excellent tea - we were most splendidly catered for and I should like to thank those responsible - we had a most enjoyable gathering, with extracts from 'A Train Errant' and other reminiscences. It brought the past back very vividly.

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After supper Paul Cadbury, late of A.T.17, gave us a delightful speech with some amusing chaff about the two trains, and a few words of appreciation about our work as the first F.A.U. unit to be attached to the B.E.F. for 'rations and discipline'. After more stories we broke up.

It was a most wonderfully successful affair, and I hope Harrijohn and the Local Committee feel repaid for all their hard work. Perhaps Memory, like the sundial, is concerned only with happy hours, but it was good to be reminded of the years when we were giving a real and definite service, although we were conscious that our life was one of luxury compared with that of our patients.

Since we are all around the seventy mark we can hardly wait another fifty years for another reunion. Perhaps after a shorter interval something might be done?

H.R.G.

LINES FROM THE HEART

"I am afraid my verse-making is duller and staler than it was, but at least these verses are sincere and from the heart". J.W.H.

> Aye from the past we came, from the still past We love yet to remember and re-live, While old Time chooses with his mercy-sieve The memories to spare and to recast, In five more years who'll live? Who gone Into the dark, nor ever seen again? Yet we are sure that friendship is not vain When memory outlives oblivion, Let us remember one another yet, And if we meet hereafter let us know Each as he truly is; Heav'n means it so, That each know each and never more forget.

> > J.W.H.

A POSTSCRIPT - FIFTY YEARS LATER - TO CUBIC PHILOSOPHY

The Editor has asked me to write a postscript to the article on Cubic Philosophy which, in a light-hearted mood, I contributed to The Orderly Review some fifty years ago. That article was written, I need hardly say, with tongue in cheek, but perhaps somewhere at the back of my mind there was the idea of caricaturing the logically defensible and self-consistent systems of academic philosophers.

Although I cannot claim to have made a formal study of philosophy, I realise that like many others I do hold certain basic beliefs which constitute a practical philosophy of life. I hope that it will not be considered presumptuous, therefore, if, in obedience to the Editor's behest, I write a short note about the principles which have guided me in the search for the good life.

Shortly after leaving the F.A.U. - I dislike initials, but these are too well established to need expansion - I read a little book by Clutton Brock entitled 'The Ultimate Belief'. In this was set forth the Platonic doctrine that Truth, Beauty and Goodness were the three things or more accurately the ONE thing - supremely worth our pursuit. Reading this I knew without question that I had always held this belief implicitly although I had never formulated it in words. The belief is selfauthenticating; it cannot be 'proved' by reference to more fundamental principles. It is in the search for truth, in the love of beauty and in the practice of goodness that we find our personal fulfilment.

Side by side with this belief, and deepening it, has been the inspiration derived from the Christian revelation, especially as it is expressed in the opening verses of St. John's Gospel. It is, I believe, because we have the light of Christ in our minds - that light that lighteth every man - that we acknowledge the truth of Plato's teaching about the basic importance of Truth, Beauty and Goodness.

I acknowledge failure to live up to the ideal but it remains for me the guiding principle of life.

C.W.T.

POTTED BIOGRAPHIES

A number of Old Sixteeners responded to the request to submit biographical details. A few sets of these have been typed, after editing by Rowley, and are available <u>on loan</u> to those applying. Write to :-

Rowland C. Moore, Faircroft, Hayton, RETFORD, Notts.

SOUVENIRS ON SHOW.

Is man naturally a hoarder?

Whence came, after nearly five decades, the collection of group photographs, diaries Leave passes, Train Christmas cards, miscellaneous photographs of many shapes, sizes and qualities, Cap badges (square and circular), the odd Passport, I.O.U's (cigarettes), and other cherished mementoes of A.T.15 and World War 1? Such a collection must have been, in some cases, zealously hunted out from forgotten cupboards or old boot boxes, not seen for years; in other cases from desk drawers or pigeon holes where they had been carefully preserved by owners with orderly minds.

From wherever they came they made an interesting display on the tables along the corridor approaching the lounge at Barrow Cadbury House, where they were studiously examined by Old Sixteeners at their fiftieth Anniversary Reunion.

The official railway maps, which graced the walls of the Office in "F" coach, were there to recall place-names and railway routes hazy now in memory.

A chart, specially prepared for the occasion, setting out in diagram form the name and period of service on A.T.16 of each F.A.U. member, had its share of perusal. (This was Rowley's own compilation; it was under almost continuous scrutiny. - Ed.)

Souvenirs, such as a statuette of Joan of Arc and Guide Books and picture postcards of many towns the Train visited, reminded us of "off-days" when Leave was granted, and shopping and sight-seeing were enjoyed.

We browsed again through the pages of the first few issues of "The Orderly Review", first produced in 1915. which had travelled on A.T.16 some 70,000 miles (during the period the Train was manned by F.A.U. personnel) and which Harrijohn, the Editor for many years, had faithfully preserved.

Some few had responded to the suggestion that family pictures would be welcome, and we shared (in snapshot form) the happiness of a number of delightful grandchildren, as well as the family gathering on Tatcho's Golden Wedding Day last year.

The train duties carried out when patients were not on board were recalled on pictures taken after the Armistice, which brought back memories of toil-full mornings, of wash-days, of water fatigues, of the Train in "garage", of fancy dress parades, of There was a forgotten pencil-shaped and pencil-sized "weapon", pointed and fluted, picked up on a route-march under Captain Walker in the early days, when the route passed an airfield, to remind us of the first conception of air-to-ground missiles.

Someone had preserved all these years a charred metal spoon from "B" pantry - a memento of the first hit on "A" coach at Etaples.

But most poignant of all, perhaps, was the reminder the official train group photographs gave us of the young men who toiled and grumbled and relaxed and played and groused again, as day succeeded day, sometimes busy, very busy and sometimes slack and often frustrating, but all full of comradeship in those A.T. years that none of us will ever forget.

R.C.M.

THE REUNION MEETING FOR WORSHIP

Among the suggestions received by the Local Committee was one for a Meeting for Worship - surely an inspired suggestion, for nearly everyone gravitated to the College Chapel at noon on Wednesday.

There was a deep feeling of unity, certainly in part based on memories of the comradeship experienced those many years ago. There was gratitude that we had been guided to A.T.16 and granted the opportunity to live and work together in a common cause.

Those who spoke - Treg, Wuhu, John Harvey, Whisky, and Sutherland - all referred to the way in which this experience had influenced their lives in succeeding years, and their contributions helped to deepen the sense of corporate worship. For many of us, this Meeting may be the part of the Reunion which will remain uppermost in our memory.

F.H.S. and L.T.

A WIFE'S REFLECTIONS ON THE OLD SIXTEENERS' REUNION.

I wish some of the young people of to-day who take part in Work Camps and Voluntary Service Projects could have peeped into Westhill College, Birmingham, on the 11th August when the members of the F.A.U. who had served on No. 16 Ambulance Train in France during the first World War held their fiftieth anniversary Reunion. They might have thought that they were looking at a group of elderly men (most of them were over seventy), but if they had stayed and listened, they would have realised that it was by no means a group of ordinary old men.

As the wives returned from their visit to Cadbury Brothers' factory, they saw this group seated in a circle in the sunshine on the lawn. They were going over the list of their members and those present gave a brief resume of what they had been doing and news was given of many of the others who were not there. What a feeling of joy there was amongst them, and to the wives the spirit of fellowship and comradeship of former days was very evident. In the Meeting for Worship we wives were inspired by the ministry of several members recalling with thankfulness the opportunities they had had in the community living on the train, when young men from all stations of life lived together sharing their joys and trials. In the evening there were reminiscences and readings from their book "The Train Errant".

We wives (I know I was not alone in my feelings) were given to realise more than we had ever done before how much these years in the Ambulance Train had influenced their lives. It was a great occasion for them.

And for our young people of to-day, as I think of them and the many opportunities they have of sharing as these men did fifty years ago, I hope that through their years they will be able to experience the really joyful memory of comradeship that was so evident at this reunion.

J.M.T.

GREETING CARDS TO ABSENT FRIENDS

Stamped post-cards (an old Ackworth custom?), addressed to all absentees whose addresses were known, were displayed in the lounge for signature. The recipients were delighted. Here are two acknowledgments.

".... thrilled to receive the post-card with signatures. ... Have you an address list?" (C.P.A.)

"I was pleased with your signed card. What a kind thought The card will go into my Train Errant". (T.F.F.)

FROM THE POST-REUNION POST-BAG

.... It was grand meeting so many old friends, and both my. wife and I greatly enjoyed the Reunion. (W.R.J.)

... Fifty years is a long time, but I, for one, soon dropped back into the old companionship and something of the old spirit of the Train. (H.R.G.)

.... Let me confess to serious misgivings about coming. These affairs can be tricky times, sometimes times of forced 'bonhomie' and tension. Not so on this most happy occasion. Perhaps the most interesting effect was the way that strange faces slowly came into focus until we were back some forty-odd years ago, and faces were familiar again. Again, one could almost place those whose life had been spent in the tug-of-war of industry and commerce and those who had lived in more sheltered waters. (R.H.B.)

.... Once again may I say how great a success the Reunion . turned out to be It was grand to meet you again. (R.S.P.)

.... For many it was a time of stock-taking - rather like that varied scene where the ten talents, the five and the one had to give an honest account of what they had made of life; a mixture of thankfulness and humiliation. (R.E.W.)

.... It was a brain-wave to invite the wives, who brought with them a colourful presence as well as adding to the tone of the party. My wife joins in adding her thanks and warmest appreciation. (E.C.)

.... The happiness the Reunion gave us will be remembered as long as we live. What a great Reunion it was Kindly let me have the address of Pope-Russell. We would like to write and thank him for transporting us to and from the Reunion. (A.S.)

(Ben's owner-driver transport service was one of the high-lights. - Ed.)

.... Do invite anyone passing this way to drop in and see us. We should be delighted. (H.J.C.)

(This is axiomatic. Whenever you are about to travel, look up the Old Sixteeners' Address list. - Ed.)

.... Thank you for making all the arrangements. Everyone was very kind. Netta Young

FROM THE POST-REUNION POST-BAG (Contd.)

.... The more I hear about the Reunion, the more I wish I could have been there, and I am certainly looking forward to "The Orderly Review". (V.S.B.)

.... What pleased me most was to find that all who remember Harold are glad that I am still living where we made our home together.

Marjorie Watts.

NEWS OF THE AMERICAN CONTINGENT

Sometimes procrastination pays. This brochure should have been distributed long before Christmas. The unfortunate delays have been unexpectedly compensated by news of Howard Carey and Earl Fowler. Here is the sequence.

October - P.P.C. from Cocky Steele (of Fourgon and "Where's my pipe?" fame), travelling on the Queen Mary to New York en route for Palm Beach for the winter, by kind invitation of a relative.

January - Letter from Harrijohn to Cocky giving Morley's address. Unexpected reply with Manchester postmark from Cocky:.... "I could not stand the heat of Palm Beach".

HOWARD CAREY LOCATED : WELL DONE! COCKY STEELE

Cocky's letter (continued). "My next plan (after sight-seeing in New York) was to visit a Friends Meeting House.... I asked the Lady Secretary if there were two F.A.U. members of their Meeting. After a little language difficulty I found that Keary was the same as Carey and I was invited to speak on the 'phone to him. What a thrill it was to talk to him after all these years. I did my best to describe the wonderful Reunion and how he was remembered, and we were very pleased to be able to talk to each other. I had to be at Kennedy Airport at 7.30 p.m., so we had no time to see each other".

February - Letter from Carey to Harrijohn; "I was delighted to have your letter Give my sincere greetings and good wishes to all who knew me on A.T.16. It was a very pleasant surprise to have the call from Cocky Steele. I am sorry that I was not able to contact some of you last Spring when my wife and I were in England in Birmingham...

I worked for 36 years with the New York Telephone Company and retired in December, 1957.... We are enjoying our home in Long Island very much.... We have three children... a daughter, with three daughters.... our elder son ... and he has a son and two step-daughters ... our other son and his family (three daughters) ... We had all of them with us on Christmas Day".

EARL FOWLER LOCATED TOO.

Carey's letter (continued). "We had a good letter from Earl Fowler and his wife at Christmas time. They live on a farm and their address is ... (see appendix - Ed.). I'm sure Earl would appreciate being on your mailing list. Earl resigned several years ago from the Soil Survey in the U.S. Government and they went to live on the farm which they had owned for many years. In the summer of 1964 they went with their son John and his family to France, near Paris. Earl and Ada travelled extensively in Europe and further East and were in England just a few days"

Stop Press: Feb. 10th. Letter from Earl Fowler, enclosing copy of letter composed for his fiftieth college (Earlham) class reunion, giving the salient features of his activities since June, 1915.

"Enriching years indeed", says his covering letter; "and outstanding of these experiences was the year with the F.A.U. where we met you and the other good members of A.T.16. ... I hope we can meet again during this exciting space age".

The Earlham letter shows what an outstanding contribution Earl made in the new and vital field of soil science. It also refers to his five sons and sixteen grandchildren.

FELIX MORLEY

If only we had known beforehand we could surely have arranged regional reunions for the Careys and the Fowlers. We had better luck with the Morleys. We knew they would be in England in September. (See Reunion: Part Two - Ed.).

Felix "drew heavily on Orderly Review experience to start newspaper work as a reporter" on arriving back in U.S.A. He returned to England as a Rhodes Scholar with his wife Isabel, got a fellowship in London at L.S.E. and saw much of Miles (founder with Felix, H.R. Gill and Harrijohn of The Orderly Review), "destined to die all too young". Then came more journalism; travel in Japan, China, Philippines; Geneva and League of Nations; authorship; editorship of The Washington Post; Presidency of Haverford (Quaker) College; etc. For other details borrow a copy of Rowley Moore's Potted Biographies.

EDDIE RICE

Alas, the only news we have of Eddie Rice, the fourth member of the notable American contingent who trained with the "originals" at Oxhey Grange and served on A.T. 16 in the early months, is that he died some years ago.

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY REUNION : PART TWO

Local (Birmingham) members (and widows of members) of A.T.16 arranged - once again with help from Cadburys and with Paul Cadbury looking in occasionally - a miniature Reunion for Felix and Isabel Morley on September 21st and 22nd. at Oakwood, Bournville. Those who had the thrill of taking part were : Wuhu, Jack White, Curly, Ben Pope-Russell and Harrijohn - with their wives; Simpy and Frank Eracey; and Mrs. Harold Watts and Mrs. Cyril Young. It was another great occasion, enriched with generous hospitality and enhanced by sunny weather.

After Tuesday's gossiping and entertaining, the Morleys spent Wednesday morning visiting Bournville Works. Then they lunched with Marjorie Watts and made short calls on Wuhu, Jack, Curly and Harrijohn before catching their train back to London. They were intrigued with our happy homes and small, gay gardens.

Felix is considerably bulkier - like many of us - than fifty years ago, and - like all of us - less agile. He still writes and broadcasts, and was in fact over here partly on serious business. (See "Things you may like to know". - Ed.).

Isabel, like all the wives at both gatherings, endeared herself by her graciousness and friendly charm. Frank Bracey, who, though local, missed the August Reunion, made amends by presenting Felix and Isabel with a carved wooden tray of his own workmanship - much admired since in Maryland.

Reporting the departure of Felix, "The Guardian" in a felicitous paragraph referred to him as "the middle one of three writing brothers all Rhodes Scholars The elder brother, the late Christopher Morley, wrote at least fifty books, including 'Thunder on the Left'. ... The younger brother, Frank, is at present engaged on a successor to his widely read study 'The Great North Road'."

There is a good deal more about Felix in "Potted Biographies". See page 10.

Frank lives at Jordans near Fenimore. All three brothers are "Sherlockian Addicts"æ" The Guardian" put it, and Felix spent part of his time on (not in) Dartmoor studying "Hound of the Baskerville" placename problems - a task which left no time for Treg and him to meet, much to their mutual disappointment. Before leaving England Felix contributed by request the following (in his own words) "Bit of doggerel which unfortunately cannot relay the great appreciation we both feel for the friendship and hospitality shown us at Bournville".

SIXTEEN LINES to OLD SIXTEENERS

What fun it was to see again Lads I had known on the Train! Old Harrijohn with a goatee Just as a Mandarin should be; And Wuhu with his Chinese twinkle Triumphant o'er the acquired wrinkle; And Simpy, still so full of grace Though time has likewise lined his face. The tray from Bracey we shall treasure, Also the memorable pleasure Of calls on Curly and Jack White Upon a day both warm and bright When, best of all, we met the wives Who have so much enhanced the lives Of those whose friendship I renew In this Disorderly Review.

F.M.M.

Poetic licence? Many of us would substitute "For time has scarcely lined his face."

As one letter says "The greatest surprise was the extraordinarily constant and unchanging personal appearance of our 'headman' he must have an extraordinary placidity in his make-up."

(See also page 8. Ed.)

THINGS YOU MAY LIKE TO KNOW

THE CITY OF YPRES included the F.A.U. in its solemn commemoration of "The Agony of Ypres in 1914-15" last May. The story is told by Robert J. Stopford in a 16-page brochure entitled -"Ypres Then and Now: 1914-1965", obtainable from Friends Book Centre, Euston Road, N.I. price 1/-. It recalls, with illustrations, "something of the varied work of the Unit, which was so generously recognized on 2nd May this year". It contains a list of early F.A.U. members, including the following Old Sixteeners in order of arrival:-A. Hal Simpson, Harold Watts, John White, John Harvey, Bernard Johnson, Allen Chandler, Andrew J. Morland, Edmund Cooper, George Stanley Pumphrey, Noel Priestman and Alex Peckover Penrose.

KINGSLEY MARTIN'S "FATHER FIGURES: A volume of Autobiography" (Hutchinson of London, 1966, 35/-) devotes Chapter 4, "My War", to his F.A.U. experiences in camp at Jordans, at the Star & Garter Hospital, at Dunkirk, and on A.T.ll, which the blurb describes as "the strange life of an ambulance orderly in France in 1917-18". Well worth reading!

S.S.A.14 REUNIONS take place every two years. The most recent was in May 1965, when twenty-two members out of thirty-six survivors gathered at Twokesbury for a brief week-end. Several Old Sixteeners served with this Convoy.

"What was our purpose at Tewkesbury?" asks the report of this reunion in "The Friend", 28th May, 1965. "To assure ourselves, if such were needed, that something was created during those war years with which nothing in our normal lives compared. It was not until the war was over that we realised the true value of the comradeship that had been created."

"FRIENDS AMBULANCE UNIT : the story of the F.A.U. in the Second World War 1939-1946", by A.Tegla Davies (Allen & Unwin, 1947, 594 pp. illustrated, price 15/-) vividly describes the revival of the F.A.U. By 30th June, 1946, when it officially came to an end, its members had seen service in twenty-five different countries of Europe, Africa and Asia. But, the Epilogue, concludes, --- "The Unit is not dead. It endures, and will endure, in the lives of all who learnt through it the meaning of comradeship and service". (p.465). Precisely our sentiments as Old Sixteeners.

Old Sixteeners on the Council (p.466) of the second F.A.U. (Chairman: Paul S. Cadbury) were John W. Harvey, Andrew J. Morland, W. Farley Rutter, and Harold Watts. Leonard Tomkinson served with the China Convoy, first as its Liaison Officer and afterwards as its Council chairman. (p.272).

THINGS YOU MAY LIKE TO KNOW - Continued -

One story, bridging the years and linking the two F.A.Us., that we heard at our Reunion was of Brigadier "Johnnie" Walker, D.M.S., turning aside to look up a section in North Africa because he had served for a time with one in the first World War. Later news of our first O.C. has been impossible to obtain : War Office Records drew a blank.

FELIX MORLEY'S monthly contribution to the influential American periodical "Nation's Business", November 1965, was headed, "Enterprise is Secret Weapon in New Battle of Britain" - a title suggested by the twentyfifth anniversary of the Nazi bombing.

> "A different type of sacrifice is demanded", he says, " though it will take as much fortitude to save the pound as was necessary to resist the Luftwaffe in 1940... The decision (to avoid devaluation) actually rests in the hands of the British <u>people</u> (our bracket. and our underlining - Ed.) Will they sacrifice leisure and luxury in a manner comparable with the endurance shown when they alone stood off the German onslaught a quartercentury ago?".

Grim words, and Felix Morley drives them home with a few stark pointers to our decadence. But instead of dilating on the overall situation he concentrates on a few firms (Cadburys amongst them) which in different lines, by unusual initiative, have been earning substantial foreign exchange, relative to their turnover. From this he argues hopefully that -

> "in many places and undertakings one will discover that individual initiative is by no means dead; that the spirit of the old merchant adventurers still flourishes, and that the second Dattle of Britain is as yet by no means lost".

Hence the title of this attractively written survey, only two pages in length, which should be compulsory reading for every Britisher, basking in the artificial sunshine of a make-believe affluent society - even if he can think of counter-arguments.

LIST 2. DIRECT CONTACT (19)

Abbatt Bayliss Bracey Carey Collier Fowler Fox Garwood Gibson Holman Holmes Howson Major Morley Redfern Riley Biploy	C.P. V.S. F. H.L. D.W. E.O. Sir T.F. R.T. H. P. I. J.L. J.W. F.M. L. W.G.	20. 4.18 27. 8.17 14. 8.15 14. 8.15 14. 8.15 14. 8.15 20. 4.18 1. 8.16 14. 8.15 14. 8.15 14. 8.15 15. 3.18 14. 8.15 26.11.16 14. 8.15 27. 2.16 9. 5.18		30. 1.19 30. 1.19 2.12.15 18. 4.16 8. 8.16 16. 4.16 1. 1.19 30. 1.19 31. 7.18 8. 8.16 30. 1.19 31. 7.18 8. 8.16 30. 1.19 30. 5.17 1. 1.19 2. 2.16 29. 3.16 1. 1.19 30. 1.19
Ripley Rutter Tiplady	W.F. A.L.	9. 5.18 21. 7.18 14. 8.15	-	30. 1.19 30. 1.19 24.11.17

LIST 3 VAGUE NEWS (8)

Calpin	G.H.	24.11.17	-	20. 4.18
Carr	W.R.	14. 8.15	-	31. 7.18
Clemes	A.W.	14. 8.15	-	28. 1.16
Clough	H.	1. 8.16	-	30. 1.19
Crowhurst	H.G.	14. 8.15	-	8. 8.16
Fry	J.N.P.	21. 1.16	-	27. 8.17
Harris	L.M.	14. 8.15	-	23. 1.16
Muschamp	T.L.	14. 8.15	-	20. 6.16

ANOTHER REUNION ?

It might prove a damp squib. But someone might be sufficiently enterprising to take soundings (we have nearly fifty addresses) in four or five years' time. Or should we aim at 1969 - the fiftieth anniversary of the year we were disbanded (30.1.1919) ? Any volunteers ? LIST 4 - No information (29)

Basson Bendall Dliss Chandler Collins-	G. A.C. J.G. A:	9. 5.16 31. 8.15 3. 5.18 26. 8.15	- - -	22. 5.16 29.12.15 30. 1 19 30.12.15
Williams Cotterell	A.C. G.S.	13. 2.18 25. 2.16	_	19.10.18 8. 8.16
Daws	R.	1. 8.16	-	8. 8.17
Douglas	W.F.	14. 8.15	-	1.12.15
Ellis	G.H.	18.16	~	3.11.16
England	E.H.	24. 6.18.	-	30.1.19
Entwistle	Α.	1. 8.16		30. 1.19
Garrett	A.A.	14. 8.15	-	17. 9.15
Gill	J.A.	12.11.15	-	30. 1.19
Greenough	F.G.M.	1. 8.16	-	30. 1.19
Horner	L.W.	14. 8.15	-	8. 8.16
Jenkinson	J.A.T.	6. 8.18	-	30. 1.19
Jones	W.H.	24.11.15	~	16. 7.16
Lambert	A.T.	14. 8.15	-	10.11.15
Marsh	J.K.	14. 8.15	-	20. 4.18
Money	F.J.	1. 8.16	-	30. 1.19
Nettleton	D.	19.10.18	-	30. 1.19
Nowell	W.H.	15.2.16	-	8. 8.16
Penrose	A.P.D.	21. 6.16	-	8. 8.16
Stevens	G.C.	24. 6.18	-	30. 1.19
Thornton	E.	22. 8.15	-	9.11.16
Tomlin	H.	1. 8.16	-	6. 6.18
Wallis	Ε.	14. 8.15	-	1. 6.16
White	F.C.	14. 8.15	-	30. 1.19
Wright	G.	30. 7.18	-	1. 1.19

LISTS AND STATISTICS COMPILED BY ROWLAND MOORE

Between 14th August, 1915 and 31st January, 1919 the number of F.A.U. members who served on A.T.16 was 107. Their names and dates of service are set out in lists as follows :-

List l	present at Reunion	29
List 2	direct contact	19
List 3	vague news	8
List 4	no news	29
List 5	reported died	22

For addresses and other information about Old Sixteeners in Lists 1, 2 and 3 - see the Appendix.

"If I should die and leave you here awhile, Be not, like others, sore undone, who keep Long vigils by the silent dust and weep; For my sake turn again to life and smile, Nerving thy heart and trembling hand to do Something to comfort weaker hearts than thine: Complete these dear unfinished tasks of mine And I, perchance, may therein comfort you."

Anon.

IN MEMORIAM

List 5 - Reported Died (22)

Armitage	H.A.	24. 6.18		30. 1.19
Bubb	W.H.	14. 8.15		2.12.15
Day	J.B.	14. 8.15	-	8. 8.16
Duke	B.M.	14. 8.15	-	17.12.18
Emson	E.	15. 3.18	-	30. 1.19
Hill	Α.	12.11.15	-	2. 2.16
James	I.B.	1. 8.16	-	17. 3.18
Kitching	Α.	9. 5.16	-	23. 5.16
Kitching	H.	9. 5.16	-	30. 1.19
Kitching	W.H.	9. 5.16	-	30. 1.19
Lambourn	Α.	6.11.15		30. 1.19
Miles	J.E.	14. 8.15	-	11.11.15
Morland	A.J.	14. 8.15		25. 2.16
Pearson	С.	14. 8.15	-	30. 1.19
Rice	E.	14. 8.15	-	7.10.15
Wallis	E.A.	18. 4.16		8. 8.16
Watson	W.H.	5. 1.16	-	8. 8.16
Watts	H.	14. 8.15	-	11.11.15
White	A.M.	29.10.16	-	6. 8.18
Williams	E.S.	2.12.16	-	30. 1.19
Woodhead	H.	1. 8.16	-	30. 1.19
Young	С.	14. 8.15	-	22.12.18

' The lines at the head of this page were found alongside a photograph of Harold Watts' Mother, and were adopted for his memorial card on 9th March, 1950, by Marjorie and their three sons.

ENVOI

Go, little book of mem'ries blest; The Editor has done his best.

"Don't view me with a critic's eye, But pass my imperfections by". Harrijohn.

APPENDIX

Names, Addresses, Telephone Numbers and brief biographical details (where known) of Old Sixteeners recorded in Lists 1, 2 and 3. * Indicates more news in "Potted Biographies", available on loan. _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ *ABBATT, C.P. 148, Chatsworth Court, London, W.8. (Western 0718) Toy Specialist (with wife) with international reputation Business premises at 94, Wimpole Street, (Langham 3884). Married. No children. ¥ BAYLISS, V.S., Far End, Headley Down, Bordon, Hants. (Headley Down 3395) Schoolmaster. Retired 1958. 3 children. 8 grandchildren. BOWER, J.A., 52, Altrincham Road, Wilmslow, Cheshire. Wilmslow 3870. Window cleaning Contractor. Married Cocky Steele's sister. 1 daughter. No grandchildren. BRACEY, F., 24, Lilley Lane, West Heath, Birmingham. 31. Widower. Retired from Cadbury's, Bournville. BROOK, R.H., 63, Longley Road, Huddersfield, Yorks. Retired from I.C.I. Married. 2 children. 6 grandchildren. CALPIN, G.H., Went to South Africa, it is thought, as a journalist. CAREY, H.L., 2690, Park Avenue, Baldwin, Long Island, New York 11510, USA. Retired from New York Telephone Co. Married.3 children, 10 grandchildren. CARR, W. R. Believed went to Tanganyika. CHALKLEY, H.J. China Inland Mission, Lankhills Road, Winchester. 26 years in North China with C. I. M., then 16 years as Business Manager of C.I.M. in London. Retired 1962. Married. 4 children. 11 grandchildren. CLEMES, A.W. For some years had a Travel Agency in Haymarket. CLOUGH, H. Reported to have left Lancashire some years ago to work in Coventry. Married. 2 or 3 children. *COLLIER, D.W., 71, Kiln Road, Emmer Green, Reading, Berks. (Reading 73049). Was a Managing Director of Cadbury Brothers. Retired 1957. Married. 2 children. 2 grandchildren. *COOPER, E., Ivelet, Jordans, Beaconsfield, Bucks. (Jordans 3192) Most of life with Friends' Provident. Retired 11 years ago. Married. 3 children. 7 grandchildren. CROWHURST, H.G. Was school teacher in Brighton. *DEVEREUX, L.W., 23, Highcroft Villas, Brighton, 5. (Brighton 58041) Solicitor: still in practice at 77. Golden wedding 1964. 2 children. 6 grandchildren.

[#]ELLIS, E.W., Gedham, Ossett, Yorks. (Ossett 2673). Mungo Manufacturer (family business). Retired 1959. Married. l daughter. Motto: (based on AT16 days) "No work after mid-day".

FOWLER, E.O., Route 3 Box 534, Albany, Georgia, U.S.A. Retired from U.S. Govt. Soil Survey. Married. 5 sons, all married.

FOX, Sir Theodore F. Greenhouse, Rotherfield, Crowborough, Sussex. (Rotherfield 270). Doctor. One time Editor of "The Lancet". Now Medical Director of the Family Planning Association.

FRY, J.N.P. Was known to be at one time with Dunlop's.

- [#]GARWOOD, R.T., 14 Blenheim Road, North Harrow, Middx. (Harrow 9935) Retired 1955 from General Secretary, Caravan Mission to Village Children. Married. 2 children (died at birth).
- GIBSON, H., Almora, Bond Road, Barnsley, Yorks. (Barnsley 3102). Retired wholesale grocer. Married. 1 son. 2 grandchildren.

^{*}GILL, H. R., Echo Down, Fort Road, Guildford, Surrey. (Guildford 4135) Head of family business. Retired 1951. Married. 3 sons. 1 daughter (deceased). 1 grandaughter.

- HARRIS, L.M. Was known to have florists' shop in Coventry. (Father was Lord Mayor of Coventry).
- *HARRISON, C.A., 30, Weoley Hill, Birmingham, 29. (SELly Oak 2417) Education Officer at Cadbury's. Retired 1954. Married. 3 children. 6 grandchildren.

*HARVEY, J.W., 8a, Claremont Road, Leeds 6. (Leeds 52925) University Lecturer - Birmingham; Professor of Philosophy - Newcastle and Leeds Universities. Married. No children.

*HOLMAN, P., 3 Arundel Court, Wimbledon, London, S.W.19. (WIMbledon 3497) M.P. for Bethnal Green - for 20 years to date. Still active in family business - paper-making. Married. 3 children. 12 grandchildren.

- *HOLMES, I., Red Hall Farm Cottage, Haughton-le-Skerne, Darlington. 30 years Mace Bearer for Darlington C.B. Council. Retired 1962. Married. 1 child. 1 grandchild.
- *HOWSON, J. L., Croskell House, Aughton, Hornby, near Lancaster. Headmaster. Retired 1941. Married. No children.
- *HOWSON, W. G. 20, Castle Park, Lancaster. (Lancaster 2152) Medical Practitioner in Lancaster 25 years; now retired. Married. 2 children. 2 grandchildren.
- *HOYLES, H.S., 76A Waterloo Road, Wellington, Somerset. (Wellington 2229) Chemist. Retired 1960. Married. No children.
- *JACKSON, W.R., Reedley, Brampton, Cumberland. (Brampton 319) Still, at 81, running family drapery business. Justice of the Peace and active in social work. Married. 4 daughters. 5 grandchildren.

JOHNSON, B., Glaeburn, Westbury Terrace, Westerham, Kent. (Westerham 2319) In Passport Office until retirement in 1953. Widower. 1 daughter. No grandchildren.

*LUPTON, H.B., 120 Whitchurch Road, Harlescott, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. Production Manager in Engineering Factory. Retired 1955. Married. 2 children. 5 grandchildren.

*MAJOR, J.W., 2, Eldon Road, Reading, Berks. Headmaster, Leigh Grammar School (23 years). Retired 1955. Married. 1 son.

[#]MOORE, J.E., 25 Hallam Grange Road, Sheffield 10. (Sheffield 32406) Steel Industry. Retired 1965. Widower. No children.

³⁶MOORE, R.C., Faircroft, Hayton, Retford, Notts. (Retford 3101) General Manager, Sheffield Corporation Transport. Retired 1961. Married. 2 sons. 5 grandchildren.

*MORLEY, F.M., Gibson Island, Maryland 21056, U.S.A. (301-255-0885) Rhodes Scholar at Oxford 1919. Much journalistic work: Baltimore "Sun" (travelled extensively); Editor - Washington "Post"; later President Haverford College (Quaker); now retired, but still writing. Married. 4 children. 7 grandchildren.

MUSCHAMP, T.L. Known to have been sheep farming in Australia.

- POLLARD, R.S., Ackworth Cottage, Cloughton, Scarborough. (Cloughton 208) Retired Schoolmaster (Science). Bachelor.
- POPE-RUSSELL, A., 11. Norton View, Birmingham 14. (HIGhbury 4105). Not yet fully retired. Married. 3 children. 3 grandchildren.

*PRIESTMAN, E.N., 5, Downfields, Welwyn Garden City, Herts. Still at work. London Office of firm of plastic manufacturers. Married. 4 children.

*PUMPHREY, G.S., 16, Oldfield Avenue, Lower Willingdon, Eastbourne, Sussex. (Polegate 3594). Senior Master - Saffron Walden. Retired 1958. Widower. 2 daughters.

REDFERN, L., Broad Oak, Castle Hill, Prestbury, Macclesfield, Cheshire. Married. No family.

RILEY, W.G. Retired from business and living in Switzerland.

^{*}RIPLEY, W., 10, Thornfield Grove, Middlesbrough. Was employed in Insurance. Married. 1 son. 2 grandchildren.

³⁶RUTTER, W.F., Woodgate, 6, St. Rumbold Road, Shaftesbury, Dorset. Now 77. Solicitor; also part-time Town Clerk of Shaftesbury. Now retired, but Member of Dorset County Council since 1957. Married. 5 children.

- *SIMPSON, A.H., Horsehay Cottage Wellington, Shropshire (Dawley 416) Chairman - Engineering firm (Steel Bridges, Cranes, etc.) Married. 4 children. 11 grandchildren.
- *STANLEY, F.H., 9 Claines Road, Birmingham, 31. (PRIory 4913) Retired from Cadbury's. Married. No children.
- STEELE, A., 61, Rippingham Road, Withington, Manchester, 20. Formerly Caretaker Manchester Friends' Meeting House. Latterly attached to Editorial Dept. of Odhams Press. Now retired. Married. 1 child.
- *SUTHERLAND, H.H.D., 34, St. Marks Road, London, W.10. (LAD 0660) 41 years a Medical Practitioner in London. Retired 1964. Married. 2 children.
- *TIPLADY, A.L., 4 Hereford Court, 61, The Drive, Hove, 3, Sussex. (Brighton 775353). Still working. Company Secretary. Wife chronic invalid. Writes long letters full of nostalgic memories. Married. No children.
- *TOMKINSON, L., 19 Beech Road, Birmingham 30. (KINgs Norton 4466). Relief work, under various organisations in China. Also literary work (translations to and from Chinese). Married. 2 children.
- *TREGENZA, C.W., Holly Cottage, Madron, Penzance, Cornwall. (Penzance 3549). Headmaster - County Grammar School; later H.M.I. Retired 1951. Widower. No children.
- *WAITES, R., 52 Devonshire Road, Middlesbrough. (Middlesbrough 88341) School-teacher, retired 1958, but recently resumed on part-time basis. Married. 2 children. 4 grandchildren.
- *WHITE, J., 171, Heath Road, Birmingham, 30. (KINgs Norton 2378). Retired 1957 from Personnel Office at Cadbury's. Married. 2 children. 6 grandsons.
- ³⁴WHITBY, R.E., Hatherleigh, Mere, Wilts. (Mere 330) Medical Practitioner - widespread country practice in Wiltshire Retired 1960. Now transcribing scientific Text Books into Braille. Married. 1 son. 1 grandchild.