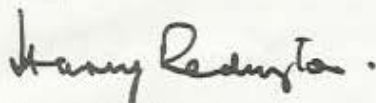


A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIRMAN

IT IS NEVER TOO LATE

It is almost 2 years since the NCR Retirement Fellowship was formed, and with a great deal of company support and a lot of hard work by Regional Organisers all round the country, we can reasonably consider 1986 to have been a year of progress in establishing a flourishing NCR Retirement Fellowship. However, we are aware that there may well be some of you who, originally electing to receive POSTSCRIPT only, may now like to be invited to local meetings of the Fellowship which are being organised all round the country. If therefore you are not a fully participating member and would like to become involved, you have only to write a short note to Betty Campbell, Secretary NCR Retirement Fellowship, 206 Marylebone Road, London NW1 6LY, who will be pleased to see that the appropriate Regional Organiser is advised to keep you informed of events being arranged in your area. You can be assured of a warm welcome wherever these are held.



HARRY REDINGTON

PENSIONER PROFILE Jack Sale

In 1936 at the tender age of 14 I applied for the position advertised in the local newspaper as 'Office Clerk', and following a somewhat nervous (on my part!) interview by the local Salesman, Joe Roan and Chief Mechanic, Danny Hurst, I was accepted and commenced employment at Derby Office on 26 May '36. I well remember my first few days at Derby which involved setting up for demonstration the Cash Registers we had on display, dusting all this display equipment, laying out new brochures



Jack Sale.

in the windows, and when required installing Window Displays (I remember they were shipped from office to office in large crates on a rota basis). Another task was to unpack new Cash Registers; classes 4000, 5000, 14000 and the top of the range, 6000. These came in very well made wooden cases and had to have Indication Glasses fitted, most machines came from Canada, Dayton or Germany at this time. In retrospect it was quite clear that the 'Office Clerk' side of my duties was somewhat minor! However, I had to answer the 'phone (phones were not common those days in private houses) and this was quite an ordeal for me at that time. And of course the typewriter, it was DIY then and many letters had to be re-typed as my fingers seemed to go their own way.

These many duties paid off in later years. Setting up equipment gave me a good idea of the selling points of the many available models, important when potential customers called, and woe betide you if you allowed them to escape before trying every trick in the trade to get their name and address. Any sales, in or out of the office were followed by a minor celebration on the part of the salesman.

My major highlight at Derby was winning the 'Donald' Trophy for office efficiency in 1938, this included a cash award of one guinea — very nice in

those pre-war years when my salary was paid by the salesman — about 70p per week in that year.

I transferred to Leicester Office in July 1939 with the salesman at that time, A E Foster and stayed in 'digs'. I had a tough time living on my salary then, in spite of an increase to £1 per week. At the outbreak of war I returned to Derby Office until 1940 when I was transferred to NCR Sheffield and in May of that year I was taken on to the Company strength as a 'fully paid' member of the staff — salary £2.50. I enjoyed my time at Sheffield and travelled from Derby daily leaving by the 06.30 train and returning on the 18.15 in the evening. Sheffield was bombed heavily during 1941 and I recall arriving at the office one morning having walked from the nearest railway station still open, Topley, to find the office damaged and the Class 6000 office cash register lying in the road. In the FED premises (some half-a-mile away) an unexploded bomb was traced three days later, the engineers having been working in the building in the interim. With call-up's and engineer shortages I moved from the main premises to FED and worked on engineers records at Sheffield for fifty percent of the time, the other fifty percent doing service work on the lower grade equipment 700/800 4000/5000 etc. Despite the bombing, this was a great experience for me, and it was with regret that I had to leave in 1942 to join HM Forces.

Between 1942 and 1946 I served in the RAC in Libya, India, Ceylon and Singapore. For a period I was personal driver to Admiral Somerville and Lord Louis Mountbatten, and was involved with SEAC Transport in charge of Vehicle Repairs and Maintenance. *(A very modest paragraph, perhaps we can persuade Jack to expand on this period in a later edition? — ED.)*

In January 1947 on demob, I applied to NCR and was appointed Service Clerk at Newcastle Office, being appointed Office Manager in 1948 when Paul

Black was District Manager there. At that time I was responsible for 7 branches carrying out training of new clerks. In 1962 I was promoted Assistant Manager Branch Office Services covering the North, also including Ireland, under Ernie Singer.

In 1966 when Frank Nolan took over Branch Office Admin I remained at Newcastle, and the dividing line between North and South was Peterborough to Llandudno and in 1971 this included Birmingham. After decimalisation and the changes that had to be made the number of offices drastically reduced — this was a difficult time for us all. I did however undertake two assignments; in 1969 I spent a few weeks in Malta taking over from Toledo — the agency handling NCR products at that time — training staff to NCR corporate standards. In 1974 I, together with George McMahon and Joe Anderson, controlled the retail outlet of McKelvies Greenock until closure (about 6 weeks). During this assignment we had some interesting experiences in the retail stationery business.

Following about 5 months at Head Office in 1976 when senior management was involved with OVA, and with subsequent restructuring of the Company I was transferred to Leeds as Admin Manager, North Area. This position I held until my retirement in May '86. Between 1983/85 I also covered Scotland and Northern Ireland on a temporary basis.

My early experiences as an Office Clerk at Derby stood me in good stead for the years that followed, my 30 years at Newcastle and 10 at Leeds — a wonderful span of very happy years. I would do it again — the commencing salary of 10/- (50p) would have to be increased however!!!

I have a son with NCR at Doncaster so the 'family' is still in the business. Now I have my photography and my very many happy memories.

NOTE: Jack is in the unique position of being the last person in the company to be able to achieve a span of 50 years from initial engagement to final retirement. His involvement with former colleagues is not however over, he modestly omits mentioning the fact that he is now Fellowship Regional Organiser for Scotland. ED.

OUR SINCERE THANKS

Betty Campbell, Nicola Lawrie and Geoff Jackson would like to thank all those of you who sent us Christmas Greetings, these were greatly appreciated. We also received many letters thanking us for the NCR Diaries which were very well received ... you will be getting another NCR Diary for 1988 — so you can enter in the NCR Retirement Fellowship dates and so ensure you do not overlook them. We are pleased that you were all so pleased with these.

LETTERS FROM MEMBERS

WESTCLIFF ON SEA — NOV. 1986

Just a line to say how much I enjoyed yesterday's lunch. A warm welcome wine, food and interesting talk and most of all a long chat with old friends. My thanks to the Management and Organisers for a splendid day. I look forward to the next one with pleasant anticipation.

Eric Gimson

LEICESTER — DEC 1986

We would like to thank you for the Diaries sent to us which were very much appreciated.

Alan & Cynthia Taylor

N. YORKSHIRE — DEC 1986

I would like to thank the fellowship for the diary which was sent to me. Please convey my thanks to all concerned. The luncheons we have are most enjoyable and I look forward to the next one with all my 'old' colleagues.

Sheila Davidson

LONDON — DEC 1986

Thank you for the very nice Diary which I received yesterday and for the POSTSCRIPT which I really enjoyed reading.

Hilda Child

LANCASTER — DEC 1986

I would like to say thank you for the very nice diary and also for the Staff

Newspaper and POSTSCRIPT. My husband worked for NCR for 47 years and I am still interested in the progress of the Company, particularly about Dundee as I am myself a Dundonian. Thank you again for your kindness and wishing NCR continued success.

Gladys S Foulner

DUBLIN — JANUARY 1987

A brief note to thank you and the NCR Pensioners Fellowship for the very welcome gift of a Diary. It is delightful to have a continuing memento of the Company for which my late husband, Cyril, entertained such affection during his long and interesting years of service with it.

With every good wish for 1987 and long may the Fellowship prosper.

Pat Moore

FLEET, HANTS — DECEMBER 1986

I wish to express my appreciation and thanks for the very useful NCR 1987 diary recently received with the Autumn copy of POSTSCRIPT and for your Christmas and New Year Wishes.

Looking forward to our next meeting and wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy & Prosperous New Year.

C. Ashworth

LITTLE CHALFONT, BUCKS — Jan 87

Just a line to wish you a Happy New Year and to thank you for the diary. It will be most useful to me as I am President of our W.I. with 100 members (for my sins) which was also the reason why I could not attend the last Pensioners tea party. I get very busy as I also help to run an Old Peoples' Club and seem to spend half my life at the Village Hall! The diary will ensure I don't forget the dates of all their various meetings and outings.

With best wishes for 1987.

Irene Gee

NORTHOLT — NOVEMBER 1986

I didn't really know who to write to, but would just like to say thank you for the lunch and get-together at Head Office. Occasionally one or two of the old Greenford Depot lads pop in for a "cuppa" and a chat and I do have a small party at Christmas for the "Ealing" people, but I must say that the

Retirement Fellowship is extremely good and I look forward to POSTSCRIPT.

P J Pond

WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND –
DEC 1986

I would like to thank whoever sent me the delightful 1987 Diary and Magazine. They have given me great pleasure to read about my ex-colleagues and receive such a delightful diary and, above all, to be remembered, especially so many thousands of miles away.

I feel sad when I read of the passing of those I have known, but I guess it comes to us all and at almost 85 my turn will come in due course, but the years spent in NCR were the happiest time of my life.

With best wishes to you all and again thank you.

Marjorie Wood

SELSEY, W. SUSSEX – MARCH 1987

I am writing on behalf of my husband Arthur Hunneyball thanking you for the 1987 Diary and Autumn POSTSCRIPT, and will you be so kind and put his name down for future POSTSCRIPT, Large Print. I get him large print library books. He is 84 hence the poor eyesight.

We were both staunch NCR folk, my husband having done 33 years service. My first recollection was being taken to an NCR Sports Day in a horse-drawn brake-wagonette by my Uncle a Mr Jack Leach — he was an outside mechanic at Tottenham Court Road Depot for many years.

When we got married in 1928, my husband worked at the Manchester Depot for a time, we returned to London and he worked at Marylebone Road, ending up at Brent. He retired in 1968, so with his 33 years service and my knowledge of the firm for at least 72 years, I consider myself a true NCR person also.

We wish the firm the "Very Best for the future".

D C Hunneyball

SOMERSET – DECEMBER 1986

I would like to thank you for the latest issue (No. 3) of the Retirement Fellowship Newsletter "POSTSCRIPT", and for the most

excellent Diary from the Company for 1987.

I find it all most interesting and it is nice to be able to be kept in touch with old colleagues in this way.

Kindest personal regards and wishing the Company continued success.

T.E. Tilley

LONDON – DECEMBER 1986

I must place on record my appreciation of all you and your band of willing workers do for the Pensioners. Please thank Betty for me for the photo taken at the recent lunch. I shall be 80 in the New Year and these mementoes mean a lot to me.

I hope I shall be able to attend your functions for some years to come.

Arthur Mensing

LONDON – NOV 1986

Thank you for the very pleasant meeting and dinner you organised so well for us last week — I am sure everybody present appreciated your efforts and enjoyed the meeting as much as I did. Thanks again.

Des Jones

POTTERS BAR – DECEMBER 1986

Thank you very much indeed for the attractive Diary. It is very kind of you to think of us.

Wishing you all the best for now and the New Year.

L. Bowyer

RETIREMENTS

(No of completed years in brackets)

Aug 86

Miss Pat Caldecourt (26)
Manager Special Projects, CCSD H.O.

G. Ely (17)
Warehouseman, Systemedia Brent

W. F. Smith (32)
Storeman, FED SPIC Brent

Oct 86

E. Hairyes (48)
Team Supervisor, FED Leeds

Mrs L O'Donoghue (25)
Div. Director's Secretary, FED H.O.

W. G. Garbutt (47)
Field Engineer, FED Bristol

A. P. Hibbart (40)
Asst. Freight Mgr., Express Boyd

Dec 86

C. T. Rawlings (48)
Rework Engineer, FED Brent

G. E. Grundy (38)
Regional Support Specialist,
FED Watford

P. Bugeja (17)
Senior Control Clerk,
Data Centre, St. Alphage Ho.

S. C. P. Lowe (22)
Senior Control Clerk,
Data Centre, St. Alphage Ho.

E. D. Worsley (30)
Reg. Support Specialist, FED Watford

Jan 1987

A. C. M. Froud (27)
Controller Stock Accounting,
O & I M Finchley

C. J. Kiff (31)
Centre Engineer, FED Brent

D. E. Coleman (25)
O & I M, Finchley

D. A. Lock (37)
Rework Engineer, FED Brent

M. J. McKenna (38)
District Manager,
Systemedia Watford

D. C. Pelly (24)
Coordinator, Maint. Policies,
FED H.O.

E. G. Wilsmer (31)
Team Superior, FED Newton Abbot

Feb 87

Mrs Janet Brown (21)
Senior Quality Consultant, CCSD H.O.

W. Rock (20)
Warehouseman/Packer,
Express Boyd, Manchester

March 87

W. R. Thomas (35)
Field Engineer, FED Sittingbourne

N. Bryant (16)
Technical Assistant, Estates, Brent

April 87

G. C. Cowie (39)
General Sales Manager,
FSD Edinburgh

F. Foxwell (46)
District Manager, C & E H.O.

P. W. Keane (18)
Warehouseman, Systemedia Brent
S. H. Walker (40)
Field Engineer, Liverpool
D. H. Bates (38)
Manager, LSC Brent
G. Hull (36)
Team Supervisor, FED Liverpool

July 87

Miss M. Ashong (12)
Clerk, FED Brent

Aug 87

I. D. Jenkins (21)
Sector Manager Retail H.O.

PRE-RETIREMENT COURSES

Since the last issue of POSTSCRIPT four more pre-retirement courses have been run, all at our popular venue; Langfords Hotel, Hove.

Attending the September courses were the following:

COURSE 3 '86

Edward Cseh Int. Pats. Finchley
Vernon and Anne Coyne (FED) Brent
Stan and Rona Catling (FED) Glasgow
Margaret Milton (CCSD) H.Office
Jim Barber and son Michael
(Express Boyd)
Mike and Joan McKenna (Systemedia)
Watford

COURSE 4 '86

John and Betty Harris (FED) H.Office
Bob and Mary Simmonds (Readers
will be saddened to read in another
section of this issue of the subsequent
death of Bob Simmonds.) (F&A)
Finchley
Jim and Jean Thompson (FED) Belfast
William and Iris Moss (FED) Streatham

And those present in April were:

COURSE 1 '87

Ron and Mary Knubley (Express Boyd)
Eric and Margaret Thrush (FED) Bristol
Philip Bugeja (FED) Brent
Anthony and Antoinette Portelli (FED)
Brent
Basil and June Swatton (DIS) Alpertown
Sidney and Constance Lowe St
Alphage
Peter and Doris Reed (FED) Bonhill St
Tony and Doris Lawrie (COM & DS)
St Alphage
Paul Wordsworth (FED) Bonhill St

COURSE 2 '87

Frank and Vera Foxwell C&G H.Office
Harry and Audrey Hardacre C&G
Sheldon
Dennis and Dorothy Bates (FED) Brent
Mike and Eve Clancy (FED) Glasgow
Gerry and Joan Cowie (FSD) Edinburgh
Nat and Margot Nation-Tellery (C&G)
Sheldon
Bill and Gill Daniel (C&G) Sheldon
Bob Jarman (C&G) Southampton
Les and Marina Collis (FED) Streatham

Those who were unfortunate enough to retire before the advent of our pre-retirement courses may well be curious about the subjects covered on these courses. You need wonder no longer, all will now be revealed! Reproduced below is a replica of our course timetable and, no, I am sorry, you cannot attend it if you have already retired!



Course 3 '86.



Course 4 '86.



Course 1 '87.



Course 2 '87.

From National Post September 1955



R. FLEET
A Striking Debut

THE PRE-RETIREMENT COURSE PROGRAMME

FIRST DAY

9.00- 9.45	Arrival
10.00-11.00	Lecture on Screwing Social Security System
11.00-12.00	Pensions and Tax Avoidance
1.00- 1.55	Memories of Libido
2.00- 3.55	Bath Chairs — Their Uses and Abuses
4.00- 5.00	P.E. (5-a-side Football)

SECOND DAY

9.00-10.15	Dexterity with Surgical Stockings (demo)
10.30-12.00	The Art of Pottering
2.00- 2.05	Sex after 60
2.05- 3.55	Yesterday's Men (The Concept)
4.00- 5.00	P.E. — Cross Country Run

THIRD DAY

9.00-10.30	Crutch Control (initial steps)
10.45-12.00	Yoga for the tired limbs
2.00- 3.55	Geriatrics can be fun (illustrated lecture)
4.00- 5.00	P.E. — Squash Competition

FOURTH DAY

9.00- 9.55	The Grey Areas in Retirement (Visitor from Grecian 2000)
10.00-12.00	Film — Confessions of a Darby & Joan Club
2.00- 3.00	Disposal of Working Clothes
3.05- 3.55	Nepotism and Council House Availability (lecture)
4.00- 5.00	P.E. (for survivors of previous P.E. lessons)

FIFTH DAY

9.00-10.30	Suggested Holidays — Dover for the Continent Eastbourne for the Incontinent
10.30-12.00	The Male Menopause (Reflections)
2.00- 3.55	Modes of Transport (i) short film — Your Bike and You (ii) lecture on Bus Passes (iii) Changing your car (visitor from Rolls Royce)
4.00-	Closure of Course but Retirement Shop will remain open until 5.30 Pension Book Covers — £1 Fur Slippers — £3 Fur Slippers with Zips — £3.50 Park Bench Cushions — 50p

REX FLEET, a newcomer to the Selling Force, made his debut in District 8 this month with sales of an 11KLF to a newspaper publisher, and an 11HLF to a manufacturer of punched card accounting machine equipment. In this latter case, Fleet found he was up against strong competition, but after demonstrating the 11HLF and pointing out the many essential features of our product, he was able to convince the prospect that this was the ideal machine for the particular application of listing work in the Machine Bureau and General Office.

Submitted by Jim Lane of Cheltenham

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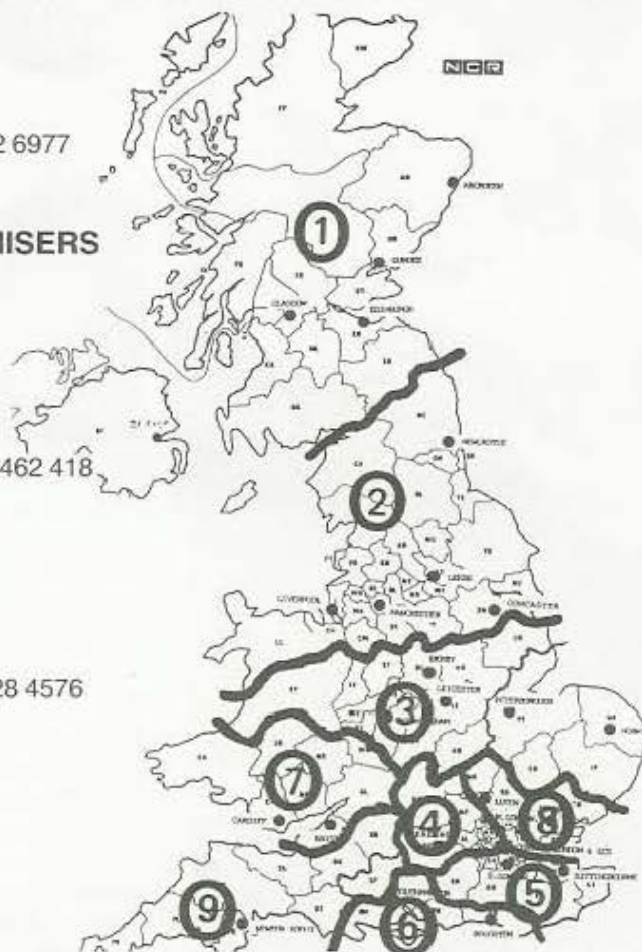
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REGION 1

Jack Sale, Region 1 Organiser, held two lunches . . . one in Glasgow on the 25 November, 1986 and the other in Dundee on the 26 November, 1986. Both these lunches were very successful and out of a total of 22 members 16 were able to attend, of the other 6 — 2 were working and 1 was in hospital and travel and other commitments accounted for the remainder. However, everyone thoroughly enjoyed the get togethers and look forward to the next time.

REGION 2 (East)

REPORT FROM ERNIE GILES ON
THE REGION'S LUNCH
OCTOBER 30, 1986
AT THE DAWNAY ARMS

The day began with a "RAGING STORM" — flood water everywhere — right up to the summit of the Penines. As I descended into Sheffield the sun came out, the rain became a mist, and the change was miraculous. There waiting at the station were my co-navigators Audrey Stringer and Jesse Stevenson — both looking terribly hungry, so we immediately set out for Newton-on-Ouse . . . By now the sun was at its height — about noon — and the smell of roast turkey and Xmas pudding met us as we approached the INN, there to be met by Neville Smith.

By 1 o'clock (or just before) we all sat down to taste and enjoy the fruits of labour of the hotel staff — no second helpings — one was quite sufficient . . . particularly when one cleansed the throat with a 50 year old German wine.

Jack Sale was brilliant as Chairman — I'm getting him trained up for better things to come.

Fred Townsend proposed the toast to the Company . . . Yes, I think it was Fred, now 78 and going strong.

We had 5 newcomers making the party number up to 27 and this augurs well for 1987.

Those attending were as follows:

Harry Pridham and
Edward Tuck — Newcastle
Audrey Stringer and
Jesse Stevenson — Sheffield



Region 1's Lunch in Glasgow



Region 1's Lunch in Dundee.



At The Dawnay Arms October '86



The Region 2 East Lunch.

Neville Smith, Fred Townsend, Joy Brown, Henry Faber, Al Watts (1st), Eric Hairyes (1st), Jack Sale, Jim Batchelor, Frank Chambers, Edna Curry, Jack Hairyes (1st), Cathie Hotson, Miss E Palmer, Frank Murray & Margaret Proctor, John Moody (1st), Sheila Davidson, Stan Holderness, Stan and Joan Kennedy, Ron Lyle and Susan Agar and Ernie Giles.

Needless to say, from 12 noon until it was time to go the day brightened and the sun shone (you could say on the righteous).

Everyone enjoyed being together once again. Regretfully, I was unable to "bug" the room to eavesdrop on each conversation, but, there were many and you can guess the main topic ... even Fred Townsend described his sale of the Class 3000 to Rowntrees of York. That's a few days ago!!

REGION 2 (West)

LUNCH – 20 NOVEMBER, 1986
– LYMM HOTEL

On Thursday 20 November, members of Region 2 (West) met once again for lunch. The whole function went off very well and a thoroughly enjoyable time was had by one and all. The following people attended.

Ernie Giles
George Riley
Henry Ross
Dennis Scales
C H R Christmas
Stan Lofthouse-Horner
A M Hutchins, Chester
G A Laurence
Cyril Balmer
Nancy Craighead
John Brownbill
George Daniels
G Gauterin
Charles Grout
J Hale
Marguerita Home
George Manson Reilly
Jim Eccles
Jim Bell
Eric Patten
Maurice Bowe
Vera Moss

Plus – Guests – Jack Sale and Susan, BOS Leeds ... for the assistance they are always willing and happy to extend to us.

REGIONS 2 (NE) CARLISLE LUNCHEON 18 June, 1987

Lunch at the Crest Hotel — 12.30

Attended by:

Ernie Giles	Jack Sale
Andrew Ewart	Mary Hunter
Jo Leighton	John McManus
Doreen Turnbull	Ann Gate

As always Jo Leighton rallied round and organised transport for Sister Ann Gate (recently struck down by a stroke) and Andrew Ewart brought in Mary Hunter (both well). Dot Turnbull miraculously recovered from her heart attack and John McManus has just taken his "O" Level in mathematics ... the things people will do to get on!

An excellent lunch — much talk across the table — a very warm and happy atmosphere and arrangements made for a Bar Meal on **October 29, 1987** at the "**Crown & Feather**", which they all heartily agreed to.

REPORT FROM ERNIE GILES — REGION NW 2

The Luncheon held at the Lymm Hotel on Thursday 30 April was truly a success. We were delighted to welcome our Guest Speaker, Mr A H Poil, I Series Product Manager, together with 28 Guests ... they were:

Vera Moss	Jim Wallace
Jack Hale	Gerry O'Garr
George Lawrence	Nancy Craighead
Ted Latham	Chris Christmas
Henry Ross	Ernie Giles
Evelyn Groom	Joan Richardson
Edmund Worsley	Jack Sale
Eric Patten	George Reilly
G Gauterin	(Lancaster)
Jim Eccles	Maureen
George Daniels	(Admin. Leeds)
Dougie Ashworth	Maurice Bowe
Stan Horner	(Eire)
Tony Poil	Dennis Scales
Alice Hutchins	George Riley
Charles Grout	(Manchester)

We received apologies from Rita Horne and Jim Bell.

First timers attending were:

Joan Richardson ex BOS Shrewsbury
Evelyn Groom — Widow of George
Jim Wallace ex Director TSD
Edmund Worsley ex TSD London
Dougie Ashworth ex TSD Llandudno



Regional Organiser Ernie Giles in characteristic pose.



Region 2 West at the Lymm Hotel.



Group picture with Rex Fleet, Newton on Ouse, NE Members, May 1987.



Maureen (Leeds Office) left talks to Alice Hutchins, Nancy Craighead and our very honoured Guest (right) EVELYN GROOM — soon to become a NONAGENARIAN.

Ted Latham ex TSD Central Africa
Gerry O'Garr ex BD M/C Blackpool
Maurice Bowe ex DM Ireland

In addition to the hearty welcome given to all, the above received special ovations for attending, because of many individualities, age, distance travelled, etc. etc. It was a delight to see them there, particularly Mrs Evelyn Groom, widow of George, a stalwart in the TSD for many years and greatly admired by the staff in Chester and Liverpool. Now nearing the age of 90 years she has tremendous connections with NCR – since George succeeded his father in 1923 who had also been employed by the Company for over 30 years.

I was also the recipient of a book (only on a temporary basis) entitled JOHN H. PATTERSON (PIONEER IN INDUSTRIAL WELFARE) by SAMUEL CROWTHER. This book was presented to all employees by Frederick B. Patterson, Nov. 23, 1923 and is inscribed to "OUR EMPLOYEES".

QUOTE:

"In giving you this biography of my father, I believe you will find that it represents in his life the simple virtues that bring Success, VISION, COURAGE, HARD WORK AND PERSEVERANCE, Sincerely yours."

Another well known member was Jim Wallace, still looking slim and fit – many people were delighted to see him – including many of his old staff from Manchester, London and Liverpool. Ted Latham and Gerry O'Garry came in the same car, looking sunburnt and well, together with Edmund Worsley who I understand retired from London to the Northwest ... not forgetting that great character Duggie Ashworth – his acceptance came minutes before we sat down to Lunch – but – he promises he will respond earlier next time – and last but not least a great welcome to Joan Richardson ably chaffeurred by Eric Patten ... Maurice Bowe continues to amaze us Yes! all the way from Dublin ... by sea, train, taxi another taxi and then on to Birmingham.

We are delighted to be able to say to everyone on these occasions "Welcome and enjoy yourself".

REPORT FROM ERNE GILES – REGION NE 2

We were able to welcome Mr Fleet – his first visit outside London – and by "Hell or High Water" we hope it won't be the last. He was a very welcome Guest of Honour and was greeted by the following members:

Jim Batchelor
Audrey Stringer
Peter Jones
Eddie Tuck
Fred Townsend
Joy Brown
Joan Kennedy
Harry Pridham

Stan Kennedy
Marg Proctor
Alan Sutcliffe
Jack Sale
Sheila Davidson
Frank Murray
Jessie Stevenson
G W Gent

Henry Faber
Len Watts

Neville Smith

He also met everyone individually – and recalled his initial days with the Company as an ADD Salesman in Leeds ... he brought us right up-to-date with present operations of the Company and the excellent reception that the recent Tower System launch had received – many of us were also delighted to hear about the NCR Book Award – and moreover the First Prize.

All in all, it was a great day ... Joy Brown, nee Booker, said afterwards "It makes you feel you want to join the Company again" ... which we all endorsed.



George Gauterin and Tony Poil, Region NW2's guest speaker.



Joan Richardson (ex. Shrewsbury) and Nancy Craighead (ex. Chester) at the Lynn Hotel.

REGION 3

LUNCH – 24 NOVEMBER 1986

This was held at the Excelsior Hotel, Birmingham ... 23 people attended and by common acclaim a good time was had by all and Region 3 was well and truly launched, for which we have to thank Jack Hillon for all his efforts in this connection during his short term of 'office' as Regional Organiser ... Thank you Jack for a tremendous job.

During the meeting Jack Hillon proposed Mrs Anne Wood as Regional Organiser – Region 3 – and this was generally agreed and Anne accepted this job commencing 1 December, 1986. Thank you Anne for your willingness to undertake this organisation.

REGIONAL LUNCHES – LONDON REGIONS 4, 5, 8

Regions 4, 5 and 8 held lunches in the Staff Restaurant as follows:

REGION 4	29 October, 1986
REGION 5	5 November, 1986
REGION 8	12 November, 1986

On each occasion we had a superb lunch which once again Ken Phillips and his Staff worked very hard to provide – our sincere thanks to them all.

Mr Rex Fleet kindly found time out of his very crowded schedule to drop in at each of the lunches and welcome the members and said how glad he was to see such tremendous enthusiasm for the Fellowship and wished us all well for the future.

Tony Poil who is a Manager in the NCR Product Marketing Department was a Guest Speaker at all three lunches and gave a very interesting and amusing talk on today's products of the Company, which left all present with a much better picture and understanding of what the Company are doing and where we are going. We are much indebted to him.

The three lunches were an unqualified success and everyone agreed that we all had a happy, most informative afternoon and the getting together of old friends and colleagues was a feature that all looked forward to.

LIST OF ATTENDEES – REGION 4 LUNCH 29 OCTOBER, 1986

George Attle	Ron Mason
Edna Bain	Joan May
Fred Bates	Cliff Benson
Irene Biggs	Len Morgan
Ena Brister	Bill Morgan
Peter Casemore	Robert Nash
Ken Clarke	Peter Peacock
Robert Cleaver	Ray Pearce
Betty Colmer	Charlie Pegg
John Crosson	Jack Pettit
Jack Crownshaw	Percy Pond
Sean Dixon-Child	George Price
Dick Downey	Margaret Totton
David Douglas-Withers	John Price
Elsie Ferry	Mike Regester
Basil Garsed	Howard Reynolds
Bill Goddard	Betty Shorter
Fred Goodall	Bernard Slotkin
Eunice Hall	Dennis Smith
Margaret Hanley	Bill Smith
George Hawkins	Len Stanhope
Kathleen Hill	Sid Stroud
Brian Hitchins	Frank Taylor
Tony Hitchings	Alan Watson
Olive Holloway	Lilian Whelan
Margaret Hyams	Phyllis Wickens
Gladys James	Sidney Williams
Maurice Jessett	Nina Wiltshire
Des Jones	Jack Wooff
Jim Lane	Cyril Worts
Bob McCullagh	George Wright
Mike McHugh	

REGION 5 LUNCH – 5, NOV 1986 LIST OF ATTENDEES

Cyril Ashworth	Andre Rossi
Henry Broomfield	Freddie Rowland
Frank Bushell	Doris Rowley
Gus Butler	Stan Scorer
Pat Caldecourt	Reg Sedgwick
Ted Cluff	Wilf Simpson
Cliff Dobbins	Lillian Skinner
Rosa Dodd	John Stamps
Sam Foster	Ron Tarling
Alex Guy	Bob Thomson
Ron Hilliar	"Tudor" Tudor-Hall
Joan Hunter	Irene Thurgood
Bob Judges	Tom Treadwell
Dick Macey	Harry Turner
Roland Newman	Marjorie Vigus
Wilf Preston	
Edith Pritchard	Bob Wadsworth
Ernie Pye	Jim Walpole
Harry Redington	Bob Webber

LIST OF ATTENDEES AT REGION 8 LUNCH – 12 NOVEMBER, 1986

James Barber	Arthur Mensing
Pip Barbour	Jean Minshall
Jim Brierley	Charles Morgan

Reg Burt	Micky Myers
Alf Cawfield	Wally Prince
Bill Closier	Betty Ranson
Gerald Cutler	Wally Rawlins
Nelly Day	Lee Robinson
Paddy Ellis	Walter Smith
Eric Gimson	Flo Smith
Ray Hall	John Spinks
Vivian Hyde	Sylvia Stubbs
Doreen Jarman	Lillian Welham
Rene Jones	Des Woodall
Ron Knubley	Fred Whybrow
Charles Lee	Charlie Williams
Earle Logan	Tom Wright
Bill Maun	

AFTERNOON TEA – REGIONS 4, 5 & 8 – THURSDAY 23 APRIL, 1987

Thursday April 23 was a bright, sunny and happy day because this was the day Regions 4, 5 and 8 held a combined Afternoon Tea for their members.

As always Ken Phillips and his Staff did a wonderful job on our behalf and the 'feast' he provided was thoroughly enjoyed by all. So our sincere thanks to Ken and all those involved.

Unfortunately, there was a Bus Strike in S.E. London so a number of our members were unable to make it, but the following members were able to be present:

Cyril Ashworth	Jim Hill	Wally Rawlins
George Attle	Kathleen Hill	Ann Riches
James Barber	Brian Hitchins	Harry Redington
Fred Bates	Olive Holloway	George Roberts
Irene Biggs	Adrian Hubbard	Doris Rowley
Ena Brister	Winifred Hudson	Arthur Searle
Henry Broomfield	Joan Hunter	Reg Sedgwick
Reg Burt	Len Hurst	Joy Service
Gus Butler	Margaret Hyams	Betty Shorter
Betty Campbell	Vivian Hyde	Wilf Simpson
Kath Carter	Bill Ide	Lillian Skinner
Alf Cawfield	Doreen Jarman	Bernard Slotkin
Ken Clarke	Gladys James	Dennis Smith
Bill Closier	Maurice Jessett	Bill Smith
Derrick Coleman	Irene Jones	John Spinks
Betty Colmer	Des Jones	John Stamps
John Crosson	Ted Joselin	Len Stanhope
Paul de Carle	John Light	Sid Stroud
Nellie Day	Mike McHugh	Sylvia Stubbs
Myles Denham	Fred Main	Ron Tarling
Cliff Dobbins	Ron Mason	Eileen Taylor
Rosa Dodd	Joan May	Frank Taylor
Dick Downey	Arthur Mensing	Bert Thie
Eric Eaton	Jean Minshall	Bob Thomson
Gerry England	Charlie Morgan	Peter Timlett
Chris Ferdinando	Len Morgan	Tom Treadwell
Elsie Ferry	Micky Myers	"Tudor" Tudor-Hall
Alf Froud	Bert Newman	Harry Turner
Sam Foster	Hilda Newman	Marjorie Vigus
David Fulliman	Joyce Newman	Bob Wadsworth
Basil Garsed	Lucy O'Donoghue	Barbara Walker
Irene Gee	Peter Peacock	Alan Watson
Eric Gimson	Ray Pearce	Ted Way
Bill Goddard	Charlie Pegg	Renee Welham
Fred Goodall	Elsie Piper	Jim Whitfield
Ted Grundy	Wilf Preston	Fred Whybrow
Alex Guy	George Price	Phyllis Wickens
Eunice Hall	John Price	Sidney Williams
Margaret Hanley	Wally Prince	Nina Wiltshire
Arthur Harris	Edith Pritchard	Des Woodall
George Hawkins	Ernie Pye	Jack Wooff
May Hill	Joyce Ranson	Cyril Worts

Nicola Lawrie, our very helpful Liaison Officer from Pensions Department. Following tea we had a most interesting talk with slides which was given by our Guest Speakers June and Jack Alcock, and this was on the subject of the origin of London and interesting places to be found in London all within visiting distance by our members, and it proved to be very successful as a follow-on to tea.

Unfortunately, due to heavy business commitments Rex Fleet our Chairman and Managing Director was unable to be present, but he had sent a welcoming message and best wishes for the success of our meeting via Basil Garsed as had Alan Robertson, and hopefully they will be able to join us at the lunches to be arranged later in the year.

The meeting was sorry to learn from Harry Redington that Ron Hilliar, Region 8 Organiser, has had major surgery on his leg and so was unable to be present, but happily was making good progress and all those present asked for their best wishes to be given to Ron the next time Harry went along to see him.

We then proceeded to draw the raffle, and the winners were as follows:

6 - £30 Theatre Ticket Vouchers

— Ted Grundy
Rosa Dodd
John Spinks
Brian Hitchins
Betty Colmer
Alex Guy

10 - Bottles of Wine

— Reg Sedgwick
Edith Pritchard
David Fulleman
Ted Way
Maurice Jessett
Bill Closier
Bob Thomson
John Price
Wally Price
Sylvia Stubbs

This completed the programme for the afternoon ... a vote of thanks was passed to Betty and Nicola for all their efforts and also to the Regional Organisers for their work on behalf of the members, all of whom had thoroughly enjoyed the tea and the opportunity of meeting and talking to old friends and colleagues.

LEISURE

"IN-VINO VERITAS" No. 2

FROM BASIL GARSED:

RECIPES

Elderflower

Elderflowers should be picked in the afternoon after the sun has been shining on the flowers.

Each individual tree has a different type of flower, or at least it is true to say that there are many different types. You should choose the ones that smell sweet and pleasant.

After picking, put the flowers in a plastic bag overnight. Next day the little flowers can be easily pulled off without any stalk. This is *important* because the inclusion of stalk can make the wine take on a smell of Tom-Cats!

Having pulled off the flowers into a white plastic bucket or earthenware jar, pour boiling water on them, put the lid on and allow to cool.

Add pectolase solution and at the same time add the 'zest' and juice of an Orange and one Lemon for each gallon of wine which you are planning to make. (While whole, grate the skin on the small bore part of your cheese grater, put into a Pyrex bowl and pour on boiling water, covering with a plate to retain all the volatile oils contained in the skins. Then squeeze the fruit in the normal way and add the juice to the bucket). When cold, add the contents of the Pyrex bowl to the bucket and leave for 24 hours.

Add Sugar (about 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs. per gallon of wine)

Add yeast nutrient

Add tannin

Add yeast (nowadays there are yeasts which are added direct without the old chore of the yeast culture process).

PUT THE LID ON THE BUCKET.

Each day stir up the froth or scum on the top of the fermenting liquid (the 'must').

Test the specific gravity every two or three days until it has dropped to about 1020, then put the 'must' through a sieve into a fermenting jar(s).

Relax and listen to the bubbles coming up through the fermenting lock, testing the specific gravity each week until it drops to about 1000. (If you like it really dry let it drop to about 990-992).

Rack the wine carefully using a plastic tube to syphon out into a new jar.

Add one Camden tablet per gallon and add one packet of stabiliser per gallon. (Both items available at Boots and Do It Yourself Wine Shops).

Leave for about 6 weeks and if a deposit has built up rack again. Add another Camden tablet per gallon but no more stabiliser.

When the wine in the jar is clear, **Bottle it**, using the plastic tube to syphon out of the jar into bottles. Use plastic corks at this stage of your experience!

Label as you feel inclined. You can buy fancy labels which will impress your friends but will not change the bouquet or the flavour.

Wait 4 weeks, put a bottle in the refrigerator and enjoy pulling the cork and drinking it. This should be a nice light white table wine.

If you like it make some more.

If you don't like it too much, try another batch of some other wine and acquire a taste for the remaining bottles of your first batch!

Write to The Editor regarding your progress.

BASIL GARSED
APRIL 1987

Dog saved engineer's life

A THREE-YEAR-OLD dog saved the life of a Henley man when she ran off to fetch her owner as the man lay dying.

Joanna, a mix of Labrador and Akita, tagged at her owner, George Haynes's sleeve, warning him that boat engineer Alan White lay at the bottom of their stairs, suffocating from the

inhalation of carbon monoxide fumes.

Mr. Haynes immediately phoned for a doctor and an ambulance, and was told, as ambulances gave Mr. White oxygen, that if there had been a further delay of two or three minutes the man would have been dead.

The incident happened as Alan was working on 75-year-old George Haynes's boat in the indoor dock of his

house in Wharfe Lane, Henley. He shut the dock door, not realising that he was then completely closed in, and started the engine of the boat to pump water out of the bilges.

Carbon monoxide fumes built up in the dock but because Alan was working in the bottom of the boat he didn't immediately realise the danger and it was not until he went to fetch a tool

from the house that he began to feel giddy and sick.

As he reached the stairs from the dock he collapsed but managed to crawl into the house where he saw Joanna. Realising that he was about to faint, he called the dog to fetch George, whereupon she raced upstairs and jumped up at her owner who was busy talking to a friend, totally unaware of what was going on downstairs.

Mr. Haynes at first dismissed the eagerness of the dog, thinking she wanted feeding, but as she persisted he went with her to the top of the stairs and saw Alan lying at the bottom.

The prompt action of the quick-thinking dog undoubtedly saved his life but it comes as no surprise to Mr. Haynes who told the *Standard* this week, "She is a very intelligent and beautiful dog and we love her. She regularly fetches the newspapers and put up to us in the morning, she's very clever."

Joanna has recently had her first litter of five bitches and four dogs and Mr. Haynes cannot afford to keep them all so he's planning to give them away to good homes.

What is it they say about "Man's best friend"? George gives a juicy reward to his life-saving Labrador/Akita, Joanna.



'BERT WELHAM MEMORIAL TROPHY'

The magnificent 'Bert Welham Memorial Trophy' was inaugurated by the Glade Cycling Club in 1982 for the fastest rider overall in its 'Open 10 mile Time Trial' event, in the memory of a much loved and respected club member. This cycle race, which amounts to the riders racing against the clock rather than each other, is held annually at Brentwood, Essex.

Fellowship member Bert was a Vice President and long standing member of the Glade Cycling Club, having been actively involved with the club since his early cycle racing days in the thirties. His interest in cycling never waned and in 1976 the club awarded him their cherished 'Clubmanship Trophy' for his services to the club.

In regular attendance at our Fellowship gatherings Bert's widow Renee, apart from proudly presenting the trophy each year, is still very much involved with the cycling club as a Vice President.

OBITUARY

All who knew them will be sad to learn of the passing of the following:-

Mrs M. R. Caruana	25.11.86
J. E. H. Mathers	1.6.87
C. R. F. Simmonds	28.4.87
G. C. Bird	8.1.87
H. G. Makins	16.8.86
A. J. Peak	7.9.86
G. Wilson	15.9.86
D. Batruth	21.2.87
J. Brownbill	29.11.86
H. M. Christie	2.11.86
W. Finnie	13.1.87
E. C. Haffenden	5.2.87
M. J. Heffernan	9.11.86
Mrs M. Keegan	Jan 87
L. Kirkland	26.10.86
W. J. Millard	10.11.86
J. J. W. Newman	12.12.86
J. C. Pettit	9.11.86
A. E. Smith	25.2.87
Mrs M. B. Stanley	11.11.86
R. J. Stone	15.10.86
H. J. Turner	17.10.86
W. H. Woollett	21.2.87
Miss A. E. Horne	4.5.87
W. R. Hart	5.5.87
W. H. Harbor	17.6.87
V. E. S. James	11.6.87
H. W. Thie	26.6.87
S. Barker	18.7.86
Mrs. M. Harris	12.1.87
Mrs. I. Kennedy	6.3.87
P. Rahilly	12.7.86

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