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EDITORIAL

What a glorious start to summer as I sit here slaving over a hot computer on Her Majesty's Birthday. It really is quite unprecedented to have to such weather on Public Holidays. Still I expect it will rain before long!

Lot's of contributions this time round - keep it up - but I'm afraid it's all writing and no pictures. I'm not too sorry as I do have some difficulty in the reproduction of pictures - Oh! So you noticed did you! We are constantly trying for improvements so send us your pictures for us to practice on.

Most articles still come from the 'faithful few' so a little variety would be appreciated. What about our overseas readers?

Norman Paul

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DATE FOR 1994 RE-UNION
AT
THE WALTHAM ABBEY TOWN HALL

Friday 21st October

TOUCH

..as you will see from the address above we have moved house from Palmers Green to Romsey in Hampshire (after about 18 months of trials and tribulations) and now live about 100 yards from our eldest daughter. One of the many things which I will miss is regular contact with ex-colleagues and I do not suppose that that I will be able to take up my normal position at the bar of the Owl each month. I will, however, most certainly make every effort to be in Waltham Abbey at the Re-union on October 21st!
Norman Blay

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..Regret I've nothing sensational to contribute to 'Touchpaper' but the enclosed should raise a smile:

Rook rifle wanted

DEFENCE experts from British Aerospace have admitted defeat in efforts to halt an invasion of rooks. The birds first resisted a drenching from fire hoses as they built nests above the car park at the HQ of Royal Ordnance, Chorley, Lancs. To the company's acute embarrassment, they then ignored a volley of blank shots — a poor advert for the ammunition BAe is trying to sell worldwide. The rooks are now responding with precision bombing runs which have boosted the profits of a car wash run by a local garage.

The Times
21/4/94

Best Wishes
Chris Evans

.....
..enclosed is something going the rounds here at Porton (*see later. Ed.*). I expect you will find it difficult to type out again, although I with my spelling ability, would find it easy!

Tell Greville Bagg that I have, at long last, succumbed and acquired a computer. I thought I could hold out until I retired, but I failed.

All the Best
Dave Salter

With reference to your enquiry about Iris Rowlands in 'Where Are They Now', well she might now be Frau Rowlands as her husband Fred is working in Germany. I risk being kicked by her jack boots if she isn't!

Two people who are interested in receiving Touchpaper are Alan Jones and Derek Brundrit who both 'worked' in the South Site Stores.

Alan now works for Delta at Brimsdown and Derek - well, Derek changes jobs like the Italians change governments!

See you on the 21st October, Cheers,
Cliff Blunt (*who also 'worked' in Stores*).

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Sorry I could not make the re-union last year but Fridays are not good days for me as everyone departs the hotel where I work on Fridays and it's pretty hectic getting 56 bedrooms cleaned! I will try this year.

...bumped into Ian Brown in Harlow the other day and he said he would very much like to receive Touchpaper so I have enclosed his details.

Mary Searing

Dave Salter Part Two:

A couple of things for Touchpaper, firstly in answer to "Questions Unanswered" - 'I cannot tell a lie - it was me, or to be more accurate - it was us! When Dr Owen transferred away in the late 60's the chequerboard top of his Messerschmidt bubble car just called out for a set of chessmen. Perhaps we shouldn't have used Bostick! I told B.b S..k..ns at the time that it wouldn't do the perspex roof any good!

The effect was topped off by a big bow of bog paper and it looked very pretty in the middle of the roundabout by the telephone exchange. We weren't to know that Alan would return (albeit disguised as Mr Blobby) many years later. It seems we got away with the dastardly deed - until now.

DAS

Dave's second article also appears later.

BYTES

.....
...sorry to have to tell you that Eileen passed away on 5th January.

As you may know Eileen worked at Waltham Abbey in the early 1950s.

I am recovering slowly from the shock..

Sincerely

Ron Ayerst

.....
To Friends and Colleagues of Reg Westlake:
Just a short note to say thankyou for the flowers. Your generous donation of £45 was sent to the British Diabetic Association.

Although Dad was a diabetic for a number of years his death was still an unexpected shock. We can only be thankful that we had blue skies and sunshine on the day of the funeral.

I don't think L149 would have been the same without him. Dad was a quiet person but never a bad word for anyone. It's comforting to know that his friends and colleagues remembered him at this sad time.

Kind Regards

Barrie, Jane and Jonathan.

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An appreciation of these two colleagues, together with the sad news of Frank Carver on an In Memoriam page opposite.

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...many thanks for the 'Woolwich' booklet that you sent.

Two 'retirement ceremonies' came to mind and I suggest this as a possible topic for future issues and relate these to set those brains ticking away. Mine keep coming to the fore!

'Gudge' Taylor

.....
Bill Pember recently got married to one of the nurses at the Fort Halstead 'Health Centre'.

As Bill said: "From my point of view, at least one good thing came out of the closure of Waltham Abbey!"

To Bill and his new wife Anne our best wishes for the future.

Is there anybody else out there with some mitigating factor on the closure?

MORE

A Letter from the Editor

I hope you readers don't think I am abusing my position in including a letter from myself. It's just that I wish to relate a few points as well as desperately trying to fill up a bit more space. I usually struggle to fill the normal two page 'Touch Byte' columns but due to an increase in letters it's spilled over onto a third page and I'm now trying to pad it out a bit.

I had to (*had to!*) attend a meeting at SNPE establishment at Le Bouchet, just south of Paris, the first time I had been there. A little wave of nostalgia hit me during the visit when we were taken on a short tour of the facilities. There were leafy walks, old process buildings alongside winding canals - does that remind you of anywhere you know? The resemblance was uncanny and the only thing missing was the steam pipes. A, rather shocking, difference was that we were given radio earphones for simultaneous translation inside the actual buildings whilst just outside was one of the guides talking to a colleague on a portable phone! Perhaps French explosives aren't so sensitive as ours.

The SNPE site at Le Bouchet has a similar history to Waltham Abbey since it started as a gunpowder plant in 1821 - just a mere youngster really - except of course that they are still there!

There was one remark made during the conference by one of the hosts that could have sparked an international incident. Harking back to its early days one of the hosts remarked that they made better gunpowder than anybody else. In the interests of European unity the UK contingent forbore to rise to this inaccurate statement. We all know the truth - and we had better bowmen - remember Agincourt!

Seriously, it was good to see that not all long standing places of excellence get swept away in the interests of monetarism.

Norman Paul

BYTES

An old worker by the name of Alf Button died in January aged 91. He was often called the half breed Canadian, as he was born in Cheshunt, emigrated to Canada, served with their forces during the war, won the Military Medal and stayed after the war back in Cheshunt. He worked for several years in Central Stores and finished up in the Services and Electrical sub stores.

I would like to take up the point you made in the editorial of the last issue. You complained no one had sent in any items for that issue. Well, you do not give anyone much encouragement to write in with articles. I sent one in last year about an encounter with a deer on South Site but I've never seen it published. I wonder why. Is it because I was 'only a worker' and not one of the scientific staff as I note that most items are written by the latter, or do NOT the former write in ???

George Savill

PS I've still got a copy of the deer story if you want it.

Oh Dear, Oh Dear, Oh Dear! I thought that the old 'class distinction' died out years ago. As far as I'm concerned we were all 'workers' at the Abbey.

I must admit that most articles are by ex-scientific or admin staff but that's only because the majority of articles received come from them. I will print any article I deem to be of interest, regardless of the source. Indeed, George, if you remember I have published contributions from you before. On this occasion I must have received the article early, put it aside and lost it. It's not the first time and I do apologise. By all means send it in again. To anyone else who has sent in articles which have not been published - my apologies. Ed.

----- LAST OF THE SUMMER WINE:

Crash! Dick Pace's rice was liberally spread over the floor leaving most of the 'con carne' on the plate. He'd failed to notice Margaret Williams GTX Zimmerframe and fell over it - All part of the fun at the 'Owl' Geoff and Margaret had missed the last few meetings because of the weather so we were delighted to see them. Only 6 stalwarts managed to get to the December meeting but since then numbers have increased to about 20. John Vernon has become a regular but we are losing Ozzie Blay as he is moving to Romsey. We hope he will be happy in his new home and look forward to meeting him, if the wind is fair and the tide is right, at some future meeting.

Gordon Bromberger, a founder member of LSW (and responsible for the name) has missed a couple of meetings due to the arrival of another grandchild - congratulations! John Williams still hasn't written the account of his 1993 world tour but there's always hope it'll be ready for the next edition of Touchpaper.

Anyone in the vicinity is welcome at our monthly meetings, last Friday in the month in the 'Owl' at Lippits Hill.

Bryan Howard.

Since writing this John Williams HAS finished his 'magnum opus'. This will be serialised, starting in this issue.

DEADLINE DATE FOR THE NEXT ISSUE OF TOUCHPAPER

Friday 19th August

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WALTHAM ABBEY NEWS

The Waltham Abbey Town Council publishes a newsletter called the 'TOWN CRIER' and a copy of issue number 4 has just fallen into our hands. Without their permission we reproduce a couple of items which will, we hope, be of interest to you.

EVERYONE FOR TENNIS

The first of these relates to the old Establishment Tennis Club. As many of you are aware the Club Courts have been torn up but with MOD funding new courts for the benefit of the town have been built at Larsens. This was a legal requirement placed on them by the Epping Forest District Council planning department before permission was given for development of housing on the North Site. The courts and changing facilities are run by what was the Powdermill Tennis Club, changing its name to the 'Waltham Abbey Tennis Club'. This represents a concrete (or asphalt) legacy of the old Social & Sports Club for the benefit of all the town.

WALTHAM ABBEY ROYAL GUNPOWDER MILLS TRUST

A further article in the 'Town Crier' is by Ron Dane of CIVIX which relates the steady progress being made to the formation of the trust. A Trust Steering Committee was set up in December 1993 and is being funded by the MOD, WA Town Council, Lee Valley Regional Park, Epping Forest District Council and English Heritage.

This committee is now empowered to appoint advisers and consultants to carry out a number of tasks, ranging from building condition surveys and restoration estimates to establishment of a charitable company. The main task is to prepare a business and management plan for the site for presentation to the MOD later this year.

In the coming months the Steering Committee will work towards the completion of the business plan and a successful submission will ensure the formation of the Trust and the transfer of ownership of the site to the Trust sometime in 1995.

WE HOPE TO KEEP YOU UP TO DATE BY FUTURE STEALINGS

In Memoria

Sadly we have to report the passing of three ex-colleagues during the past few months.

Eileen Ayerst

Eileen died on 5th January this year. She worked at Waltham Abbey in the '50s with Reg Duke in the Crystallographic Section on North Site, leaving in 1953 to raise a family. Our sympathies to Ron and the family.

Frank Carver

Frank was born in Cleethorpes in 1934 and joined Waltham Abbey in 1959 where he worked for a number of sections, culminating in heading the Analytical Main Lab. He emigrated, briefly, to Australia to teach, returning to work at Woolwich and then at RARDE Fort Halstead where he became the head of the Pyrotechnics Branch. Frank retired in 1992 but still retained an active interest, coming back a few days a week as a consultant. He died suddenly at home from a heart attack and the funeral service was held at St Botolph's Church, Chevening on 13th April. This was attended by many old friends and ex-colleagues. Frank was a gentle man, respected by all those who came in contact with him. We share in the loss and extend our sympathies to his wife Mary and daughter Emma-Jane.

Reg Westlake

Reg Westlake, who passed away in early April, was a pillar of the Sensitiveness and Hazards Section for nearly 30 years, being awarded the Imperial service Medal just prior to his retirement. After having a go at most of the tests in the book, he settled down with the famous Rotter Impact machine, in succession to the legendary Harry Rumbold. He took a great interest in this machine and when trials were carried out to check the performance of the 6 or 7 machines in the UK, the Waltham machine always gave the most consistent results. In person he was cheerful, modest and unassuming, in spite of suffering from diabetes which probably contributed to his comparatively early death. I am sure he could have reached a higher grade than EW1 but this would have meant paperwork and/or administration, neither of which appealed to him. He took pride in his appearance and meeting him on his way home, immaculately dressed with neatly furled umbrella, you could have mistaken him for a city gent. Earlier in life he had been a member of the Observer Corps, an interest he retained and could identify any plane which came near.

The funeral took place at Enfield Crematorium on 11th April and was attended by former colleagues and members of the family. Our sympathies go especially to Reg's sons and daughter; Barrie, Jonathan and Jane.

Ken Bascombe.

RETIREMENT RITES

As suggested by 'Gudge' Taylor, a new theme on retirement ceremonies remembered. Here are two from 'Gudge's' archival memory:

" Mr Dick was head of the pyrotechnic research at Woolwich located in the 'Black Chapel', looking just like its name and suggestive of the dark, alchemical religious practices being pursued therein. I remember a 'highlight' when he made up and ignited a jumbo size flare for His Royal Highness King Ammanullah of Afghanistan who was on an official visit to the Department. It was desired also to show the cost of stores on display and, as no one knew the rate of exchange of shillings to afghani, we sent out for a loaf of bread which was exhibited next to a piece of cordite of the same value.

When Mr Dick retired he asked if he could be presented with a set of French novels in the original text; he was also much interested in French cooking. At the presentation ceremony presided over by a Mr Highfield, there were many cups and saucers, a large teapot and an urn on the boil. There was also a large attractive "le gateau" on the centre table which was eyed hungrily by all present during the relatively long speeches. Eventually the tea was poured out, the French novels presented and then Mr Dick handed over 'le cake' to Mr Highfield who took it away, uncut!

When the time came for my own retirement I was asked about a present and said I would like a pair of very large loudspeakers for my Hi-Fi equipment (I had just moved from a semi-detached house on the Monkswood Estate to a detached house with plenty of space around). They were very expensive and the 'whip-round' was just enough for one - I would happily pay for the other. There was another snag - it was too big to be handed over by the director, Lionel Bellamy, on the stage of the lecture theatre so it was suggested I choose something more manageable to be presented together with a cheque for the loud speaker. Therefore, on the day, the package was an electric toaster which was wholly a Rumbelow/Taylor transaction. Since then visitors from Waltham Abbey have been shown the right hand speaker as the real ERDE contribution - if desired the left hand one can be muted.

There must be many more 'retirement stories' although, unlike 'Gudge's' first one, the ones I attended were shrouded in an alcoholic haze. If there are any readers with better memories, or perhaps some teetotallers, send in your recollections.

1994 Re-Union Reminder

As mentioned many times in the last 2 issues, the Re-Union will be held in the Waltham Abbey Town Hall on Friday 21st October.

Full details of times, cost and a booking form will be included in the next issue published early September.

NOW IT CAN BE TOLD

CHAPTER ONE

Do you remember that when something dangerous was to be carried out the boss would disappear with the exit line "I'll be in my office if you want me". If it was very 'dodgy' then it was "I'll be on leave next week". Well, this tale is a variant on that theme.

The day arrived when we were going to test a special high pressure closed vessel in a building at the back of the Stockade (H67). A number of interested engineers and scientists had gathered at H67 to be in at the first firing (albeit from a safe distance). The Designer, who was an external contractor, was so confident that he suggested that we made a saddle for him to sit astride the vessel when it was fired. We persuaded him to retreat to a safe distance with the rest of us. Just as the final preparations were being made Ken Thomas told me that there was a phone call for me in my office. I didn't take much notice of the muffled "crump" from outside during my conversation but, on emerging from H67 I became aware of a group of rather crestfallen engineers surveying the two doors of the firing pit that had been blown off their hinges. The vessel has been alright but, due to a miscalculation, the pressure release valve had failed to hold the pressure and, at some 40 tons per squinch (that's 700MPa to you youngsters) and had ejected into the wall.

The moral of the story is that if you go to your office at such critical moments you're going to miss all the fun! Incidentally, that was the last we heard about saddles on closed vessels!

CHAPTER TWO

An earlier issue of 'Touchpaper' carried a story about a flying cat as a result of firing a 'LAW' motor in H12. This is the story of yet another LAW firing which took place at Woolwich. It was the occasion of the first limited flight firing in a tunnel which was to launch a LAW motor some 30 feet terminating in a 'catcher box'.

I was with Roy France watching the tunnel from a safe distance and we were both anticipating something dramatic happening but didn't quite know what.

Our best hopes were realised when, to our astonishment, the motor fired and three heavy concrete 'mushrooms' that covered the air vents of the tunnel, rose, simultaneously, some 20 feet into the air!

The first returned to its resting place and shattered, the second broke in half and the third remained intact.

The rest of the firing party had not seen the event and were quite amazed to see me and Roy rolling about with laughter.

Bryan Howard
(*Old Faithful*)

AROUND THE WORLD IN 93

with John Williams

PLANNING

When I retired, we said we would take a trip around the world. We'd saved a few pennies towards the exercise and decided, more or less, where we wanted to go. We read all sorts of bumph from all sorts of travel firms and finally got in touch with a couple and asked a few questions; like 'How Much!' and 'When'. After we picked ourselves up, and even more pocket searching we settled on a firm called Trailfinders. The first time we went to see them we talked for about four hours! This was about 18 months before we wanted to go! More pocket searching and even more discussions and we decided what we could afford and where we wanted to go. Back to Trailfinders. As we were going all the way round we had to decide a sequence of visits and the direction we were going round. I'm not sure we chose the right way round!

FIRST LEG

Our first port of call was to be Honolulu. We flew from Gatwick to Edmonton and waited on the plane for one and a half hours whilst passengers got off and others got on, then on to Vancouver. Here we had about 5 hours to spend. They told us to collect our luggage and take it to the next loading area for onward travel. When all the other suitcases had gone we started to worry but further enquiries told us we had been given duff information and our luggage had been transferred automatically. We'd wasted an hour and a half and were not best pleased since a friend had been waiting and we were to have had a look at Vancouver; but by now it was 5 o'clock and the roads were jam-packed with cars. Back on the plane and on to **HAWAII:**

We stayed in Waikiki near the beach. Weather was generally hot. First day we took a bus round the island - they said the fare was 65 cents. We sat on the bus for about four hours and nobody said anything. Some days later we learnt that it was about 65 cents per stage and we should have renewed our fare every now and again! Oh Well! We later visited Seaworld (not Disney), a pineapple plantation where we could drink as much pineapple juice, all free, from an enormous pineapple shaped cooler, and finally we visited an open air Hawaiian museum-cum-folk festival. In all a good start to our trip.

NEW ZEALAND via FIJI

Next, on to New Zealand via Fiji. We didn't see much of Fiji, just the inside of the airport, it was dark outside and we were only there for an hour

or so. We were met in Auckland by friends with whom we stayed for a few days. They showed us the Auckland area and suggested where we might go during the rest of our time in New Zealand. We had decided to hire a car before we left home and made the arrangements in England. We had been told that it would cost £100 to take the car from North Island to South Island so we changed our hire arrangements and hired separate cars on each Island. In the N.Is. we went up to Bay of Islands and then back to Auckland where we said goodbye to our friends and took off for Hamilton, Rotorua and Wellington. Did I mention we were bell ringers? Well we arranged to ring in as many places as possible and this included Auckland, Hamilton and Wellington in the N and Christchurch, Papanui and Dunedin in the S. (Oh! I forgot to say we also rang in the only tower in Honolulu). Our visit to Rotorua took in the hot springs which have to be seen to be appreciated. Steam bubbles up through the ground, boils the mud and makes geysers of great variety. We then went over on the ferry to S. Is., a 3 hour trip, and then took the second car to Blenheim. There is a great difference in scenery between the 2 islands and the vegetation is so different to England. The bush starts at the end of your garden and you don't need fences! In Auckland our friend has a wood burning stove to heat his water (which is collected on the roof and stored in 2 huge tanks). Just beyond his formal garden there was a dead tree. It took him 2 hours to cut his way in 30 yards to the tree. NZ is populated by many more sheep than people. you also find many fields of deer which they also use for meat. The fields are kept clear but beyond is dense forest, very difficult to penetrate. From Blenheim we travelled to Christchurch and from there we went to Mount Cook and visited the Tasman glacier. Then on to Dunedin where we took a boat trip to see some albatrosses and perhaps some penguins. There were plenty of albatrosses but we only saw one penguin! Next on to Queenstown and then a coach tour to Milford Sound and a boat trip on the Sound. It rained! If it hadn't rained we wouldn't have seen the huge number of waterfalls. We did see the top of Mitre Peak when the clouds cleared for a few moments. There had been a tree slide on one of the mountain sides and these are quite common because of the thin soil and the rainfall is 5 metres a year! We continued, via Arthur's Pass, to Christchurch for our plane to Sydney.

NEXT INSTALMENT - LIFE IN OZ

WEST COUNTRY MUSINGS

by Dave Salter

ZE END OF KAOTIK KOMUNIKATION IN UROP

The end of the century is fast approaching and the European Community is still struggling to shake off the latest in a series of recessions. Poor communication has often been blamed for holding back the expansion of business. The European Parliament has recently commissioned a study into ways of improving efficiency.

Although English was adopted as the first language of the EC in 1971 it has always been recognised that English spelling is unnecessarily difficult. This becomes evident when we consider such words as 'cough', 'plough', 'rough', 'through' and 'thorough'. Officials in Brussels have therefore agreed a phased programme of changes.

After the first year the committee is likely to suggest using 's' instead of the soft 'c'. Certainly, sivil servants in all sities will resieve this news with joy. The hard 'c' will probably be replaced by 'k' sinse both letters are pronounsed alike. Not only would this klear up konfusion in the minds of klerikal workers, but one key could be saved on komputer keyboards.

Enthusiasm is expekted to grow in the sekond year when it will be announsed that the troublesome 'ph' will henseforth be written as 'f'. Such words as 'fotograf' will be twenty per sent shorter and the move will please fysiologists and fysisists.

In the third year publik akseptanse of the new spellings can be expekted to reash the stage when more komplikated shanges are possible. Governments will enkourage the removal of double letters which have always ben deterrent to akurate speling.

We would al agre that the horrible mes of silent 'e's in the language is disgrasful and therefor we kould drop thes and kontinu to read and writ as though nothing had hapend. By this tim it wil be four years sins the skem began and peopl wil be reseptiv to steps sush as replasing 'th' by 'z'. Perhaps zen ze funktion of 'w' kould be taken on by 'v' vich is, after al, half a 'w'. Shortly after zis, ze unesesary 'o' kould be dropd from words kontaining 'ou'. Similar arguments vud, of kors, be aplid to ozer kombinations of leters.

Kontinuing zis proses yer after yer, ve vud eventuli hav a reli sensibl riten styl. After tventi yers, zer vud be no mor trublsn difikltis und evrivun vil find it ezi to understand each ozer. It is apropriat zat in 1994, ze yer of ze Urotunl, ze Komunity shud be takink vun mor step towards unifikation.

I've tried proof reading the above article and hope I haven't made in spelling mistakes in the typin. Ed.

CBDE REVISED RETIREMENT/REDUNDANCY POLICY

Due to reductions in resources for all Divisions following the recent market testing the establishment will be reducing the number of employees. Under new arrangements, older staff will take early retirement and a programme to phase out such staff is introduced with immediate effect. The programme is complicated and will be known as HUMP (Hopeless Understanding of Management Philosophy). Staff who are HUMPED may seek employment elsewhere and to this end a review of their employment record can be requested. This phase will be known as SCREW (Survey of Capabilities of Retired Early Workers). Staff who have been HUMPED and SCREWED may file for appeal review by senior management and this procedure is termed SHAFT (Study for Headquarters Administration Following Termination). Under these arrangements staff may be HUMPED once, SCREWED twice but may be SHAFTED as many times as management deems appropriate. Staff will be entitled for HERPES (Half Earnings for Retired Personnel on Early Severance) but as HERPES is considered as a benefit plan, any memeber of staff who has HERPES will no longer be HUMPED, SCREWED or SHAFTED by the establishment. Senior management wish to assure younger staff that they will continue training policy through the Continuous Review Auditing Performance scheme (CRAP). as you know we take great pride in the amount of CRAP that staff receive, indeed we give more CRAP than any other agency or ministry department.

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A full list will be printed in the September 94 issue.
Meanwhile here are the latest additions and amendments

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Tom George	Frinton [rtd]	1954 - 88	Services s/s
Ella Grimbol	Waltham Cross [rtd]	1948 - 74	Wages
Lynne Lennard	RO Waltham Abbey	1979 - present	P1/Safety
Bert Skinner	Cheshunt [rtd]	1950 - 82	No.10
Ruby Whitehouse	Cheshunt [rtd]	1951 - 82	Canteen
Terry Williams	RO Waltham Abbey	1978 - present	BWD

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