

OBITUARY

LADY HARTWELL was a daughter of the first Earl of Birkenhead (F.E. Smith) and inherited much of his wit and intellect. She married in 1936 the Hon. Michael Berry, now Editor-in-Chief of *The Daily Telegraph*; they did much to restore Oving House, their fine house overlooking the Vale of Aylesbury, and entertained members of the Society there in 1969. Lady Hartwell was a Trustee of the British Museum and on the Council of the Victoria and Albert Museum.

HAYWARD PARROTT came from a well-known Bucks. family which he traced back to Wotton Underwood in 1684. He was the son of Dr. T.G. Parrott of 1 Church Street, Aylesbury; after qualifying as a solicitor he joined his family firm, Parrott & Coales, who have

been lawyers in Aylesbury since 1776. Reticent and shy, he was unmarried and devoted the latter part of his life to the history of Aylesbury and mid-Bucks. *Aylesbury Vale Yesterdays* was published in 1981, and a second volume soon after his death.

THE REV. C. NORMAN WHITE was Vicar of Ellesborough for many years, a man of many interests and great charm. THE REV. G.T. BARKER, Vicar of Wingrave 1949-69, died at the age of 89; he helped show Chelm-cote Manor to members in 1971.

Other members who died during the year were S.W. Hester, Dr. E.O Hope, Mrs. A. Martin, and A.M. Milton.

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