



Swindon & District Directory Extract 1928

Swindon (Description)



SWINDON, an Archdeaconry in the Diocese of Bristol, is situated in the Northern Division of Wilts, Union of Swindon and Highworth, is the head of a Petty Sessional Division and is in No. 52 County Court Circuit. In 1906 the borough was granted a separate Commission of the Peace. By the G.W.R. The town is 77¼ miles from London, 45 from Salisbury, 40½ from Bristol, 33½ from Devizes, 29¾ from Bath, 28 from Trowbridge, and 16½ from Chippenham.

The Parish Church, which is in the Decorated Early English Style, was erected in 1851 from designs by the late Sir Gilbert Scott, R.A., and cost £8,000, being defrayed by voluntary subscriptions. There is sitting accommodation for 800 people, and the church has a peal of ten bells. The chancel of the old church still stands; the earliest date in the register is 1640. A commodious Parish Hall stands in Devizes Road. The living, a vicarage of the net yearly value of £299, including 26 acres of glebe, is in the gift of the Lord Chancellor, and is held by Canon C. A. Mayall. In the parish of St. Mark's, Canon A. G. G. Ross is at the head of a hard working body of clergy. The value of the living, which is a vicarage in the patronage of the Bishop of Bristol, is £283. A peal of six bells has been placed in the church as a memorial to Canon the Hon. M. Ponsonby (now Lord de Manley), who was for many years Vicar of the parish. Two churches of ease are served by the clergy of St. Mark's – that of St. Savior (Ashford Road), and that of St. Luke (Salisbury Street). St. Savior's is one of the only two churches in England which have been built by voluntary labor, the volunteers in this case being G.W.R. workmen; and it was enlarged by the same means. Another important ecclesiastical parish is that of St. Paul, which was formed in 1881, the church being built at a cost of nearly £6'000. The value of the living is £229, the patron being the Bishop of Bristol, and the vicar is the Rev. E. G. Mortimer. The Church of St. Barnabas was erected in 1885, and in order to keep pace with the demands of the rapidly increasing district of Gorse Hill additions have since been made to the edifice. The value of the living is £201, the Bishop of Bristol being the patron, and the Vicar the Rev. Philip Maddocks, B.D. The district of Even Swindon is well served by the Church of St. Augustine's, situate off Rodbourne Road, the Vicar being Canon H. B. Harvey, B.A. The church was built in 1907-08 by public subscription and grants from the Swindon Church Extension Committee. The old Mission Room in Rodbourne Road (formerly St. Augustine's Church) is now used as a Sunday School. The new church, which is only present partly built, has seating accommodation for 450 people.

The Presbyterian Church, which was built at a cost of £5,000, stands in Victoria Road; the Roman Catholics have an excellent church in Groundwell Road; there is an imposing Baptist Tabernacle in Regent Circus; Congregational Chapels are situated in Victoria Road and Sanford Street; the principal Wesleyan Chapels are in Bath Road and Faringdon Street, and in the latter thoroughfare have a Sunday School and Institute, while there is a commodious mission hall in Clarence Street, erected at a cost of about £7,400. There are Primitive Methodist Chapels at Prospect, Regent Street, Clifton Street, Manchester Road and elsewhere; and other sects with places of worship in the town are the Moravians, Particular Baptists, Friends and Plymouth Brethren; while the Salvation Army have barracks in North Street, Fleet Street and Chapel Street. Most of the Churches and Chapels have Sunday Schools in which the religious education of the young is undertaken.

The arrangements for secular education are in the hands of an Education Committee, of which Mr. C. Hall is chairman. In the discharge of the duty of providing accommodation and instruction for the thousands of children placed under their authority the Committee have a large number of well appointed schools. One of the most important educational establishments in the West of England is the Swindon College. The original cost of the building was £10,000 and manual workshops, &c., which have since been added, have gone still further in justifying the claim that the institution is the most complete of its kind in the country. The Principal is Mr. G. H. Burkhardt, and he is assisted by an able staff of masters and mistresses.

The growth of that part of the borough which was formerly known as New Swindon has been rarely equalled by any other industrial centre in the country. A wide expanse of green fields has given place to thickly populated streets, tracts of agricultural land have been transformed into busy thoroughfares, and unmistakeable signs of advancement meet

the eye at every point. In 1891 the population of the whole parish was 33,001; at the census of 1901 it was found that the total had risen to 45,006; in 1911 the population was returned at 50,771; and when the toll of the population was last taken the figure was 54,920. The cause of this striking increase is not far to seek. It has been entirely due to the great Western Railway Company which selected Swindon as its principal seat of its manufactures, and has since made it the centre from which almost all the necessities of the Company's great system are supplied. How much the existence of its inhabitants and the success of its trade depend upon the prosperity of the Company may be estimated from the fact that the employees in the G.W.R Locomotive and Carriage Works number about 12,000, in addition to a host of officials, clerks, labourers and others associated with the Stores and other departments. The post of Chief Mechanical Engineer is filled by Mr. C. B. Collett, O.B.E., with Mr. W. A. Stanier as Principal Assistant, Mr. J. Auld as Docks and Personal Assistant, Mr. C. Crump as Locomotive Running Superintendent and Outdoor Assistant, Mr. J. R. W. Grainge as Electrical Assistant, and Mr. F. W. Hawksworth as Chief Draughtsman. Mr. R. A. G. Hannington is Manager of the Locomotive Works, and his assistants are Mr. R. H. Grey, Mr. J. H. Shepherd, Mr. C. T. Cuss, Mr. H. H. Kinneir and Mr. K. J. Cook. The Manager of the Carriage and Waggon Works and Saw Mills is Mr. E. T. J. Evans whose assistants are Mr. H. F. V. Dawson, Mr. J. E. Bagguley and Mr. V. R. Hurle. The other principal officers are as follow :- Chief Clerk, Mr. A. J. L. White; Assistant Chief Clerk, Mr. J. Kelynack; Chief of the Stores Department, Mr. A. C. Cookson; Principal Assistant, Mr. C. A. Plaister; Assistants, Mr. F. H. Daswood and Mr. F. T. Willis. Mr. S. Cooper watches over the interests of the company at the main Railway Station, which is one of the most important junctions on the G.W.R.; and Mr. H. Baker is in charge of the Swindon Town Station.

In dealing with the public institutions of the town pride and place must be given to the G.W.R. Mechanics Institution. A splendid reading room and smoking and recreation rooms are provided for the 13,000 members; the lending and reference libraries contain 50,000 volumes, and additions are constantly being made; and there is a spacious hall available for entertainments and public meetings, as well as a smaller hall for lectures. For completeness, comfort and convenience the Institute buildings are equal to anything of the kind in the Kingdom. Swimming baths for ladies and gentlemen are under the management of the G.W.R. Medical Fund Society, and these baths, to which is attached the medical dispensary, not only form a fine block in external appearance, but are internally perfect in adaptation for their requirements. The Washing and Turkish Baths stand on adjoining ground, and the Medical Fund Accident Hospital, containing an up to date Operating Theatre, is under the management of the same committee. In Regent Circus stand the Town Hall and Municipal Buildings – a fine block of offices for official and other purposes – built at a cost of £10,000. The Corn Exchange which is situated in the Market Square, and is capable of seating 1,000 persons has been converted into a picture palace. Adjoining the Corn Exchange is the Masonic Hall – the Lodge room of the Royal Sussex Lodge of Emulation. There are well equipped County County Offices in Clarence Street. One of the most valuable institutions of the town is the Swindon Victoria Hospital, established as a memorial of the Queen's Jubilee. There is a capacious Theatre in Victoria Road, and a covered Market in Cromwell Street. The town is lighted with electricity, and there is a service of electric trams.

Athleticism in almost all its forms thrives in the town, and there is no lack of recreation grounds. Swindon is able to boast of a prosperous trade, and flourishing markets are held – for corn every Monday, and for cattle on the second and last Mondays in the month. In the commodious Cattle Market sales of cattle, sheep and horses are held by Messrs. Fielder & Tuckett, Mr. A. Hart, and Messrs. Loveday & Loveday. There are two statute fairs annually – on the first Monday before April 5th and the second Monday after September 11th.

The charities, which amount to about £110 yearly, are derived from land and Consols.

The early closing day is Wednesday.

The area of the borough is 4,265 acres; the gross estimated rental is £461,652 as compared with £455,769 twelve months ago; and the rateable value is £329,605, against £326,553 last year. The number of dwelling houses in the town is 14,374, and the present estimated population is 60,000, as compared with 54,920 in 1921, 50,751 in 1911, 45,006 in 1901, 32,838 in 1891, 19,904 in 1881, and 11,520 in 1871.

Local Authorities

SWINDON TOWN COUNCIL – The Town Council of Swindon consists of 48 members, 12 of whom are Aldermen and 36 Councillors

ALDERMEN

Retire in 1928

Ald, T. C. Newman
Ald. R. Evans
Ald. S. J. Haskins
Ald. E. J. Horder
Ald. G. Parkhouse
Ald. W. Sloan

Retire in 1931

The Mayor (Ald. W. Webb)
Ald. J. Belcher
Ald. W. G. Adams
Ald. W. H. Bickham
Ald. C. Hill
Ald. A. H. Wheeler.

COUNCILLORS

Retire in 1928

A. R. Smith
Mrs. Fry
F. T. Hobbs
L. J. Newman
S. E. Walters
J. L. Calderwood
R. G. Cripps
G. Davies
R. Coleman
W. H. Trowbridge
A. Balch
W. A. Kimber

Retire in 1928

G. H. Stevens
T. Manning
H. R. Hustings
C. Price
R. George
J. Webber
A. W. Haynes
W. E. Reeves
A. Snow
A. Ashby
F. King
F. G. Wright

Retire in 1930

W. R. Robins
A. J. B. Selwood
G. H. Hunt
A. P. Skull
J. Nash
A. J. E. Beck
W. Boyce
H. E. N. Niblett
A. E. Harding
F. E. Allen
J. Stamper
Mrs. M. George

The Officials are : Town Clerk and Solicitor – Mr. R. Hilton; Borough Surveyor – Mr. J. B. L. Thompson; Borough Treasurer and Superintendent Assistant Overseer – Mr. A. E. Dean; Sanitary Inspector – Mr. F. H. Beavis; Secretary and Tramways Manager – Mr. T. Medcalf; Electrical Engineer – Mr. A. Nicklin; Borough Officer under the Hackney Carriages Act – Deputy Chief Constable W. T. Brooks; Borough Medical Officer – Dr. Dunstan Brewer.

SWINDON EDUCATION COMMITTEE – The Mayor (Ald. W. Webb, J.P.), Alderman C. Hill, J. P. (Chairman), Alderman J. Belemer, Alderman G. Parkhouse; Councillors R. G. Cripps, G. Davis, J.P., Mrs L. E. Fry, Mrs M. George, R. George, A. E. Harding, A. W. Haynes, J.P., F. T. Hobbs (vice-chairman), F. King, J.P., T. Manning, L. J. Newman, A. R. Smith, Mrs. A. J. Colborne, Col. W. F. Fuller, Miss M. E. Slade, Mr. G. E. Webber, Mr. H. Whiting, J.P., and Mr. A. E. Withy; Secretary – Mr. W. Seaton.

SWINDON AND HIGHWORTH BOARD OF GUARDIANS – This Board meets monthly on Wednesdays at the Union Offices, 17, Bath Road, Swindon. Mr. J. S. Protheroe (Swindon) is Chairman, Preb. W. B. Pitt (Liddington) senior vVce Chairman, Mrs. E. A. Sandling junior vice chairman, and the other members are : Bishopstone – Mr. E. G. Hickman, The Hawthorns, Bishopstone. Blunson St. Andrew – Mr. F. Lewis, The Limes, Blunson St. Andrew; Mr. J. Akers, St. Leonard's Farm, Blunson. Chiseldon – Mr. A. Ashford, Hodson House, Chiseldon; Mr J. Warren, Hillside House, Badbury. Hannington – Mr. G. Loder, Stanton Water, Highworth. Highworth – Mr. J. Mapson, Swindon Street, Highworth; Mr. T. Smith, Westrop, Highworth, Highworth; Mr. James Smith, Swindon Road, Highworth. Hinton Parva – Major J. L. Nickisson, Hinton Manor. Inglesham – Mr. J. H. Cole, Lynt Farm, Inglesham. Liddington – Preb. W. B. Pitt, Liddington. Rodbourne Cheney – Mr W. T. Groves, Whitworth Road, Rodbourne Cheney; Mr. F. E. Akers, Rodbourne Farm; Mr. Joseph R. Bown, "Pinehurst", Rodbourne Cheney; South Marston – Mr. J. J. Sansum, South Marston, Stanton Fitzwarren – Mr. A. F. Wright, South Farm, Stanton Fitzwarren. Stratton St. Margaret – Mr. F. A. Blake, 39, The Street, Stratton St. Margaret; Mr. W. Thorne, Station Road, Stratton St. Margaret; Mr H. E. Wildern, Stratton St. Margaret - North Ward – Mrs. L. E. Fry, 18 York Road, Swindon; Mr. C. Holland, 14 Exeter Street, Swindon; Mr. F. W. Purbrick, 114 Beatrice Street, Swindon. West Ward – Mr. A. J. Bennett, 41 Bruce Street, Swindon; Mr. H. J. Southwell,

16 Goddard Avenue, Swindon; Mr. A. Wentworth, 40 Rayfield Grove, Swindon. Queen's Ward – Mr. A. W. Head, 159 Goddard Avenue, Swindon; Mrs. E. M. Hitchman, 18 Milton Road, Swindon; Mr W. W. Hook, 208, County Road, Swindon. King's Ward – Mr. G. Atcherley, 101 Albion Street, Swindon; Mr. F. J. King, 181 Kingshill Road, Swindon; Mrs. H. E. Norris, 45 Kent Road, Swindon. East Ward – Mr. E. Jones, Milton House, Swindon; Mr. J. S. Protheroe, 150 Victoria Road, Swindon; Mrs. E. A. Sandling, 15, College Street, Swindon. South Ward – Mr. A. Snow, "Croftdene", Croft Road, Swindon; Mr. H. A. Stanier, 12 London Street, Swindon; Mrs. L. M. West. 3 The Mall, Swindon. Wanborough – Mr. J. Avenell, Yew Tree House, Wanborough; Mr. F. Hinton, The Croft, Wanborough. Wroughton – Mr. W. Gosling, V.C., Summerhouse Farm, Wroughton; Mr. R. Hobbs, Greens Lane, Wroughton; Mr. W. J. Tibbles, 7 and 8, High Street, Wroughton. Mr. F. Hinton is chairman and Preb. W. B. Pitt, vice chairman of the Highworth Rural District Council. Mr. William P. Kirby is clerk and his offices, are at 17, Bath Road, Swindon,

SWINDON AND DISTRICT HOSPITAL BOARD – This Board, which meets at the Town Hall monthly, is composed as follows: Mr. A. Snow (Chairman), Mr. J. Stamper (Vice Chairman), Major-General T. C. P. Calley, the Mayor (Mr. W. Webb). Messrs. S. J. Haskins, A. J. E. Beck, J. Webber, S. E. Walters, H. E. N. Niblett, A. E. Harding, R. Coleman, F. King, W. J. Tibbles, J. E. Smith, J. J. Sansum, W. Thorne, J. R. Bown, J. S. Protheroe, and H. E. Smith. Mrs. L. R. Fry and Mrs. May George. Clerk – Mr. J. McGregor Johnson. Treasurer – Mr. C. M. Dron. Medical Superintendent – Dr. Dunstan Brewer. Matron – Miss J. McKinnon Smith.

OLD AGE PENSIONS COMMITTEE – The Committee is constituted of the members of the Town Council (with the exception of Councillors Balch and Robins), with Mr. A. Wentworth and Mr. F. J. King. Councillor J. Webber is Chairman, and Councillor G. Davis is Vice Chairman. Applicants can obtain forms from any Post Office.

SWINDON, CHIPPENHAM & DISTRICT AREA WAR PENSIONS COMMITTEE – Mr. A. W. Haynes, O.B.E., Mr. W. S. White, Mr. J. S. Protheroe, Mr. A. Fenner, Mrs. S. Eyres, Mr. J. Powell, Rev. E. A. Gowring, Mr. A. H. Godwin, Capt. A. Jordan, Mr. E. Jones, Mr. H. J. Hunt, Capt. G. Rice, Mr. E. J. Radway, Mrs E. Naylor, Lady Walter Hervey, Mr. J. A. Jones, Mr. A. E. Dean, M.B.E., Captain H. R. Ward, and Major J. A. Davenport. Chief Area Officer – Capt. A. H. Gee Williams, 37, Jamaica Street, Bristol. Clerk to Committee – Mr. W. Denley.

BOROUGH POLICE FORCE – Since the incorporation of the borough negotiations have been completed between the Corporation and the County Authorities for the County to continue to police the borough. The strength of borough police force is 51 men. The Watch Committee of the Corporation is composed as follows : The Mayor (Ald. W. Webb), Alderman C. Hill, W. H. Bickham, R. Evans, T. C. Newman, W. G. Adams, E. J. Horder, S. J. Haskins and W. Sloan. Councillors – G. H. Hunt, A. P. Skull, R. G. Cripps, J. L. Calderwood, W. E. Reeves, W. H. Trowbridge, R. George and J. Stamper.

Places of Worship

SWINDON PARISH CHURCH – Vicar – Canon Charles A Myall, M.A. (Surrogate for granting marriage licences for the Diocese of Bristol). Curates – Rev. F. J. Hirst, 94, Bath Road, and the Rev. R. S. Mundy, M.A., "Toc H", High Street. Churchwardens: Vicar's Warden – Dr. R. P. Beatty, Swindon House, The Square. Parish Warden – Mr. E. C. Beard, Lansdown Road. Parish Clerk – Mr. F. Foss, 49 Bath Road. Organist – Mr. W. H. Painter. A new church (St. Mary's) has been erected in the Mall. Mission Rooms – Church Hall, Devizes Road, and Little London.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH – The Vicar is Canon A. G. G. Ross, M.A., The Vicarage. In the parish there are two district churches – St. Saviour's, Ashford Road, and St. Luke's, Broad Street. The Assistant clergy are : Rev. K. N. Crisford and Rev. A. H. Blair, 17, Milton Road; Rev. T. G. Jalland, 99a, County Road; Rev. T. S. D. Barrett, 99a, County Road; and Rev. E. J. Pearce, 18, Milton Road. Organists: St. Mark's – Mr. J. J. Gale, A.R.V.O., Victoria Road; St. Saviour's – Mr. Rowland; St. Luke's – Mr. W. Curnow, 89 Manchester Road. Churchwardens – Mr. G. Preesey, 145 Kingshill Road, and Mr. F. J. Etherington, 41, The Mall. Sisters of Mercy have a large home in Milton Road and do good work in the parish.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, EDGWARE ROAD – Vicar – The Rev. E. G. Mortimer, M.A. Assistant Curate – Rev. K. G. Hoare, 118 Drove Road. Churchwardens – Mr. J. E. Chapman, 60 Newhall Street, and Mr. W. M. Radmore, 9, College Street. Organist – Mr. V. Willis.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH, EVEN SWINDON. - Vicar – Canon H. B. Harvey, B.A., Surrogate, St. Augustine's Vicarage. Organist – Mr. G. L. Curnow, 89 Manchester Road. Churchwardens – Mr. T. Selby, 60, Dean Street, and Mr. F. Wilken, 31 Guppy Street. Secretary, Parochial Council – Mr. B. Edwards, 41 Shrivenham Road. Verger – Mr. S. Lennard, 54 Iffley Road.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH (Dedicated to the Holy Rood). The Rev. J. J. Noonan is the parish priest, and the curate is the Rev. F. J. Grimshaw, D.D. Connected with this church are a Conference of the Brothers of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament, Tertiaries of St. Francis of Assisi, Ladies Needlework Guild and Apostleship of Prayer. There is a day school in connection with this church; average attendance, about 230 children. In 1899 a new and spacious school was erected in Groundwell Road, and a large new church in the Gothic style was opened in May 1905.

ST. BARNABAS CHURCH, GORSE HILL – Vicar – The Rev. P. Maddocks, B.A., B.D., The Vicarage. Churchwardens – Mr. Charles Taylor and Mr. Charles Ingram. Organist and Choirmaster. Caretaker, Mrs. Cousins, 25. Ferndale Road.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, SOUTHBROOK STREET. This district was formerly a part of the parish of Rodbourne Cheney, is now a separate Mission District. In charge – the Rev. G. Coulson. Organist – Mr. J. A. Pearce.

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ENGLAND, VICTORIA ROAD. Minister – Rev. J. H. Gavin, B.B., 153 Goddard Avenue. Marriages, baptisms &c., by arrangement with the minister.

MORAVIAN CHURCH, DIXON STREET. Licensed for Marriages. Caretaker – 120 Dixon Street. Minister – Rev. R. B. Willey, B.A. Services on Sundays at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

BAPTIST TABERNACLE, REGENT CIRCUS. Seating accommodation, 1,000. Minister – Rev. E. W. Probert. Cambria and Rodbourne Baptist Chapels are under the same pastorate, and the Rev. E. W. Probert is also honorary pastor of the Baptist Church at Lechlade.

GORSE HILL BAPTIST CHURCH, CRICKLADE ROAD – Seating accommodation, 450. Pastor – Rev. R. A. Good, 17 County Road.

PROVIDENCE BAPTIST CHAPEL, SOUTH STREET. Minister - Mr. H. J. Parker. Licensed for the solemnisation of marriages.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, VICTORIA ROAD. Pastor - Rev. W. B. Wakefield, The Manse, 12 Bath Road.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, SANFORD STREET. Pastor – Rev. J. E. Simon, B.A., 152 Victoria Road. Services, 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.

RAILWAY MISSION, WELLINGTON STREET. Superintendent – Miss E. Casswell. Services : Morning, 11 o'clock; evening, 6.30. Sunday School in the morning and afternoon.

SWINDON WESLEYAN CIRCUIT. Bath Road is the mother church of Swindon Wesleyan Methodism. In September, 1911, the Marlborough Circuit and the Wantage Circuit, which had been joined to the Bath Road and Wesley Circuit respectively, were separated and the two latter circuits amalgamated, thus making a united Swindon Circuit, comprising the following 25 churches: - Bath Road, Wesley, Cricklade Road, Percy Street, Central Hall (Clarence Street), William Street, Telford Road, Upper Stratton, Moredon, Wroughton, Chisledon, Hodson, Badbury, Liddington, Wanborough, Wootton Bassett, Broadtown, Broad Blunsdon, Purton, Cricklade, Highworth, Lechlade, Longcote, Shrivenham and South Marston. The following are licensed for marriages: - Bath Road, Wesley, Cricklade Road, Percy Street, Central Hall, Upper Stratton, Wroughton, Chisledon, Wootton Bassett, Purton, Lechlade, Blunsdon and Shrivenham. The Circuit membership is 1,200 adults and 237 juniors. The work is carried on by four ministers, a missionary, 60 local preachers, 70 class leaders, and workers in connection with Guilds, Sunday Schools, Bible Classes, Bands of Hope and other organisations. The present ministers are : Superintendent – Rev. W. Kelson, Eastcott House, Swindon; Rev. H. Baird Turner, 95, Goddard Avenue, Swindon; Rev. C. Montague Ashdown, B.D., 99, County Road, Swindon; Rev. F. Wesley Clifford, 4, Park Lane, Swindon; and Pastor A. E. Stocking, 194, County Road, Swindon. Circuit Stewards – Messrs. W. J. Bedwin and F. W. Cotsell. Secretary of Quarterly Meeting – Mr. W. Anderson, 27, Dixon Street, Swindon. The Circuit Plan and Directory, containing names of Circuit Officers &c., is published quarterly, and may be had of the Society Stewards or Chapel Keepers.

SWINDON PRIMITIVE METHODIST I. CIRCUIT. This Circuit includes Prospect Place, Clifton Street, Cricklade Road, Blunsdon, Stratton St. Margaret, Chisledon, Wroughton, Wanborough, Shaw, Highworth, Coate, Wroughton Road, Upper Stratton and Hay Lane. Rev. W. H. Lawson, 2, Goddard Avenue, is Superintendent of the circuit, and the Rev. W. H. Kent, 320 Cricklade Road, is the second minister.

“REHOBOTH” PARTICULAR BAPTIST, Rolleston Street. Ministers – Supplies. Services, Sundays, 10.30 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesdays 7 p.m. Corresponding Deacon, W. Ball, 17, Brunswick Street. Chapel Keeper, W. G. Peapell, 66, Swindon Road.

SWINDON PRIMITIVE METHODIST II. CIRCUIT. Places of Services -Regent Street, Rodbourne Road, Butterworth Street, Manchester Road, Moredon, Rodbourne Cheney and Ferndale Road. Superintendent Minister of the Circuit - Rev. A. R. Wightman, 55, Victoria Road; second ministers, Rev. J. H. Hindle, “Highcliffe”, County Road, and Rev. N. N. Wills, 10, Park Lane.

SOCIETY OF FRIENDS. Meeting House, Eastcott Hill. Public meetings for devine worship are held as under:- Sundays, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Men's Adult School, Sundays, 9.45 a.m.; Young Woman's Adult School, 3 p.m.; Women's Adult School, Thursdays, 3 p.m. Clerk to Preparation meeting: Edward Sladen, 99, Goddard Avenue, Swindon.

CHURCH OF CHRIST. The Church of Christ of the New testament Order has been established in Swindon during the past 31 years. Meets in the Broad Street Chapel. All communications should be addressed to Mr. H. R. Ponting, 67 Curtis Street, Swindon.

SWINDON CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY. Rolleston Street Hall; Sunday service, 6.30; testimony meeting, last Wednesday in month at 7.30 p.m.

THE SALVATION ARMY meets at the Halls in Fleet Street, North Street and Chapel Street. Services at 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 6.45 p.m. on Sundays.

Trades and Friendly Societies

ODD FELLOWS – Swindon District I.O.O.F., M.U., comprises 16 lodges, with 2.092 members (independent only), and 1,465 State insurance members. Mr. W. H. Slatter, 25 Bath Road, Swindon, is secretary. The following as a list of the Lodges:-

MACKIES GOOD INTENT LODGE. Held at the king's Arms Hotel, Swindon; Mr. J. W. Redman, 18 Salisbury, Swindon

WIDOW'S HOPE LODGE. Held at the Eagle Hotel, Swindon; Mr. A. E. Nethercot, secretary, 96 Commercial Road, Swindon

ST. MARGARET'S LODGE. Held at the Primitive Methodist Schoolroom, Stratton; Mr. W. G. Woodward, secretary, 43 Havelock Street, Swindon.

PROWER LODGE. Held at the Angel Hotel, Purton; Mr. T. J. Leech, secretary, Purton.

CODRINGTON LODGE. Held at the Odd Fellows Hall, Wroughton; Mr. E. G. Hacker, secretary, 2 Devizes Road, Wroughton.

RODBOURNE CHENEY LODGE. Held at the Red Lion Inn, Moredon; Mr. Thomas Cox, secretary, Haydon Wick.

PRIDE OF WANBOROUGH LODGE. Held at the Wesleyan Schoolroom, Wanborough; Mr. G. W. Gibbs, secretary, Lower Wanborough.

FRIENDSHIP, LOVE AND TRUTH LODGE. Held at the Schoolroom, Chisledon; Mr. A. R. Hawksworth, secretary, 16 Westcott Place, Swindon.

CASTLE OF THE VALE LODGE. Held at the Castle Hotel, Swindon; Mr. A. W. Westlake, secretary, 18 Shelley Street, Swindon.

GOOCH LODGE. Held at the Workmen's Club, Gorse Hill; Mr. W. G. Bratt, secretary, 1 The Elms, Moredon.

CLIFTON LODGE. Held at the Maxwell Street Schools, Swindon; Mr. A. H. Greenman, secretary, Hill Rise Bungalow, Cricklade Road, Upper Stratton, Swindon.

GREAT WESTERN LODGE. Held at the Even Swindon Hotel; Mr. J. W. Richardson, secretary, 59 Newhall Street, Swindon.

TRUE HEARTS LODGE. Held at the True Hearts Inn, Bishopstone; Mr. R. Povey, secretary, Little Hinton.

PRIDE OF BLUNSDON LODGE. Held at the Cold Harbour Inn, Blunston; Mr. E. Martin, secretary, Blunston.

CARRIERS' HOPE LODGE. Held at the Village Hall, South Marston; Mr. J. Chamberlain, secretary, 12 Church Street, Stratton St. Margaret.

PAST GRAND LODGE, the "Star of Hope". Held at the Eagle Hotel, Swindon; Mr. A. J. Rolls, secretary, 64 Hythe Road, Swindon.

UNITED JUVENILE ODD FELLOWS' SOCIETY. (for boys and girls from 1 to 18 years of age). Held at the Lecture Hall, Mechanics Institute, Swindon; Mr. W. G. Woodward, secretary, 43 Havelock Street, Swindon.

UNITED SISTERS' FEMALE LODGE. Held at the Lecture Hall, Mechanics Institute, Swindon; Mr. W. H. C. Woodward, secretary, 43 Havelock Street, Swindon.

PROVINCIAL LODGE OF PAST GRANDS. (composed of Past Grans of "Purple Degree" only). Meets monthly at the Liberal Hall, Commercial Road, Swindon; Mr. A. R. Hawksworth, W. G. , secretary.

THE ANCIENT ORDER OF FORESTERS (NORTH WILTS DISTRICT). This District, whose total funds amount to £53,390, comprising 19 Courts, 2,391 benefit members and 18 honorary members. Secretary, Mr. R. Dean, 11 Gloucester Terrace, Swindon. Subjoined is a list of Courts:-

COURT BRITON'S PRIDE. Held at the Eagle Hotel, Regent Street, Swindon; Mr. W. R. Varney, secretary, 15 Birch Street, Swindon.

COURT VALE OF WHITE HORSE. Held at the Foresters; Hall, Shrivenham; Mr. J. Knapp, secretary, Shrivenham.

COURT PRIDE OF WILTSHIRE. Held at 17 Bath Road, Swindon; Mr. T. Robinson, secretary, 26 Stanier Street, Swindon.

COURT SAMPSON'S PRIDE. Held at the Town Hall, Cricklade; Mr. C. J. Little, secretary, Cricklade.

COURT FORESTER'S HOME. Held at the Savings Bank, Gloucester Street, Faringdon; Miss. G. F. Caulfield, secretary, Marlborough Street, Faringdon.

COURT PRIDE OF THE VALE. Held at the Ivory Room, Highworth; Mr. A. J. Smith, secretary, High Street, Highworth.

COURT BOLD ROBIN HOOD. Held at the Wesleyan Schoolroom, Wroughton; Mr. J. Cook, sec., Wroughton.

COURT SIR DANIEL WIDHAM. Held at the Workmen's Institute, Purton; Mr. R. Barnes, secretary, Purton.

COURT LOYAL ST. LEONARD'S. Held at the Baptist Schoolroom, Gorse Hill, Swindon; Mr. G. Culling, secretary, 2 Southbrook Street, Swindon.

COURT ARCHER. Held at the Kingsdown Arms, Stratton St. Margaret; Mr. W. H. Baughn, 31 Dore's Road, Upper Stratton.

COURT CASTLE. Held at the Schoolroom, Uffington; Mr. E. Parrott, sec., Uffington.

COURT LILY OF THE VALLEY. Held at the Schoolroom, Stanford-in-the-Vale; Mr. H. A. Cox, secretary, Stanford-in-the-Vale.

COURT PRIDE OF SWINDON. Held at 17 Bath Road, Swindon; Mr. F. Comley, secretary, 85 Ashford Road, Swindon.

COURT PERSEVERANCE. Held at the Dolphin Inn, Swindon; Mr. J. O'Brien, secretary, 21 Linslade Street, Swindon.

COURT ALDBOURNE CHASE. Held at the Band Room, Aldbourne; Mr. J. H. Lawrence, secretary, Ramsbury.

COURT DRUID'S REST. Held at the Red Lion Inn, Avebury; Mr. G. Nicholls, secretary, Avebury.

COURT BENBOW. Held at the George Inn, Kempford; Mr. Chittle, secretary, Cricklade, Wilts.

COURT GORSE HILL PRIDE. Held at the Baptist Schoolroom, Gorse Hill, Swindon; Mr. G. Culling, secretary, 2 Southbrook Street, Swindon.

COURT VIOLET. Held at the Town Hall, Swindon; Miss B. M. Smith, secretary, 126 Broad Street, Swindon.

ROYAL ANTEDILUVIAN ORDER OF BUFFALOES (GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND), WILTSHIRE AND DISTRICT PROVINCE.

ROYAL GREAT WESTERN LODGE. Meets every Monday at the Railway Hotel. Host, E. Jeffries.

LOYAL CANBRIA LODGE. Meets every Tuesday at the Grapes Inn, Swindon. Host, Bro. F. Horsington.
SIR THOMAS CALLEY LODGE. Meets every Tuesday at the Elm Tree Inn, Chisledon. Host, R. Finn.
PERSEVERANCE LODGE. Meets every Wednesday at the Greyhound Inn, Swindon. Host, Bro. J. Linnegar.
SIR FREDERICK HOWARD LODGE. Meets every Thursday at the Cricketer's Arms Inn, Host, Bro. F. Cox.
SIR WILLIAM DICKSON LODGE. Meets every Thursday at the Royal Oak, Marlborough. Host, G. Gard.
EXCELSIOR LODGE. Meets every Friday at the Clifton Hotel, Swindon. Host, E. Allen.
SIR ROGER THOMAS LODGE. Meets every Saturday at the Park Hotel, William Street, Swindon. Host, H. J. Linegar.
ST. GEORGE LODGE. Meets every Monday at the Whale Hotel. Host, Bro. J. Poppitt.
MOONRAKER LODGE. Meets every Monday at the King and Queen Hotel, Highworth. Hostess, Mrs. Baden.
MALMESBURY LODGE. Meets every Monday at the George Hotel, Malmesbury. Host, Bro. Gay.
DOLPHIN LODGE, Meets every Wednesday at the Ormond's Head Hotel, Tetbury. Host, Bro. Miller.
SIR S. H. RUSHEN LODGE. Meets every Wednesday at the Swan Hotel, Lechlade. Host, W. Banyard.
WHITE HEATHER LODGE. Meets every Wednesday at the Wheadsheaf Hotel, Faringdon. Host, Bro. Lovell.
GOODWILL LODGE. Meets at the Princess Hotel, Swindon, every Tuesday/ Host, Bro. W. Harris.
SIR W. H. ROSE LODGE. Meets every Tuesday at the Rodbourne Arms Hotel, Rodbourne Cheney. Host, Bro. Genge.
HON. A. HASTINGS LODGE. Meets every Monday at the Tree Tuns, Wroughton. Host, Bro. W. F. Heath.
VALE OF WHITE HORSE LODGE. Meets every Tuesday at the King's Head Hotel, Cricklade. Host, Bro. W. C. Woodward.
WYCHWOOD LODGE. Meets every Tuesday at the Bull Hotel, Burford. Hostess, Mrs. Honeychurch.
ABBEY LODGE. Meets every Friday at the Cold Harbour, Blunsdon. Host, H. Titcombe.
EVENLODE LODGE. Meets every Thursday at the Crown Hotel, Shipton, Oxon. Host, Bro. Medcroft.
FRED PEARCE LODGE. Meets every Tuesday at the Beaufort Hotel, Wootton Bassett. Host, C. Light.
PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE. Meets on the second Saturday in each month at the Grapes Hotel, at 6 o'clock.
CERTIFYING COUNCIL. Meets on the fourth Saturday in each month at the Grapes Hotel, at 6 o'clock.
PROVINCIAL GRAND SECRETARY, F. H. Howard, 73 Croft Road, Swindon.
JOB LAWRENCE LODGE. Meets at Lay's Café, Swindon, every Thursday. Hostess, Mrs. Trenter.
Eric VIVIAN REES LODGE. Meets every Thursday at the Crown Hotel, Stratton. Host, S. G. Turner.
CROWN LODGE. Meets at the Unicorn Hotel, Chipping Norton, every Monday.
BRINKWORTH LODGE. Meets every Wednesday at the Bee Hive Inn. Host, Bro. W. Cole.
DEDDINGTON LODGE. Meets every Tuesday at the King's Arms Hotel, Deddington. Host, R. S. Hall.

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF RECHABITES (SALFORD UNITY). The North Wilts District comprises of 22 Tents.
P.D.C.R. - F. Woodman, 98 Broad Street. D.S.J.T. - A. H. Beaney, 50 Beatrice Street. District Secretary – F. F. King, 181 Kingshill Road, Swindon

ONWARD TENT meets monthly in the Lecture Hall, Mechanics Institute. Secretary, Mr. F. Woodman, 98 Broad Street.

PERSEVERANCE TENT meets in St, Mary's Restaurant, Rodbourne Road. Secretary, Mr. S. Matthews, 22 Linslade Street.

C. W. CHURCHILL TENT meets in Florence Street Mission Hall. Secretary, Mr. A. B. Beaney, 50 Beatrice Street.

HOPE OF KINGSHILL TENT meets in the William Street Mission Hall. Secretary, Mr. J. King, jun., 181 Kingshill Road.

BROTHERHOOD TENT meets in the Clarence Street Mission Hall. Secretary, Mr. G. E. Hunt, 3 Graham Street, Swindon.

UPPER STRATTON. Mr. H. J. Fisher, Whitworth Road.

MARLBOROUGH. Mr. J. Southgate, 57 London Road.

WOOTTON BASSETT. Mr. G. Mitchell, 29 Church Street.

A Juvenile Branch is attached to each Tent.

GO FORWARD TENT meets in Friend's Meeting House, Eastcott Hill. Secretary, Mr. F. Bushnell, 77 Eastcott Hill.

HOPE OF HIGHWORTH meets at the British School. Secretary, Mr. S. Drewitt, Eastrop Hill, Highworth.

Upper Stratton, Marlborough, Wootton Bassett and nearly every place of importance has a Tent.

THE UNITED KINGDOM RAILWAY OFFICERS AND SERVANTS ASSOCIATION. This Association has separate sick, pension, death and orphan funds, and since its establishment in 1863 has distributed to members, their widows and orphans upwards of £312,000. The Swindon Branch has about 200 members. Secretary, Mr. E. H. Elliott, 19 Sheppard Street.

G.W.R. LOCOMOTIVE AND CARRIAGE DEPARTMENT SICK AND FUNERAL BENEFIT SOCIETY, with its headquarters at Swindon, numbers 7,500 members, nearly all employees of the G.W.R. Company. The Society is under the management of the following committee: Messrs. A. W. Haynes (Chairman), A. C. Barrett, C. W. Moon, E. H. Matthews, J. H. Sheldon, J. Thomas, S. Hurst, W. J. Buck and W. Hacker. The Trustees are Messrs. F. G. Wright, C. B. Collett, W. A. Stanier. H. E. Manning and A. W. Haynes. Treasurer, Mr. C. Sterry. Secretary, Mr. W. G. Slatter. Assidstant Secretary, Mr. C. Gleed. Offices, 6 Oxford Street, Swindon.

THE NATIONAL HEALTH APPROVED SOCIETY. No. 2506, comprising 4,700 members, is incorporated in the above Society. Secretary, Mr. W. G. Slatter. Treasurer, Mr. C. Sterry.

PIONEER SICK BENEFIT AND PROVIDENT SOCIETY. The Swindon Branch of this Society, which is also an approved society under the National Health Insurance Act, meets for business and payment of subscriptions every fourth Saturday, beginning on January 21st 1928, at the Sanford Street Congregational Schoolroom, from 3 - 4 p.m. and 6.30 - 9 p.m. Total membership over 1,800. Local Secretary, Mr. A. W. Jenner, 17 Groundwell Road (in attendance 6.45 to 7.45 p.m. weekdays). Medical Officer, Dr. S. J. Moore, 56 Bath Road.

G.W.R. MEDICAL FUND SOCIETY. This Society has over 16,000 members, and with dependents caters for upwards of 40,000 people, and is registered as a Friendly Society. The members have the benefit of medical and surgical aid, and medicine for themselves, their wives and families; with the use of an accident hospital for male members meeting with any accident or for surgical operations. In connection with the Society are washing, shower, Turkish, Russian and swimming baths, invalid wheel chairs; air beds and other sick room appliances, trusses, elastic stockings and other surgical appliances are granted; and the great boon of ice, in case of illness is also afforded. Twenty London and Provincial hospitals and three seaside convalescent homes, in addition to Winsley Sanatorium, are subscribed to; and to the many benefits enumerated above is added dentistry. Chief Medical Officer, Dr. T. P. Berry, M.D.; Surgeon, Mr. H. Greenwood, F.R.C.S.; Dentist, Dr. J. M. Macmillan, L.D.S. Chairman of Committee, Mr. G. W. Brunger. Secretary, Mr. S. E. Walters, Rodbourne Cheney. The Society also provides washing and spray baths, and has one of the finest Swimming Baths in the West of England. During the winter months the swimming baths are covered with an excellent dance floor, which will accommodate 500 to 600 dancers and about 1,000 spectators. The halls are also let for exhibitions, concerts and entertainments.

AMALGAMATED ENGINEERING UNION. Branches in Swindon, 10; members 3,000. District Secretary: Mr. George W, Davies, 48 Eastcott Hill, Swindon. No. 1 Branch *meets at the Eagle Hotel), Secretary, Mr. W. C. Uren, 24 Theobald Street; No. 2 Branch (meets at Mechanics Institute), Secretary, Mr. J. Wilson, 6 Newhall Street; No. 3 Branch (meets at the Central Club, Milton Road), Secretary, Mr. S. O. Nash, 23 College Street; No. 4 Branch (meets at the Dolphin Hotel), Secretary, Mr. J. Diplock, "Oddicombe", Kingshill Road; No. 8 Branch (meets at the Labour Exchange), Secretary, Mr. F. J. Reeves, 1 Davies Street; No 9 Branch (meets at the Labour Exchange), Secretary, Mr. O. W. Griffiths, 19 Shelley Street; Swindon New Branch (meets at the Mechanics Institute), Secretary, Mr. J. W. Hockey, 15 Islington Street.

HEARTS OF OAK. This is a centralised society. There is in the town a branch of the National Federation and Medical Agency. The committee of management meet on the second Tuesday of every month, and open meetings are hld quarterly. Dr. G. Young, Milton Road, is Medical Officer. Hon. Treasurer, Mr. H. Dowden. Secretary, Mr. J. Thomas, 3 Read Street. Agents, Mr. Morphett, 3 Shrivenham Road; and Mr. Forster, 22 Tennyson Street. Delegate, Mr. H. B. Dawe, Monaville, Ashford Road.

NATIONAL DEPOSIT FRIENDLY SOCIETY (SWINDON DIVISION). Members, 10,500. President, Mr A. Wellstead. Representative on the General Committee, Mr A. Wellstead. Chairman of Committee, Mr. W. P. Edwards. Solicitors;

Messrs. Withy & Pooley. Valuer, Mr. W. J. Ainsworth. Consulting Hon. Physician, Dr. W. Beggs. Treasurer, Mr. C. E. M. Harvey. Secretary, Mr. G. Davies, 25 Regent Circus, Swindon. The Division comprises 27 Districts: Swindon - "Avenue", Mr. H. G. Nash, 23 Dixon Street; "Central", Mr. M. Gay, 36 Theobald Street; "Gorse Hill", Mr. A. Hitchins, 8 Carfax Street; "Kingshill", Mr. J. F. Noad, 11 Newhall Street; "North", Mr. W. G. Newman, 22 St. Mary's Grove; "Prospect", Mr. E. R. Jones, 27 Avenue Road; "Queenstown", Mr. W. H. Coleman, 130 Broad Street; "Rodbourne", Mr. J. W. Myers, 123 Dean Street; "Victoria", Mr. D. A. Lane, 53 Groundwell Road. There are districts also at Moredon, Mr. F. E. Beasant, Rodbourne Cheney; Purton, Mr. H. C. Wheeler, High Street; Wootton Bassett, Mr. W. T. Baxter; Broad Hinton, Mr. B. E. Perry, Winterbourne Bassett; Highworth, Mr. J. Tomkins, Woodbine Cottage, Cherry Orchard, Highworth.

UNITED ANCIENT ORDER OF DRUIDS (645). Loyal "Great Western Pride" Lodge, Bristol District, meets at the Lecture Hall, Primitive Methodist Chapel, Regent Street. Secretary, Mr. G. W. Strickland, 12 York Road.

NATIONAL UNION OF VEHICLE BUILDERS. Meet at the Rifleman's Hotel, Regent Street, the first Monday in each month. Secretary, Mr. W. Sims, 86 York Road.

AMALGAMATED ENGINEERING UNION (SWINDON "NEW" BRANCH). Members number 120. Meetings held every other Monday. Secretary, J. W. Hockey, 15 Islington Street.

UNITED PATRIOTS NATIONAL BENEFIT SOCIETY. Swindon No. 1 Branch meets at the Primitive Methodist Schoolroom, Regent Street, on the first Saturday in each month at 7.15 o'clock, having at the issue of the last report, 107 adult members and 3 juveniles. Secretary, Mr. W. J. Perry, 16 Brunswick Street, Swindon. Swindon No. 2 Branch meets at Maxwell Street Schools on the first Tuesday in each month and had at the issue of the last report, 125 members. Secretary, Mr. G. Harvey, 46 Cheltenham Street. There is a branch at South Cerney with about 125 members, and Mr. G. Short, South Cerney, is the Secretary. The Secretary of the Chiseldon Branch is Mr. E. Jones, of Church Street, Chiseldon.

RATIONAL ASSOCIATION FRIENDLY SOCIETY. Swindon Branch No; 248, possesses over 300 members (men and women). Meetings held third Saturday in every month at Lecture Hall, Mechanics Institution 7 p.m. There are also Juvenile Fund, Assurance Fund and a Female Fund connected with this Branch. Secretary, Mr. A. W. Handel, 36 Ferndale Road, Swindon.

SONS OF TEMPERANCE, BRISTOL GRAND DIVISION. The "True Friendship" Division, held at the Regent Street Primitive Methodist Schoolroom every alternative Friday at 8 o'clock. Cadet Section at 6.30. Cadet Patron, Miss Edith M. Streat, 2 Stanier Street. Secretary, Mr. W. Averies, 3 Whitney Street. Assistant Secretary, Mr. J. Averies, 3 Whitney Street.

WILTSHIRE FRIENDLY SOCIETY (established 1828). Approved under the National Insurance Act. Females admitted to membership. Juvenile Branch. The Swindon Branch holds its meetings in the N.U.R. Rooms, Temple Street. The first Friday in each month, from 7 to 9 p.m. The new Deposit Class (Holloway system), which provides for old age, in addition to sick pay specially recommended. Medical Officer's: Dr. Gordon Young and Dr. Elliott, Milton Road. Steward, W. J. Ashe, 40 Dixon Street.

ROYAL OAK BENEFIT SOCIETY. The Swindon Branch of this Society holds its meetings on the first Friday in January, April, July and October at the Maxwell Street Schools. The membership is 225 and Mr. W. Hobson, 132 Morrison Street, is the Secretary.

SWINDON UNITED BENEFIT SOCIETIES COUNCIL. This Council, which was formed about ten years ago, has a membership of from 25 to 30, and is representative of the following Societies: Foresters, Hearts of Oak, National Deposit, Druids, Rechabites, Sons of Temperance, Stroud Mutual, Teachers Provident, Railway Clerks and others. Meetings are held every second Tuesday. President, Mr. G. Davies; Vice Presidents, Messrs. F. W. Blackwell and T. Jones; Treasurer, Mr. W. G. Slatter; Secretary, Mr. J. Austin, 20 Morrison Street.

WILTSHIRE WORKING MEN'S CONSERVATIVE BENEFIT SOCIETY & WILTSHIRE WOMEN'S CONSERVATIVE BENEFIT SOCIETY. These highly successful Societies, to which a Juvenile Branch has been added, were established - the men's in 1887 and the women's in 1891 - upon the well known "Holloway" system, with the object of enabling members to make provision for sickness, old age, and death, on new and equitable principles. The Societies are strictly non-political. The membership is now about 51,000 with funds of about £544,000. Separate sections of both

Societies are established for the purpose of the National Insurance Acts, with a membership of 32,500. Registered Office, Stallard Street, Trowbridge. Chief Secretary, Mr. Henry H. Dyer, F.C.R.A. There are nine Lodges in Swindon, with voluntary sections membership of 8,100 and a state membership of 3,750, the Societies being as follow: No. 1 Lodge, Bro. A. Harris, 7 Morley Street; No.2 Lodge, Bro. E. C. Watkins, 59 Bright Street; No. 3 Lodge, Bro. H. C. Field, 178 Clifton Street; No. 4 Lodge, Bro. C. Bowles, 46 Salisbury Street; No. 5 Lodge, Bro. F. Wilken, 31 Guppy Street; No. 6 Lodge, Bro. D. G. Constable, 7 Rosebery Street; No. 7 Lodge, Bro. H. T. Guttridge, 4 Southbrook Street; No. 8 Lodge, Bro. A. Shaw, 180 Beatrice Street; No. 9 Lodge, Bro. W. Maslin, 210 County Road. Women's Lodge, Mrs. E. Beasant, 177 Clifton Street. Other Lodges in the district are at Marlborough, Stratton St. Margaret, Wootton Bassett, Lyneham, Highworth, Brinkworth, Purton, Wroughton, Wanborough, Rodbourne Cheney and Chiseldon.

Freemason's Lodges

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF WILTSHIRE. Provincial Grand Master, Major General T. C. Pleydell Calley, C.B., C.B.E, M.V.O. Deputy Grand Master, The Right Hon. The Viscount Folkestone. Treasurer, Dr. G. S. A. Waylen, Devizes. Secretary, Herbert Green, 10 Westbourne Gardens, Trowbridge.

THE ROYAL SUSSEX LODGE OF EMULATION, No. 355, is the Senior Lodge in the Province of Wilts, with the exception of the Lodge of Rectitude No. 355, Corsham, and meets at the Masonic Hall, Swindon, on the second Friday in each month except May, June, July, August and September. The installation of W. M. takes place in January. The W.M. For 1927 was E.Bro. R. P. Beatty. Treasurer, W.Bro. E. Bishop, "Myrtledene, Westcott Road, Swindon; Secretary, W.Bro. H. W. Reynolds, Sussex House, Devizes Road, Swindon.

THE ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF SWINDON is the senior in the Province, and the three Principals are Ex-Comp. Fred King, Ex-Com. A. E. Dean and Ex-Com. R. Waldegrave. The Scribe E. is Comp. H. C. Preater and the Treasurer Ex-Com. E. Bishop. Convocations of the Chapter are held in January, February, March, October and November. The Provincial Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons. - The Grand Superintendent is Most Ex-Com. The Right Hon. The Earl of Radnor. The Pro. Grand Scribe E. is Ex-Com. A. C. Jonas, Salisbury. There are now seven Chapters in the Province. Several Provinces are associated with Wilts in Charity organisations. There is a separate Provincial Benevolent Fund for Wiltshire. This is supported by contributions from all the Lodges in the Province.

SWINDON KEYSTONE MARK LODGE, No. 401, is held at the Masonic Hall, Swindon, on the second Wednesday in January, March, May and November. The W.M. is W.B. E. O. Twitcher, and the Secretary is Bro. E. Plumley, 22 Evelyn Street, Swindon. The Provincial Grand Master is Major General T. C. P. Calley, C.B., and the Provincial Grand Secretary is W.Bro. W. G. Knight, Devizes Road, Salisbury.

GOOCH LODGE, No. 1,295. Held at the Queen's Royal Hotel, G.W.R. Station, Swindon, the third Wednesday in the months of September, October, November, December, January, February, March and April at 6 p.m. The installation takes place the third Wednesday in March. W.M., W.Bro. John D. Lott. Treasurer and Almoner, W.Bro. J. E. Protheroe, P.G.S.W.; Secretary, W.Bro. A. E. Bottomley; Charity Representative, W.Bro. E. O. Twitcher. Belle Vue, Swindon. Address of Secretary, 44 St. Margaret's Road, Swindon. Address of Treasurer and Almoner, 150 Victoria Road, Swindon.

LODGE OF REMEMBRANCE, No. 4.037. Held at the Masonic Hall, Swindon, on the first Wednesday in each month., October to April inclusive. W.M. W.Bro. W. Broome; Treasurer and Charity Representative, W.Bro. Fred King; Secretary, W.Bro. R. G. Waldegrave, 180 Victoria Road, Swindon.

PLEYDELL LODGE meets at the Queen's Royal Hotel, G.W.R. Station, Swindon, on the fourth Tuesday in the month. W.M. W.Bro. H. C. Preater; Secretary, W.Bro. G. F. Ashworth, 98 Goddard Avenue, Swindon.

Swindon and Highworth Union

Swindon and Highworth Union. Officers of the Union:- Clerk, William P. Kirby. Assistant Clerk, Mr. William Davey; Master of Institution, Mr. H. Smith; Treasurer, Mr. C. M. Dron, Lloyds Bank (Ltd), Swindon. Auditor for the District, Mr. W. Wynne Griffiths. Union Offices, 17 Bath Road, Swindon.

MEDICAL OFFICERS. No. 1 District, Mr. James J. Powell, Highworth. No. 2 and 5 District (combined), Mr. Samuel J. Moore, Swindon. No. 3 District, Mr. A. R. McClure, Wroughton. No. 4 District, Mr. D. L. Hamilton, Stratton St. Margaret. The Medical Officers are also public vaccinators. The Medical Officer of District No. 4 is Medical Officer of the Institute.

REGISTRATION OFFICERS. Superintendent Registrar, Mr. William P. Kirby, 17 Bath Road, Swindon. Registrars of Births and deaths, Mr. V. H. Vowles, Stratton, for Bishopstone, Blunsdon St. Andrew, Castle Eaton, Hannington, Highworth, Hinton Parva, Inglesham, Rodbourne Cheney, South Marston, Stanton Fitzwarren and Stratton St. Margaret, Mr. Harry T. Kirby, 57 Victoria Road, Swindon, for Swindon Borough Sub-District; Mr. Joseph Lawson, 29 St. Margaret's Road, Swindon, for Chisledon, Liddington and Wroughton. Registrar of Marriages, Mr. Harry T. Kirby, 57 Victoria Road, Swindon.

RELIEVING OFFICERS. No. 1 District, Mr. V. H. Vowles, Stratton, for Hinton Parva, Inglesham, Rodbourne Cheney, South Marston, Stanton Fitzwarren, Stratton St. Margaret and Wanborough. No. 2 District, Mr. J. Lawson, Swindon, for Chisledon, Liddington and Wroughton and Swindon (South Ward). No. 3 District, Mr. H. G. Prestridge, Swindon, for Swindon (North, West, Queen's, King's, and East Wards).

VACCINATION OFFICERS. Mr. J. Belcher, Swindon; Mr. V. H. Vowles, Stratton.

Public Companies and Industrial Organisations

SWINDON PERMANENT BUILDING SOCIETY. Chairman, Mr. A. W. Deacon. Solicitors, Messrs. Kinneir, Jupp & Southan, Swindon. Secretary, Mr. W. R. Edmonds. Surveyor, Mr. R. J. Tuckett. Offices, 1 Commercial Road, Swindon and 48 New Park Street, Devizes.

NEW SWINDON PERMANENT BUILDING SOCIETY (established 1883). Chairman, Mr. H. W. Thomas. Solicitor, Mr. A. E. Withy, Regent Circus.

SWINDON UNITED GAS COMPANY. Chairman of Directors, Major F. G. Wright. Vice Chairman, Mr. J. S. Protheroe. Manager, Mr. W. J. Kight. Secretary and Accountant, Mr. E. G. Vince. Offices – Queen Street. Works – Chapel Street, Gorse Hill.

NEW SWINDON INDUSTRIAL CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD. A Co-Operative Society with a share capital of £265,000 registered under the Industrial and Provident Societies Act. The General Stores are in East Street. There are branch grocery establishments at High Street, Wroughton; High Street, Purton; Swindon Road, Highworth; Wootton Bassett, Rodbourne Cheney, Marlborough and Wantage. Branch establishments in the town are as follows:- Grocery – Rodbourne Road, Cricklade Road, Gorse Hill, Broad Street, Kent Road, Westcott Place, Devizes Road, Commercial Road, 12 Fleet Street, Cambria Bridge Road and Ferndale Road. Drapery establishments are as follows:- Cenral, 58 Fleet Street; Cricklade Road; Gorse Hill; High Street, Purton, and Newbury Street, Wantage. Outfitting : 6 Fleet Street, Boots: 8 Fleet Street. Furnishings: 81 Regent Street. Butchery: Cromwell Street, Broad Street, Gorse Hill, Kent Road, and Ferndale Road, with a pork department in Fleet Street. Dairy and Garage: Colborne Street. Stables: John Street. Warehouse: Harding Street Café and Confectionery Department: 11 Fleet Street. Cold Stores: Cromwell Street. The Management Committee of the Society is composed as follows: Mr. F. Haynes (Chairman), Mrs. M. Ifold, Mrs. E. Carter, Mrs. M. Dale, Messrs. W. Dale, J.P., F. Smith, F. Mellor, C. Thompson, H. Lack and Mr. A. J. Bennett. Manager: Mr. J. Lowes, Lorton Villas, Okus Road. The Committee meet in the Broad Room, East Street, every Thursday at 7 p.m. The General Secretary is Mr. T. Harold Smith, 157 Drove Road.

KINGSHILL (NEW SWINDON) CO-OPERATIVE AND INDUSTRIAL SOCIETY LTD. Committee: Messrs. W. H. Adams, H. Burchell, J. T. Calladine, E. Cole, W. Crates, R. Dening and H. Hunt. Secretary, Mr. E. H. Willis. Bakery and Offices, 52-54 Radnor Street. Shops, 51 Radnor Street, 9 Commercial Road, and 25 Manchester Road.

SWINDON CO-OPERATIVE PROVIDENT SOCIETY LTD. This Society generally known as the Henry Street Society, whose registered office and shop is at 16 Fleet Street, has bakeries in Station Road and Henry Street, and is under the Management of the following Committee: Messrs. S. E. Walters (President), S. Snook, A. W. Head, J. Potheary, A. Stanton, F. H. Garrett and A. E. Everett. Mr. A. W. Brown is Secretary and Manager.

BANKS: - Lloyds Bank Ltd (Manager, Mr. C. M. Dron): Sub Manager, Mr. T. H. Everson, and also a branch at 93 and 94 Regent Street (Manager, Mr. C. E. M. Harvey; Sub Manager, Mr. A. E. Pardington). The National Provincial Bank of England have branches in Regent Street and Wood Street (Manager Mr. C. M. Austin), and there is a branch of Barclays Bank in Wood Street (Manager, Mr. T. S. Horton). The Midland Bank Ltd, have branches at 1 Wood Street, and 36 Bridge Street (Manager, Mr. T. T. J. Davies).

Hospitals

SWINDON VICTORIA HOSPITAL. This institution, built and supported by voluntary contributions, was publicly opened for the admission of patients on Saturday, September 29th 1888. During the year 1923 considerable alterations and improvements were made to the hospital buildings, including additions to the administration block, a new and up to date operating theatre, anæsthetic room, electric lift for patients, central heating system and a new mortuary. There is also a handsome lodge and a well equipped laundry. There are four wards which provide accommodation for 38 patients, and there are also at present temporary buildings accommodating a further 14 patients.

Patients are admitted to the Hospital an examination of one of the medical staff, and if found by the House Committee to be proper subjects for the benefits of the Hospital. Persons injured by sudden accident, or labouring under diseases requiring immediate attention, are admitted at any hour, either day or night. Paying patients are also admitted. Patients may be visited by their friends on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday afternoons, between 2.30 and 3.30 o'clock, but only two visitors to each patient, and no children under the age of 10 can be admitted. Visitors can look over the hospital on Wednesday afternoons from 2 until 4 o'clock.

The Hon. Medical Staff consists of one house surgeon (Dr. K. O'Hanlon), two physicians (Dr. T. P. Berry and Sir Thomas J. Horder). Six surgeons (Dr. R. P. Beatty, Dr. J. Holland, Dr. G. Young, Mr. H. H. Greenwood, Dr. W. Beggs and Dr. A. W. Bennett), two Anæsthetists (Dr. A. C. Oakley Brown, Purton, and Mr. J. N. Watson, Wootton Bassett), one Ophthalmic Surgeon (Dr. C. B. Pratt), one surgeon for ear, nose and throat diseases (Dr. K. A. Lees), one electro-Medical Therapeutist (Dr. S. Rattray), one consulting surgeon (Mr. R. Maingot), one neurologist (Dr. S. J. Cole), one physician for preventive medicines (Dr. Dunstan Brewer), one pathologist (Dr. K. Gordon), one dental surgeon (Mr. E. W. Barlow), one masseuse (Miss M. M. Kilby), and one radiographer (Mr. J. H. Gover).

The Nursing Staff consists of the Matron (Miss W. M. Banham), two Sisters, three staff nurses and eleven probationers.

The General Management Committee meets monthly, and comprises the President *an office at present vacant owing to the death of Major F. P. Goddard), the Vice Presidents (Mr. C. H. Agar and Mr. G. J. Churchward), the Trustees (Mr. R. B. Bowley, Mr. A. W. Deacon, Mr. H. W. Reynolds and Mr. E. C. Shurray), Mr. A. E. Harding, Mr. W. Pearce, Mr. W. Johnson, Mr. A. Tranter, Mrs. F. A. Morris, Mr. J. Thomas, Major F. G. Wright, Mr. R. M. Forder, Mr. E. Mackelden, Mrs. E. J. Randell, Mr. A. R. Towerzey, Mr. J. S. Protheroe, Mr. T. C. Newman, Mr. J. Duncan, Mr. J. S. Loveday, Mr. C. R. Few, Mr. H. W. Thomas, Mrs. J. S. Tute, Mr. W. Richardson, Mrs. Dench, Mr. F. Selwood, Mr. G. Dunn, Mr. A. Adams, Miss G. Hopper, Mr. W. Ashman, Mrs. H. E. Norris, and the Mayor of Swindon (Mr. W. Webb). The Treasurer is Mr. C. M. Dron, and the Secretary, Capt. C. Ford Spencer.

The hospital is available for sick and poor in the parishes contained in the Swindon and Highworth and the Cricklade and Wootton Bassett Unions.

SWINDON G.W.R. MEDICAL FUND HOSPITAL. This Hospital is under the management of the Medical Fund Committee. Surgeon, Mr. H. H. Greenwood, F.R.C.S. Matron, Miss A. Wood. Secretary, Mr. S. E. Walters.

HOSPITAL FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASES. There is a large Hospital at Gorse Hill for the isolation of infectious diseases. There are separate blocks for the isolation of scarlet fever and typhoid fever patients, and also a small pox hospital. Disinfecting ovens, a laundry, mortuary, &c. are provided. The affairs of the institution are governed by the Swindon and District Hospital Board who meet monthly at the Town Hall. Clerk, Mr. J. McGregor Johnson, F.A.A., 38 Regent Circus, Swindon.

Athletic Clubs

SWINDON LAWN TENNIS CLUB. Six courts (2 "En-tout-cas"), Coate Road, Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. E. Archard, Transfer Buildings, County Road, Swindon.

WESTLECOTT BOWLING CLUB. President, Mr. T. Reed; Captain, Mr. A. E. Smith; Sub Captain, Mr. B. C. Weight. Hon. Secretary, Mr. Frank Bailey, 19 Dover Street. Green "The Furlongs", Springfield Road.

SWINDON BOWLING CLUB. President, Mr. G. Bruford; Captain H. E. Parker. Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. E. Nethercot, 96 Commercial Road. Green: Marsh Farm, Shrivenham Road.

TOWN GARDENS BOWLING CLUB. President, Mr. J. S. Protheroe. Captain, Mr. F. J. Webb. Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. H. Adams, 24 Ashford Road. Assistant Secretary, Mr. A. C. Mockridge. Green: Town Gardens.

SWINDON TOWN FOOTBALL COMPANY LIMITED. Chairman of Directors, Mr. A. J. L. White. Secretary, Mr. S. Allen, 44 Kent Road. Ground, Wilts County Ground. Headquarters, The Eagle Hotel.

SWINDON ATHLETIC CLUB (affiliated to the Amateur Athletic Association and National Cycle Union). President, Mr. W. A. Stanier. Hon. Treasurer, Mr. T. Hawkins, Embro House, Devizes Road, Swindon; Hon. Social Sec. Mr. B. Brooks, 13 Cheltenham Street Swindon. General Hon. Secretary, Mr. W. V. Shail, 13 Wellington Street, Swindon. Headquarters – County Ground Hotel. An open athletic meeting will be held on August Bank Holiday 1928, on Swindon County Ground, which has an excellent grass track, four laps to the mile. Evening meetings are also arranged, which are confined to club members. During the winter months boxing tournaments are organised. The club possesses excellent training facilities for both summer and winter sports. Annual subscriptions – Gentlemen, 3s 6d; Ladies, 2s 6d; boys and girls under 16 years of age, 1s.

SWINDON AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB. President, Mr. C. B. Collett, O.B.E.' Captain, Mr. W. Simpkins; Sub-Captain, Mr. H. H. McGill; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. H. W. Thomas; Hon. Secretary, Mr. L. Dodson, 48 Manchester Road; Hon. Secretary Ladies Section, Mrs. Birkwood; Hon. Assistant Secretary, C. R. Tipper, W. C. Gubdry, H. gates, W. E. Read, E. Barrett, E. J. Radway, G. Young and B. Painter; Schools Representatives' Miss McCulloch, Mr. G. Vivash, and Mr. H. A. Venn; Representatives, W. D. & H. O. Wills's Section, Mr. C. B. Bullock and Mr. C. Pearce; Representatives, Garrard's Section, Mr. H. Tressider and Mr. A. Stillwell; Hon. Instructor, Life Saving Class, Mr. A. Maxted; Handicappers, Mr. W. Birkwood and Mr. S. Nash. Ladies Section, Mrs. Spear. Headquarters – The Baths.

COATE AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB. Headquarters, Bell Hotel (winter), and Coate Reservoir (summer). Captain, Mr. A. S. Treasure; Sub-Captain, Mr. J. Bagguley; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. C. H. Plaister. Handicapper, Mr. A. H. Lawson; Hon. Secretary, Mr. W. J. Hawkins, 39 St. Margaret's Road, Swindon; Assistant Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. D. Wallace. This club is affiliated to the Wilts. County A.S.A. Western Counties A.S.A., R.L.S.S, and A.D.A. The club is very fortunate in possessing a very enthusiastic committee, who take advantage of the exceptional facilities offered to them by the Town Council. They have one of the finest diving boards in England.

COATE ROWING CLUB (affiliated to the A.R.A). President, Mr. W. A. Kimber; Captain, Mr. J. E. Bagguley; Hon. Secretary, Mr. F. K. Floyd, 5 Quarry Road, Swindon; Financial Secretary, Mr. S. J. Strange.

EVEN SWINDON UNITED CYCLING CLUB. Headquarters, 44 Percy Street. Ho. Secretary, Mr. T. A. Jarman, 1 Guppy Street. Runs – Wednesdays and Saturdays.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY (SWINDON) AMATEUR GYMNASTIC SOCIETY. Headquarters, Drill Hall, Church Place. Established in 1883 for the promotion of physical education and recreation, the Society performed a most useful function in the town, eventually to be interrupted by the outbreak of the Great War. The Hall was then used for military purposes, and the apparatus was utilised. In September 1922, a provisional committee was formed, composed of representatives of the G.W.R. Staff, the Territorial Force, and delegates from town welfare organisations. Their work of resuscitation has been highly successful. President, Mr. C. T. Cuss; delegated by the Wilts Territorial Army Association – Major General T. C. P. Calley, C.B., M.V.O, and Major F. G. Wright; Hon. Surgeon, Mr. H. H. Greenwood, B.S., F.R.C.S.; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. C. E. M. Harvey; Hon. Solicitor, Mr. A. E. Withy; Hon. Auditors, Mr. J. S. Protheroe and Mr. A. E. Dean; Chairman of Committee, Mr. E. Barrett. Teaching Staff – Mr. W. Crompton and Mr. J. Fowler; Hon. General Secretaries, Mr. S. A/ Harris, 170 Kingshill Road, and Mr. H. S. Varney, 15 Birch Street; Ladies Branch Hon. Secretary, Miss E. Griffin, 88 York Road; Juveniles Branch, Hon. Secretaries, Miss E. Fry, 11 Lorne Street. Practices: Gentlemen Class – Mondays and Thursdays, 8.30 – 10 p.m.; Technical Students' Class – Thursdays 6.30 – 7.30 p.m., and Fridays 7.30 – 8.30 p.m. Ladies Branch, Wednesdays and Fridays, 8.30 – 10 p.m.; Juvenile Classes, Fridays, 6.30 – 7.30 p.m. (Girls) and Saturdays, 2.0 – 3.0 p.m. (Boys). Colville House School and St. Catherine's School – Mondays, 2.0 – 3.0 p.m.. and 3.0 – 4.0 p.m.

SWINDON RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB. Headquarters – King's Arms Hotel. Playing ground, Coate Road. President, Mr. W. A. Stanier; Chairman, Mr. E. O. Twitcher; Captain, Mr. G. M. Vibart; Vice Captain and Team Secretary, Mr. J. E. Bagguley; Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. W. Pooley, 34 Regent Circus; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. J. McGregor Johnson; Hon. Assistant Secretary, Mr. E. W. Dean; Committee, Messrs. L. W. Toomer, J. White and R. G. White.

Temperance Society

CHURCH OF ENGLAND TEMPERANCE SOCIETY (SWINDON ASSOCIATION). All Saints Branch. Rev. G. Coulson, President.

Bands

SWINDON TOWN MILITARY BAND. Uniform; dark blue, gold facings and gold lace. The number of members is 30, and the Bandmaster is Mr. H. J. Morris, Wood Street. Secretary, Mr. F. Matthews, 64 Victoria Road.

SWINDON BOROUGH MILITARY BAND. Uniform; dark blue, with light blue and silver facings. Secretary, Mr. S. W. Vockings, 73 Westcott Place. Conductor, Mr. P. H. Noad. Number of members, 25. A committee, composed of five, have charge of the general arrangements. Practice night, Monday.

GREAT WESTERN (SWINDON) SILVER BAND). 32 performers, uniform, blue serge with scarlet and aluminium trimmings. Conductor, Mr. J. Lennon; Bandmaster, Mr. B. Amor; Secretary, Mr. S. Wilkins, 149 Cricklade Road, Swindon.

R.A.O.B. (Provincial Grand Lodge of England, Wiltshire Province). Uniform, Blue Serge with silver facings; Buffalo cap badge; Bandmaster, Mr. W. Sutton.; Profession Coach, Mr. W. Freeman. Secretary, A. Dobson, 5 Drew Street, Swindon.

Miscellaneous Intelligence

SWINDON TRADES COUNCIL, meets twice monthly – on the first and third Wednesdays – at the N.U.R. Hall, Temple Street. Secretary, Mr. J. R. Habgood, 8 Clifton Street,

SWINDON BANKRUPTCY DISTRICT. This Bankruptcy District, includes the County Court districts of Swindon, Calne, Cirencester, Faringdon, Malmesbury and Marlborough. Official Receiver, Mr. J. W. Pridham, 38 Regents Circus, Swindon.

CORONER FOR THE DISTRICT OF NORTH WALES. Mr. A. L. Forrester, Malmesbury. Deputy Coroner, Mr. J. W. Pridham, 8 Regents Circus, Swindon.

THE EMPIRE THEATRE, SWINDON. Proprietors: Mr. J. Collins and Mr. J. Gladwin. Resident Manager, Mr. R. Robinson.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND MEN'S SOCIETY. Swindon Branch. President, Canon, C. A. Mayall. Ho. Secretary, Mr. W. H. Taylor, 57 Princess Street.

THE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION. Swindon and District meetings held at the Victoria Road Secondary School during the winter and rambles in the summer to places of interest. Hon. Treasurer, Mr. J. J. Ward, 12 The Knoll, Croft Road, Swindon. Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. E. Dean, M.A., 25 The Mall, Swindon.

SWINDON AND DISTRICT CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR UNION. President, Rev. J. H. Gavin, B.D. Persident Designate, Rev. E. W. Probert. General Secretary, Miss G. L. Norris, C.E.E., 68 Ponting Street, Swindon. Treasurer, Miss R. Clements, C.E.E, 34 Carfax Street, Swindon. Junior Work Convenor, Miss R. Norman. Floating Work Convener, Miss Whitehead. The Union comprises 27 societies in the Free Churches of the town and district with a membership of upwards of 800. It is non-party and interdenominational. Its motto is "For Christ and the Church.

ANDERSON'S HOSTEL, on the south side of the churchyard of the Parish Church, consists of four convenient dwellings, erected and endowed in 1887 out of the proceeds of a bequest by the late Mr. Alexander Anderson for the benefit of the second poor of Swindon. The endowment was added to by the late Mr. John Chandler in 1897. This endowment is now administered by the Trustees of Swindon Parish Church, with two representatives from the Town Council (Mr. Charles Hill and Mr. A. W. Haynes).

SWINDON GIRL GUIDES LOCAL ASSOCIATION. President, Mrs. Calley, Burderop Park, Swindon; Vice Presidents, Lady Currie, Hon. Mrs. Pleydell Bouverie and Mrs. Arnold Forster, Commissioners, - Division Commissioners, Miss Dorothy Markham, Bourton Mause, Shrivenham, near Swindon; Old Swindon District, Miss Ceris Williams, Ridgeway, Westlecot Road, Swindon; New Swindon District, Mrs. Muir, 166 County Road, Swindon; Rodbourne District, Vacant; Stratton St. Margaret District, Mrs Rennie, Westrop House, Highworth; Wroughton District, Miss Dorothy Markham, Bourton Manse, Shrivenham, near Swindon. Camp Adviser, Miss Marion Crowdy, Fandale, Belmont Crescent. Executive Committee: Chairman, Miss Dorothy Markham; Division Secretary, Miss Horder, Badge Secretary, Mrs. Southan; Treasurer, Mrs. Gamell; Mrs. Rennie, Mrs Muir, Miss Ceris Williams, Mrs. Calderwood, Mrs. W. H. Williams,

Mrs. W. O. Kirby, Mrs. Harold Greenwood. Ranger Companies: 2A Rangers (Captain, Miss Palmar), 3rd Rangers (Captain, Miss Crowdy); 5th Rangers (Captain, Miss Fricker); 6th Rangers (Captain, Miss Barnard). Guide Companies: 1st Company (Captain, Miss Robinson); 3rd Company (Captain, Miss Nutt); 4th Company (Captain, Miss M. Halliday) 5th Company, Rodbourne Cheney (Captain, Miss Fricker); 6th Company (Captain, Miss Barnard); 7th Company (Captain, Miss Dean), 8th Company (Captain, Miss Hawkins); 10th Company (Captain, Miss Penny; 12th Company (Captain, Miss Pockett); 13th Company (Captain, Miss Gregory); 1st Wroughton (Captain, Miss Channon); 1st Stratton (Captain, Miss Keene); 2nd Stratton (Captain, Mrs Clack). Brownie Packs: 1st Pack (Brown Owl, Miss Pockett); 3rd Pack (Brown Owl, Miss Smart); 4th Pack (Brown Owl, Miss Jackson); 5th Pack; 6th Pack (Brown Owl, Miss Robinson); 8th Pack (Brown Owl, Miss Penny); 11th Pack (Brown Owl, Miss Wykeham-Martin); 12th Pack (Brown Owl, Miss Streat); 1st Wroughton (Brown Owl, Miss Drew).

SWINDON TOWN GARDENS AND THE PARK. These popular pleasure grounds are under the management of the Town Council.

SWINDON AND DISTRICT FREE CHURCH COUNCIL. This Council was formed in 1896. The executive hold meetings on the last Friday in the month, and the Council, which consists of about 60 members, meets quarterly. President, Rev. E. W. Probert; Vice President, Rev. A. R. Wightman, Treasurer, Mr. F. Mundy. Joint Secretaries, Rev. J. H. Gavin, B.D. And Mr. R. G. Cripps, 85 Croft Road.

SWINDON AND DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION. Eighteen Sunday Schools in Swindon are affiliated. The Union is connected with the London Sunday School Union. President, Mrs. Willey. Vice President, Rev. E. W. Probert. Hon. Secretary, Miss Webb, "Fairhaven", 18 Bath Road. Treasurer, Mr. C. Lee, Stanier Street.

LAW OF DISTRESS AMENDMENT ACT 1888. The following have been appointed to act as bailiffs under this Act: Mr. John Maskelyne, 16 High Street, Swindon; Mr. E. Bishop, Regent Circus, Swindon' Mr. W. R. Armstrong, Wootton Bassett, and Mr. F. W. Comley, 27 Hythe Road, Swindon.

BOROUGH OF SWINDON RATING AUTHORITY. The Town Council Rating Committee: The Mayor of Swindon; Aldermen J. Belcher, W. Webb, W. G. Adams, R. Evans, W. Sloan; Councillors R. George, J. L. Calderwood, W. H. Lawson, W. E. Reeves, G. Davies, C. W. Boyce, G. W. Bringer. Clerk to the Rating Authority, R. Hilton (Town Clerk, Town Hall, Swindon. Rating and Valuation Officer, Alfred E. Dean, Town Hall, Swindon.

H. M. CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DEPARTMENT. Bristol Collection, Mr. F. H. Putnam, collector. Offices, Clarence Street, Swindon. Office hours: 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. The officer of Swindon No.1 Station (Mr. H. A. Hearl), holds the authority of the Commissioners of Inland Revenue to act in cases of applications for grants of probate or letters of administration, where the whole estate of the deceased person does not exceed £500. The fees (payable by stamps) are, if the whole estate is under £100 15s.; if over £100 and not exceeding £300 30s. additional; exceeding £300 and not exceeding £500 50s. Additional. No estate duty or bond stamp is payable on estates of privates killed. Swindon 1 Station acts as Inspector of Corn Returns for the Board of Agriculture, and also as officer under the Old Age Pensions Act for Chiseldon, Liddington, part of Swindon. He attends at his office on Mondays and Thursdays. Mr. Percival F. Marton (Officer, Swindon 2 Station) is Old Age Pensions Officer for part of Swindon, Stratton St. Margaret, Wanborough, Hinton Parva, Bishopstone, Aldbourne, Baydon, Blunsdon, Castle Eaton, Hannington, Highworth, Inglesham, South Marston and Stanton Fitzwarren, and attends at his office on Tuesdays and Fridays. The officer of Swindon No. 3 Station (Mr. M. H. G. Ferguson) is old Age Pensions Officer for part of Swindon, Braydon, Brinkworth, Broad Town, Broad Hinton, Clyffe Pypard, Lydiard Millicent, Lydiard Tregoze, Ogbourne St. Andrew, Ogbourne St. George, Purton, Rodbourne Cheney, Tockenham, Winterbourne Bassett, Wootton Bassett, and Wroughton. He attends at his office on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS (SWINDON AND DISTRICT BRANCH). Hon. Treasurer, Mr. C. M. Dron. Hon. Secretary, Mr. T. J. Robinson, 119 Bath Road, Swindon. Inspector, W. T. Stevens, 33 Avenue Road, Swindon; Chippenham Auxiliary Branch, Hon. Treasurer, Mr. E. P. Awdry. Lowden Lodge, Chippenham; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. F. A. Hake. Marlborough Auxiliary Branch; Hon. Treasurer, Mt. T. Reddrop; Hon. Secretary, M. Vaughan, The Limes, Marlborough.

SWINDON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. The meetings of this Association are held at the Unemployment Exchange on the second Tuesday in each month. President, Mr. W. R. H. Basham; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. R. M. Forder; Hon. Secretary, Mr. W. H. Tod; Hon. Solicitor, Mr. H. Lemon; Hon. Auditor, Mr. C. E. M. Harvey.

SWINDON MUTUAL PLATE GLASS PROTECTION SOCIETY. This Society, which was established in 1895, is a branch of the Swindon Chamber of Commerce. Committee, Messrs. W. E. Morse (Chairman), W. Sloan (Vice Chairman), W. Davis, T. Saddler, R. M. Forder, W. J. Pritchard and W. R. H. Basham. Auditors, Mr. J. A. Gillett and Mr. E. J. Horder. Secretary, Mr. J. S. Protheroe, 150, Victoria Road.

INLAND REVENUE STAMP OFFICE. Adhesive stamps may be obtained at the Regent Circus and Bath Road Post Offices. For impressed stamps documents are received from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

PROBATION OFFICERS. The Officers appointed under the Probation Act of 1907 are Mr. M. York, 47 Drove Road, and Mrs. Hunt, 143 Manchester Road.

NORTH WILTS FIELD AND CAMERA CLUB. The meetings of this club, which is associated with the Royal Photographic Society, are held at the Technical School. The offices are : President, Rev. E. H. Goddard, M.A., Hon. Secretary, Miss M. E. Slade, 63 Avenue Road. Hon. Portfolio Editor, Mr. Charles Pendleton. Hon. Auditor, Mr. G. Pressey, 145 Kingshill Road. Hon. Librarian, Mr. T. C. Davison, 72 Bath Road. Hon. Lanternist, Mr. F. M. Sparkes. There is a Committee of nine members. Frequent excursions to places of interest are made during the summer months. Meetings are held on the first and third Tuesdays in each month during the Winter Session, six of which are devoted to photographic subjects. There is a circulating portfolio of photographs for criticism.

SWINDON SUB-UNION OF ADULT SCHOOLS. President, Miss E. Fryer, 15 Maidstone Road; Secretary, Mr. F. H. Ruddle, 54 North Street. There are six schools in the Sub-Union. Sanford Men's School meets every Sunday in the Council Schools at 9.30 a.m.; President, Mr. A. Banwell, Victoria Road; Secretary, Mr. A. Absolem, 2 Gordon Road. Eastcott Hill Women's School meets in the Friend's Meeting House every Thursday at 3 p.m. President, Mrs. Cowdry, Barclays Bank House, Regent Street; Secretary, Mrs. W. Hollis, 30 Avenue Road. Gorse Hill Men's School meets in the Girl's Club, corner of St. Paul's Street and Cricklade Road, at 9 a.m., President, Mr. A. Lewis, 273 Cricklade Road; Secretary, Mr. Fido, 55 Ferndale Road. Gorse Hill Women's School meets at the Girl's Club every Sunday at 3 p.m. President, Nurse Hanna, 5 York Road; Secretary, Mrs. Prosser, 21 Poulton Street. Eastcott Hill Men's Club meets at Friend's Meeting House every Sunday at 9.45 a.m. President, Mr. H. Lemon; Secretary, Mr. R. Dance, 89 Gladstone Street. Eastcott Hill Young Women's School also meets at the Friend's Meeting House every Sunday at 3 p.m. President, Miss Fryer; Secretary, Miss Lancaster, Ashford Road.

ENGLISH CHURCH UNION. The Archdeaconry of Swindon District of the English Church Union comprises two branches at Swindon, one at Chippenham and Corsham and one at Cricklade. President, Major F. G. Wright (Swindon); Delegate to the Council, Canon A. G. G. Ross. Secretary, Mr. H. T. Dunn. The following are the officers of the Swindon Branches: Swindon South-east Branch, Chairman, Mr. J. W. Pridham; North-west Branch, Chairman, Canon A. G. G. Ross; Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. H. T. Dunn, 66 Radnor Street. Assistant Secretary, Mr. C. F. Hayball.

SWINDON G.W.R. MECHANICS INSTITUTION. The affairs of this valuable institution, which has been established 83 years, are managed by a Council of 31 members/ The number of members is returned as nearly 15,000, the Reading Rooms are well supplied with papers, magazines, &c., while the lending and reference libraries and juvenile departments contain over 50,000 volumes. The Institution has Branch reading Rooms in Bath Road, Rodbourne Road and Gorse Hill. President, Mr. C. B. Collett; Treasurer, Mr. A. J. L. White. Secretary, Mr. G. R. Davis, 70 Lansdown Road. Librarian, Mr. P. H. Phillips.

SWINDON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY. This Society is upwards of 40 years old. Secretaries, Mr. A. E. Harding, 56 Victoria Road, and Mr. W. J. Rose, 49 Eastcott Road. The annual show is held during the month of August.

WORKERS EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION. President, Mr. A. C. G. Copeland; Secretary, Mr. H. Whiting, 16 Durham Street; Financial Secretary, Mr. J. J. Ward, 12 The Knoll. Secretary to the "Rambling" Section – Mr. R. George. "Highway" Secretary – Mrs. Sims, 86 York Road. Western District Secretary – Mr. W. Straker, 27 Morgan Street, St. Paul's, Bristol. Lecture and Socials every Saturday evening during the winter at Euclid Street Secondary School. Rambles every Saturday during the summer. Classes every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday throughout the winter session.

SWINDON AND DISTRICT LICENSED VICTUALLERS ASSOCIATION. The Association was re-formed in 1896, and is affiliated with the Licensed Victuallers Defence League, N.O., London, and its members number 182 (including honorary members). Officers: President, Mr. Eddie Thomas, Eagle Hotel; Vice-President, Mr. E. Banyard, Fountain Inn. Treasurer, Mr. C. G. Kent, Rifleman's Hotel. Secretary, Mr. L. McCulloch, Eastcott Hotel.

COUNTY COURT. The County Court Offices are in Clarence Street. The days of sitting are fixed by his Honor Judge Gwynne James. Hours of business at the Register's Offices are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily, except Saturdays, when the offices close at 1 p.m. Registrar and High Bailiff, Mr. A. O. Jupp, Chief Clerk, Mr. H. W. Moore.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND WAIFS AND STRAYS SOCIETY. Swindon (Deanery of Cricklade). Secretary, Miss M. M. Kinneir, West Croft, Swindon, who is also the Treasurer. The Diocesan Home is situated at Longwell Green, Bristol, and receives 25 girls. In connection with the Swindon branch there is a branch of associates, the Secretary of which is Miss Sammes. There are also branches of the Children's Union with their Secretaries. The object of this society is to rescue children from bad surroundings, to take children from overburdened widowed mothers, and train them at school, and for service or trades under the auspices of the Church of England. The Homes are small and widely scattered throughout England, Wales and Canada. The Children's Union cares for and supports the crippled children.

NATIONAL SOCIETY FOR PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO CHILDREN. A Branch of the Society was formed in Swindon in August 1898. President, Brigadier-General T. C. P. Calley, C.B., M.V.O.; Treasurer, Mr. C. M. Dron. Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. W. Pridham, Regent Circus, Swindon. The resident inspector is Inspector J. Long, 168 Victoria Road, to whom all complaints should be made. There are district correspondents at Chippenham, Wootton Bassett, Faringdon, Highworth, Marlborough, Malmesbury, Calne, Pewsey, Ludgershall, Chisledon, Corsham and Ramsbury.

SWINDON CORPORATION FIRE BFRIGADE. The Brigade consists of the following members: Chief Officer, W. H. Baker, 45 The Mall. Second Officer, F. Rogers, 21 Curtis Street. Foreman, F. Smith, 84 Cricklade Road, Drivers, - Silvester, 9 Folkestone Road; F. Hedges, 1 Union Street; F. Wilson, 74 Dean Street. Firemen, F. Wiltshire, 4 Stanier Street; W. Smith, 287 Cricklade Road; E. Haines, Town Hall; T. Bayliss, 260 Ferndale Road; W. Watson, 47 Morris Street; A. Moody, 119 Commercial Road; J. Ludlow, 19 Dowling Street; F. Bush, 95 Shrivenham Road; F. Frampton. 31 Haydon Street; F. Lock, 11 Folkestone Road; B. Watson, 22 Farnsby Street; R. Watts, 1 Victory Row. The Brigade has at its command two powerful motor fire engines, fitted with chemical extinguishers, fire escape and first aid; 1 Morris fire tender, fitted with 30ft. Ladder and 2 Foam extensions; fire escape and hand hose cart kept at the Fire Station, Cromwell Street. A fire hose box is kept near the Victoria Hospital, and one at the Technical School. A system of Fire Alarm Boxes in connection with the Corporation Tramways is distributed about the town for use in case of emergency. Three permanent men are now kept. A siren is blown from the Electricity Works for calling the Brigade in the daytime, and there is also a system of call bells to the fireman's houses from the Town Hall.

SWINDON TAX SURVEYS. District No. 1, Inland Revenue Buildings, Clarence Street, Swindon, comprises the parishes of Swindon, Bishopstone, Broad Town, Clyffe Pypard, Chisledon, Hinton Parva, Wanborough, Liddington, Lydiard Tregoze, Lyneham, Tockenham, Wootton Bassett and Wroughton. H. M. Inspector, Mr. P. A. Mace. Office hours, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. District No. 2., offices at 31 Wood Street, Swindon, comprises to the following towns with the subsidiary parishes: Fairford, Lechlade, Highworth, Marlborough, Cricklade, Aldbourn, Stratton St. Margaret and Cirencester. Office, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; (Saturdays excepted). H.M. Inspector, Mr W. H. G. Chapman.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION. The G.W.R. Swindon Works Class of this Association does good work in rendering First Aid to the injured in the Works and on the line. The Ambulance Room and Lending Library (Park House) is open Tuesday and Thursday evenings. During the Class Section, on Tuesdays only. Officers: President, Mr. C. B. Collett; Lecturer, Dr. A. W. Bennett (Assistant Surgeon, G.W.R. Medical Fund Society); Hon. Secretary, Mr. L. G. Bretsch, 37 Buller Street.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE. The Swindon Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, composed of members of the G.W.R Class, together with others employed outside the G.W.R. Works, does good work rendering First Aid in the Town and District. Representatives are in attendance at all football grounds and public gatherings, and are always willing to give their services free to anyone who requires them, such as the removal of patients or invlaid from home to Station or Hospital, on notice being given to the Secretary. Officers: Assistant County Commissioner, Mr. A. R. Towerzey; Hon. Surgeon, Dr. Dunstan Brewer (Medical Officer of Heath for Swindon); Divisional Superintendent, Mr. J. Stamper; Ambulance Officer, Mr. F. Nutbeen; Hon. Secretary, Mr. L. G. Bretsch, 37 Buller Street.

NATIONAL FARMERS UNION (SWINDON DISTRICT). Meetings held at the Goddard Arms Hotel, Swindon. Chairman, Mr. F. Hinton; Vice-Chairmen: Messrs. C. W. Whatley and C. Bicknell. Solicitor, Mr. H. Dale. Hon. Treasurer, Mr. J. S. Protheroe; Secretary, Mr. J. W. Osmond. The Wiltshire Executive is composed of the following: Chairman, Mr. F. Hinton, J.P.; Vice-Chairmen, Mr. M. S. Waters, J.P., and Mr. W. Butler. Representatives on the N.F.U. Council; Ald. R. Stratton, J.P., C.C. Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. S. Protheroe, 150 Victoria Road, Swindon.

SWINDON BOROUGH MAGISTRACY. By a commission dated November 23rd 1906, the Borough of Swindon was granted a magistracy of its own, and the following act as borough Justices: George Jackson Churchward, Newburn; John Clark, 7 Princes Street; Arthur William Deacon, 48 Bath Road; Alfred William Haynes, 31 William Street; Charles Hill, 32 Victoria Road; Ernest Clement Skurray, West Lodge, Westlecott Road; Frederick George Wright, 52 Bath Road; Arthur William Burson, 69 Bath Road; Charles Edward Hall, 75 Morris Street; James Spackman, 8 Okus Road; Charles Edmond Taylor, 10 St. Margaret's Road; Herbert Watkins, 20 Ashford Road; Francis Eyres, 43 Manchester Road; Edwin Jones, Milton House, Faringdon Road; William Ewart Morse, The Croft; Henry William Thomas, 22 Westlecott Road; Mrs. Helene Sawyer, 72 Dean Street; Charles Benjamin Collett, 5 Church Place; Fred King, 60 The Mall; Charles Lodge, 162 William Street; George Arthur Henry Marshman, 1 Newhall Street; Samuel Edward Walters, Rodbourne Cheney; Henry Whiting, 16 Durham Street; George Davies, 48 Eastcott Hill; Mes Annie Ellerington, 84 Montagu Street; Miss Kate Mary Handley, 50 The Mall; Mrs. Edith Harris, Drove Road; Mr. Walter Johnson, 28 High Street; Henry Martin, 22 Argyle Street; Mrs. Annie Mayo Perry, 21 Okus Road; Robert Reynolds, 79 Bath Road; Miss Christina Jane Stiles, 124 Manchester Road; Lewis Myers Sutton, 13 Dover Stratton; and Albert Henry Wheeler, 9 County Road. The Mayor and ex-Mayor for the time being and his Honour Judge Gwynne James are ex-officio magistrates. The Clerk to the Justices is Mr. A. E. Withy, and the Borough Magistrates Clerk's offices are at the Town Hall.

PETTY SESSIONS. Acting Magistrates for the Swindon County and Cricklade Divisions – Major-General Thomas Charles Pleydell Calley, C.B.E., C.B., M.V.O., Burderop Park, Swindon; Captain James Henry Sadler, D.L., Lydiard House, Purton; Mr James Wyld Brown, Eastrop Grange, Highworth; the Right Hon. Lord Banbury of Southam, Warneford Place, Highworth; Major Frederick George Wright, "Toynton", 52 Bath Road, Swindon; Mr. Herbert Edward Smith, Hill View, Highworth; Mr. George Jackson Churchward, Newburn, Swindon; Major John Leaver Nickisson, The Manor, Little Hinton; Mr. William Henry Lawson, 1 London Street, Swindon; Mr. Ernest Clement Skurray, West Lodge, Westlecott Road, Swindon; Mr. Charles Hill, 32 Victoria Road, Swindon; Mr. Arthur William Deacon, 48 Bath Road, Swindon; Mr. William Ewart Morse, The Croft, Swindon; Mr. James Smith Protheroe, 150 Victoria Road, Swindon; Mr. William Dale, Rodbourne Cheney; Major Cecil Watson, Liddington Manor; Mr. Jrthro Kinch Coleing, Hampton, Highworth; Mr. Frederick Hinton, The Croft, Wanborough; the Mayor of Swindon (Ald. W. Webb), 33 Curtiss Street; Mr. Frederick Amos Blake, The Street, Stratton St. Margaret; Mrs. Amy Matthews, Rodbourne Cheney; Commander Claude Alexander Codrington, Wroughton House, Wroughton; Mr. Richard Bond, Carlingford House, Wootton Bassett; Mr. Ernest Pritchard, Woodhill Park, Wootton Bassett; Major Gerard James Buxton, Tockenham Manor, Wootton Bassett; Lieut.- Col. William Fleetwodd Fuller, D.S.O., Cricklade; Mr. Charles John Iles, College Farm, Purton; Mr. Albert Thomas Giles, Calcutt Street, Cricklade; Mr. Robert Little, Wootton Bassett; Brigadier-General John Hartman Morgan, Priory Cottage, Wootton Bassett; Capt. Sydney Dennis, Down Ampney House, Cricklade; Mr. Henry James Hunt, West Tockenham; Capt. Godfrey Emil Rice, Shaw Farm, Tockenham; Mr. William Wiltshire, Bradenstoke; Mrs. Arnold Forster, Basset Down House, Wroughton; Col. Albert Canning, C.M.G., Restrop, Purton; Major William Bertram Bell, Cove House, Ashton Keynes; Mr. Arthur Robert Strange, Cambridge House, Wootton Bassett; Capt. Harold Rogers Ward, Rec Lodge, Purton. Non-resident magistrates, Mr. Frederic P. Bulley, Lullingworth, Painswick, Glos.; Mr. William Roger Gantlett, Manor Farm, Fairford, Glos.; Capt. Jesse Devenish Gouldsmith, Ridley House, Kingswear, Devon; Mr. Ambrose Raufe Eyre Hussey Freke. Clerk to the Justices for the Swindon Petty Sessional Division, Mr. H. Southan, 6 High Street, Swindon. Clerk to the Cricklade Justices, Mr. R. C. Hawkes, Wootton Bassett. Petty Sessions business is transacted at Swindon on Mondays. Sessions for the Cricklade Division are held at Wootton Bassett on the second and last Wednesdays in the month respectively. The Parishes included in the Divisions are Bishopstone, Blunsdon St. Andrew, Castle Eaton, Chiseldon, Hannington, Highworth, Inglesham, Liddington, Little Hinton, Rodbourne Cheney, South Marston, Stanton Fitzwarren, Stratton St. Margaret, Wanborough, Wroughton, Braydon, Broadtown, Clyffe Pypard, Cricklade, Eisey, Latton, Leigh, Lydiard Millicent, Lydiard Tregoze, Lyneham, Marston Maisey, Purton, Tockenham and Wootton Bassett.

THE WILTSHIRE NURSING ASSOCIATION. County Home, 36 and 37 Milton Road, Swindon. Founded in 1904. The Home is managed by a Committee consisting of Mrs. M. Arnold-Forster, J.P. (Chairman), Miss K. J. Stephenson, J.P., Mrs. Awdry, Miss D. P. Chappell, Mrs. Eyers, Mrs. Schmitz, Mrs. George, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Fry, Mrs. Lainchbury, Dr. Brewer, and the Hon. Lady Gatacre. Hon. Secretary, Mr. George Davies, 48 Eastcott Hill, Swindon. On an average 250 maternity cases are annually dealt with, and the fees are arranged to suit all patients treated. The Wilts. Nursing Association contributes about £200 per annum towards the expenses of the total, in all some £550, which is about sufficient to maintain the Home. By an arrangement with the Town Council and the Wilts County Council, a new Maternity Hospital has been opened in Milton Road, in the G.W.R/ Medical Fund Building, six beds being provided for

the Town and five for the County. Miss Garrett is matron. A special Committee, consisting of members of the Town Council and County Council, is responsible for the management of the Hospital.

SWINDON MUNICIPAL MUSEUM. This Museum was opened on October 27th 1920. It is built of stone, and was formerly a Roman Catholic Church. It stands on the corner of Victoria Road and Regent Circus, facing the Town Hall. The Museum contains many specimens of local interest, It is opened to the public free every weekday during the year: January, from 10 till 4; February, from 10 till 4.30; March, from 10 till 5.30.; April, from 10 till 6; May, June, July and August, from 10 till 7; September, from 10 till 6; October, from 10 till 5; November and December, from 10 till 4. Hon. Curator, C. H. Gore, F.G.S.

SWINDON AMATEUR MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC SOCIETY. This Society was founded in 1922, and is affiliated to the National Amateur Operatic and Dramatic Association. It has a membership of about 100. President, Mr. T. Reed; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. C. M. Austin; Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. W. J. Peck, 58 Lansdown Road, Swindon; Hon. Producer, Mr. A. R. Mutter, L.R.A.M.; Headquarters, King's Arms Hotel.

SWINDON DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION. The Association was formed in October 1923, when a lady took over the work from the Wilts. Nursing Association. Nurse Hickey's and Nurse Sheppard's address; 31 York Road. The Officers are: President, His Worship the Mayor; Chairman, Ald. T. C. Newman; Hon. Treasurer, Councillor C. W. Boyce; Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Frank Morris, Kingshill House. A meeting is held in the Town Hall on the first Friday in every month at 3 p.m.

BRITISH LEGION (SWINDON BRANCH). Officers: President, Major-General T. C. P. Calley, C.B.E., C.B., M.V.O.; Chairman, Mr. L. M. Sutton; Vice-Chairman, Mr. J. H. Ellwood; Secretary, Mr. J. J. Thorne. Branch Office, British Legion Club, Ltd., 17 Brunel Street, Swindon. Office hours 7 to 9 p.m. weekdays.

SWINDON AND NORTH WILTS SHELTER FOR GIRLS. The Home is at 41 Belle Vue, Swindon. Chairman, Mrs. Arnold Forster. Hon. Secretary, Mrs. A. R. Cowdery, Barclays Bank, Regent Street, Swindon. Hon. Treasurer, Mr. B. Parsons, "Lyndhurst", Clifton Street, Swindon. Superintendent, Miss Pettitt, 41 Belle Vue, Swindon. Financial Secretary, Miss M. Beadon, St. Mark's Mission House, Swindon.

G.W.R. (SWINDON) ORCHESTRA. Secretary, Mr. W. Burton, 9 Northampton Street. Conductor, Mr. A. G. W. Theobald, 1 Horsell Street. Number of members, 40. A Committee composed of six have charge of general arrangements. Headquarters, 3 Emlyn Square; practice nights, Thursdays.

G.W.R. SOCIAL AND EDUCATIONAL UNION (SWINDON DIVISION). Officers: President, Mr. W. A. Stanier; Treasurer and Chairman, Mr. E. Thomas; Secretary, Mr. L. G. Eveleigh, 2 Rose Street; Registrars, Mr. D. Thorpe and Mr. C. Coleman; General Sports Secretary, Mr. D. G. May.

SWINDON DIVISION LIBERAL ASSOCIATION. President, Sir James Currie, O.M.G.; Hon. Secretary, Mr. H. G. Lewis; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. F. E. Allen. Hon. Secretary Young Liberal League, Miss K. Beales, 70 Dean Street, Swindon. Headquarters, Liberal Hall, Commercial Road.

SWINDON DIVISION LABOUR PARTY. Chairman, Mr. C. R. Palmer; Vice-Chairmen, Mr. A. J. B. Selwood and Councillor A. R. Smith. Financial Secretary, Councillor W. R. Robins; Woman's Section: Chairman, Mrs. Andrews; Secretary, Mrs. Tucker. General Secretary and Agent, Mr. J. J. Stonier; Office, William Morris Labour Hall, Regent Street.

SWINDON DIVISION CONSERVATIVE AND UNIONIST ASSOCIATION. Chairman, Mr. E. C. Skurray, M.B.E., J.P.; Hon Treasurer, Mr. W. J. Masters; Hon. Secretary of Ladies Section, Mrs. L. M. West; Secretary and Agent, Capt. E. N. Peach. Central Offices, 17 Regent Circus, Swindon.

JUNIOR IMPERIAL LEAGUE. President, Mr. W. A. Kimber; Chairman, Mr. C. W. J. Streetly; Hon. Secretary, Mr. F. Attewell; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. A. Carter. Club Rooms, 17 Regent Circus, Swindon.

SWINDON BOYS RED TRIANGLE CLUB. Chairman of Committee, Mr. W. A. Stanier; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. W. D. Bavin; Organising Secretary, Mr. C. J. Marfleet; Headquarters, Y.M.C.A., Fleet Street.

SOLDIERS, SAILORS AND AIRMEN'S FAMILIES ASSOCIATION (Swindon Division). President, Mrs. E. Calley, Burderop Park, Swindon; Hon. Treasurer, M. J. S. Protheroe, 150 Victoria Road, Swindon; Hon. Secretary, Mr. Alfred E. Dean, "Raymead", Belmont Crescent, Swindon.

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS HELP SOCIETY (Swindon Division). District Head, Mr. Alfred E. Dean, "Raymead", Belmont Crescent, Swindon.

SWINDON UNEMPLOYMENT DISTRESS COMMITTEE. Chairman, The Mayor of Swindon (Ald. W. Webb); Hon. Treasurer and Secretary, Mr. Alfred E. Dean, Town Hall, Swindon.

SWINDON AND DISTRICT CANINE ASSOCIATION. Headquarters: The King's Arms Hotel, Swindon. An Association promoted in 1926 (by the sanction of the Kennel Club) to further the interests of pure breeds of dogs and to conduct shows for the exhibition of same. An annual show is held during the summer and lectures on subjects of canine interest are given at intervals. The Hon. Mrs. Barrett is President of the Association, which is served by the following committee; Mesdames Mantell and Parry. Messrs. C. J. Gilbert (Chairman), S. S. Bristow (Vice-Chairman), R. Finn, J. H. Genge, C. W. Jefferies, A. Thompson, J. D. Vaux, J. Waine, A. E. Bottomley, J. C. Coleman, M.R.C.V.S., and F. C. Booker; Jount Secretaries, Messrs. T. J. H. Bond and J. E. Hawkins.