



**The annual Report of the
Civil Service, Post Office
& British Telecom
Lifeboat Fund**



The £430,000 Tyne Class Life boat, 47-004 is the next target of the Fund

1983

CIVIL SERVICE, POST OFFICE AND BRITISH TELECOM LIFEBOATS IN SERVICE

13 lifeboats out of 39 boats, one ILB, +1/F 'D' Class, the cost of which has been defrayed by the contributions of Civil Servants and Officers of the Post Office and British Telecom establishments at home and abroad, remain in service at various stations in the British Isles. The list of Civil Service boats and the number of launchings and lives saved in 1983 is as follows:

Station	Name of Boat	Type of Lifeboat	When Built	Launches	Lives Saved	Vessels Saved
BEAUMARIS	Greater London II (Civil Service No. 30)	Watson	1955	2		
MUMBLES	Pentland (Civil Service No. 31)	Watson	1957			
LIZARD -CADGWITH	The Duke of Cornwall II (Civil Service No. 33)	Barnett	1960	10	10	3
ST. DAVID'S	Joseph Soar (Civil Service No. 34)	Watson	1963	3	2	2
EYEMOUTH	Eric Seal (Civil Service No. 36)	Waveney	1973	3		
TORBAY	Edward Bridges (Civil Service No. 37)	Arun	1975	25	9	3
MARGATE	Silver Jubilee (Civil Service No. 38)	Rother	1977	17	4	3
PORTRUSH	Richard Evans (Civil Service No. 39)	Arun	1981	3		
SOUTHEND-ON-SEA	Percy Garon	Atlantic 21	-	37	14	3
		*1/F 'D' Class		20	4	3
Relief Fleet						
Formerly stationed at:						
PORTRUSH	Lady Scott (Civil Service No. 4)	Watson	1949	9		
BLYTH	Winston Churchill (Civil Service No. 8)	Watson	1948	4		
HOLYHEAD	St. Cybi (Civil Service No. 9)	Barnett	1950	5		
ALDEBURGH	Charles Dibdin (Civil Service No. 32)	Beach	1959	12	4	2
CLOVELLY	Charles H. Barrett (Civil Service No. 35)	Clyde	1965	3		
TOTAL				153	47	19

The Fund contributes £5,000 per annum towards the maintenance of these boats and also refunds to the Royal National Lifeboat Institution the allowances on service paid to the crews.

*Inflatable.

ESTABLISHED 1866

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The Chairman, Deputy-Chairman, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer are ex-officio members of the Executive Committee.

REPORT FOR 1983

The COUNCIL have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report for 1983 of the Civil Service, Post Office and British Telecom Lifeboat Fund.

Contributions

The Fund's 1983 appeal resulted in a most encouraging total of £97,023.88. It was not surprising that we could not quite break through the magic six-figure barrier again. But - mercifully - we lacked the special stimulus of a disaster like Penlee, which certainly helped to hoist the total in 1982. In the circumstances, we did well to get so near to £100,000 which must be clearly in our sights as a regular annual target. In addition **RNLI** received direct additional sums as follows: from Fund's subscribers £2,378.76 (including Deeds of Covenant and related tax refunds); proceeds of sale of Civil Service No 8 "Winston Churchill" £9,250; and interest on funds transferred to **RNLI** and not expended by them in the year £12,628.01. Expenses amounted to £1,944.88 (consisting largely of bank charges - the first time that Midland Bank have required them) and a total of £101,053.70 was paid to **RNLI**, though the final payment of £12,564.26 made on 30 December was not received by them and so was not shown in their account for the year. After deduction of £11,830.60 for service allowances and maintenance on the Fund's lifeboats, the sum now in hand towards the next boat is £198,695.75.

News of our Lifeboats

The Fund's Lifeboats were launched 153 times, an increase of 26 over last year's figure. 47 lives and 19 vessels were saved, also 27 persons landed. We can take pride in the fact that the Fund has now been responsible for boats which have rescued over 3800 lives.

It would make interesting and stimulating reading to give an account of all our lifeboats involved in the 153 rescues carried out in 1983. But as this is not possible it was felt that the EDWARD BRIDGES (Civil Service No 37) - Arnn type boat and stationed at Torbay - should be singled out. She was launched on 25 occasions and was involved in what has been described as the **RNLI's** most unusual incident of the year. The following account of what occurred on April 10th 1983 is described by the **RNLI's** Public Relations Officer-

"The lifeboat rescues that hit the headlines take place in dramatic conditions. Seas as high as houses, winds over 50 mph, driving rain and darkness conjour up vivid images as a small boat - a lifeboat - battles to save somebody. Last year, no Civil Service lifeboat was involved in such a rescue, though they have been and will be again. But the fleet of boats provided by the fund had a busy year, quietly carrying out their essential job of saving lives. One of the lifeboats was involved in an incident which demonstrated not only the importance of good lifeboat design but the tenacity of lifeboatmen.

On April 10th the Salcombe lifeboat was called out to divers whose inflatable dinghy had capsized. A force 9 southerly gale was blowing, throwing up very rough seas around the harbour bar. The lifeboat negotiated the bar with solid water breaking over her. The wind gusted to force 11 and the lifeboat rolled heavily. As the lifeboat made for the casualty, a huge 50ft breaking wave came in on the port quarter. The lifeboat was struck by two exceptionally large seas, one after the other. The first swept a crew member overboard and the second capsized the lifeboat.

Salcombe lifeboat is a 47ft Watson and was not designed to be self-righting. However, following the capsize of the Longhope and Fraserburgh lifeboats in 1969 and 1970, the RNLI invented a righting system for these boats using an air bag which automatically inflates on capsize. The air bag worked and the lifeboat was upright again within seconds. The coxswain turned his lifeboat and headed back to pick up the man in the water.

Having been through this experience, the crew decided to carry on towards the last known position of the casualty. Meanwhile Torbay's Arun lifeboat EDWARD BRIDGES (Civil Service No 37), was launched to assist and a helicopter located the divers and winched them to safety. The Torbay lifeboat's part was to check that the Salcombe men were all right, then divert for a new search which turned out to be futile.

This was the RNLJ's most unusual incident of 1983, and because of the air bag seven Salcombe lifeboatmen are still alive and ready for rescue. For the Torbay lifeboat, bought by the fund, the incident board will probably read "stood by" or "gave help". Next time they put to sea, it could be to evacuate a burning tanker or it could be to rescue a child cut off by the tide. The rescues may not hit the headlines, but they do save lives - an average of 3 every day of the year".

PENTLAND (Civil Service No 31), a Watson type boat built in 1957 and stationed at The Mumbles ever since, is to be replaced by one of the latest Tyne Class fast slipway lifeboats. The new boat, funded largely by a Charitable Trust, is currently under construction at Messrs Fairey Marine, West Cowes and will take up station at the Mumbles at the end of 1984 or early 1985. It is anticipated that PENTLAND will be re-allocated for duty in the Institution's Relief Fleet.

WINSTON CHURCHILL (Civil Service No 8) has been retired after fulfilling many valuable years service with the Lifeboat Fleet. A Watson type boat built in 1948, she was stationed at Blyth where she was launched on 77 separate occasions, rescuing a total of 39 lives. She was subsequently transferred to the Relief Fleet where she was responsible for saving another 6 lives.

Planning anJ Publicity

REPRESENTATION - With the exception of a few small Departments who have close links with their local **RNLI** we are satisfied that the Fund now has representatives in all Departments. But on examining the contribution lists we find that there are some Departments who are not subscribing annually. And although it is recognised that there are a large number of charitable appeals to be considered it is hoped that, especially when the Appeals Committee is making the final decision, the Fund will have some priority since it is the longest established Departmental appeal.

DISPLAY MATERIAL AND ARTICLES - Representatives have continued to approach the **RNLI** Public Relations Officer for help with their publicity and the wide variety and new type of material provided has been used most effectively in some Departments. Mr Kipling has also prepared articles for Departmental staff journals and it is hoped that greater use will be made of this valuable way of creating interest in the Fund.

RESCUES - Requests for accounts of "Rescues" where there is an interest in particular boats have increased, but there are still only ten Departments making use of this stimulating publicity material.

LIFEBOAT JOURNAL - The Journal has been circulated on a wider basis and representatives have indicated that in addition to giving them a closer look at the work of the **RNLI**, the Journal has proved to be an extremely useful guide to extra fund raising activities.

Meetings

The **DEPUTY CHAIRMAN** continued to hold informal meetings with the Executive Committee and other groups of representatives. The results of Departmental appeals and extra fund raising activities were discussed and compared. Among some ideas pooled was the possibility of providing a display of **RNLI** publicity material and equipment suitable for touring London and Regional offices, and also an adaptation of the **RNLI** pamphlet on the Tyne Class Lifeboat already circulated to representatives. It was suggested that this should carry an indication of our aim to purchase one of these boats (our 40th) by 1985, showing also how much of the cost had been covered by contributions up to the present time and setting future annual targets. Some useful ideas which, if practicable, will be underway shortly.

Visits

(1) Unfortunately it was not possible to repeat the very successful visit paid by representatives of the Fund to the **RNLI** headquarters in 1982. But we have had another cordial invitation from the Director to visit Poole and the Deputy Chairman hopes to be able to arrange something in the summer of 1984 (he is not, however, in the land Rover class!).

(2) The next series of Open Days at the **RNLI** Headquarters at Poole will be held on 19, 20 and 21 July 1984. As always anyone in the area will be welcome and will undoubtedly find the visit most interesting.

Special Fund Raising

Last year's AGM endorsed the idea that in order to swell its contribution, the Fund should promote a Marathon-type event with wide personal sponsorship of the entrants. A small organising group led by Sir John Moore has been working enthusiastically on the project, including making visits to kindred events to obtain information and experience. After much deliberation the group decided that, at least for the first occasion, it would be wise not to set sights too high, so a simple but carefully managed "Half-Marathon" (ie 13 miles and a bit) - more a fund run than a highly competitive athletic event - has been arranged. It will be held on Sunday 3 June 1984. Lest the organisers bite off more than they can chew, there is a limit of 4000 entrants, all from the Fund's component organisations. By kind permission of the Crown Estate Commissioners, most of the course is within the attractive landscape of Windsor Great Park. The Post Office, British Telecoms and the Civil Service Sports Council have each made a most helpful and generous cash contribution towards the inevitable costs of the events (which are, of course, being kept as low as possible while still enabling the Fund to put on a day which it is hoped everyone will enjoy). So the modest entry fee should itself be in part a contribution to the Fund. But it is through the sponsorship of entrants by their workmates that it is hoped the Fund will most benefit. Those who cannot, or do not want to, make the physical effort can still play their full part by sponsoring generously any runners known to them.

The organisers very much hope that entrants will come from all over the Fund's large field of supporters; that no large part of this great band will be unrepresented at Windsor on 3 June; and that the event will give a powerful surge to our fund-raising effort which will bring the prospect of our 40th Lifeboat even nearer.

Objectives

Our immediate objective is to fulfil the aim to which we dedicated ourselves last year of paying for a new FAST SLIPWAY BOAT. A number of these boats are now under construction and if we can maintain or improve our present efforts we should be able to put our mark on one of them by 1985. The financial target remains £430,000 of which we have already raised nearly a half (£198,000). We have two years in which to find the balance; and 1983 has shown that, with just a little extra push- and a profitable Half Marathon (or two!)- we can do it.

Valediction

Sadly, this is the last year in which CONNIE HENRY will be able to give her services to the Fund in the capacity of its Secretary. All good things come to an end, and Connie retires at the next Annual General Meeting. We owe her a very great debt of gratitude for the personal contribution which she has made to the work of the Fund over the past five years and her invariably cheerful and unstinting service will be sadly missed. We wish her well for the future.

Appreciation

Finally, the Council would like to express its appreciation to all the Departmental Representatives, Collectors and contributors whose combined efforts produced such a good result in 1983 and one which has really taken us within striking distance of our objective - that 40th Lifeboat in 1985. The **RNLI** looks to the Fund as a major source of help and support; and, of course, that depends absolutely on your continued vigour and dedication. For this, the Council gives you its thanks.

Signed on behalf of the Council
Ronald Radford, *Chairman*
Peter Sims, *Honorary Secretary*

Dated April 1984

The Deputy Chairman, Mr A. R. M. JAFFRAY, C.B. said that looking on the past year, the Fund had once again done very well - thanks to the efforts of all the Departments. It was now clear that a tragedy like that of Penlee was not needed to boost the Fund's contribution into six figures. The fund could do it, with just a little bit of extra effort, in any "ordinary" year; and that quite apart from the result of any special fund-raising event, like the Marathon.

As to the objectives for the coming year, the Deputy-Chairman read out an extract of a letter from the Director of the RNLI which stated that it had been "decided to allocate Tyne Class Lifeboat 47-004, the fourth Tyne Class Lifeboat to be built, to Holyhead, and it was anticipated that the boat would be ready to take up station early in 1985". The **RNLI**, the Director continued, "would be pleased to appropriate this new boat for Holyhead as the next boat for the Fund". He understood that the Fund already had over half the cost of a Tyne Class Lifeboat to its credit and by the time the new boat went on station in 1985 about three quarters of the cost would have been set aside: The Director hoped "that by making an appropriate announcement at the AGM it would act as a helpful incentive to Fund members to provide the total cost of the Lifeboat as early as possible".

The Deputy-Chairman commented that last year the Fund had set its sights on paying for a new Tyne Class boat by the end of 1985, and £230,000 still had to be raised. He said he would like to think that the Fund would respond to the challenge of bringing the target forward to Spring 1985, although he recognised that might be a little optimistic. However, by the time of the next AGM-when the boat should be entering service-the Fund should have raised over £300,000 and well on the way to paying for three quarters of her. It was a remarkable vote of confidence in the Fund that the Institution should be willing to allocate a boat at this stage, and it was a particularly nice touch that they had chosen Holyhead for the station where an earlier Fund boat, ST CYBI, had served. For the immediate future though, the Fund now had a double challenge - the original one of paying for the whole boat by the end of 1985; and a new one of reaching the three quarters mark by Spring 1985. There was no doubt that the Fund could do it, and do it on subscription alone. The Fund could not relax its efforts, relying on extra fund-raising activities to reach the target. The proceeds of the Marathon should be looked upon as a spring-board- not a featherbed!

The Deputy-Chairman concluded by reading the following tribute to CONNIE HENRY from the Director of the RNLI:-

" ... I understand that this AGM is the final one to be attended by Miss Connie Henry in her capacity as Secretary to the Fund. I would be most grateful if you would take this opportunity to convey to Connie during the meeting the warm appreciation of all her friends in the Institution for all that she has done for the Fund and, of course, the RNLI....."

The COUNCIL was honoured by the presence of the Deputy Chief of Operations, Commander George Cooper, R.D., M.N.I., R.N.R., who provided an interesting talk on recent developments in the Lifeboat Service.

Commander Cooper opened by thanking the Fund on behalf of the Director, Deputy Director and Operations Staff for its record of support over the years which had been second to none. He explained his position within the RNLI HQ organisation and recalled that during his earlier years as an Inspector of Lifeboats he had got to know very well several of the Civil Service Boats, including PENTLAND and JOSEPH SOAR.

The current building programme was outlined and it was reported that 28 Arun boats would be in service around the country this year. More electronics were being introduced into the boats and the most exciting fitting of recent years had been the installation of VHF sets in all the off-shore fleet. A comparatively new training section at Poole was currently carrying out trials with a new Decca navigation radar system.

Details were given of the new Tyne Classfast slipway boat that the Fund is currently aiming to purchase for Holyhead. Finally, an extract of a letter from Lord Stanley, President of the Holyhead RNLI Branch was read out, which requested that the new Lifeboat might be called ST CYBI II in order to perpetuate the link established with the last Civil Service Lifeboat at the Station.

**CIVIL SERVICE, POST OFFICE AND BRITISH TELECOM
LIFEBOAT FUND
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR
ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1983**

1982	RECEIPTS	1983
	Balance brought forward, 1st January	
14,582.90	1983	17,634.07
121,231.11	Subscriptions	97,023.88
0.02	Interest on Deposit Account	
£135,814.03		£114,657.95
PAYMENTS		
115,138.10	PaymentstoRNLi	101,053.70
	<i>Administration Expenses</i>	
4.60	Travelling	19.20
56.83	Postage	45.60
	Telephone	34.00
34.50	Audit Fee	34.50
	Bank Charges	1,811.58
2,345.93	Printing and Stationery	
600.00	Office Accommodation	
3,041.86		1,944.88
	<i>Balances on 31st December 1983</i>	
13,737.99	Bank	
3,871.32	Cheques in Transit	11,644.61
24.76	Petty Cash	14.76
17,634.07		11,659.37
£135,814.03		£114,657.95

(Signed) A. Barker, *Hon. Treasurer*
 (Signed) Ronald Radford, *Chairman*
 (Signed) A. R. M. Jaffray, *Deputy Chairman*
 (Signed) J. Syme, *Member of Council*
 (Signed) M. R. Jones, *Member of Council*

We have examined the foregoing Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31st December 1983 and we certify that in our opinion it records correctly transactions of the Civil Service, Post Office and British Telecom Lifeboat Fund for the year under review as disclosed by the books and information and explanations supplied to us.

11th April 1984

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CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

**CIVIL SERVICE, POST OFFICE AND BRITISH TELECOM
LIFEBOAT FUND
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT WITH THE ROYAL NATIONAL
LIFEBOAT INSTITUTION FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31st DECEMBER 1983**

Balance B/Fwd	85,215.88	
<i>Moneys received by RNLI</i>		<i>Expenditure by RNLI</i>
January	16,785.99	Revenue Account:-
February	3,815.00	
March	7,361.00	Service Allowances
April	3,295.00	6,830.60
May	1,332.00	Maintenance
June	2,104.00	<u>5,000.00</u> 11,830.60
July	654.00	
August	26.00	
September	2,630.00	
October	6,490.45	
November	19,184.00	
December	24,812.00	88,489.44
Proceeds on sale of		
C.S. No. 8 " Winston Churchill"	9,250.00	
Interest Allowed on		
Unexpended Balances	12,628.01	
BR Telecom, Birmingham	830.41	
Damascus F.O.		
" Pig & Whistle" Club	281.03	
Post Office E.C. and Foreign Section	279.43	
Cairo British Embassy	118.00	
Ankara Diplomatic		
S. Wives Association	100.00	
BR Telecom Wembley		
<i>Sports S.</i>	100.00	
M D Harrogate	78.32	
General Register Office Scotland	76.00	
N. Ireland Court		
Service Staff	45.70	
BR Telecom Submarine		
Cable & M. Div	33.42	
MOD Aircraft (Naval)	32.50	
C. C. Greendale		
Colleagues Ilkley, W. Yks.	30.00	
Preston Telephone Area		
Sports & Social	25.00	
D. of E. Sports Club- Selly Oak	23.27	
Valuation Office, Croydon	20.00	
Maritime BR REME (In Memory of Mr. E. A. A. Forno)	20.00	
Deeds of Covenant and Sundry Items	263.56	
Covenant Tax Refunds	22.12	2,378.76
	Balance in Hand	186,131.49
	197,962.09	197,962.09

I certify the above to be a true record of the remittances received by the Royal National Lifeboat Institution from the Civil Service, Post Office and British Telecom Lifeboat Fund, and the allocation of those funds during the year ended 31st December, 1983.

1st March, 1984

R.M.S. PRIESTLEY, F.C.A.
CHIEF ACCOUNTANT,
ROYAL NATIONAL LIFEBOAT INSTITUTION

SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FUND

Received during the year ended 31st December 1983

Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Ministry of	1,684.30
Agriculture and Food Research Council	533.18
Bonds and Stock Office	83.13
British Museum (Natural History)	95.87
British Telecom (including the following)	7,537.26
Data Processing Executive	60.39
Research Laboratories, Martlesham Heath	477.38
Headquarters	2,084.36
Cabinet Office	272.50
Charity Commission	64.00
Crown Estate Office	7.00
HM Customs and Excise	7,766.15
Defence, Ministry of	12,094.36
Education and Science	51.00
Employment, Department of	8,650.86
Energy, Department of	178.40
Environment, Department of the	5,810.09
Exchequer and Audit Department	757.10
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	736.83
Friendly Societies Registry	32.04
Health and Safety Executive	1.30
Health and Social Security, Department of	8,968.82
Home Office	1,934.66
House of Lords	58.00
Industry, Trade and PCP, Departments of (including)	744.37
Official Receiver in Bankruptcy, Croydon	28.25
Inland Revenue	10,613.44
Land Registry, HM	616.63
Lord Chancellor's Office	363.20
Management & Personnel Office	413.11
Manpower Services Commission	10.66
National Investment and Loans Office	30.20
National Savings Department	293.67
Ordnance Survey	527.56
Overseas Development, Ministry of	334.87
Parliamentary Commissioner, Office of	45.00
Paymaster General's Office	99.00
Population Censuses and Surveys, Office of	299.96
Post Office	10,823.00
Public Record Office	79.69
Science and Engineering Research Council	199.61
HMSO	353.82

WALES

Welsh Office	302.60
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SCOTLAND

Scottish Office	2,269.42
Scottish Courts Administration	158.59
Crown Office, Scotland	290.00
Post Office in Scotland	3,378.77
Aberdeen Telephone Area, Benevolent Fund	30.00
Dundee Telephone Area, Benevolent Fund	50.00
Registers of Scotland, Department of	108.45

NORTHERN IRELAND

Agriculture, Department of	725.37
Commissioner for Complaints, Office of	16.75
Economic Development, Department of	716.94
Education, Department of	147.20
Environment, Housing, Local Government and Planning, Department of	1,749.13
Exchequer and Audit Department	19.05
Finance, Department of	604.23
Health and Social Services, Department of	1,188.30
Northern Ireland Postal Board	1,380.92

SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Feckenham Solo Whist Club	10.00
Luton Valuation Office (re Miss Greenwood)	20.00
Devonport Dockyard Naval Base Fair	100.00
Civil Service Sailing Association	100.00
B.T. Birmingham Welfare Society	264.00
S.C.P.S., Customs and Excise, Liverpool Bay	80.36
R. J. Elliott	3.60
Sir Ronald and Lady Radford	40.00
Hop Research Department, Wye College	6.00
Civil Service Sports Association, Brighton	8.50
Miss M. Tuffill deceased	50.00
Others	17.61
Anonymous	23.45

The Civil Service Benevolent Fund

WE NEED RESCUING TOO - from INFLATION which is reducing the value of our income.

Last year we paid out nearly £400,000 to just over 4,000 people - widows of civil servants, staff on reduced pay due to sickness and others (both serving and retired) who had domestic misfortune.

To keep up this level of assistance and to maintain our Convalescent Centre at Bournemouth and our Residential Homes for the elderly and infirm, we must keep up the value of our income. New members are authorising at least 15p per week (70p per month) to be deducted from their pay and sent to us.

If you are contributing less than this (or not at all) will you please help us by getting a form from your Local CSBF Representative; your Welfare Officer or from the National Publicity Officer, CSBF, Watermead House, Sutton Court Road, Sutton, Surrey, SM1 4TF. Your help will be gratefully received by so many who are in need.

THE ROWLAND HILL MEMORIAL AND BENEVOLENT FUND

THE ROWLAND HILL BENEVOLENT FUND exists to relieve distress of Post Office staff and their dependants. In 1980/81 almost £100,000 was expended by grants and interest-free loans in helping around 800 individuals. The majority of these were the widows of former Post Office staff whose only income was that provided by the Department of Health and Social Security. The assistance that the RHBF can give in these cases makes a great difference to their happiness and comfort. In addition, the fund is now able to assist Post Office pensioners to obtain sheltered accommodation.

WILL YOU HELP PLEASE- The RHBF could do so much more if it had more cash. There are many former colleagues or their dependants who are much worse off than you are. A subscription of a few pence per week is all that is required. Subscribers' forms can be obtained from your local Post Office, RHBF representative or direct from the Secretary, Rowland Hill Benevolent Fund, Room 305, Armour House, St. Martin's-le-Grand, London EC1A 1AR. Tel: 01-432 1234. Individual donations are also welcome.

THE POST OFFICE AND CIVIL SERVICE SANATORIUM SOCIETY

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION about the Society write to the Secretary at the above address.