



The annual Report
of the Civil Service
and Post Office
Life-Boat Fund

1977

CIVIL SERVICE AND POST OFFICE LIFE-BOATS IN SERVICE

Fourteen life-boats out of 38 boats and one I.L.B. the cost of which has been defrayed by the contributions of Civil Servants and Officers of the Post Office at home and abroad, remain in service at various stations in the British Isles. The list of Civil Service boats, at the time of going to press, is as follows:

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| Civil Service No. | 4 | The "Lady Scott" | Next CS Boat |
| | | <i>Portrush, Co. Antrim</i> | |
| | 8 | The "Winston Churchill" | |
| | | <i>Blyth, Northumberland</i> | |
| | 9 | The "St. Cybi" | Replanned |
| | | <i>Holyhead, Anglesey</i> | |
| | 10 | The "St. Andrew" | |
| | | <i>In reserve</i> | |
| | 11 | The "North Foreland" | - Reserve |
| | | <i>Margate, Kent</i> | |
| | 30 | The "Greater London II" | |
| | | <i>Beaumaris</i> | |
| | 31 | The "Pentland" | |
| | | <i>Mumbles</i> | |
| | 32 | The "Charles Dibdin" | - Aldeburgh |
| | | <i>Eastbourne</i> | |
| | 33 | The "Duke of Cornwall" | |
| | | <i>Lizard-Cadgwith, Cornwall</i> | |
| | 34 | The "Jospeh Soar" | |
| | | <i>St. David's, Pembrokeshire</i> | |
| | 35 | The "Charles H. Barrett" | |
| | | <i>In Reserve</i> | |
| | 36 | The "Eric Seal" | |
| | | <i>Eyemouth</i> | |
| | 37 | The "Edward Bridges" | |
| | | <i>Torbay</i> | |
| | 38 | The "Silver Jubilee" | <u>Margate</u> |
| | | <i>Unallocated</i> | |
| | | The "Percy Garron" | |
| | | <i>ILB Southend-on-Sea</i> | |

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

The Civil Service and Post Office Life-Boat Fund

ESTABLISHED 1866

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Miss D. Hamill, Ministry of Health and Social Services, Northern Ireland
R.L. Osborn, M.B.E., Beaminstor
C. Judd, Ministry of Defence
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The Chairman, Deputy-Chairman, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer are ex-officio members of the Executive Committee.

The Council in presenting the Annual Report for 1977 wish to thank all the collectors for their efforts in making the 1977 collection such a success.

Subscriptions to the fund, including monies paid direct to the RNLI and including the sale proceeds of the "Princess Royal" CS No. 7, amounted to £58,706. This figure is somewhat lower than the revised total for 1976, but it was, perhaps, to be expected that the record level would not be maintained in a year of virtually complete pay restraints. However, a number of regular subscribers, including one or two of the larger Departments, were late in starting their annual collections and there is some hope that the carry-over in early 1978 may be larger than usual.

For the first time separate accounts are printed in this report for the usual Departmental collections and for monies sent to the RNLI. The arrangement is more simple than before and also enables the RNLI's use of their receipts to be shown in more detail.

In addition to the usual maintenance and allowances on service payments a total of £56,086 was paid to the RNLI towards the cost of the fund's latest lifeboat, the "Silver Jubilee" and £201 for radio telephone for the Torbay lifeboat station (CS lifeboat No. 37).

The payments from the fund for the "Silver Jubilee" Civil Service and Post Office No. 38 which will be stationed at Margate will be completed this year and the fund will have to consider its future policy for a new boat.

The RNLI have requested that the fund should consider the purchase of a new lifeboat to maintain our fleet and this project, which has been approved by the Council, appears in more detail in the Deputy Director's report which follows.

Mr. John Atterton, the Deputy Director of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, in addressing the meeting, said that President, Chairman and the Committee of Management of the RNLI were very grateful to the fund for their generous continuous support for over 100 years — during which time 38 conventional boats have been purchased, together with an inshore lifeboat, and it should always be remembered that these boats had saved 3,700 lives since the foundation of the fund.

Mr. Atterton thought that members of the fund would like to know of the continuous review of the changing face of rescue work and that the business and policy of the RNLI was in the hands of committees consisting of people eminent in various fields, all of whom gave their services free. In this way, in conjunction with the Government, the boats, all of which were of the highest quality, were the most up to date in the world. In fact Mr. Atterton mentioned that the world's lifeboat services looked to the RNLI for a lead and the RNLI acts as the Permanent Secretariat to the International Lifeboat Conference which meets every 4 years.

Recently, on the international scale, the RNLI had organised the launching of a voluntary service for Spain, who now have a service known as the Red Cross of the Sea. The Spanish institution had contributed to the RNLI for its "know how" and advice. This, Mr. Atterton said, was necessary, as the RNLI, being a Charity, could not use its funds for additional objects and could only help on a non-voluntary basis, but this was of course understood throughout the world.

The Search and Rescue Committee, in conjunction with the Coast Guards and other government agencies, constantly review the requirements of the service and plan ahead for the changing pattern of casualties. Over the last 20 years casualties have increased four-fold and to mention only two of the changed conditions, the RNLI, in addition to the ever-present need of the fishing fleets and other coastal vessels, have to consider the increased pleasure sailing and increased passenger traffic in the south and the entirely new risk presented by the oil rigs and their attendant flotillas of supply boats out in all weathers.

All the lifeboats are of the highest quality, designed by the RNLI, who have permanent draughtsmen and designers. They supply the parts and equipment, the boats being built by approved builders. The repairs and maintenance are entirely in the hands of the Institution's own workshops, although major work is done at recognised shipyards. The Institution's workshops never close and if a piece of equipment is required it can be supplied immediately to anywhere in the UK or Ireland, whether it is a Sunday, Christmas Day or an ordinary working day.

The Institution is committed to a fleet of self-righting boats by 1980. All new boats are of course self-righters and the older boats which have not yet spent their useful life are being converted to comply with this policy and government requirement.

New faster boats are being developed with the object of fast slip away self-righting lifeboats for the whole service.

The RNLI was very grateful for the latest boat, "Silver Jubilee", CS & PO No. 38, and he wished to take the opportunity of thanking Sir Ronald Radford for the cheque he had just received for the balance of the purchase price. He said he was heartened at the enthusiasm of the meeting and grateful to the fund for agreeing to finance a new "Arun" lifeboat similar to the "Edward Bridges" at Torbay, which would in three years' time when built, be allocated to Port-Rush in Northern Ireland, one of the fund's traditional stations where the "Lady Scott" was now stationed, and was now nearly at the end of her useful life.

Mr. Atterton said that the RNLI had no difficulty in finding crews for the boats, in fact in most places there were waiting lists. The inshore boats were manned by the young and a number of ladies are now crew members, who were most successful with the Atlantic 21.

Mr. Atterton said, while mentioning Atlantic 21's, what a success the inshore lifeboat at Southend-on-Sea had been and it had been on almost continuous service, having saved 35 lives in 67 launchings.

Unfortunately, from time to time, crew members lost their lives and he was sure members would wish to know that the RNLI paid pensions to dependents based on the Royal Navy scale of pensions for Chief P.O.

Mr. Atterton, in reviewing the organisation of the RNLI and the necessary, notwithstanding the very high proportion of voluntary-workers, of Administrative, Operational and Technical Staff Workshops, etc., pointed out the cost of the organisation was very high and with inflation the current running costs of the Institution amounted to £7,000,000 per annum.

The normal station had only one paid member – the motor mechanic – while all other crew members and the administrative staff were voluntary.

The RNLI were very grateful and while relying on all help, both financial and services, the Civil Service and Post Office Lifeboat Fund, being regular and reliable, was without doubt one of the mainstays of the Institution in their vital work in saving life at sea.

Signed on behalf of the Council
Ronald Radford, Chairman
John Chapman, Honorary Secretary

Dated 29th March 1978

The Record of the Civil Service and Post Office Life-Boats

during the year ended 31st December, 1977

| Station | Life-Boat | Launches | Lives rescued | Boats & Vessels saved |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|----------|------------------|-----------------------------|
| Beaumaris | Greater London (ii) C.S. No. 30 | 1 | — | — |
| Blyth | Winston Churchill C.S. No. 8 | 7 | 6 | 1 |
| Postrush | Lady Scott C.S. No. 4 | 10 | 4 | 1 |
| Holyhead | St. Cybi C.S. No. 9 | 1 | 8 | 1 |
| Margate | North Foreland C.S. No. 11 | 10 | 3 | 1 |
| The Mumbles | Pentland C.S. No. 31 | 1 | — | — |
| Lizard/Cadgwith | Duke of Cornwall C.S. No. 33 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
| St. Davids | Joseph Soar C.S. No. 34 | 4 | — | — |
| Eyemouth | Eric Seal C.S. No. 36 | 1 | — | — |
| Torbay | Edward Bridges C.S. No. 37 | 18 | 10 | 3 |
| Southend-on-Sea | Percy Garron I.L.B. | 62 | 35 | 10 |
| Reserve | St. Andrew C.S. No. 10 | 2 | — | — |
| Eastbourne | Charles Dibden C.S. No. 32 | 5 | 12 | 3 |
| Reserve | Charles H. Barrett C.S. No. 35 | 14 | 3 | 1 |
| | | 142 | 84 | 22 |

This brings the total of lives rescued since the foundation of the Fund to 3,600.

* Lives are not claimed as 'rescued' unless there is a strong possibility that they would have been lost had no rescue been effected.

CIVIL SERVICE AND POST OFFICE LIFEBOAT FUND
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR
ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1977

RECEIPTS

| 1976 | | 1977 |
|----------------|--|-------------------|
| £ | | £ |
| 13,415 | Balance brought forward, 1st January 1977 (Excluding balance held by R.N.L.I.) | 16,461.45 |
| 64,181 | Subscriptions | 52,977.19 |
| 12 | Legacies | — |
| 734 | Interest on Deposit Account | 73.22 |
| <u>£78,342</u> | | <u>£69,511.86</u> |

PAYMENTS

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|-------------------|
| <i>Payments to R.N.L.I.</i> | | |
| 5,000 | Maintenance of Civil Service Lifeboats | 5,000.00 |
| 2,144 | Allowances on Service 1976 | 2,523.70 |
| 7,000 | Final payment for 'Edward Bridges' | — |
| 45,000 | Payment towards cost of 'Silver Jubilee' | 50,000.00 |
| — | Transmitting Equipment for Torbay life-boat | 201.00 |
| — | Maintenance of Lizard/Cadgwith Lifeboat | 33.00 |
| 59,144 | | 57,757.70 |
| <i>Administrative Expenses</i> | | |
| 1,917 | Printing, Duplicating, Stationery | 2,242.67 |
| 30 | Postage | 36.40 |
| 15 | Travelling Expenses | 15.90 |
| 11 | Audit Fees | 16.20 |
| 600 | Provision of Office Accommodation etc. | 600.00 |
| — | Hire of Marquee, etc. | 71.28 |
| 2,573 | | 2,982.45 |
| <i>Balance on 31st December 1977</i> | | |
| 9,281 | Bank Accounts | 8,576.79 |
| 7,167 | Cheques in transit | 179.99 |
| 163 | R.N.L.I. | — |
| 14 | Petty Cash | 14.93 |
| 16,625 | | 8,771.71 |
| <u>£78.342</u> | | <u>£69,511.86</u> |

(Signed) R.A. Brall. *Hon. Treasurer*

(Signed) R. Radford *Chairman*

(Signed) J.M. Moore *Deputy Chairman*

(Signed) R.H. Westrop *Member of Council*

(Signed) R.S. Hayward *Member of Council*

We have examined the foregoing Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31st December 1977 with the books and vouchers. We have received all the information and explanations we have required. We certify that in our opinion it records correctly the transactions of the Civil Service and Post Office Lifeboat Fund for the year under review as disclosed by the books and in accordance with the information and explanations furnished to us.

3rd February 1978

CANTERBURY

REEVES & NEYLAN
 CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

**SUMMARY OF ACCOUNT WITH THE ROYAL NATIONAL
LIFE-BOAT INSTITUTION FOR THE YEAR
ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1977**

| <i>Monies received by RNLI</i> | | £ | <i>Expenditure by RNLI</i> | | £ |
|---|-----------|------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Remittance – | February | 14,000.00 | <i>Revenue Account –</i> | | |
| | March | 33.00 | Service Allowances | 2,093.71 | |
| | May | 7,523.70 | Maintenance | 5,000.00 | |
| | September | 10,000.00 | Lizard-Cadgwith | 33.00 | |
| | December | 26,000.00 | | <u>7,126.71</u> | |
| Sale of “Princess Royal” | | 5,540.00 | <i>Capital Account</i> | | |
| Items received direct – | | | On 1046 “Silver | | |
| Tax Refunds | | 21.16 | Jubilee” | 56,086.24 | |
| Estate of Miss E A Close | | 12.50 | | | |
| Deeds of covenant and sundry donations | | 82.59 | | | |
| | | <u>63,212.95</u> | | | <u>63,212.95</u> |

(Signed) R. A. Ball, Hon. Treasurer
 (Signed) R. Rendell, Chairman
 (Signed) J. M. Moore, Deputy Chairman
 (Signed) R. H. Weston, Member of Council
 (Signed) R. J. Harwood, Member of Council

We have examined the foregoing Receipts and Payments Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1977 with the books and vouchers and have ascertained that the information and explanations we have required are correct and in our opinion the accounts correctly show the transactions of the Life-Boat Institution for the year and in accordance with the information and explanations furnished to us.

20 February 1978
 CHARLES & MARY
 CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
 CANTERBURY

SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FUND
Received during the year ended 31st December 1977

| | £ |
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| Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Ministry of | 1302.76 |
| Agricultural Research Council | 425.14 |
| British Museum (Natural History) | 100.00 |
| Cabinet Office | 101.00 |
| Charity Commission | 50.00 |
| Crown Agents for Overseas Governments and Administrations | 57.00 |
| Crown Estate Office | 38.50 |
| HM Customs and Excise | 3731.46 |
| Defence, Ministry of | 7284.58 |
| Education and Science, Department of | 416.24 |
| Employment, Department of | 1660.56 |
| Energy, Department of | 86.01 |
| Environment, Department of the | 4066.99 |
| Exchequer and Audit Department | 383.95 |
| Export Credits Guarantee Department | 77.80 |
| Foreign and Commonwealth Office | 587.45 |
| Friendly Societies Registry | 15.25 |
| Government Actuary's Department | 10.00 |
| Health and Social Security, Department of | 5711.37 |
| Home Office | 1468.39 |
| Industry, Trade and PCP, Departments of | 51.05 |
| Imperial War Museum | 36.95 |
| Inland Revenue | 1000.00 |
| Land Registry HM | 246.05 |
| Lord Chancellor's Office | 1085.07 |
| National Debt Office | 13.25 |
| National Savings Department | 350.61 |
| Overseas Development, Ministry of | 173.35 |
| Parliamentary Commissioner, Office of | 21.00 |
| Paymaster General's Office | 69.34 |
| Population Censuses and Surveys, Office of | 171.10 |
| Post Office | 10381.40 |
| Public Record Office | 36.55 |
| Public Works Loan Board | 6.00 |
| Royal Courts of Justice, Admiralty Practitioners and Admiralty Registry, per the Admiralty Marshal (see final note) | 227.00 |
| Royal Mint | 30.00 |
| Science Research Council | 162.14 |
| HMSO | 471.07 |
| Treasury HM | 1.00 |
| Treasury Solicitor's Office | 64.80 |
| WALES | |
| Post Office | 256.79 |
| SCOTLAND | |
| Scottish Office | 1309.47 |
| Inland Revenue | 295.41 |
| Post Office | 4209.05 |
| Aberdeen Telephone Area Benevolent Society | 20.00 |
| Dundee telephone Area Benevolent Society Fund | 10.00 |
| Galashiels Post Office | 19.50 |
| Public Enquiry Office, Glasgow (Immigration Office) | 3.25 |
| Scottish Record Office | 16.06 |
| Registers of Scotland, Department of | 49.00 |

NORTHERN IRELAND

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| Agriculture, Department of | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 656.65 |
| Commerce, Department of | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 50.68 |
| Education, Department of | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 79.00 |
| Exchequer and Audit Department | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 7.85 |
| Postal and Telecommunications Board | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 670.40 |
| Finance, Department of | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 528.83 |
| Civil Service for Northern Ireland, Department of, Central Secretariat and Information Services | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 116.16 |
| Environment, Housing, Local Government and Planning, Department of | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1060.65 |
| Manpower Services, Department of | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 261.15 |
| Northern Ireland Office | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 56.19 |
| Offices of the Northern Ireland Assembly | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 8.50 |
| Health and Social Services, Department of | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 656.69 |
| Office of the Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 9.10 |

SPECIAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

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| Bangor Telephone Exchange | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 6.00 |
| Civil Service Sailing Association | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 45.00 |
| Derek Cotton Esq (for Lizard-Cadgwith Lifeboat Station) | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 33.00 |
| School of Signals, Blandford Camp | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1.60 |
| Miss L. Hyland | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 10.00 |
| Everdon Hall, Open Day | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 100.70 |
| Chelmsford Telephone Exchange Jubilee Party | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 25.00 |
| In memory of Mr R T Whiter (Victoria Barracks, Windsor) | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 6.00 |
| Central Volunteer HQ, REME, Bordon | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5.28 |
| Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 15.00 |
| Crusader Social Club (sponsored walk) | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 96.00 |
| Miss M Tuffill | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3.00 |
| Devonport Naval Base Fair | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 100.00 |
| Anonymous donations | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 8.05 |

NOTE

The total of £227 donated by the Royal Courts of Justice etc was comprised of the following individual donations:—

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| Mr P Bucknill, QC Chambers | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 10.00 |
| Mr B Sheen, QC Chambers | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 10.00 |
| Bentleys, Stokes & Lowles | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 15.00 |
| Clyde & Co | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 30.00 |
| Wm A Crump & Son | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 15.00 |
| Hill, Dickinson & Co | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 25.00 |
| Ince & Co | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 20.00 |
| Ingledeew, Brown, Bennisson & Garrett | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 20.00 |
| Andrew M Jackson & Co | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 10.00 |
| Sinclair, Roche & Temperley | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 50.00 |
| Richards, Butler & Co. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 15.00 |
| Office Staff | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 7.00 |

DONATIONS RECEIVED BY THE RNLI DURING THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1977

The following organisations, Civil Servants and Post Office Staff made direct contributions to the RNLI, which have been set towards the cost of the Fund's new lifeboats and maintenance costs and awards.

G.W. Bews, D. Bishop, A.G. Ford, Arch D. Miller, J.A.D. Heal, Chelmsford Exchange, Staff & Division, A.C. Frost, D.C. Wassell, Mrs M. Spilman, Z.M. Hawson, Kelvin House Xmas Bazaar, A.J. Brown, R.F. Muston, S.C. Littleton, Fishers Green Sailing Club, Miss W. Batcheler, Miss D.E. Wilkinson, Miss O. Tutt, L.R.H. Smith, D.D. Tutt, The Estate of Miss E.A. Close.

DONATIONS RECEIVED BY THE R.N.L. DURING
THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1977

THE following organizations (27th November and 7th October 1977) made direct contributions to the R.N.L. which have been set towards the cost of the President's new dispensary and maintenance costs and awards of £5,000 for the year.

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| C.W. Bury, D. Bishop, A. C. Field, D.C. Wessell, Mrs M. Spalding | 50.00 |
| Barclays Bank Ltd | 50.00 |
| Hawson, Kelvin House, King's Road, Hove, Brighton BN1 9GB | 50.00 |
| 1st Hove Green Sailing Club, Mrs W. Worsfold, Mrs D.E. Wilkinson, Mrs J. Worsfold | 50.00 |
| Mrs J. Worsfold, 1st Hove Green Sailing Club, Mrs W. Worsfold, Mrs D.E. Wilkinson, Mrs J. Worsfold | 50.00 |

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The Civil Service Benevolent Fund

The Civil Service Benevolent Fund spent over £320,000 in 1977, helping in excess of 4,600 serving and retired Civil Servants and their dependants.

The Fund is managed by a Committee of serving civil servants helped by over 5,000 voluntary representatives and over 100 local committees in the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland.

Are YOU helping? You can do so by simply completing a form authorising the deduction of only a few pence each week from your pay. Forms can be obtained from the Fund's local representatives or direct from the Civil Service Benevolent Fund, Watermead House, Sutton Court Road, Sutton, Surrey.

THE ROWLAND HILL MEMORIAL AND BENEVOLENT FUND

THE ROWLAND HILL BENEVOLENT FUND exists to relieve distress of Post Office operational staff and their dependants. In 1976/77 almost 1,000 individuals were assisted by means of free grants or interest-free loans. 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 make quite a 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 to provide the cash to enable the RHBF to continue to do its job? 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. Individual donations are also welcome.

The Post Office and Civil Service Sanatorium Society

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CANCER TREATMENT. . . Operation fees paid and hospital charges met in accordance with the Rules. Fees and charges in excess may be authorised. Domestic expenses defrayed.

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The Society provides treatment at its modern chest hospital at Benenden, Kent, and York Lodge, Seaford, Sussex.

SPECIALIST'S CONSULTATION FREE

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TRAVELLING AS NECESSARY FREE

EARLY TREATMENT essential

BENEFIT FREE after 6 months in the Society

SUBSCRIPTIONS deducted from pay

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The Society brings the best possible treatment within the reach of all staff at small cost. Wives/Husbands, Children and Dependants may be enrolled if under 60 years of age.

For further particulars about the Society and as a measure of precaution, write to the Secretary at 63 Catherine Place, London, SW1E 6HE. Telephone 01-834-5022.