

September 12th to October 2nd, 1962.

Wednesday, Sep. 12th. From home to Newton near Slaidburn, saw Jack Walmsley from Dale Head, lunch near Newton, then through the Trough of Bowland to Caton where I bought the old sink, then up via Levens Bridge to Finsthwaite to see Joseph Robinson and return his photograph, then a quick call on Mrs Clark at Low Wood, and on to Holme Island. Went to Grange to see Bruce Milburn in the evening and stayed at Holme Island for the night.

Thursday, Sep. 13th. Visited Ulverston and Barrow Public Libraries in the morning, had lunch on the hillside above Askrigg looking out towards the Isle of Man, visited Tom Barnes at Askrigg, and sat on Askrigg beach for half an hour, then drove back to Holme Island via Lowick, where I called on Mr Cragg. Out in the evening to Crosthwaite to see Diddy Dixon, and back to Holme Island.

Friday, Sep. 14th. Worked in the Barrow News Office till 1.30 on the old Soulby's Advertiser, had lunch in Barrow, visited Chris Parkinson in the afternoon, and then tried unsuccessfully to see Mr Langhorn. Drove back to Ulverston along the coast road & picked up some shells for Lindsay, and on to Holme Island. Came back to Ulverston in the evening to see Mr Burrow, and again back to Holme Island.

Saturday, Sep. 15th. Ambleside to visit Miss Clay, then an eventually successful attempt to trace the Clifton family, and then lunch in Ambleside. Afterwards I drove to Hawkshead to see Mr Piggott, but he was out, so went on to Sawrey to collect the programme from Mrs Brockbank and to see the church records there. Since they began too late, I went back to Hawkshead to see the records there, then went on to Finsthwaite, and was fortunate in finding the minister there for a bring and buy sale (he lives at Staveley). Had tea at Holme Island, picked up the sink again, and went out to see Harold Ridgar, then drove home at 10%.

Monday, Sep. 17th. Drove from home to Eastriggs, near Annan, to see Theodore Cannon, then back to Workington to see Will Wright. Stayed overnight at The Commercial Hotel at Workington, and arranged to see Marion Cooper & Fred Clifton next day.

Tuesday, Sep. 18. Drove from Workington to Whitehaven, where I had lunch, then saw Marian Cowper & learnt her Sword Dance, then back to Penrith, where I spent the evening with Fred Clifton. Stayed overnight at the Castle Private Hotel at Penrith - never again.

Wednesday, Sep. 19 Left Penrith in the morning and drove to Kendal, where I saw Mrs Pickett Hall and arranged to call later, then saw Mrs Rooking and obtained Muriel Todd's address, and arranged to see her next day. Then drove on to Staveley to borrow the programme from Mrs Tugman, had lunch at Windermere, then on to Hawkshead to see Fred Coward. I also had another look at the Hawkshead records whilst I was there, made a quick visit to Cissie Wilson, and then back to Holme Island. In the evening Norman and I visited Mrs Pickett Hall, then back to Holme Island.

Thursday, Sep. 20. Visited Mr Todd & Mrs Beck in Kendal in the morning, had lunch there, then visited Diddy Dixon at Crosthwaite. Afterwards drove on to see A.S. Clay at Windermere and extracted the Harden MSS material. Had very little time to get back to Holme Island for tea, and did it in 20 minutes flat. Stayed in for the evening and showed Norman some steps.

Friday, Sep 21. Went out to Great Unsworth in the morning and saw Mr Langham - and nearly froze to death whilst doing so - then back to Ulverston for lunch. After lunch I drove back to Barrow to see the newspapers there, then returned to Ulverston along the coast road, with another 15 minutes off for shell-hunting. In Ulverston I tried to see Mr Burrow, but he had had a fall and been taken to hospital, and then went on to see Mrs Rigg. Afterwards I drove up to Satterthwaite to see the Moses Coward, having tea en route, then came back to Haverthwaite to see Mr Leake. I left him about 9.30, made a very hurried call on the wrong set of Robinsons, then drove home, arriving just before midnight.

Tuesday, Sep. 25. Left home about 10% and drove to Crosthwaite, where I had lunch before going to see Diddy Dixon. Afterwards I drove to Kendal to see Mr Wright and fix a session with him, then drove to Holme Island for tea. Stayed in and read for most of the evening (Norman & Betty went out to visit his mother on

her birthday), & then had a short session on steps with Norman.

Wednesday, Sep. 26. Since Norman's mother had the idea that old Jos. was named at Calton, I went there to look at the registers, but had no luck. Drove back to Kendal and spent 15 minutes on a hill overlooking the town looking for fossils, then went in to the town & had lunch, & spent my allotted half hour with Mr Wright. Afterwards I made a quick call on Mrs Bell, tried without success to find Frances Allen, and then went down to see Billy Cannon at Holme. I had no better success here, so went on to see Mrs Chaplow at Burton, then back to Holme Island. In the evening I went to Hawksburgh to find Alec Edgar & Mrs Gilpin, but both were out, then spent half-an-hour at Norman's class. Saw the hedgehog whilst waiting half-a-hour driving round the Cartmel lanes before going to the class.

Thursday, Sep. 27. Drove from Holme Island to Rawtenstall, via Clapham, Settle, Gisburn, Nelson, and Burnley, saw Mrs Riley there, then home via East Lancs Rd.

Tuesday, Oct 2. Left home about 9.30, and drove to Lancaster, had lunch on Halton Bridge, then saw Mrs Toy in Lancaster. Afterwards I visited Mrs Smithson in Morecambe, & found Mrs Booth there, had tea on Morecambe prom, and then drove back to Lancaster to find Alf R's son Joseph. Then I drove on to St Annes to try to find Mr Booth's sister, but couldn't find either the road or the house, so came back home.

Total : 50 gallons of petrol (about 1500 miles motoring)

bought lunches at Barrow, Ambleside, Windermere, Kendal, Ulverston, Kendal, Rawtenstall ; average: 4/6 evenings and night at Workington, £1-16-6, Penrith £1-2-0, Betty £4-10-0.