

P.S. I received the  
Folkdancer which  
you sent.

Barnett, Seton.

8.3.58

Dear Tom,

What an enjoyable weekend we had ~~at~~  
in London. After you left Cecil Sharp House, I  
bought some records and books, spending the  
rest of my Christmas presents and quite a lot more  
besides!, and wandered down to Waterloo just in  
time for a train back here. Since then I have  
been absorbed with mathematics and have left all other  
paper work on one side.

However, I have danced a little. The  
'exhibition' was just as abominable as I expected.  
Do you remember the glassy floor at St Georges Hall?  
(wasn't it a Youth Hostel Association Dance)? The floor  
at the Royal Pier ballroom is rather like that. We  
waited ages for the M.C. to find the record of

the grand march for our entry. After another long wait the music for the first dance blared out and we slid manily about the room. The audience cheered madly everytime someone just saved themselves from falling. There was obvious anticipation of a solution of the problem of what a Scotsman wears. They called loudly for an encore ; which I suggested should be done an hour later - and beat a hasty retreat.

Since then I have danced twice - once at <sup>an</sup> the EFDSS party where I met the bagman of Winchester Morris, and once with the Winchester Morrismen. They are not top notch, but they are vigorous and a really enthusiastic crowd. So there you are - my long wait is over and my third grandmother is temporarily in mothballs. However, I am still teaching some Highland Solo.

Enclose an advert of some interest.

Yours Frank.

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[The name of Wilson's partner was illegible.]