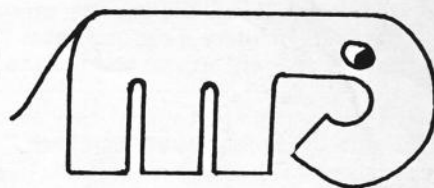


# TRUNK-CALL

No.5

## Cox & Wyman Group News



### ANNUAL PRINT AWARDS 1974

Congratulations to Mr Cameron and the Colour Litho Section at Fakenham, who have proved the quality of production by winning a Highly Commended Certificate in the Color Metal/SOAG Award Section of the *PRINTING WORLD* Annual Print Awards for work produced during 1973.

Mr R.C. Kent, our Marketing Director, attended a luncheon in London on Friday, 3 May, to receive the certificate on behalf of the Company.

The winning entry was Hamlyn's *STEP BY STEP GARDENING FROM SCRATCH*, produced from positive film supplied by the customer and printed on a Roland VI 2-colour press in normal make-ready times at an average running speed of 5,000 impressions per hour.

Olympic presensitized positive plates supplied by Howson Algraphy and B.P.I. special gloss 4-colour set of inks were used to a printing sequence of blue, yellow, black and red. The entire job was printed on Contract 061 coated cartridge 135 gsm.

This particular job is typical of the type of work produced at Fakenham, and is in the same series as one chosen in the Book of the Year Competition earlier in the year.

Readers will remember that in 1973 Fakenham Binding won a Highly Commended Certificate in the binding section for their entry, *BENTLEYS TALES FROM SHAKESPEARE*.

### WINE, WOMEN, AND SONG?

A reception was held for over 100 publishers' production staff at Stationers' Hall, near St Paul's Cathedral, on 23 April. A feature of the evening was an eye-catching display of books selected from the full range of work produced by Cox & Wyman during the preceding twelve months. The specimens on show ranged from a complex quarto text book on *TRIBOLOGY* (which as every reader will know is the study of friction between interacting surfaces) to best-selling paperbacks. The exhibition was mounted with the very kind assistance of Hodder & Stoughton's Sales Director and master-minded throughout by Brian Bean our Marketing Manager.

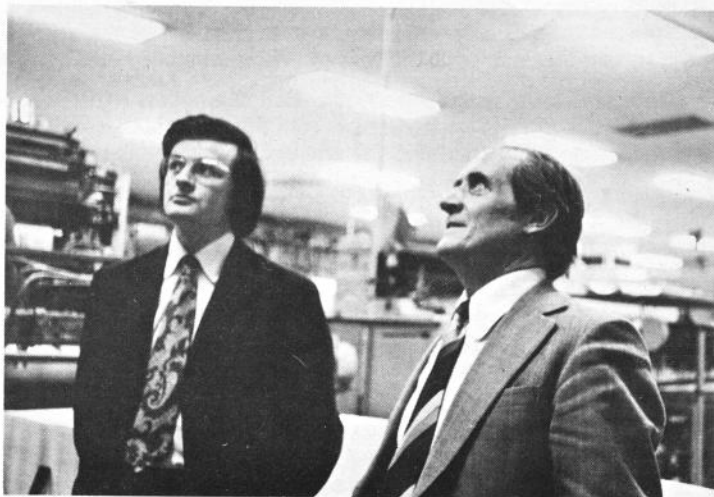
The fine Hall which provided a superb setting for the function is now just 300 years old having been built on the site of the previous structure which was destroyed in the Great Fire of 1666.

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### READING FACTORY ON THE BOX – BUT ONLY JUST!

Despite lengthy filming sessions some weeks ago by BBC TV crews at Reading for use in the programme on Enid Blyton last week the net result was a total of some 35 seconds screen time as the final credits were shown. And even then the subjects selected were strictly mechanical save for one exquisitely manicured pair of hands shown knocking books up as they left the Wohlenberg trimmers. But who knows? Maybe even now a contract is on its way from *FAIRY LIQUID* ...!

### LET THERE BE LIGHT ...



Mr Mike Burden, Fakenham Works Manager, (right), and Mr Ian Hancock, Industrial Sales Engineer, EEB, photographed recently during the preparation of an article for nationwide release by the Electricity Council who have selected the new litho printing hall at Fakenham as an example of advanced environmental planning in the design of lighting in industry.

## SAFETY CORNER

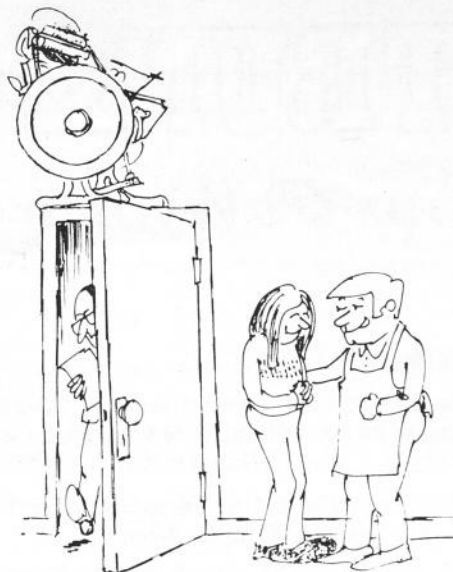
These articles will tell you why safe working practices in the printing industry are so important. If you are safety conscious you will protect yourself and those who work with you.

Accidents do not 'happen', they are caused by lack of thought, by carelessness, by not knowing the correct working procedure, by not understanding the dangers involved, or even by a misplaced sense of fun. If you know how accidents are caused, you are more likely to be able to avoid or prevent them. Injuries resulting from accidents range from a cut finger to the loss of a limb or even loss of life.

Most injuries are caused by people handling goods the wrong way, falling over, bumping into things, misusing hand tools, and being hit by things falling. About a third of all injuries are caused by machinery and these are likely to be the most serious.

These safety articles will help you avoid accidents which can so easily result in injury to yourself or others. You owe it to others as well as yourself to find a few moments to read them carefully.

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'... a misplaced sense of fun'

## DENIS & WIFE IN RUSSIA –PART II

Denis and his wife's first port of call was Leningrad, formerly known as St Petersburg and capital of Russia until the revolution in 1917. Leningrad is a fine old city rich in galleries, museums and churches. The magnificent palaces of the Tsars are now all museums. Among Leningrad's greatest assets are St Isaac's Cathedral, which has the third largest dome in the world, and the treasures of the Hermitage, which ranks with the Louvre and British Museum for its magnificent collection of world art. Naturally no visit to Leningrad would be complete without the ballet, and Denis and his wife found it enthralling.

From Leningrad our tourists travelled to Moscow by train; the journey took 7½ hours, covering a distance of 500 miles. The compartments were spotlessly clean, and the whole train one class. From the train the couple witnessed five or six blizzards and except for the odd town the whole countryside was covered in snow. Most of the houses in the country are made of wood; apart from this they are very similar to country houses anywhere.

On arrival in Moscow every tourist's aim is to visit Red Square, which translated means 'Beautiful Square'. Denis and his wife arrived in the Red Square at night and to their surprise there were crowds of people gathered. However, they soon discovered that it was like that all the time.

The troops guarding Lenin's Mausoleum are changed every hour, due to the extremely cold weather; they also stand on cushions to prevent them from freezing to the ground. A visit to Lenin's Tomb is a must and Russians queue for hours, but by showing their passports our tourists found themselves at the head of the queue. Before entering it is necessary to hand in cameras, and one is told politely, no hands in pockets, hats off, no smoking, or talking, and due reverence must be shown at all times.

Both the Kremlin and the modern Hall of Congresses our visitors found they could wander around at will, as well as the famous St Basil's Cathedral, also situated in Red Square, which is quite remarkable and unique. To ensure that the Cathedral remained unique, an unkindly Tsar had the architect's eyes removed.

Finally, a word of warning from Denis to all future tourists: the Green Cross Code does not apply in Russia. It is an offence to cross the road anywhere in any Russian city except at the official crossing. This information Denis discovered a little too late. In fact, in the cities, if you are knocked down by a motorist while crossing the road anywhere other than the official crossing, you are liable to prosecution.



*Our Recruiting Officer at Work ...!*

## OLD LANE

Cox & Wyman's Fakenham factory is partly built on the meadows to the south of what is known as Old Lane.

Although it is now only a service road it was at one time a most important thoroughfare in and out of the town. An Elizabethan traveller wishing to go to Norwich would travel south along Tunn Street, turn east along what is now Swan Street, Cattle Market Street and then Old Lane as far as the 'old' Baron's Hall (near the railway station), veering south-east to cross the River Wensum into the parish of Testerton, and on.

This route was in use until the mid-19th century, when the increase in wheeled traffic led to its decline due to the fact that it traversed meadow and marsh land. The road remained open as far as the river until the turn of the century, provision was made for it to cross the railway, and these gates are to be seen today, but the end of the road is now Cox & Wyman, although there is still a public footpath as far as the site of the Old Hall.

*Jim Baldwin*

## LOOKING BACK

### 'DON'T LIFT IT ...'

On being placed on the display ship, I came under the control of a Clicker who really was a character. He always seemed to have a bottle of beer in his frame, took a quarter of snuff daily and chewed garlic; it was claimed that on a G.I. he wore a stiff dickey and sported a top hat. But then he was well over 60 and belonged to a past generation. I had a lot to thank him for. His most outstanding skill was the ability to bend brass rule, even into a circle – this was done with the aid of a gas flame. Bending leads was a simple matter; we simply bent and rolled them around a tin.

The work in hand was a full-page advertisement for the weekly newspaper, composed of many smaller ads. My job was to set the wide-measure stuff, for which purpose I was given a wooden 3-foot poster stick, and when about to lift the type in it into the page, there was a shout from the Clicker, 'Don't lift it, slide it in!' The ribaldry which followed such a seemingly innocent remark is best imagined, but then it was too good a trot to let pass.

*Nonpareil*

## READING SOCIAL CLUB ANNUAL OUTING

The annual outing will take place on Sunday, 9 June. The destination this year will be Weymouth.

All those wishing to go, please add your name to the list in your department not later than Friday, 17 May.

Members and children FREE, non-members' tickets £1.35.

## FAKENHAM SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

There was a very disappointing turn-out of people attending the Suedewear Party, held in the Fakenham Social Club Hall on Monday, 18 March. In fact there were only fifteen people, including the organizers.

All ladies who complain that the club does nothing for the women will have to keep quiet in future, or turn up and support us at any other functions that may be held.

*G. Loades*

## WHAT'S ON AT THE CLUB HOUSE

### SATURDAY 18 MAY

DANCE. RETURN OF 'TRIANGLE'

### SATURDAY 1 JUNE

COUNTRY & WESTERN  
'MISSISSIPPI DELTA'

### BOOK THE DATE

### SATURDAY 15 JUNE

'TRAMPS NIGHT'  
'COLLEGIANS' DANCE BAND

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir,

It is with much reluctance that I ask you to insert in the forthcoming edition a notice to this effect:

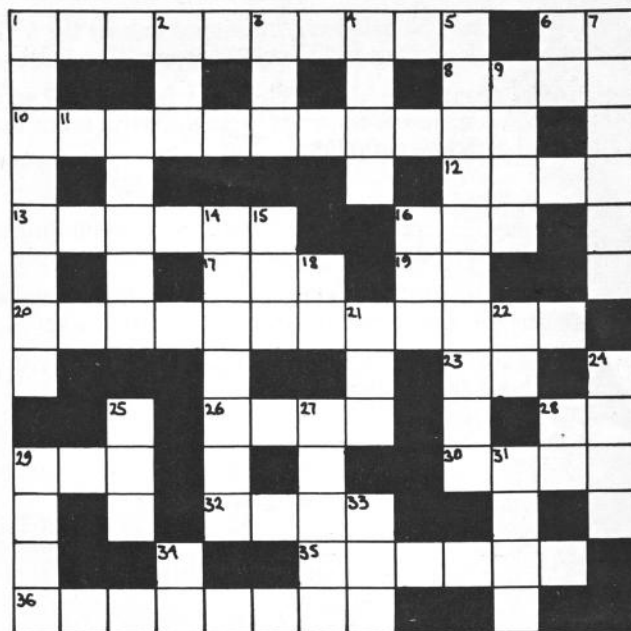
'Cox & Wyman Chess Club (?) is hereby disbanded owing to a continued lack of interest.'

The organizers would therefore like to thank all those NOT INTERESTED for making it the howling failure that it was.

*S.N.J. Cook*  
(One of the organizers)

If anyone is interested in chess then let the Editor know and he will pass your names on.

## CROSSWORD



### CLUES ACROSS

1. Prior appointment (10)
6. I am, he ... (2)
8. Deplore (4)
10. The Norfolk Broads are this (11)
12. Rome wasn't built in a day (4)
13. Unpleasant oxide smell (6)
16. Catalogue no.(abbr.) (3)
17. Usually appears in births column (3)
19. You and me (2)
20. Religious time for jubilation (6.6)
23. No, switch it off (2)
26. Division of mankind (4)
28. Goes before (2)
29. Couple of singers (3)
30. One and others held him to the cross (4)
32. A gangster (4)
35. '... little children to come unto me' (6)
36. Mrs. Ripoe loves this flower (8)

### CLUES DOWN

1. They as individuals work here (8)
2. One of the underworld (3)
3. Terror without the peak (3)
4. Free from pain (4)
5. Dodgy, perhaps! (6.4)
6. Sort of a girl (2)
7. They save nine (6)
9. Period of time (4)
11. Type of workers (abbr.) (5)
14. Archaeologists' routine(7)
15. The English Channel (3)
16. A source of heat (3)
18. Type size (2)
21. On its own (3)
22. Pref. without (2)
24. Avon calling! (4)
25. Prominent rock (3)
27. On the green hill (5)
28. A matter of choice in schools (abbr.) (2)
29. Uncomplimentary name (4)
31. Aid and this then don't get caught (4)
33. Expected (3)
34. I will be in present tense (2)

### LAST MONTH'S SOLUTION

ACROSS: 1 Pica. 3 Section. 6 CI. 7 Cedar. 8 Loner. 10 LHC. 11 Via. 12 Elephant. 15 From. 17 Ta. 19 Reader. 21 Ali. 22 Cere. 23 Ajar. 25 But. 26 Gauge. 27 Eel. 28 Time. 29 Print. 33 NCU. 36 Lucky. 37 Changes.

DOWN: 1 Pie. 2 Avec. 3 Sir. 4 Two. 5 Nark. 6 Call. 7 Character. 9 Nonpareil. 10 Life. 12 Emergency. 13 Et. 14 Paragraph. 16, Ode. 18 Bible. 19 Ruby. 20 Rea. 24 Je. 30 Ink. 31 Tu. 32 II. 34 In. 35 Us.

## OBITUARY

### MR P G BRYANT

Mr Percy G Bryant, former joint managing director of Wyman & Sons Ltd, died on 13 March at his home Shoreham-by-Sea, at the age of 88. He joined the company in 1934, he was made responsible for the running of the Reading factory and held that post until 1953, when he was appointed joint managing director. He retired in 1956.

## FISH & QUIPS (FORMERLY SEA-ANGLING NEWS)

For a change, we booked a trip from Weymouth. And what a day that turned out to be! When we got out to sea, it absolutely poured down with rain, and the wind was blowing a gale. The sea was very choppy and the boat was going up and down like a yo-yo. Being keen fishermen, we clung on and braved the environment.

Within the first half-hour, I managed to boat the first fish of the day: a spotted ray just under 3 lb. None of the other members had any luck and this included Mike Brown (Tope King). Two of our guests caught dogfish and pouting.

After about three hours' fishing, we were all very very wet and cold, and we made the decision to call it a day. On the way in, I overheard someone comment in no uncertain terms that we all must have been mad to go out on a day like that. I must say that I agreed with him entirely!

*Ray Lloyd*

Sunday, 21 April, saw the farewell of 'Captain Birdseye', better known as 'Fireman Jack', from the sea-angling scene. In May, Jack departs to the sheep, billabongs, Waltzing Matildas, cobbers and all of Australia.

We shall all miss that wonderful sight of Jack lying full-length across the gunwale, foaming at the mouth, pea green in the face, shouting for 'Hughie' with an occasional 'never again'.

Pugwash Griffiths and all the lads would like to wish Jack and his wife 'Bon Voyage' and all the best for the future in Aussie-land. We all hope Jack will keep in touch.

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Lymington (Needles)  
Lymington (Needles)  
Lymington (Needles) Night Trip

Sunday, 12 May  
Sunday, 16 June  
Saturday, 29 June

*Mick Brown*

## LAUGH WITH GORDON ...



...WE'RE REVISING THE BONUS SCHEME MR JONES...

## COX & WYMAN READING F.C. REPORT THE REASON FOR A DISAPPOINTING SEASON

Imagine if you will the Anfield Kop singing in deafening unison 'You'll Never Walk Alone' in a blaze of red and white. Or 50,000 voices at Old Trafford chanting as one 'U-N-I-T-E-D'. Or even at Leeds, their jubilant supporters raving and screaming 'Super Leeds'. The electrifying atmosphere, the noise, banners, scarves, colour and toilet rolls.

Now picture Sol Joel Playing Fields on a cold wintry Sunday morning, Cox & Wyman's v. Tilbury Res., an atmosphere of a graveyard; and the 'crowd' outnumbered 5-1 by the players mourning the loss of Mick Brown too rivals Fryer Whitehill.

Yes, friends, we owe our success this season to our grand and loyal supporters who deserve a mention: Mick Pease, Jill McClelland, Ron Corbin, Brian Wasley, and John 'Short Back & Polish' Carpenter.

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## QUIZ

White, Green and Brown are the machine minder, compositor and reader of a well-known firm, but not necessarily in that order. Also in the firm are three office staff with the same surnames, to be known separately as 'Mr'.

1. Mr White lives in Reading.
2. The compositor lives in Fakenham.
3. Mr Green does not like football.
4. One of the office staff, whose name is the same as the compositor lives in London.
5. The compositor and one of the office staff, who plays for the local soccer club, attend the same church.
6. White beat the reader at chess recently.

**PROBLEM: WHO IS THE MACHINE MINDER?**

**ANSWER NEXT MONTH.**

## GROUP NEWS – CRICKET

The Cricket Team of Cox & Wyman, Fakenham, are anxious to meet their Reading equivalents for an inter-factory cricket match.

If the secretary of the Reading Team would care to take up this challenge then he can write to the Fakenham secretary, c/o The Editor of *Trunk Call*.

## PERSONAL COLUMN

### FAKENHAM BRANCH MARRIAGES

Miss Carolyn Woodrow (employee of the Bindery), to Mr Bernard Francis on Saturday, 30 March at St Mary's Church, Walsingham.