

100 YEARS AGO! Life in Bampton: March 1921

with thanks to Russ Davies

The annual meeting of the Bampton Horticultural and Cottage Garden Association took place in the Bampton National Schoolroom. The Rev. E. V. Cox presided, and a large attendance included Mrs. Cox, Mrs. W. H. White (Combehead), Mrs. F. Yendell (South View), Mrs. J. Todd, Mrs. W.T. Stone, Dr. T.W. Widger Bovey, Messrs. F. Townsend, E. P. Row, J. Penwarden, F. T. Seward, W. Dinham, H. Monson and A. Ross Butler (Hon. Secretary). Mr. T. C. Daniel, J.P., of Stuckeridge House was re-elected President.

To the honour and glorious memory of the men of Bampton who fell in the Great War, a stained-glass window was unveiled and dedicated by Colonel Acland Troyte, C.M.G., D.S.O., and the Dean of Exeter (Dr. Gamble) in the Bampton Parish Church. In the lower panels the names of the fallen are engraved with their regimental badges. The inscription is as follows: "The glass of this window was restored and placed here to the glory of God and in grateful memory of the above named parishioners who gave their lives in the Great War, 1914 – 1919."

For allowing a carcass to remain unburied in a field to which dogs had access Clifford Henson, Burrough Farm, Bampton, was fined £1 at Tiverton Divisional Sessions.

At the Tiverton Borough Police Court, Mervyn Gibbings, of Frog Street, Bampton, was fined 10s. For riding a bicycle without a rear light.

At the Parochial Meeting, voting for the Church Council as as follows: Mr. G. B. Hulland, 55; Mrs. A. Scott, 42; Mr. F. Townsend, 40; Mr. F. C. Davey, 40; Mrs. E. Gooding, 37; Mr. J. Scott, 36; Mrs. O. J. Hawkins, 35; Mr. W. H. Hill, 28; Mrs. Pile, 22; Miss Oxenham, 20; Miss H. James, 20; Mr. R. Chown, 19; Miss Alice Gooding, 18.