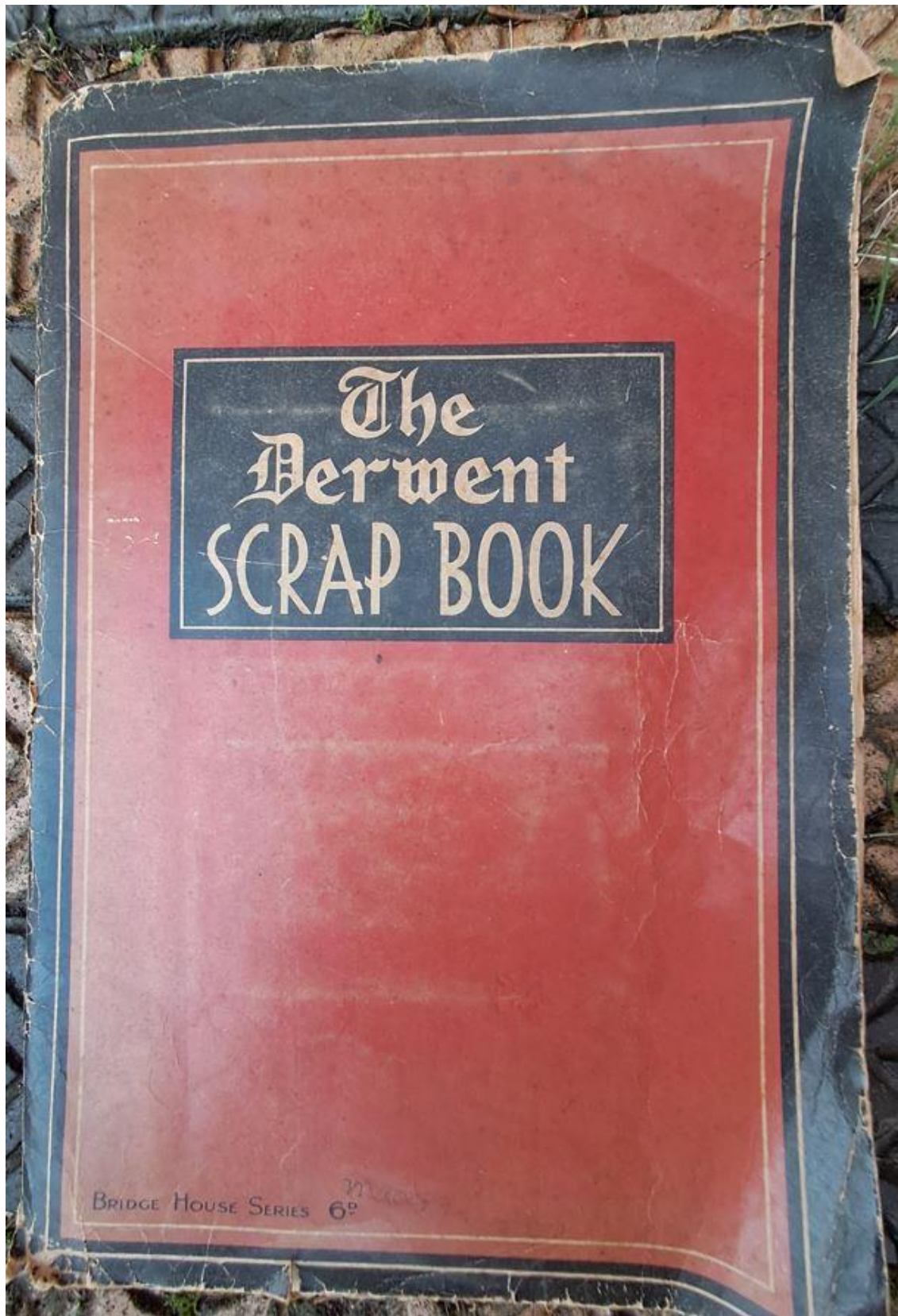




Countess Ilona Hoyos Journal 1939

Edited by Alex Barry February 2025

A journal by my great grandmother, Ilona Georgine Eugenie Maria Theresa Countess Hoyos (nee Countess Kinsky of Wchinitz and Tettau) (1879-1968) recording her visit to England, Wales and Ireland in 1939 with her husband, Edgar Viktor John Robert Anton Georg Graf Hoyos Freiherr zu Stichsenstein (1875-1952) and of the family members and places they visited.

A scrap book, titled, 'The Derwent Scrap Book', I discovered at Bryn Myrddin, Abergwili, Carmarthenshire, South Wales, home of Ilona and Edgar's daughter, Alicemargit Morris (nee Alicemargit Gräfin Hoyos Freiin zu Stichsenstein (1907-1979)) and her husband Ryle Morris (1891-1971). It was compiled by Ilona following her visit just before the outbreak of the WW2. It is in diary form with numerous photos and postcards added and is a fascinating account of their trip and the family members and others they met and places they visited.

She writes well in English, but as the script is not always easy to read, I have typed it out to the best of my abilities so that all may enjoy reading it easily. I have photographed and added the original pages. Ilona's script I have typed out in *italics*. My research via internet and family members I have added in [closed brackets] after her text. At the end of the journal, I have added some further information on family mentioned in the journal. Please do contact me if you wish to correct anything or add further detail via my cousin, Nancy Vaughan website www.dotmoth.co.uk where you can discover many other fascinating family documents.

In places the text has faded or is difficult to read and I have added a [?]

It now seems rather amazing to me that I met Ilona, born in 1879, as a child and remember her as a smallish, slim, elegant and warm-hearted woman.

Edited by

Alexander Michael Barry, Bristol, England, February 2025

Great, great, great grandson of Robert Whitehead and Frances Maria Johnson

Great, great grandson of Georg Anton Hoyos and Alice Whitehead

Great grandson of Edgar Hoyos and Ilona Kinsky

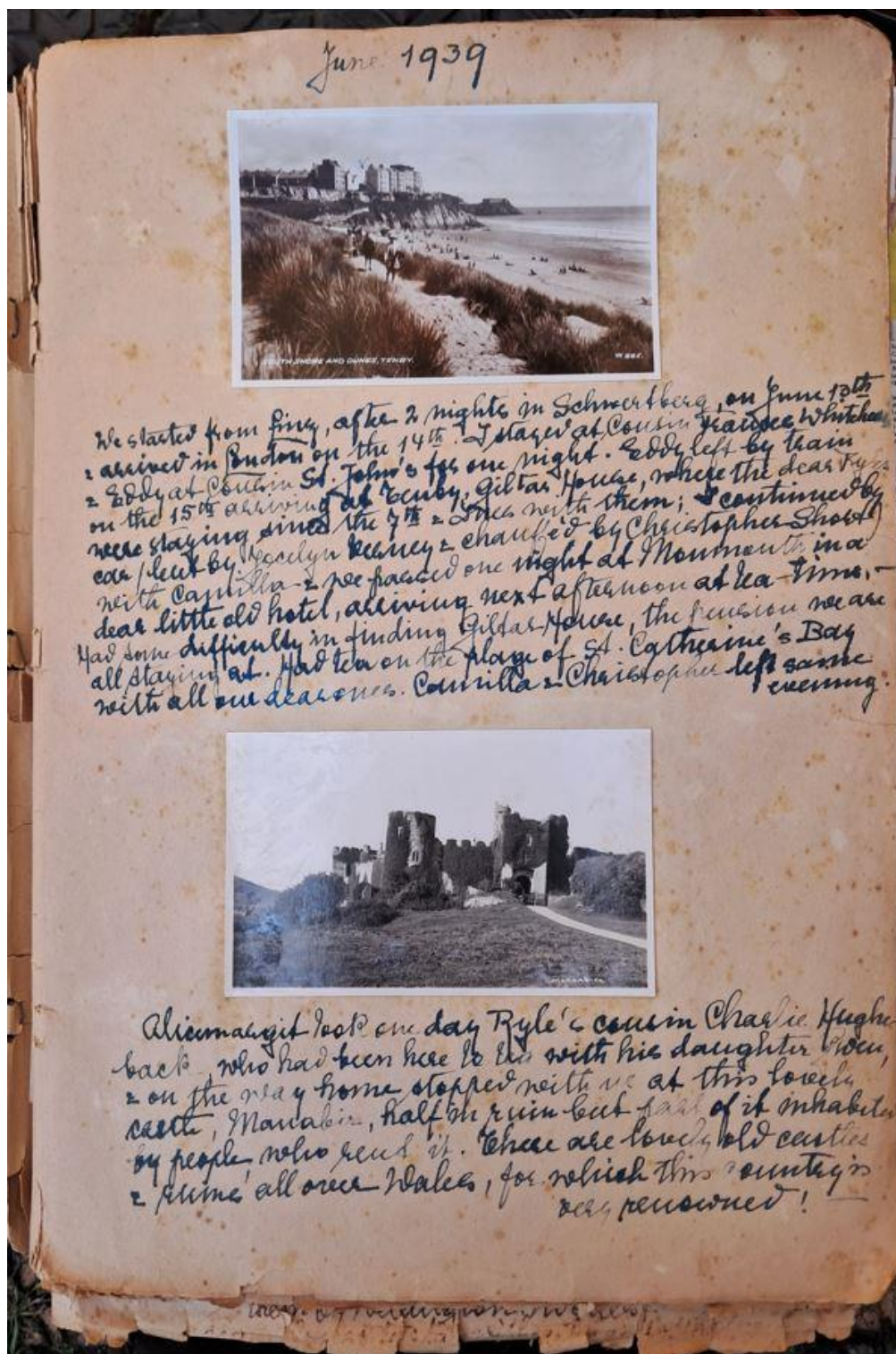
Grandson of Ryle Morris and Alicemargit Hoyos

Son of John Michael Barry and Elaine Morris

Husband of Theresa A'Court Bergne

Father of John William Barry b 20002 and Phoebe Antonia Catherine Barry b 2005

June 1939



Postcard 1: South shore and dunes, Tenby.

We started from Linz, after 2 nights in Schwerberg, on June 13th and arrived in London on the 14th.

[Linz an der Donau, Upper Austria. Schwertberg Castle in Upper Austria, now available to rent. It was bought by Edgar's brother, Ludwig Alexander Georg Graf Hoyos Freiherr zu Stichsenstein (1876-1937) in 1911].

I stayed at cousin Frances Whitehead and Eddy at Cousin St. John's for one night
[Children of Sir James Beethom Whitehead, (1858-1928) and first cousins of Edgar. Frances Edith Marian Whitehead (1903-1992) was to become second wife of Sir John Paget Bowman (1904-1994) after the death of Countess Marie Cajetana Bowman, nee Hoyos (1909-1948). John William St John Whitehead (1901-1984)]

Eddy left by train on the 15th, arriving at Tenby, Giltar House,
[on the Esplanade, Tenby, South Wales, still a hotel with same name]
where the dear Ryles were staying since the 7th and Ines with them.

[daughter Alicemargit and husband, Ryle Morris. Ines=Gräfin Marie Ines Polixena Benedikta Ilona Hoyos (1917-1985), youngest daughter of Ilona and Eddy, aged 22 at this time]

I continued by car, lent by Jocelyn Keeney [?] and chauffeured by Christopher Short with Camilla

[Camilla Dudley Short nee Camilla Johanna Amelie Luise Robertine Countess Hoyos Baroness of Stichsenstein (1880-1953) was a sister of Edgar. Camilla married Charles Wilkins Dudley Short of Cincinnati (1884-1954) in 1912 and they moved back to US. She would have been 58 in 1939. Charles Christopher Dudley Short, her son (1913-1978 m. Jane Seymour 1917-1987) would have been 25.

and we passed one night at Monmouth in a dear little old hotel, arriving next afternoon at teatime. Had some difficulty in finding Giltar House, the pension we are all staying at. Had tea on the plage of St Catherine's Bay with all our dear ones. Camilla and Christopher left same evening. [St Catherine's Bay, Tenby]

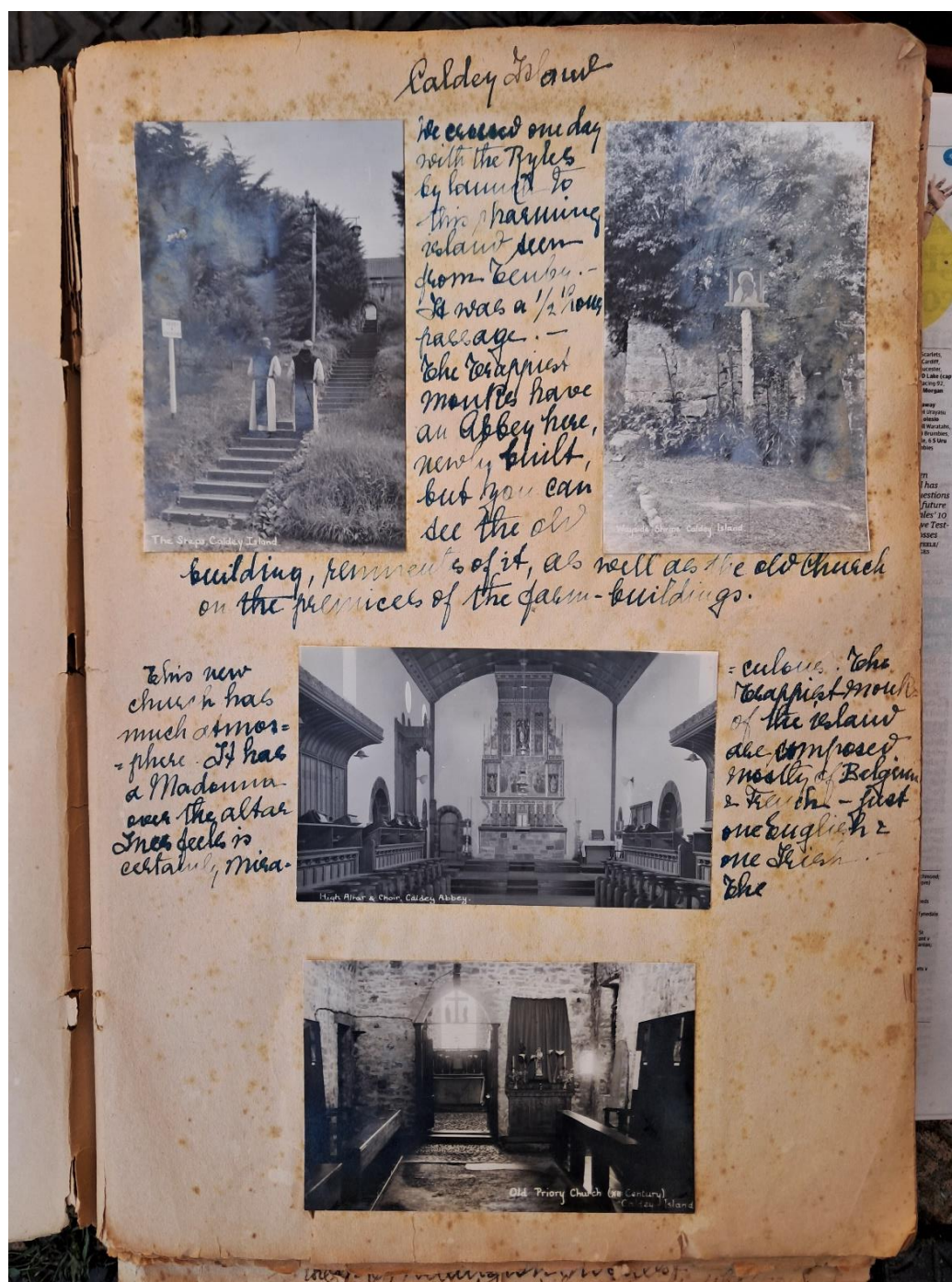
Postcard 2: Manorbier [Castle now seasonally open to public]

Alicemargit took one day Ryle's cousin Charlie Hughes back who had been here to tea with his daughter, [?]

[Ryle's mother was Edith Abadam (1847-1926). Her sister Adah Constance Abadam (1842-1914) married 30 July 1878 at Llanarthne, Capt. John Williams Hughes (1845-1888), farmer, of Glandulais, Llangathen. Son, Charles Williams Hughes (1883-1951) was Ryle Morris' first cousin. Charles's brother, Major W.J Hughes (1880-1941) inherited and sold Middleton Hall, Llanarthne and moved to Africa. Charles had 3 daughters. It's not possible to see which one this is.]

and on the way home stopped with me at this lovely castle, Manorbier, half in ruin but part of it inhabited by people who rent it. There are lovely old castles and ruins all over Wales, for which this country is renowned!

Caldey Island. [Island off Tenby, South Wales]



We travelled one day with the Ryles by launch to this charming island, seen from Tenby. It was a half hour passage. The Trappist monks have an Abbey here, newly built, but you can see the old building, remnants of it, as well as the old church on the premises of the farm buildings.

This new church has much atmosphere. It has a Madonna over the altar. Ines feels is certainly miraculous. The Trappist monks of the island are comprised mostly of Belgium and French, just one English and one Irish.

4 postcards of Caldey: The Steps, Caldey Island. Wayside Shrine. High Altar and Choir. Old Priory Church XII century.

[Boats run from Tenby to Caldey, May to September.]



Postcard 1: Stack Rocks [On the Pembrokeshire coast due south of Castlemartin]
This is a rock where sea birds called 'gullimots' live. We saw them by the thousand on this rock where Alicemargit and Ryle took us by car. Nobody ever sees their arrival or departure.

Postcards 2 and 3: Bosherton Lily Ponds

The lovely lily pond on Stackpole estate, belonging to Lord Cawdor has been a great pleasure to visit on that same day



Photo: *Myself, Eddy and Ryle on the launch to Caldey.*
[Ilona 59, Eddy 64, Ryle 47]



Photo: *Ryle with Mary Agnes and Margaret.*

[Children of Ryle and Alicemargit. Mary Agnes Rolph, nee Morris, (1938-)
Margaret Vaughan, nee Morris (1934-)]



Photo: *Sweet little Margaret with Mr Rees and her Irish Nana.*



Photo: At Saundersfoot near Tenby myself, Eddy, Mrs Thomas, Ryle and ?

Carew Castle



Postcards: Carew Castle Near Tenby

We passed this old ruin on the edge of a tidal water after having tea with Colonel and Mrs Hugh Higgon at Cuffern, a very pretty country house. We met there Mrs Lloyd Phillips and her sister Mrs Lloyd again, whom we saw at the Lloyd Phillips place called Dale Castle which is on the next page. The Lloyd Phillips' daughter, Stella, works at the British consulat in Vienna and the Balthys know her.

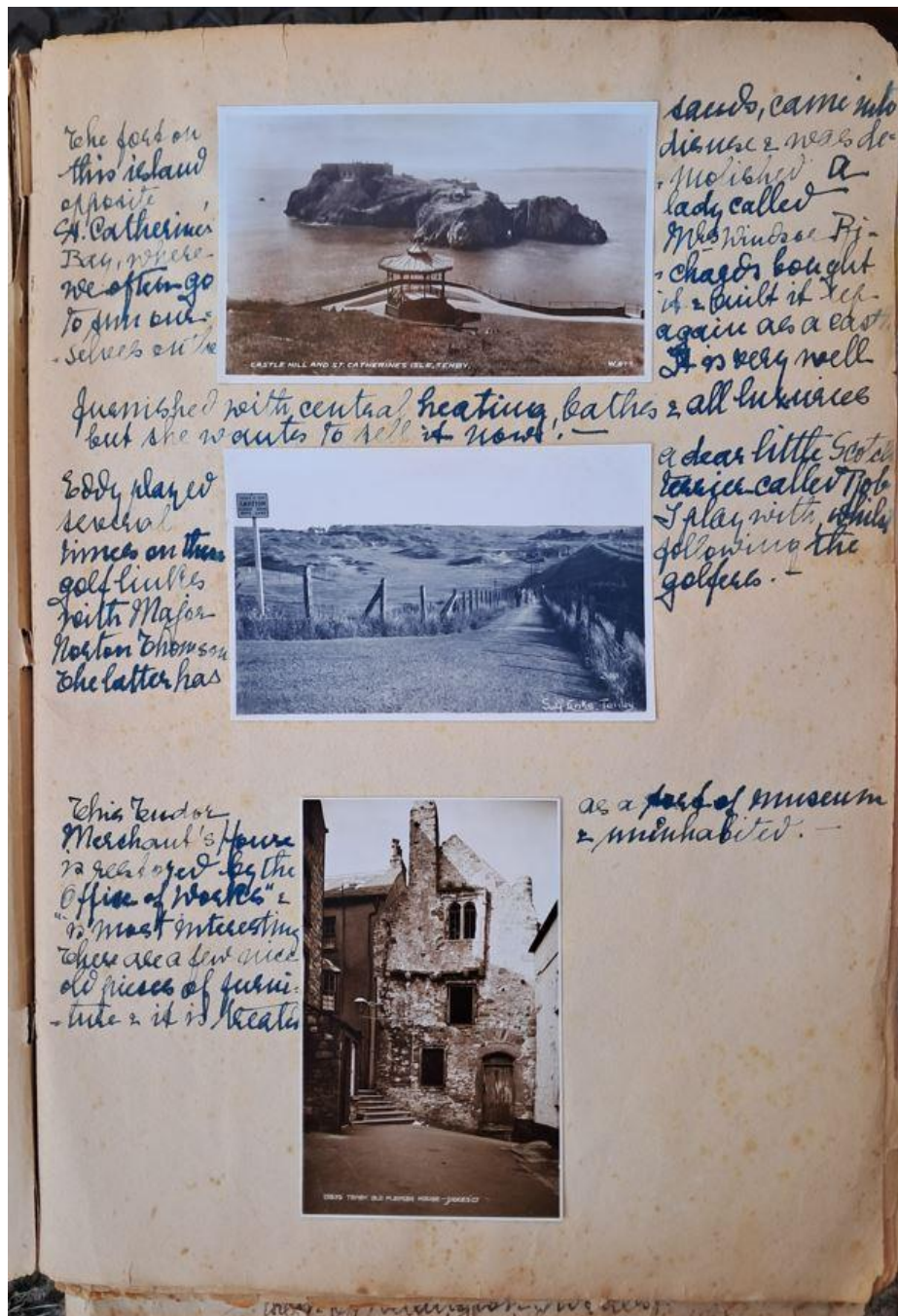
[Franz Joseph Balthasar Hoyos, Freiherr zu Stichsenstein (1904-1982), son of Ilona and Eddy married Franziska von Sekendorff- Gudent 1906-1966]

We had a lovely day at Cuffern and Carew Castle and the country all round is most beautiful.

Postcard: Old Celtic Cross, Carew

This is a Celtic monument. [In Carew village near the castle]

This cross is the so-called Celtic Cross of the Druid times and seems to show that the Celts had a fore-boding of the real Cross of Christianity. The circle means eternity it is believed. One cannot help presuming that the Celts must have been old Atlantes who remained after the disappearance of the continent! One sees many such Celtic crosses here in Wales.



Postcard top: Castle Hill and St. Catherine's Isle, Tenby.

The fort on this island opposite St Catherine's Bay, where we often go to sun ourselves on the sands, came into disuse and was demolished. A lady called Mrs Windsor-Richards bought it and built it up again as a castle. It is very well furnished with central heating, baths and all luxuries.

Postcard middle: Golf Links Tenby: Eddy played several times on these golf links with Major Royston Thomson, the latter has a dear little scotch terrier called Rob, I play with whilst following the golfers.

Postcard bottom: This Tudor merchant's house is restored by the 'Office of Works' and is most interesting. There are a few nice old pieces of furniture and it is treated as part of the museum and uninhabited.



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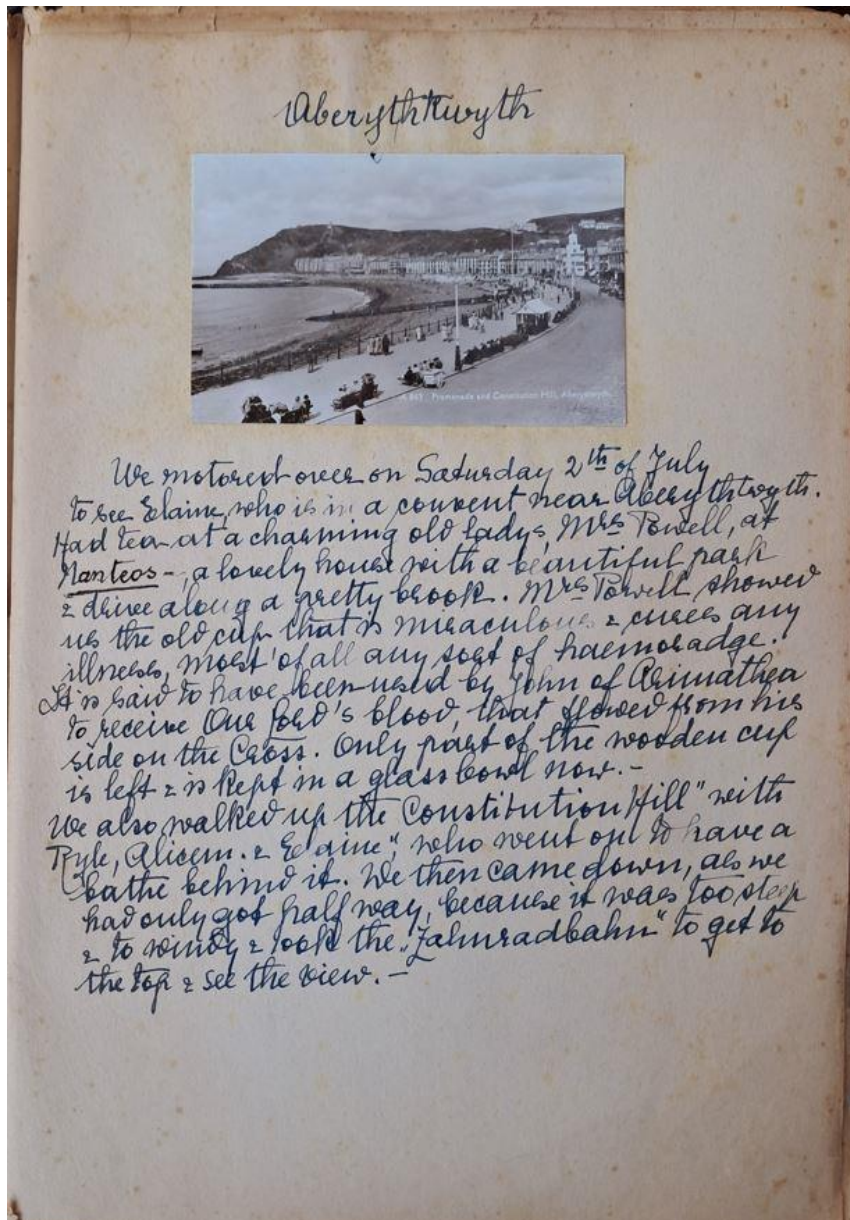
Postcard top: The Castle, Dale:

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Postcard. Laugharne Castle:

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[Graf Adam Eusebius Johannes Reinhold Maria Joseph Anton von Hoyos (1912-1989) youngest son of Ilona and Eddy]



Postcard: Promenade and Constitution Hill, Aberystwyth

We motored over on Saturday 2 July to see Elaine who is in a convent near Aberystwyth
Had tea at a charming old lady's, Mrs Powell, at Nanteos

[Elaine Mary Honoria Sophia Barry nee Morris (1932-2001) eldest daughter of Ryle and Alicemargit, aged 7 in 1939.]

Had tea at a charming old lady's, Mrs Powell, at Nanteos, a lovely house with a beautiful park and drive along a pretty brook. Mrs Powell showed us the old cup that is miraculous and cures any illness, most of all any sort of haemorrhage. It is said to have been used by John of Arimathea to receive Our Lord's blood that flowed from his side on the Cross. Only part of the wooden cup is left and kept in a glass bowl now. We also walked up the 'Constitution Hill' with Ryle, Alicemargit and Elaine who went on to have a bathe behind it. We then came down as we had only got half way because it was too steep and windy and took the 'Zahnradbahn' to get to the top & see the view.

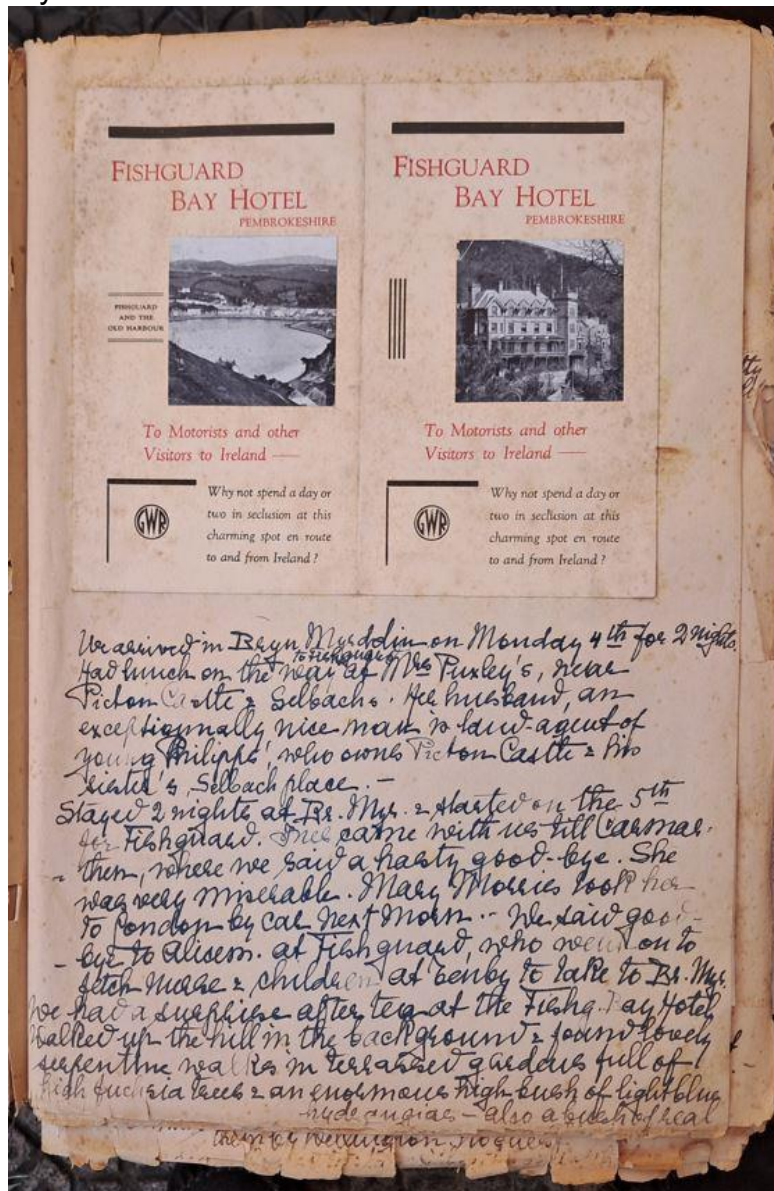
Painting of Tenby Beach

With kind remembrance from Geraldine Lawrence, Tenby 1939



This has been painted for us by the charming Miss Geraldine Lawrence who lived on The Esplanade in Tenby, in one of the houses in the same row and Giltar House. She paints beautifully and draws in pencil but only with the brush.
[Miss Geraldine Lawrence, a wealthy, stylish, gifted amateur artist and generous patron of the arts, owned Little Rock House and 1 Lexden Terrace in St Julian Street, Tenby. Described as 'a London society hostess'.]

Fishguard Bay Hotel



We arrived at Bryn Myrddin on Monday 4th for 2 nights. Had lunch on the way to Fishguard at Mrs Puxley's, near Picton Castle and Selbachs [Slebech Hall on Slebech Park Estate including Picton Castle]. Her husband, an exceptionally nice man is law agent of young Phillips who owns Picton Castle and his sister's Selbach place.

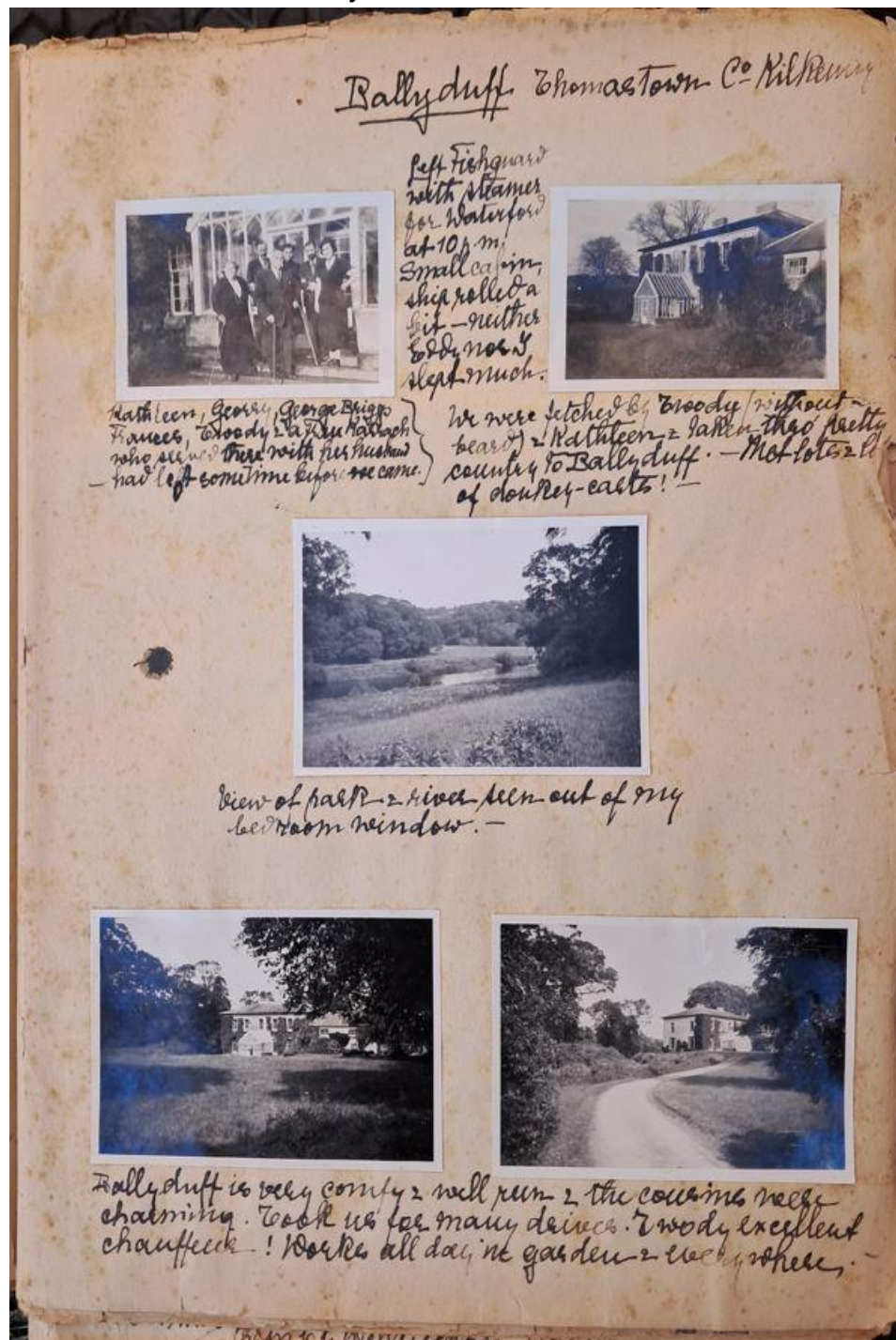
Stayed 2 nights at Dr and Mrs [?] on the 5th for Fishguard. Ines came with us till Carmarthen where we said a hasty good-bye. She was very miserable. Mary Morris took her to London by car the next morn.

[Mary Edith Morris, sister of Ryle (1887-1975)]

We said goodbye to Alicemargit at Fishguard who went on to fetch nurse and children at Tenby to take to Bryn Myrddin.

We had a surprise after tea at Fishguard Bay Hotel, walked up a hill in the background and found lovely serpentine walls in the terraced gardens full of high fuchsia trees and an enormous high bush of light blue hydrangeas, also a bush of real [azaleas?...]

Ballyduff Thomastown Co. Kilkenny



Left Fishguard with steamer for Waterford at 10pm. Small cabin, ship rolled a bit- neither Eddy nor I slept much.

We were fetched by Toody/ without beard and Kathleen and taken on through pretty country to Ballyduff. Met lots and lots of donkey carts!

Photo: view of park and river seen out of my bedroom window



Kathleen, Georry, George Briggs, Frances, Twody [Toody] and [?] who served there with her husband, had left sometime before we came.

[Georry (George Graf Hoyos, Freiherr zu Stichsenstein (1902-1976) was Ilona and Edgar's eldest child and his first wife was Alice Browning Smith (1904-1969). They divorced in 1936, having produced one child, Peter, (1932-2021), born 1932. Alice remarried John C Ten Eyck Jr in New York in 1938. Peter was a Hoyos but took his stepfather's surname. Georry remarried Frances Briggs (1918-2001) in 1938 when she was 20. Frances's parents are in photo: Col. George Ewbank Briggs (1856-1940) and Catherine Mary, (Kathleen) Briggs, nee Swifte (1873-1962). Georry between the older couple and Frances to the right of him. Toody=Frances brother, Major George Swifte Ewbank Briggs, (1900-?) took over Swifte's Heath 1957 having spent 12 years in India. Sold it 1971. The identity of the woman on the right of picture is unknown]

Photographs of Ballyduff

Ballyduff is very comfy and well run and the cousins are charming. Took us for many drives. Toody excellent chauffeur. Works all day in garden and everywhere.

Swift's Heath



Swift's Heath



Entrance to the park of Swift's Heath



Cousin Martineau, Eddy, Steve, Cousin George
Frances, Cousin Ernest



Cousin Ernest, Eddy, Cousin George
Frances & George

Entrance to the park at Swift's Heath.

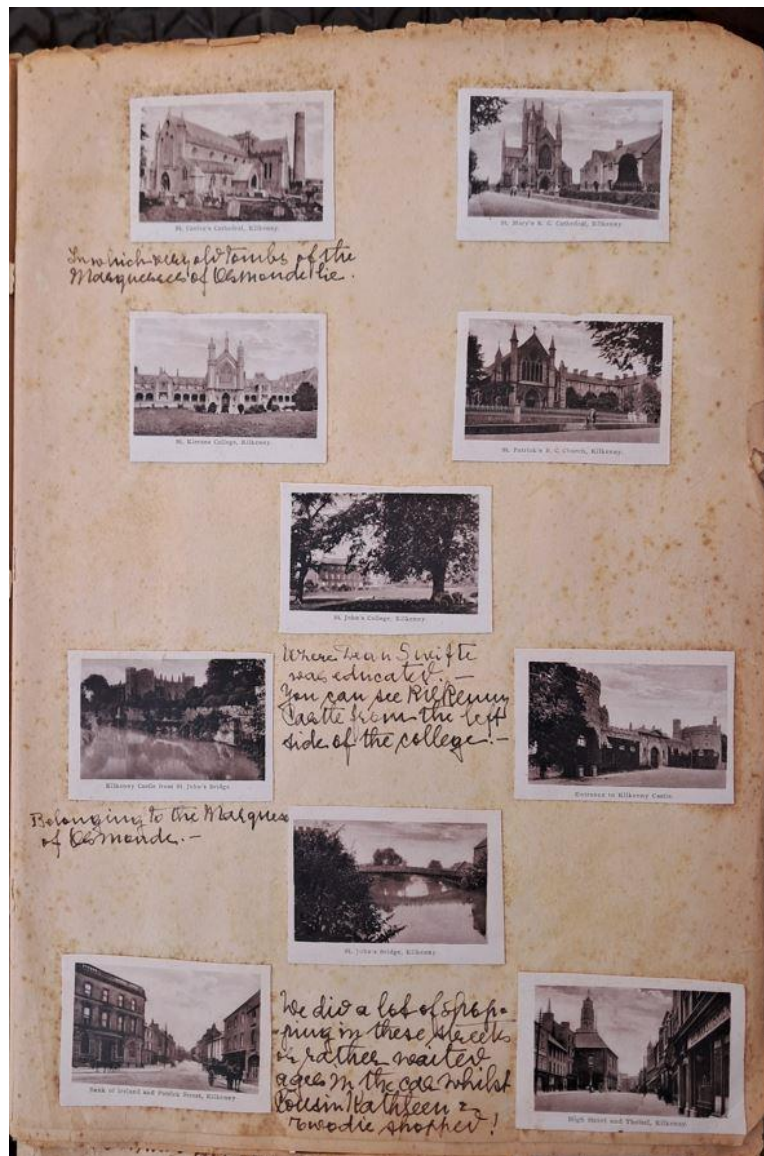


Cousin Kathleen, Eddy, Ilona, Cousin George, Frances, Cousin Ernest.

[Swift's Heath is outside Kilkenny and was Catherine (Kathleen) nee Swifte's family home)

From left: Kathleen Briggs, Eddy, Ilona, Col. George Ewbank Briggs, Frances Hoyos nee Briggs, Major Ernest Godwin Meade Swifte (1870-1957), brother of Kathleen.

'Major Earnest Godwin Meade Briggs Swifter is another fascinating person who lived and owned Swift's Heath. He ended up an honorary general in there Persian army and just to copperfasten that fact, when Persian prince, Ishmael visited Ireland in 1920s he stayed at Swift's Heath'.-source Kilkenny Live]



Postcard top left: St Canice's Cathedral

In which very old tombs of the Marquesses of Ormonde lie.

Postcard top right: St Mary's R.C Cathedral, Kilkenny. Postcard second row left: St

Kierans College, Kilkenny. Postcard second row right: St Patrick's R.C Church,

Kilkenny. Postcard third row centre: St John's College, Kilkenny

Where Dean Swift was educated. [Dean Jonathon Swift (1667 -1745), author of 'Gulliver's Travels'] You can see the Kilkenny Castle from the left side of the college.

Postcard fourth row left: Kilkenny Castle from St John's Bridge. *Belonging to the*

Marquesses of Ormonde. Postcard fourth row right: Entrance to Kilkenny Castle.

Postcard fifth row centre: St John's Bridge, Kilkenny. Postcard sixth row left: Bank of Ireland and Patrick Street, Kilkenny.

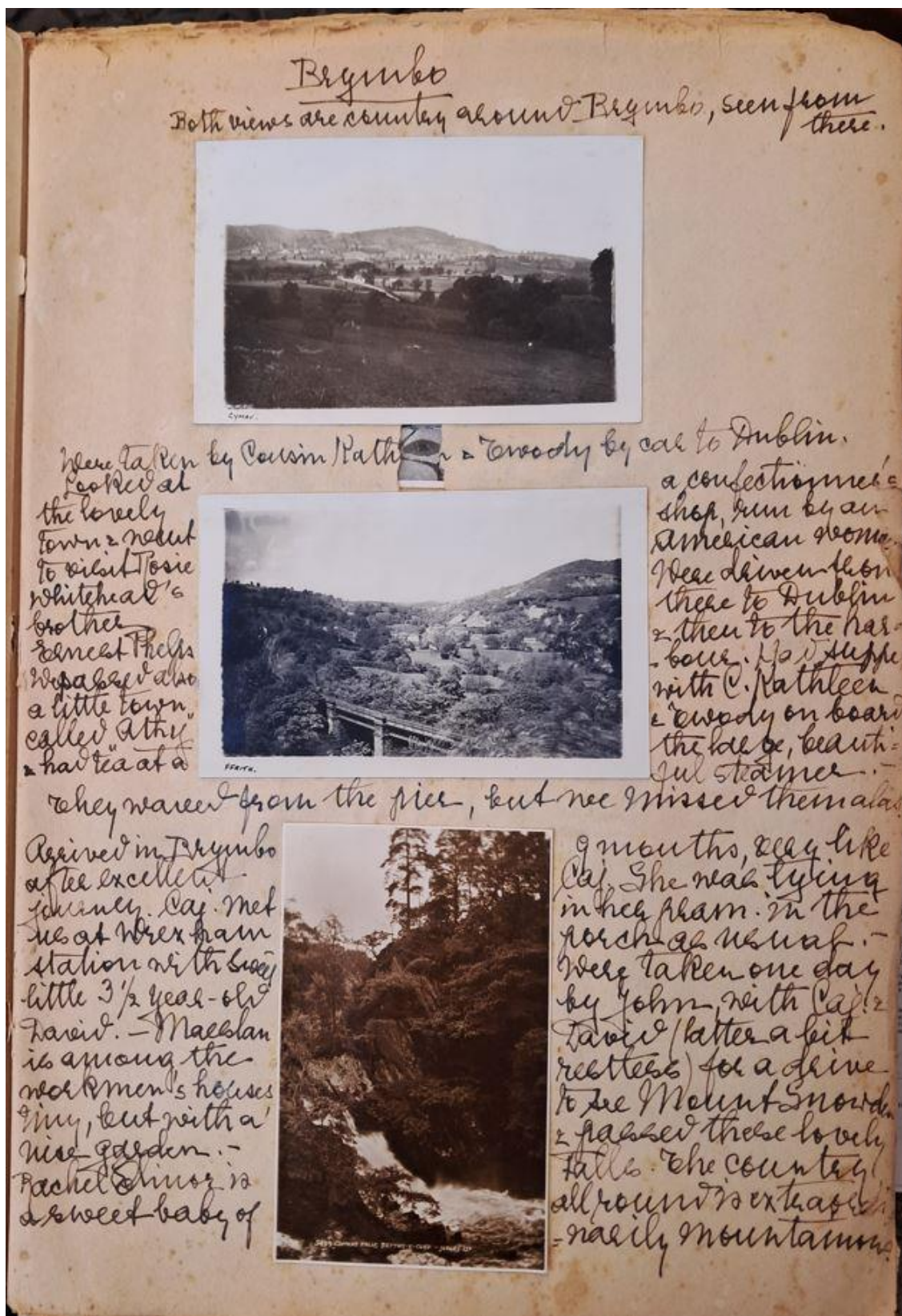
We did a lot of shopping in these streets or rather waited ages in the car whilst Cousin Kathleen and Twodie [Toody=Frances brother George] shopped!

Postcard sixth row right: High Street and Tholsel, Kilkenny.

[The present Tholsel is the third of its kind in Kilkenny. The word comes from the Saxon Tholsel: Thol—Tax and Sel—Seat]

Brymbo [Village in North Wales]

Both views are country around Brymbo, seen from there.



Postcard top: Cymau. Postcard middle: Ffrith. Postcard bottom: Conway Falls
Bettws-Y-Coed.

*Were taken by Cousin Kathleen and Twodie [Toody] by car to Dublin.
Looked at the lovely town and went to visit Rosie Whitehead's brother, Ernest Phelps.*

[Rosalie Emily Whitehead, nee Phelps (1872-1941) was married to Robert Boville Whitehead (1867- 1945) known in journal as 'Uncle Bertie'. Bertie was brother of Alice Whitehead (1851-1936). Ernest James Phelps (1867-?)]

We passed also a little town 'Athy' and had tea at a confectioner's shop, run by an American woman. Were driven from there to Dublin and then to harbour. Had supper with Cousin Kathleen and Twodie on board the large, beautiful steamer. They waved from the pier, but we missed them alas.

Arrived in Brymbo after excellent journey. Caj. met us at Wrexham station with sweet little 3 and 1/2 year old David.

[Marie Cajetana Leopoldine Franziska Robertine Bowman, nee Hoyos,(1909-1948), daughter of Ilona and Eddy, and son David Anthony Paget Bowman (1935-1985)]
Maeslan is among the workmens' houses, tiny but with a nice garden. Rachel Elinor is a sweet baby of 9 months, very like Caj. She was lying in her pram in the porch as usual.

[Rachel Elinor Clarkson nee Bowman (1938-)]

Were taken one day by John with Caj.and David, (latter a bit restless) for a drive to see Mount Snowdon and passed these lovely Falls. The country all round is extraordinarily mountainous.

[Sir John Paget Bowman (1904-1994) husband of Cajetana and later of Frances Whitehead]



Photos of Cajetana and her children, David and Rachel



Cajetana Bowman (nee Hoyos)





David Bowman

Maeslan



Eddy, myself & David

myself, Eddy & Rachel Elinor



myself, Eddy & Rachel Elinor





Cajetana and Rachel



Eddy, myself and Rachel Elinor



Eddy, myself and David



David and Rachel



Cajetana and David



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Postcard top: Wrexham. The Parish Church.

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Postcard centre: Chester Cathedral from the South-West

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Postcard bottom: Cloister Garth. Chester Cathedral



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Postcard middle: Ruthin Castle from the S.E.

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Postcard bottom: Ruthin Castle. The Castle Walls

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Postcard top and centre left: Valle Crucis Abbey

Caj. and John would like to leave Maeslan and Brymbo and rent a house in Llangollen. Caj. took us to show us the lovely village and passed this glorious ruin of the old Abbey which we visited.

Postcard centre right: The Horse-Shoe Pass, Near Llangollen Came over this Pass.

Postcard bottom: Plas Newydd, Llangollen. Here lived two old Irish ladies who had run away from home end of 18th century. A Miss Ponsonby and a Miss Butler. Family of Marquess of Ormonde. They...[unable to decipher remainder]

Shrewsbury



Started from Wrexham by train at about 10¹⁵/₂ Caj. took us there by car & David came too to say good bye. Saw to our luggage & put labels on it to Llandeilo. Were told it would arrive quite safely. Saw it put into van.



Arrived after 11 at Shrewsbury. Visited the Abbey Church of St. Peter & Paul, as above. Saw old tomb with stone figure lying on it of Montgomery, 1. Earl of Shrewsbury, who had come over with William the Conqueror. Could not see the castle, as it was closed. Left at 12.45 for Llandeilo.



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Postcard Bottom: Wyle Cop, Shrewsbury.

Went down this street on the way to bridge and Abbey Church.

Abergwili and Carmarthen



Postcard top: High Street, Abergwili

Arrived at Llandeilo and 3.30. Alicemargit received us at the station. No luggage! Had still seen it in Shrewsbury on platform. Happily had small bag with night things with us. After much inquiring we learnt that the porter had sent out luggage to another station, happily not very far and dear Ryle went to fetch it at midnight!! Such is Wales!

Postcard centre: Carmarthen, River Towy, showing Horseshoe Bend.

Postcard bottom: The Old Oak, Priory Street, Carmarthen

This oak has been planted by Merlin, King Arthur's councillor and Prime Minister. When planting it he prophesied great misfortune and the entire disappearance of Carmarthen when this oak should happen to fall. So one keeps it well propped up with stone cement, though hardly anything but husk or rind of the tree had remained.

Bryn Myrddin from July 22-31st 1939

Bryn Myrddin
from July 22nd - 31st
1939



I & Eddy
Margaret Aunt Alice
Mary Agnes & Elaine



Same



Merlin's Hill in background



View from Carnarvon & Aberystwyth



We two!



Merlin's Hill from other side



Bryn Myrddin House
front



idem side



I and Eddy, Margaret, Aunt Alice, Mary Agnes and Elaine

[Alice Abadam (1856-1940) suffragist, of Middleton Hall, Llanarthne. Sister of Ryle's mother, Edith Abadam (1847-1926) and sister of Charlie Hughes's mother, Adah nee Abadam 1842-1914]



Merlin's Hill in the background. From left: Elaine, Aunt Alice (Abadam), Ilona, Mary Agnes, Margaret. Eddy standing.



Bryn Myrddin House front [Built 1860 by Thomas Charles Morris (1808-1897), Ryle's grandfather]



We two



Cajetana and ?



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[Owen Cosby Philipps, 1st Baron Kysant (1863-1937) married 16 September 1902 Mai Alice Magdalene Morris (1887-1952) daughter of Thomas Morris, of Cwm (1849-) Carmarthenshire and granddaughter of William Morris of Cwm (1811-1877), brother of Thomas Charles Morris, (1808-1886) builder of Bryn Myrddin. The original Cwm (Coomb) house, belonging to the Davies family, was purchased in 1806 by the Morrises, bankers of Carmarthen who rebuilt it in Gothic style about 1865, incorporating the original L-shaped ground plan. Owen and Mai Kysant had three daughters, Hon Nesta Donne Fisher-Hock, nee Phillips. (1903-1997) later of The Plas, Llanstephan and High Sheriff of Carmarthenshire 1970, Hon Olwen Gwynne Harbord, later Barker nee Phillips (1905-1998), Hon Honor Chedworth Henderson, later Pilkington nee Phillips (1908-1961) Godmother to Elaine]

Postcard top: River Towy and Castle, Llanstephan.

On way back passed Llanstephan which belongs to the Morris family. Had been there 7 years ago and I sketched it at the time.

Postcard bottom: Llanstephan Castle.



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Postcard middle: The Flight to Egypt, Glyn Aur, Abergwili

Postcard bottom: Chepstow Castle from the bridge.

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We passed Bristol with Uncle Bertie & his chauffeur
 Renneth - H. Bertie does not drive himself anymore -
 and had lunch at the
 Zoo. Saw gorilla
 & chimpanzees
 lions & tigers &
 the funny pingu-
 = guins that swim
 like human be-
 = ings. -



Were also here
 on our way to
 Bournemouth
 & next to see
 the old Abbey
 but as it was
 Sunday we
 could not get



inside because
 the entrance
 was locked
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Our cab stood here, whilst we
 walked round. -

way towards
 the old Abbey



Postcard top: At the Bristol Zoo. The terrace.

We passed Bristol with Uncle Bertie and his chauffeur Renneth- Uncle Bertie does not drive himself anymore- and had lunch at the Zoo. Saw gorilla and chimpanzees, lions and tigers and the funny pinguins that swim like human beings. [Zoo was on this site 1836-2022 until site was sold and zoo relocated outside Bristol]

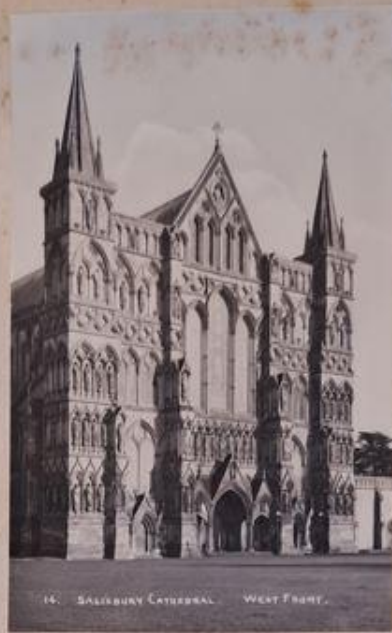
Postcard middle: High Street St Peter's Church, Shaftesbury

Were also here on our way to Bournemouth and next to see the old abbey but as it was Sunday we could not get inside because the entrance was locked where one gets the tickets.

Our cab stood here whilst we walked around

Postcard bottom: King Alfred's Kitchen, Shaftesbury.

Way to reach the old Abbey.



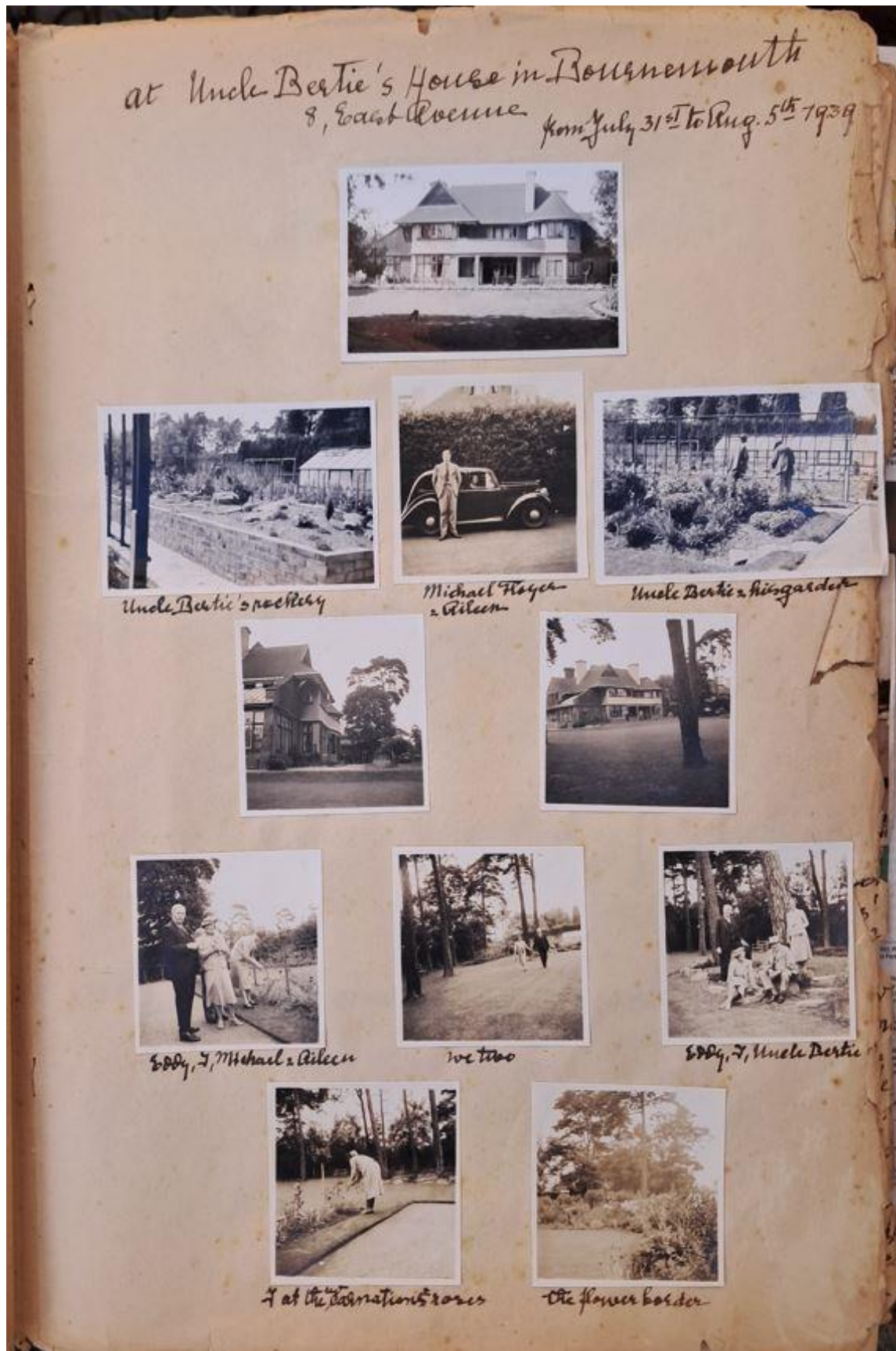
*Passed this glorious Cathedral on our return
from Thomas' house "Hook Manor".*



Postcard top: Salisbury Cathedral West Front.

Passed this glorious Cathedral (Salisbury) on our return from Thomas' house, Hook Manor. 2 photos of Hook Manor [Hook Manor, Sedgemoor and Semley, Wiltshire. I do not know connection]

At uncle Bertie's house in Bournemouth, 8 East Avenue. July 31st to Aug 5th 1939.





Eddy, Ilona, Uncle Bertie, Aileen

[Aileen=Alice Rosalie Whitehead, (1897-1979) daughter of Bertie, (Edgar's first cousin) married Commander William Anthony Floyer RN (1890-1943) in 1919.



We two

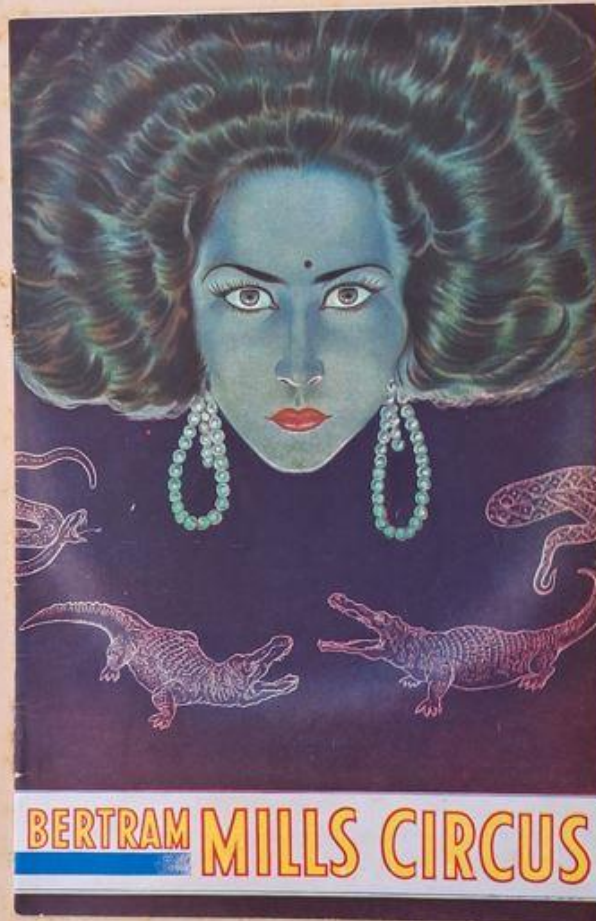


Michael Floyer and Aileen [son of Aileen and W.A Floyer, Michael Antony Floyer M.D.(1920-2000)]



Eddy, Ilona, Michael Floyer and Aileen.

*Went at Circus at 8 1/2 p.m. with Michael
at Bouenmouth*



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[Koringa was a circus performer and Fakir. (1913-1976)]

According to the publicity issued by Mills Brothers Circus, where she performed from 1937 onwards, Koringa (Koringa river) was a native of India who was raised by fakirs in Bikanir after being orphaned at the age of three. It was from them that she purportedly learned the arts of sorcery and magic, including the ability to mesmerize, walk over broken glass with her bare feet, and be buried in a snake-infested sand pit.

According to Wiki she was Renée Bernard was born in Bordeaux, France, in 1913.
She was five feet tall and of French Indochina ancestry.]



BERTRAM MILLS CIRCUS — SEASON 1939

PROGRAMME

The Management reserves the right to vary or curtail this programme in the event of illness or other unavoidable circumstances.

1. **CHARIVARI**
Our old friends the Clowns in a whirlwind of crazy tumbling.
2. **THE SPYRAS**
An exceedingly funny knockabout Act which may look easy, but actually is very difficult, as everything depends upon perfect timing. Here we have discovered the so called "Henpecked Husband" we have heard of so often.
3. **THE CUMBERLANDS**
The fastest riding act in the world, presented by combined troupes of English boys and girls, all descendants of famous British Circus families. You will be infected by the very enthusiasm of these Artistes.
4. **AUSSIE AND CZECH**
Sureness of eye and hand are sensationally demonstrated in the picturesque Axe Throwing and Whip Cracking performances of these two Artistes.
5. **QUINTILIA**
There are few Girl Wire Walkers in the world, but amongst them the beautiful Gertrude Quintilia is outstanding, and vies with the most renowned men who have chosen Wire Walking as an occupation.
6. **GAY AND GAY**
These clever knockabout clowns are brothers and come of a famous Italian circus family of many generations. They are Comedy Merchants with a trade mark of their own.
7. **ZEBOY THE COMEDY ZEBRA**
The amusing antics of the zebra and the ridiculous ringmaster supply the superlative in burlesque. Zeboy is the Zebra that is different.
8. **MILLS NEW LIBERTY HORSES AND PONIES**
Lady Eleanor Smith writes: "I love this moment I await it eagerly, and, when I am with the road-show, I always rush, no matter what I am doing, into the tent to see my favourite number."
9. **THE SWING SISTERS and CLAUDE YELDING**
Youth in the air! Superb aerial feats on swinging ladders and the time honoured trapeze.
10. **NICOLAI AND HIS MIXED GROUP OF LIONS and TIGERS**
Here you have Nicolai whose patience in training has been rewarded by both lions and tigers together obeying his magnetic spell. Speed and agility as exemplified only by Kings of the forest and jungle.
11. **THE MILLIMETER ACROBATIC GIRLS**
Here is something brand new. "Acroballet," presented at Olympia and here for the first time in any Circus.

Moving Picture Cameras may not be used during the performance.

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BERTRAM MILLS CIRCUS—SEASON 1939

12. GINDL'S FOOTBALL ELEPHANTS

Six creatures of primeval strength, young and growing specimens of the mightiest Pachyderms. John Gindl has trained them since their babyhood. And now something really to talk about—an elephant walks a "tight-rope"; another poses as a Barber and shaves a man in the ring, and then they all play Football. See Jenny take the Penalty Kick.

13. FOUR MANIACS

Slap-stick mirthmakers who excel in the art of billposting.

14. GENA LIPKOWSKA AND HER ARAB HORSES

A graceful one-time ballet dancer—superb Arab Greys obeying her whispered command—a human being and animals, vieing in beauty of movement, transport you into the realms of fairyland.

15. CILLA'S DOGS

Everybody loves dogs and here are some whose clever tricks and antics will make you laugh. They play football too, with such gusto that the game can only be stopped by confiscating the ball.

16. THE GREAT FREDERICO

"The Man with the Iron Jaws," as he has been aptly described by a London newspaper. This is a thrill for young and old.

17. KORINGA

Baffling, astounding Koringa! The Mystery Girl! The only female Fakir in the world. What is the secret power which enables her to achieve the apparently miraculous! Knives and Swords do not cut her; Snakes and Crocodiles hold no terrors for her. In mediaeval times this exotic young woman would have been burned as a Witch. Now in the Circus Ring she creates one of the greatest sensations of modern times.

18. PAT BAKER

One of the family of the well-known Baker Boys in a whirlwind Voltige Act.

19. KELLY.

The new American "Hobo" Clown. Don't wait for his number to appear on the board; you may find him sitting next to you.

20. THE TWO WILLOS

Way up in the "Big Top" there will be thrills galore. Watch this physically perfect couple perform their evolutions.

21. WENZEL, MARY AND BARRY

This is something entirely new in the art of Haute École. With a lovely girl, handsome men, and sleek horses it unfolds its own story.

CLOWNS AND AUGUSTES

The gladsome bunch of fun-makers include: Coco Albert Austin, Huxter, Pinocchio, Bobino, Renato, Fernando, Coconut and Smiler.

The same programme is given at the Matinee, Evening and Last Day Performances.

Extract from programme (Koringa, the only female fakir in the world)

[Fakir= a Muslim (or, loosely, a Hindu) religious ascetic who lives solely on alms.]



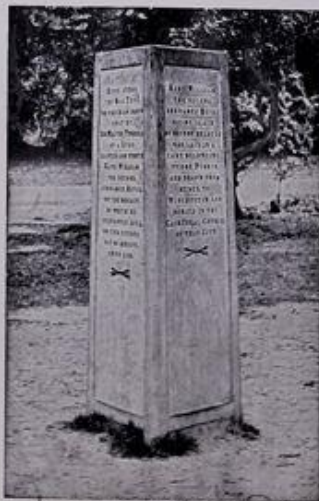
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BROWNSEA ISLAND AND SANDBANKS



Glorious drive this afternoon. Passed Sandbanks & so
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said she would not live on a
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We drove on to
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Uncle Beedys & Aunt
Marion's old home
we had so often
visited, on to
Bournemouth &



Here here RUFUS STONE, NEWFOREST 1939
Howard's Series
Rufus Stone, New Forest 1939

& Lynhurst this
the fairy-like New
Forest. We came
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the Castle of the Mon-
-achus & Bournemouth
Abbey from outside
Went to the old ship-
-building yard, called
Ruckles' Yard, where
3 ships in Nelson's time
were built, that hang
at Chatham. The place
has never changed
since 1800! Chatham
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Postcard top: The East cliff, Bournemouth

We came round here by car on Aug 20th - today- Uncle Bertie, Eddie and myself to
see the outskirts of Bournemouth before noon.

Postcards middle: both Brownsea Island and Sandbanks

Glorious drive this afternoon. Passed Sandbanks and saw Brownsea Island opposite our own coast. Nono wanted to buy this island, but Nona, seeing it when the tide was in, said she would not live on a 'mud heap'!

[Nono, Italian for grandfather=Eddy's grandfather, Robert Whitehead (1823-1905) and Nona, Eddy's grandmother, Frances Maria Whitehead nee Johnson (1819-1883)]

Postcard bottom: Rufus Stone, New Forest.

We drove on to Lymington, past Efford Park, Uncle Beedy's & Aunt Marion's old home we had so often visited

[Uncle Beedy=Sir James Beethom Whitehead (1858-1928) , brother of Bertie and Alice Whitehead, married Hon. Marian Cecilia Brodrick (1869-1932). Efford Park near Lymington: In 1907 Sir James Beethom Whitehead acquired the estate, extending it in 1925 and 1928, and adding a cricket pitch and tennis courts.]

on to Brockenhurst and Lyndhurst through the fairy like New Forest. We came to Beaulieu Abbey from outside. Went to the old ship building yard, called Buckler's Hard, where 3 ships in Nelson's time were built, that fought at Trafalgar. The place has never changed since 1800! Then to Rufus' Stone, where (King William II was fatally wounded by an arrow)

[During a hunting expedition in the New Forest in 1100]



[No description-do not know who they are]



Been at Leweston to-day, Aug. 3rd, where I
 was for 1st & last time in April, 1897 with
 Papa & M^{re} Teisin. Could remember everything.
 Garden lovely now, trees magnificent & borders
 simply glorious. It belongs now to Mr Eric Rose
 & his charming wife Rosamund, called Rosie.
 He was not there, but her brother, Eddie Trafford.
 She & I made great friends & she invited me
 urgently if I came back to England! —

Postcard: The Pier Approach, Bournemouth

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[Leweston Manor, Sherborne. Leweston School was founded in Sherborne as St Antony's school in 1891 by the Sisters of Christian Instruction, Sacred Heart nuns from Belgium with Jesuit principles, so Ilona may have spent time there. (A photo provided by Camilla Brown nee Short shows Camilla Hoyos in a painting there by Cherubino Kirchmayr.) Rosamund Mary Rose nee Trafford (1895-1958) m Frederick (Eric) Hamilton Rose (1872-1947)]

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Went to see Franzi at the Hodgsons in Shepperton,
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Arrived in dear Schwertberg on Friday 11th at
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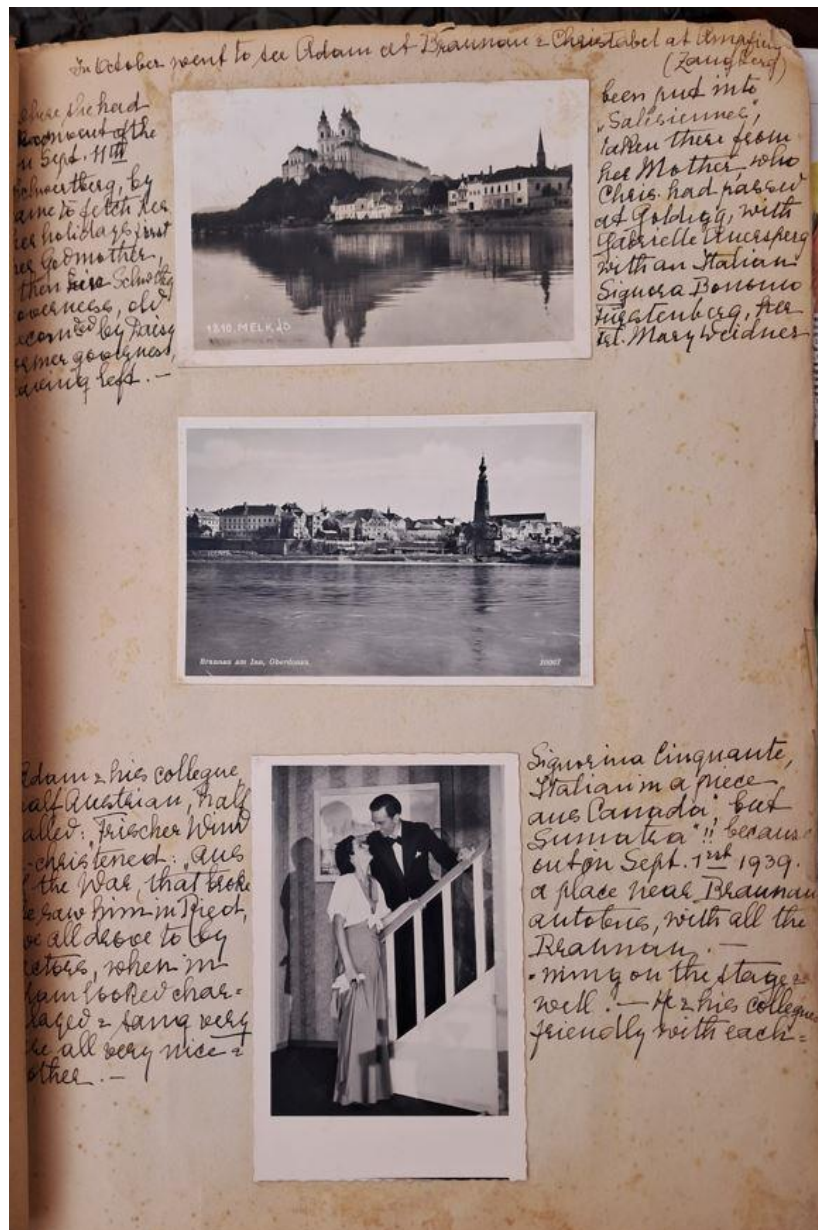
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[Shere Rectory near Guildford. Rev. Sir Paget Mervyn Bowman 3rd Bt (1873-1955, father of Sir John Paget Bowman) was rector at Shere. Franzi assumed to be Franziska von Sekendorff- Gudent 1906-1966, married 1931 Balthy.]

Two nights in London. Arrived in dear Schwertberg on Friday 11th (August) at 9.30pm, the trains having great 'retards'.

August, September and October till Nov 7th in Schwertberg.

Postcards: both Schloss Schwertberg



Postcard top: Melk

In October went to see Adam at Braunau and Christabel

[Christabel (1932-) daughter of Balthy]

at [?] (Zaugberg) where she had been put into the convent of the 'Salesiennes' on

Sept 11th, taken there from Schwertberg by her mother who had holidays first at

Goldegg with her godmother, Gabrielle Auersperg, [Gabrielle von Clam und Gallas

von Auersperg (1890-1979)] and then to Schwertberg with an Italian governess, old

Signora Bonguco[?] Recommended by Daisy Furstenberg, her former governess,

Mary Weidner, having left. [Daisy Fürstenberg was born Baroness Margarete

Gecmen-Waldek in Prague (1904-1988). She married 1922 Emil Egon Prince of

Fürstenberg.]

Postcard centre: Braunau am Inn, Oberdonnau

Adam and his colleague, Signorina Cinquante, half Austrian, half Italian, in a piece

called 'Frischer Wind aus Canada' but re-christened 'aus Sumatra'!! because of the

war that broke out on Sept 1st 1939. We saw him in Pied, a place near Braunau, we all drove to by autobus, with all the actors when in Braunau. Adam looked charming

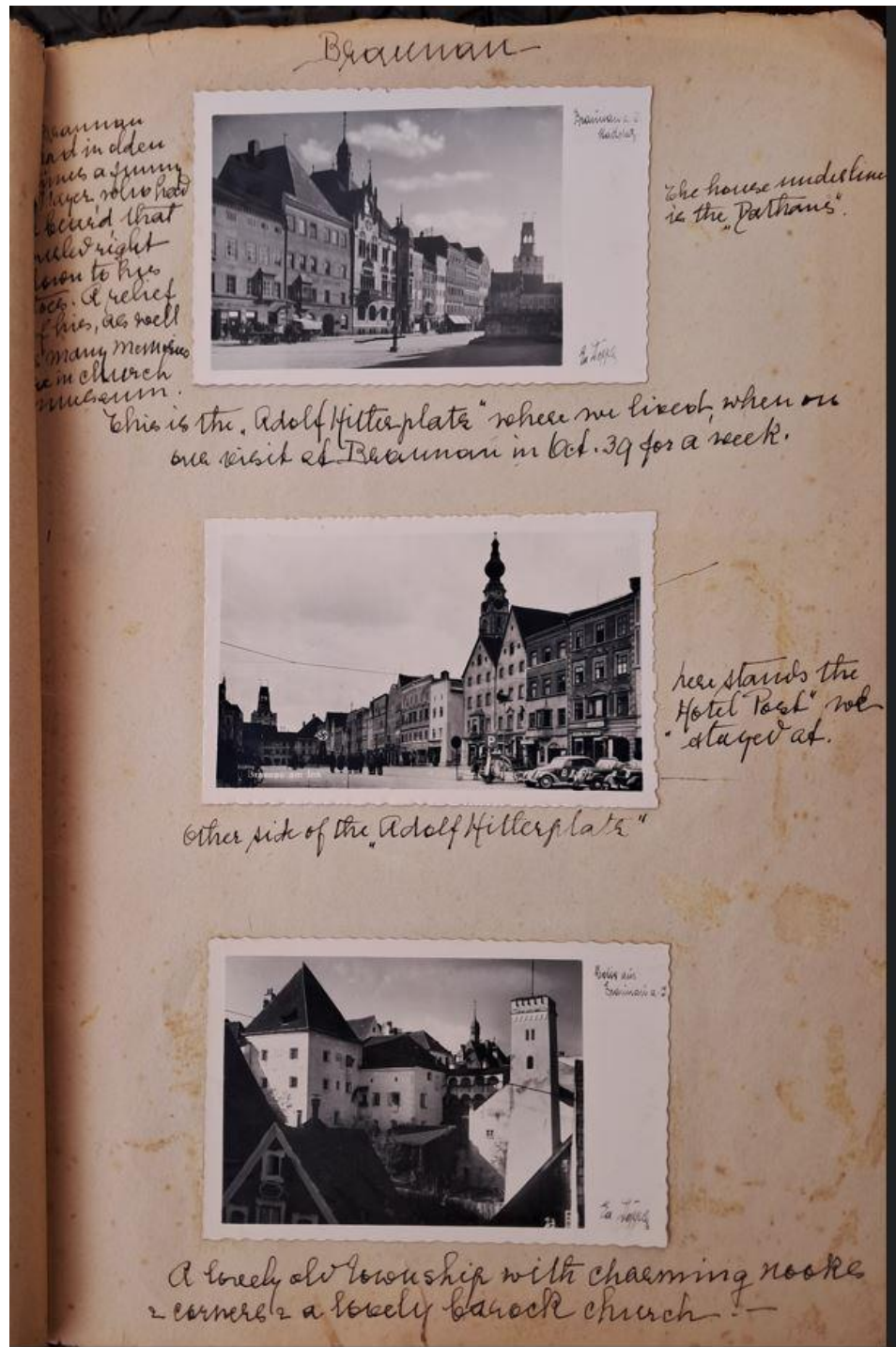


on the stage and played and sang very well. He and his colleagues are all very nice and friendly with each other.

Adam and his colleague, Signorina Cinquante,

['Frischer Wind aus Canada', is a 1935 German comedy film directed by Erich Holder and shot in Babelsberg studios, Berlin]

Braunau



Postcard top: Braunau am Inn, Hauptplatz

Braunau [am Inn] had in olden times a funny Mayor who had a beard that hung right down to his toes. A relief of his, as well as many memories are in church and museum. This is the 'Adolf Hitlerplatz' where we lived, when on our visit at Braunau in Oct 39 for a week.

Postcard centre: Braunau am Inn

Here stands the 'Hotel Post' we stayed at. Other side of 'Adolf Hitlerplatz'

Postcard bottom: Braunau am Inn

A lovely old township with charming nooks and corners and a lovely Baroque church.



Postcard top left and right: Braunau am Inn

The ancient doorway leading from the 'Adolf Hitler platz'

Postcard centre: Braunau a. Inn. Adolf Hitlers Geburtshaus

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Left Schwertberg from Vienna, where we stayed a few days
at the Hotel Koenig von Ungarn (Schulerstr. Zedlitzengasse) & then
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on Nov. 11th.
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Eddy with Gurgula



Ilona on Gurgula, Eddy on ..



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Postcard top: Karlova Koruna Chateau, Chlumec, Czech Republic, Ilona's birthplace
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existence]

Photo left: Eddy with Gurgula Photo right: Ilona on Gurgula, Eddy on ..



Chlumec. Ilona's birthplace

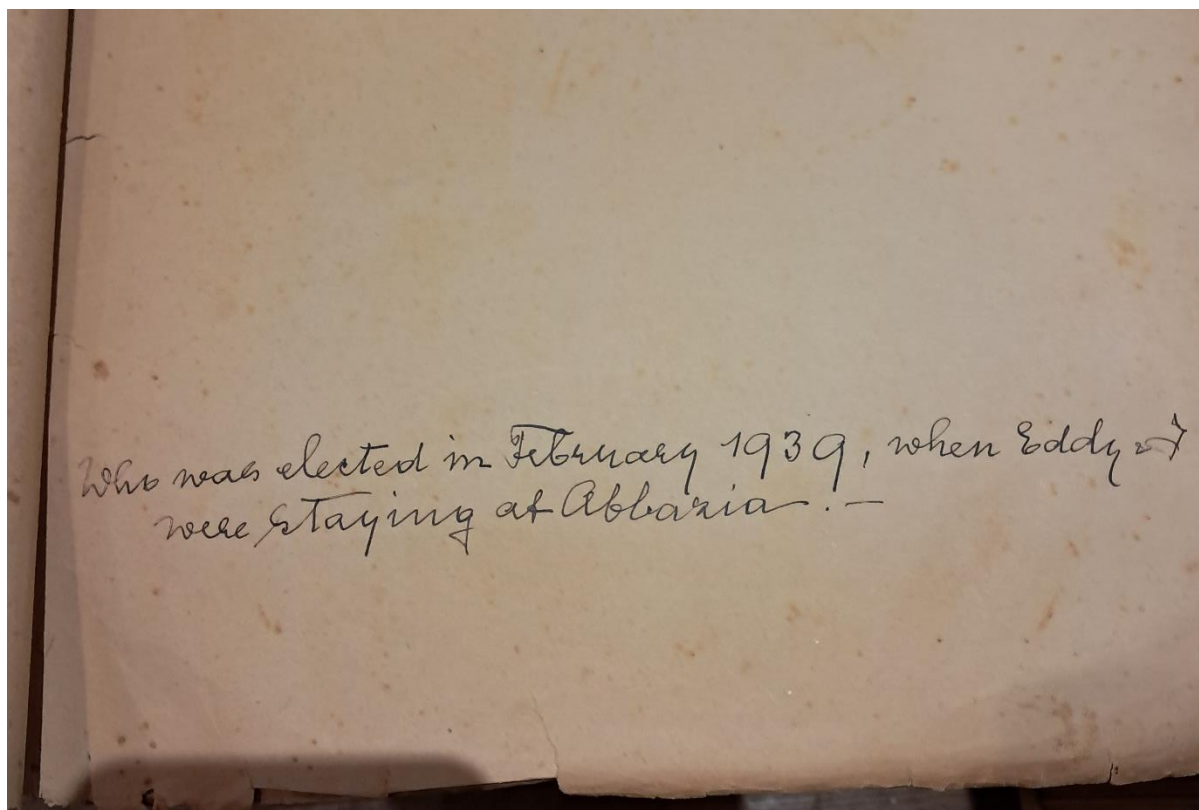
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[Alice Lilian Countess Hoyos (1877-1923), sister of Eddy, married on 12.10.1907 in Vienna Adolf Cecil Graf von Reventlow-Criminil (1861-1927)

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In 1640, the Rychnov estate was bought by the Kolowrat family. Rychnov nad Kněžnou. A noble family.

Kostelec nad Orlicí: In 1796, Kostelec was bought by Josef Kinsky, and his family were the last owners of the town until it gained self-government. Both places are close to Castalovice]



Final page:

Who was elected in February 1939, when Eddy and I were staying in Abbazia.

[I speculate this could relate to the death of Pope Pius XI on Feb 10 1939 and the election of Pope Pius XII, shortly after on 2 March 1939.

Abbazia, now Opatija, Croatia]

[THE END OF JOURNAL]

Information on some of those mentioned in journal and their family (Those mentioned in journal in **bold**)

The five children of **Robert Whitehead and Frances Maria Johnson**

1. Alice Whitehead 1851-1936 b Trieste, married Georg Anton Graf von Hoyos 1842-1904 d Shrivenham, UK

2. Frances Eleanor Whitehead 1849-1900 married Ludwig Werner Hassenpflug. Was widowed and remarried 1886 Admiral Sir Charles Carter Drury 1846-1914

3. Cavaliere John William Whitehead 1854-1902 m Countess Agathe Gobertina von Breunner 1859-1945 (They had 6 children. Third child and first daughter was Agathe Gobertina 1891-1922 m Georg von Trapp 1880-1947, they had 7 children. Von Trapp remarried after her death and became famous as the patriarch of the von Trapp Family Singers (the 7 children from his marriage to Agathe and 3 via his second marriage to Maria). The children were second cousins of Alicemargit. Agathe (1891-1922) was heiress to Robert Whitehead fortune.

4. **Sir James Beethom Whitehead 1858-1928 m Hon Marian Cecilia Brodrick 1869-1932.** Their Efford Estate is mentioned, but both were dead at the time of the 1939 visit. One of their children, Frances Edith Marian Whitehead, married Sir John Bowman after the death of Cajetana.

5. **Robert Bovill 'Bertie' Whitehead** (Uncle 'Bertie' in journal) 1867- 1945 m Rosalie Emily Phelps 1872- 1941. Rosalie is not seen in photos. She died 2 years after the 1939 visit so may have been ill.



Children of Alice Whitehead + Georg Anton Graf von Hoyos, Beckett Hall, Shrivenham, May 1904
 Left to right, **Camilla**, Marguerite, Lilly (Alice Lilian), Alec, Ella (Gabrielle), seated **Eddie** and Leopoldine
 (provided by Camilla Brown nee Short)

1. Alice Whitehead + Georg Anton Graf von Hoyos

(The meeting of Alice and Georg was brought about via the torpedo works in Fiume: The Austrian gunboat Gemse's commander was Lieutenant Count Georg Anton Graf von Hoyos.)

Their children are:

- Leopoldine Camilla Helene Franziska Malvine Hoyos (15.4.1870-20.2.1935) married on 28.4.1888 in Fiume Ludwig Mogens Gabriel Graf von Plessen-Cronstern (11.9.1848-18.7.1929)
- Marguerite Malvine Countess Hoyos Baroness of Stichsenstein (20.9.1871-4.10.1945) married on 21.6.1892 in Vienna Nikolaus Heinrich Ferdinand Herbert Prince von Bismarck (28.12.1849-18.9.1904), the son of the Chancellor Otto von Bismarck

- **Edgar Viktor John Robert Anton Georg Graf Hoyos** Freiherr zu Stichsenstein (7.2.1875-18.6.1952) took over the property in Sooß and rebuilt it. He married on 7.9.1901 in Vienna **Ilona Georgine Eugenie Maria Theresa Countess Kinsky of Wchinitz and Tettau** (12.8.1879-23.3.1968). Ilona grew up in the family home Karlova Koruna Chateau in Chlumeck, now Czech Republic which is open to the public.
- Ludwig Alexander Georg Graf Hoyos Freiherr zu Stichsenstein (13.5.1876-20.10.1937), Austro-Hungarian diplomat, married on 24.4.1913 in Paris Edmée de Loys-Chandieu (7.5.1892-8.2.1945). He bought 1911 Schwertberg Castle and the Windegg Castle Ruins. The couple had three children, including Mélanie von Hoyos (1916–1949), who married Count Gottfried von Bismarck-Schoenhausen in 1937, who joined other members of German aristocracy to work against the Nazi regime. Melanie and Gottfried died in a car accident in 1949. One of their three children, Vendeline, born in 1937, (Elaine Barry second cousin), married Christoph Graf von Ledebur-Wicheln of Alkoven. She died aged 30 in 1968.
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- Gabriele Elisabeth Manuela Theodora Countess Hoyos Baroness of Stichsenstein (11.9.1879-23.12.1945) remained unmarried. Died of starvation at end of war.
- **Camilla Johanna Amelie Luise Robertine Countess Hoyos Baroness of Stichsenstein** (15.12.1880-8.11.1953) married on 19.11.1912 in London Charles Wilkens Dudley Short (-16.4.1954) Moved to U.S. Son **Charles Christopher D. Short (1913-1978)** Christopher had 2 daughters, Camilla Brown formerly Heatley nee Short (1953-) and Marguerite Grace Mitropoulos nee Short (1956-).]

2.Frances Eleanor 'Ellen' Whitehead 1849-1900 married 1886, firstly Ludwig Werner Hassenpflug 1831-1878, an officer in Austrian Navy. No children. Frances was widowed aged 29.

Remarried 1886 Sir Charles Carter Drury, 1846-1914 born New Brunswick, British Colonial America. Appointed Commanding Officer of HMS Hood in 1895. Senior Admiral of Royal Navy who served as Second Sea Lord and Chief of Naval Personnel from 1903-1907. Aide de camp to Queen Victoria 1897-1899. I have not found any children. Frances was 37 when married second time.

He appears to have remarried in 1907 after Frances death:

Lady Amy Gertrude Middleton 1864-1953

3. Cavaliere (Knight) John William Whitehead 1854-1902 m Countess Agathe Gobertina von Breunner 1859-1945 Countess Agathe was an accomplished amateur pianist, singer, architect, and designer. She married Knight John Whitehead and had six children, all first cousins of Edgar Hoyos.

John Jr.,
Frank,
Agathe,
Robert,
Mary,
Joan.

After 15 years of marriage, Countess Agathe Gobertina lost her beloved husband to cancer and became a single parent. She never remarried and continued to wear the English widow's whipple (head covering) for the remainder of her life.

Third child and first daughter was Agathe Gobertina 1891-1922 m Georg von Trapp 1880-1947, together they had 7 children who later became 'the Trapp family singers', being second cousins to Alicemargit.

Baron Rupert Georg Gobertus von Trapp (m. 1st Henriette Lajoie; 2nd Janice Tyre),
Baroness Agathe Johanna Gobertina von Trapp,
Baroness Maria Franziska Gobertina von Trapp,
Baron Werner Gobertus von Trapp (m. Erika Klambauer),
Baroness Hedwig Aldophine Gobertina von Trapp,
Baroness Johanna Karolina Gobertina von Trapp (m. Ernst Florian Winter),
Baroness Martina Alice Gobertina von Trapp (m. Jean Dupiere)

Five years after Agathe's passing, von Trapp married again Maria Augusta Kutschera, they had three children: Baroness Rosmarie von Trapp (1929–2022), Baroness Eleonore von Trapp (1931–2021), and Baron Johannes von Trapp (born 1939).. Maria ('Sound of Music' Maria) met von Trapp when she was employed to teach Baroness Maria Franziska Gobertina von Trapp, eventually looking after all of Agathe's and von Trapp's children.

4. Sir James Beethom Whitehead KCMG Diplomat 1858-1928 m Hon Marian Cecilia Brodrick (Lady Whitehead) 1869-1932

Sir James Beethom Whitehead entered the diplomatic service in 1881. He served at Petrograd, Rio de Janeiro and Berlin, and was First Secretary at Tokyo, Brussels and Constantinople. He was Councillor of the Embassy in Berlin from 1903 to 1906 and His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Belgrade between 1906 and 1910. This portrait was painted in 1907, while Sir James held his position in Belgrade. The decoration was added later, in 1915, by Dorofield Hardy. His home was Efford Park in Lymington, Hampshire, which was purchased by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food in 1953



portrait oil on canvas by John Henry Frederick Bacon, painted 1907, located Belgrade, British Embassy.

Children of Sir James Beethom Whitehead and Hon Marian Cecilia Brodrick :
(first cousins on mother's side of Edgar Hoyos)

- George Robert Beethom Whitehead 1897-1981
- Augusta Alice Cecilia Whitehead (Cicely) 1898-1973 m Guy Herman Sidney Boas 1896 – 1966 son Robert Owen Boas 1927-2006
- **John William St. John Whitehead 1901-1984**
- **Frances Edith Marian Whitehead, 1903-1992, later married John Bowman following death of first wife Cajetana (nee Hoyos).**

- Sir Edgar Whitehead OBE 1905-1971 Prime Minister of Rhodesia from 1958 to 1962.
- Hugh Laurence James Whitehead 1908-1945
- Arthur Wilfred Alexander Whitehead 1911-1940. Flying officer. Died WW2 as a result of enemy action on patrol.



From left standing: Hugh, Edgar, St.John, George, Guy Boas
 From left sitting: Frances, Beethom, Marian, Cicily and son, Robert, Arthur
 (photo provided by Rachel Clarkson)

5. **Robert Bovill 'Bertie' Whitehead 1867- 1945 m Rosalie Emily Phelps 1872**

Children (first cousins of Edgar Hoyos and siblings):

- Frances Mary Whitehead 1897-? (not to be confused with the Frances, daughter of Sir James Beethom Whitehead)
- Clare Leopoldine Whitehead 1902-1960 m Gerald Bertram Hollom 1896-1964
- Thomas Bovill Whitehead 1903-1989 m Christine Margaret Dixon 1911-2002

- **Alice Rosalie Whitehead** (Edgar first cousin, 'Aileen' in Bournemouth photos) 1897-1979 m Commander William Anthony Floyer RN 1890-1943 in 1919, son **Michael Antony Floyer** (Alicemargit second cousin) M.D. 1920-2000 professor of medicine and dean of the medical school at the London Hospital. (seen in journal in Bournemouth)

Michael Antony Floyer (greatgrandson of Robert Bovill Whitehead and second cousin of Alicemargit)

b. 28 April 1920 d. 17 February 2000

He married Lily Burns in 1946. They had two sons and a daughter.

David Floyer [third cousin to Elaine Barry nee Morris]

Christopher Floyer

Jenny Floyer)



Edgar and Ilona Hoyos with their children at Sooss, ca 1919. (Photo provided by Rob Hoyos)

The children:

Georg (Georry) 1902-1976 m 1925 Alice Browning Smith 1904-1969.divorced. m 1938 Frances Briggs 1918-2001

Zdenko Alexander 1903-1941. Killed by Nazis in Aktion T4

Franz Joseph Balthasar (Balthy) 1904-1982 m 1931 Franziska von Sekendorff-Gudent 1906-1966

Alice-Margit 1907-1979 m 1931 Ryle Morris 1891-1971 of Bryn Myrddin, Carmarthenshire

Marie Cajetana 1909-1948 m 1931 Sir John Paget Bowman 1904-1994. Sir John remarried 1948 Frances Edith Marian Whitehead (daughter of Sir James Beethom Whitehead (1858-1928)

Adam Anton 1912-1989 m 1943 Ruth Gold. M 1955 Magda Brunner-Lehnstein 1920-2012

Marie Ines 1917-1985

Photos of those mentioned in journal but not pictured



Robert Whitehead



Frances Whitehead, nee
Johnson



John Paget Bowman and
Cajetana Bowman, nee
Hoyos



Ryle Morris and Alicemargit
Morris, nee Hoyos



Mary Morris



Charlie Hughes



Ines Hoyos



Balty and Franz Hoyos



Cecilia Sternberg, nee von Reventlow-Criminil and Leopold Sternberg with daughter Diana Phipps, nee Sternberg.



Charles Christopher Dudley Short



Mai Kysant, nee Morris



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