

## **CST News Bulletin (1961-65)**

### **General background**

During this period there was a change of government from Conservative to Labour (October 1964). In the wider political and social arena, France vetoed UK joining the 'Common Market' in 1961. The Robbins Report on Higher Education appeared in 1963 as did the Children and Young Persons Act. In 1964 Statutory Instrument No. 941 set out regulations for speech therapists in England and Wales.

### **Bulletin**

Three editors oversaw Bulletin in the early 1960s. There was very little direct communication with the readers, eg invitations to members to submit articles (Nos 157, 167). The pattern of 11 issues per annum continued (no September issue). Emphasis was now much more on news, eg very few clinical articles appeared.

A new format for the Bulletin was instituted in mid-1962 after the termination of the business (The Typing Bureau) which duplicated the Bulletin. In future it would be 'printed by the offset litho process and presented in booklet form' (No. 132). The new appearance produced a Bulletin with more pages without an increase in content - but with complaints about the size of the print (Nos 134, 135). A further change was required 'due to unsatisfactory work by the present printers' and implemented in No. 149 with the work being undertaken by Harpers Publicity Ltd. Finally from January 1965 (No. 158) another printer was employed (FJ Milner and Sons Limited) with a resultant change of appearance.

Area and district news reports were discontinued following discussion re: Bulletin at Council meetings in July and September 1961 but notices for meetings were retained (No. 127). Study groups developed during this time (No. 133).

### **HQ**

HQ move - see letters in Nos 145, 149, 150. The move to rented premises at 47 St John's Wood High Street, NW8 was announced in No. 153 by the Chairman (see also Chairman's address in same issue).

MCST by examination was awarded to Miss Jean Hutton (cerebral dominance and speech) (No. 114) (the second to achieve this qualification), Miss Joyce L Cook (the problem of the post-laryngectomy patient, with particular reference to oesophageal speech), Mrs Renata Gillmore (the rehabilitation of

the laryngectomised patient) (No. 147) and Miss Barbara J Drew (No. 160). Regulations are given in Nos 119, 135, 157 and 168.

Fellows: Honorary Fellowships were awarded to Professor Court and Mr Fenton Braithwaite (No. 121), Mr E Gwynne-Evans, Mr James Calnan and Dr Neil Gordon (No. 136), Dr John Gaylor (No. 145) and Dr Lovel Barnes, Professor Dennis Fry and Dr Ian Taylor (No. 153). Fellow by thesis was awarded to Joyce Mitchell ('The speech therapist in the geriatric unit') (No. 128), Mary Courtman-Davies ('Psychological aspects of stammering') (No. 133), Miss RE Stark (No. 142) ('The incidence and nature of stammering in educationally sub-normal children') and Mrs Coral Richards ('A pilot study with children, aged three to five, of a test of the understanding of the spoken word') (No. 160). Fellowship was also awarded to Mrs de Hirsch (No. 142).

A new badge (No. 115), with a 'quite simple' design by Miss Mathias (No. 119), ('the initials CST in the centre of a shield, and with the words College of Speech Therapists round the edge so that the words are easily readable') was advertised. It was to cost about 8/- for rhodium plate or about 25/- for silver. Again, as in 1956, the wearing of a badge proved contentious, eg letters in Nos 117, 118. It was available by No. 122 (8s. 6d. and £1 10s. respectively). Adapted woven badges were developed (No. 163).

Discussions in Areas re: CST organisation following 'statement' from Council took place in 1960 and were discussed in Council in 1961 (eg No. 117). A change in procedure for electing the Chairman was found to be required and Dr McAllister was elected CST President (No. 166). The memorandum 'A profession concerned with disorders of communication' by Dr Morley was to be circulated to the membership (No. 121). She explained its purpose in No. 123, ie to enlist the help of consultants and medical officers in a bid for recognition of autonomous professional status. The question of future training, ie university level education, led to formation of an advisory committee (No. 121), whose report to Council was printed with a request for comments in No. 133. The setting up of a Training and Registration Board was discussed (No. 147). Details about its composition, membership etc were given in No. 154. A working party on 'speech therapy in cerebral palsy' was to be set up (No. 128) - its membership was given and a questionnaire circulated in No. 129 produced a better response than anticipated (No. 131). Its report was received by Council in September 1962 (No. 133). A supplementary questionnaire was printed in No. 137. A summary of the findings was published in 'Developmental Medicine and Child Neurology' (No. 146) (off-prints available from CST at 2/-). A working party on the role of the speech therapist in special schools was announced in No. 163.

A survey of the supply and demand for speech therapists in the British Isles was carried out by AM Fleming: invitation to complete form re: figures (No. 120), preliminary report (No. 122), related letters in Nos 121 and 122. Report received by Council in January 1962 and a summary of conclusions printed in No. 126. Report summary published in No. 133. Grady and Daniels' 'A survey of the incidence of speech defect in children' was received by Council (No. 156). Miss E Butfield's 'The profession of speech therapy' was made available as a reprint from CST (No. 164).

Miss Collis (Secretary) was offered a 'salary more in keeping with the responsibilities that the work entails' and Mrs Cathie was appointed to assist in the office (No. 121). Bloc insurance was discontinued because of a 'steady decrease in the number participating' (No. 128). It was not possible at the time under CST constitution to include insurance in subscription.

A College library trial scheme for borrowing began (No. 133), an announcement which received a good response (No. 135). In 1963 there was interest in films/programmes about speech therapy (No. 138). 'Play School' on BBC 2 was recommended by Mary Courtman-Davies (No. 153). Copyright for theses and lecture papers was dealt with in No. 138. A library notice appeared in No. 142. A library of tape recordings was established by Mr Good, Nos 143, 144, 156 and 167 (last two including catalogues of tapes).

The question of salaries was raised in 1963 (No. 139) with concerns about the effectiveness of the Speech Therapists' Professional Association (STPA). A related notice from Joan Pollitt (STPA) appeared in No. 140 and letters in Nos 141-146, 149-151, 153. Salary scales and conditions were included with No. 143. CST met STPA (No. 164).

Subscriptions were increased as from 1 January 1965 (No. 153) having remained stable for 10 years. Registration numbers were to be introduced (No. 160) but this was deferred (No. 163). Peggy Carter gifted a bronze name plate for CST (No. 158).

### **Advents and events**

Study group - Speech therapy and the mentally retarded - was formed and regular reports by Patricia Peacock were printed after the group's formation in November 1960 (Nos 114, 116, 117, 120, 123, 124, 126). Renamed mental deficiency study group(?), report by VH Leigh (No. 127).

1961 conference (CST's fifth) was held in Birmingham: its programme was included in No. 119 and reports in No. 121 - see especially Joan van Thal's (as well as her letters to the Editor on various issues). A book 'Signs, signals and symbols' (published by Methuen) was produced (35/-), based on 23 papers read at the conference (No. 136). The 1966 conference was to be held in Scotland (No. 145) - 'Diagnosis, theory and practice' (No. 155), programme outlined in No. 168.

Members willing to answer questions in proposed 'Yours questions answered' section were requested in No. 127. A panel of advisers was set up by No. 163. The feature was instituted in No. 132 but was slow to get started with two 'anonymous' questions being posed in No. 137. It continued in 138-140, 142, 144, 149, 150, 152, 153, 155, 160, 163.

University course at Newcastle - see letter from Chairman (No. 149) - provided the first qualification not given by CST. See also Chairman's AGM address 1964 (No. 153).

21st birthday and appeal for £2100 (Nos 162, 166). This was met (No. 186) through events such as a garden party (No. 163), and market medley (Nos 164, 167).

The Jansson lecture was inaugurated in 1962 (No. 124). The first one (Dr W Grey Walter 'Brain mechanisms and speaking') was advertised in No. 132, and reported on in No. 135. The 1964 lecture was to be given by Sir James Pitman (No. 145) on 'successes or frustrations in human communication' (No. 153).

Technology: electronic artificial larynx, Nos 125, 129, 154, 155, 166; amplifiers (weak voices, hard of hearing and laryngectomised), No. 141.

The Union of Speech Therapy Students was established (No. 136). Its first Chairman was R Scott, c/o 26, Lower Sloane Street, London (Kingdon-Ward School).

Clinical teaching course proposals were outlined by Catherine Renfrew in a letter in No. 147 (see also stop press in No. 149). Its start date was advanced to September 1965 (No. 152). A repeat of Diploma in Teaching of Speech Therapy course at the University of Reading Institute of Education was announced (No. 168).

The Robbins Report was summarised by Miss Renfrew at a Council meeting (No. 149). This 1963 report concerned higher education. The Plowden Committee (whose eventual 1967 report was called 'Children and their Primary Schools') received evidence from CST - see letter in No. 155. The report from CST to Plowden Committee was outlined in No. 158 (letter in response in No. 160).

A novel with a speech therapist as the heroine (E Arnot Robertson '*The strangers on my roof*') was noted in No. 156. Other publications of this period include a leaflet by Joyce Wilkins, '*When words are missing - after a stroke*' (No. 128), a book by Rona Williams '*Speech difficulties in childhood*' (a practical guide for teachers and parents) (No. 137) and two booklets by Elinor Wray '*The aphasic patient in the hospital*' and '*The aphasic patient at home*' (No. 144).

### **Letters to the Editor - themes**

Re: fees from private patients, eg Nos 114, 149, 151. Re: name of the profession, eg No. 114. Re: Free Speakers' Club, eg Nos 114, 116, 117. Re: team-work, eg No. 116. Re: laterality - No. 117. Re: Father Seamus O'Flynn, Nos 122, 124. Subject dropped on his death (No. 127) but same theme of unqualified person treating stammerers arose with Haydn Hemery (No. 138). Re: hypnosis in treatment of stammering, Nos 123, 124. Re: speech therapy shortage & selection of cases (correspondence begun between Joyce Mitchell and Margaret Fawcus), Nos 121, 122, 125-127, 129, 130. Re: CST library, No. 126. Re: higher qualifications, Nos 127, 128. Re: [f] for [θ], Nos 127-129. Re: apathy in the profession and effect of non-payment of CST subscription, Nos 129-134. Re: stammering children, Nos 131, 132 and anal stage cause of stammering, Nos 137-140. Re: teachers and stammering, Nos 138, 140, 141. Re: need for speech therapists in Wales, Nos 132, 134. Re: icing ('deep-freeze therapy'), Nos 141, 143, 144. Re: history of the profession, Nos 143, 144. Re: a case for cerebral palsy, Nos 144-146. Re: syllabus revision, Nos 144, 146-148. Re: university courses, Nos 148-152. Re: autistic children, No. 154. Re: professional recognition, Nos 157-162, 164. Re: working party for after-care for patients with an acquired speech disorder, Nos 159, 161. Re: sneezing attack, Nos 160, 161. Re: Parkinsonism, Nos 153, 165.

### **Continuations**

Refresher courses: Northern Area refresher course, Lake District 3-6 October 1962 (Nos 119, 121, 132). Evening dress not required - 'just a "pretty" frock, please, for dinner time'. Report from area representative provided in No. 134. Speakers were tape-recorded (now archived at RCSLT). Midland Area held a day course on reading on 2.12.61 (application form with No. 122). Papers from this course appeared in '*Speech Pathology and Therapy*' in 1962. Southern Area refresher course was to

be held 4-7 September 1963 'The development and practice of clinical techniques in the treatment of aphasia' (No. 133). Lecture titles given in No. 139 and report in No. 145. Scottish Area refresher course was to be held 1-4 April 1964 in St Andrews (No. 143) (report given in No. 151). Midland Area refresher course was to be held 7-10 April 1965 on some of the psychological and educational aspects of the speech therapist's work (No. 151). Subjects under discussion were listed in No. 160.

News of members continued in the majority of issues (marriages, births and changes of address), with changes of addresses being dropped after No. 156. Advertisements section pricing structure was changed as from No. 121 following decision by Council, 15.7.61. Prices for appointments vacant increased again in Nos 133, 161. Personal recommendations for various posts appeared in many issues. The bibliography continued on a regular basis, despite its continuation being questioned (Nos 132, 133). Exhibition material available was listed and the procedure for borrowing it from Margaret Fawcus described (Nos 116, 123) and from her successor, Miss K Allen (No. 136). It was later taken out of circulation for re-furbishment (No. 146).

'Flashes' and humour continued - Clinical flashes, No. 120; examination flashes, No. 126; 'humerous' flashes, No. 140. In Joyce Wilkins' Chairman's New Year message of 1963, she notes 'that "Dr. Kildare" has become a speech therapist' (No. 136).

### **International**

IALP 1962 conference was held in Padua (No. 116) and reported on in No. 133 and 134. The 1965 conference was to be held in Vienna (No. 146). Working in Canada and Canadian salaries continued to receive attention, eg letters in Nos 127-130, 132, 146, 167.

Issue	Date	Editor	Pages*	Articles etc
114	January 1961	E Sprayson	9+6+2	W Kingdon Ward: Appreciations of Gladys A Jansson & Dorothy G Rant VH Leigh: lecture summary of Mr Mien's Research into the vocabulary and language of mentally handicapped institutionalised patients Kathleen Morrison: Tongue tie
115	Feb 1961	E Sprayson	10	Edward Paulett: A code of professional conduct (press officer) report of joint meeting of speech therapists and teachers of the deaf Kathleen Morrison: Tradition AM Fleming & RE Goodwins: survey report on County Borough of Derby speech therapy service
116	March 1961	E Sprayson	7+7+2	Obituary: Mr Duncan M Gunn, LCST
117	April 1961	E Sprayson	9+5	
118	May 1961	E Sprayson	9+6	Joan H van Thal: The composition, election and functions of Council Catherine E Renfrew: Maturation, the healer
119	June 1961	E Sprayson	10+6+2	death of oldest CST member (Annie Lucas) noted AGM address by Chairman (Foundations and trusts) list of College committees' members Joan H van Thal: Committees and committee procedure
120	July 1961	E Sprayson	8+6+2	Joan H van Thal: Keeping in touch
121	August 1961	E Sprayson	7+5	list of College committees' members Edward Paulett: extracts from articles written by the Very Rev Seamus O'Flynn
122	October 1961	E Sprayson	7+7	VH Leigh: Pioneering in Radlett
123	Nov 1961	E Sprayson	9+6+3	Notes on talk by Miss Doris Wilson: Speech therapy in New Zealand and Australia Notes on talk by Mr Dignam: Tape recording Editor: Stammering - points from the press
124	Dec 1961	E Sprayson	9+5+2	obituary: Mabel Oswald Jean F Ward & Marie R Dooley: Canadian news letter
125	January 1962	E Sprayson	7+6	obituary: Gillian Smythe (née Deby) MJ Hampson: A very sad story
126	Feb 1962	E Sprayson	5+5+3	
127	March 1962	E Sprayson	6+6	P Goldschmidt: Sugar pellets are not without risk
128	April 1962	E Sprayson	7+5+2	Ann Canning: Ways and means Lyn P Parker: reply to Goldschmidt in No. 127

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129	May 1962	E Sprayson	7+7	Hallack McCord: A brief note on hypnotherapy and a case of stagefright
130	June 1962	Mrs J Smith	7+8+3	Remarks at AGM by Chairman and Deputy: Our public image list of College committees' members Hester Rosser: Report from CST Rep to British Council for the Welfare of Spastics
131	July 1962	Mrs J Smith	9+6	E Paulett: From the Press Officer Margaret M Cooper: Modern trends in the treatment of Parkinsonistic dysarthria
132	August 1962	Mrs J Smith	9+7+2	list of College committees' members E Butfield: report on course on research methods for speech therapists Margaret Greene: The Royal National Institute for the Deaf library
133	October 1962	Mrs J Smith	17+8	Rev R Mary Webster: A possible national council for the single woman and her dependants (see also letter in No. 145)
134	Nov 1962	Mrs J Smith	15/2+5	M Kingston: Teachers of the deaf and speech therapists (see also No. 115)
135	Dec 1962	Mrs J Smith	15+7	P Henderson: Report by PMO on number of speech therapists employed in England and Wales Obituary: Mrs Daisy Perkins Elizabeth le M Fouard: Speech therapy in the Channel Islands
136	January 1963	Mrs J Smith	14/2+7	
137	Feb 1963	Mrs J Smith	14/2+6	Rona M Williams: A case of puberphonia
138	March 1963	Mrs J Smith	14+8	
139	April 1963	Mrs J Smith	16+7	Patricia L Page: Report on reverse swallowing (tongue thrust)
140	May 1963	Mrs J Smith	14/1+7	Area reports 1962-63: Scottish and Northern RM Beggs: Writing from a dysphasic patient
141	June 1963	Mrs J Smith	16+8	list of College committees' members Area reports 1962-63: Southern and Midland
142	July 1963	Mrs J Smith	19/3+8	Joyce Wilkins: Building for the future (AGM address) list of College committees' members Joan H van Thal: Use and abuse of corrective procedures
143	August 1963	Mrs J Smith	15/3+8	Elizabeth M Macmahon: Venturing abroad MP Francis: A case for cerebral palsy

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144	October 1963	Mrs J Smith	16+9	Mary M Harris: Clinical supervision of students Mary Courtman-Davies: Stop press
145	Nov 1963	Mrs J Smith	18/3+7	E Hazel Fontannez: Tongue-guides
146	Dec 1963	Mrs J Smith	18/2+8	Jean Cooper: Newly-in-charge Tolpuddle: Trade unions and us
147	January 1964	Mrs J Smith	12+7	
148	Feb 1964	Mrs J Smith	12/3+7	Margaret L Allan: Discussion groups for the relatives of the disabled Obituary: Miss Pauline Ellison
149	March 1964	Mrs J Smith	16+12	Scottish Council for Spastics - scholarship scheme
150	April 1964	Mrs J Smith	16/2+8	
151	May 1964	Mrs J Smith	14+9	
152	June 1964	Mrs J Gower	16/2+8	Jacqueline Stengelhofen: Proportional representation Area reports 1963-4: Southern and Northern
153	July 1964	Mrs J Gower	16+8	list of College committees' members
154	August 1964	Mrs J Gower	16+8	Area Reports 1963-4: Midland and Scottish; Financial report Death: Prof Ponfret Kilner
155	October 1964	Mrs J Gower	16/2+9	E Butfield: Spastics Society: EGM and conference reports
156	Nov 1964	Mrs J Gower	14/2+8	
157	Dec 1964	Mrs J Gower	15+8	Ann C Irwin: An example of late speech development
158	January 1965	Mrs J Gower	14/4+9	Obituary: John B Gaylor
159	Feb 1965	Mrs J Gower	12+8	William Good: Tape recording
160	March 1965	Mrs J Gower	15/2+8	Mary Warren: The use of the tape recorder in the clinic
161	April 1965	Mrs J Gower	8+11	Iris Morrish: LCST - what next?
162	May 1965	Mrs J Gower	11/2+9	
163	June 1965	Mrs J Gower	12+8	Obituary: Annie Glover Area reports 1964-5: Northern, Midland, Southern Nora Dawson: Speech therapy in the Republic of Ireland
164	July 1965	Mrs J Gower	16/2+9	Chairman's AGM address; treasurer's report; Scottish Area report list of College committees' members
165	August 1965	Mrs J Gower	8+7	amended list of College committees' members
166	October 1965	Mrs J Gower	11+8	

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167	Nov 1965	Mrs J Gower	11/3+6	Mary Warren: Preliminary experiment with sleep learning for a dysphasic patient
168	Dec 1965	Mrs J Gower	15+8	Northern Area EGM report - future of the profession Reciprocal agreements - ASHA

\*body of Bulletin + adverts + bibliography, then from 134 onwards - body of Bulletin including /number of pages of bibliography + adverts

115 - no letters to the Ed., ads or bibliography?

Mrs J Smith = Miss Jean Hutton