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THE VIRTUAL WALK

ALONG ST ANN'S WELL ROAD

PRE DEMOLITION 1970

[Kelly's directory for St Ann's Well Roadclick here](#)



[Honour Roll for ww1 St Anns Well Rd](#)

Facebook group:

[St Ann's Well Road Pre Demolition \(1970\) Online Community](#)

The “Sister Site”

<http://stannswellroad.weebly.com/>





*Aerial view looking from Parliament down King Edward St.
St Ann's Well Rd continues on from King Edward St.*

"The trolley bus with central market on the left is a 39 for Carlton Post Office! The one outside the Palais is a 40 from Kildare Rd to Wilford Bridge. The Palais itself is advertising tea dances with Peter Fielding and his music."

The No 40 trolley bus is just approaching the roundabout.
Palais de Danse is to the right and the Central Markets is to the left.
From the city centre we have reached St Anns' Well Road via Parliament St.
We are approaching St Ann's Well Road via King Edward Street

THE CENTRAL MARKETS



As we go a little further we pass the bottom end of the Central Market - and here is where we would have got a dish of lovely.....

HOT MUSHY PEAS.

THE PALAIS DE DANSE



The Palais De Danse was one of the fabulous ballrooms we had in Nottingham and it was on OUR doorstep!

If we get tired of walking, we can always catch a trolley bus (no 40 or 47). There was a bus stop just around the corner, (note the overhead wires).

Many a delay was caused by the trolley connections coming adrift rounding the corner from King Edward Street onto Parliament St; and the conductor would have to get off and use the long pole to re-attach the trolley.



Central Market circa 1960

Tony Miller :

"Great idea Mavis, may I join in your special walk.....Sorry but I can't pass the Central Market without having a pot of Mushy Peas...Salt & Pepper, touch of Mint and a sprinkle of Vinegar, so it's on the corner and up the steps through the doors and there's the counter on the left, lovely M'Duck.

Whilst I am in the market I must take a gander at the pet shop....love the white mice, could have some fun with one of them...but what I really fancy is a grass snake.....to scare the girls....Hissssss"



[LINK: central markets](#)



Link: Facebook photo album <https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=oa.298411303592498&>

[LINK: Palais de danse](#)

ON THE LEFT HAND SIDE:



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ON THE RIGHT HAND SIDE:



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HUNTINGDON STREET BUS STATION

Sid Wheeldon:

"Huntingdon Street Bus Station holds particular memories for me. I and lots of others caught the buses on certain Sunday nights to get back to Warminster Army Camp in time for parade Monday morning along with a few female "Camp followers"

Kay Burford:

"The Huntingdon Street Bus Station brings back memories, standing in line waiting for the

WILLIAM BOOTH MEMORIAL HALLS

(Salvation Army)

Sid Wheeldon: "William Booth Hall across from the Locarno (VIC) & Bus Station. Lots of Parades by Boys Brigade, Cubs, Scouts & Girl Guides, & Salvation Army started from this Location on Sundays etc. Brilliant, not forgetting Sea Scouts as well"

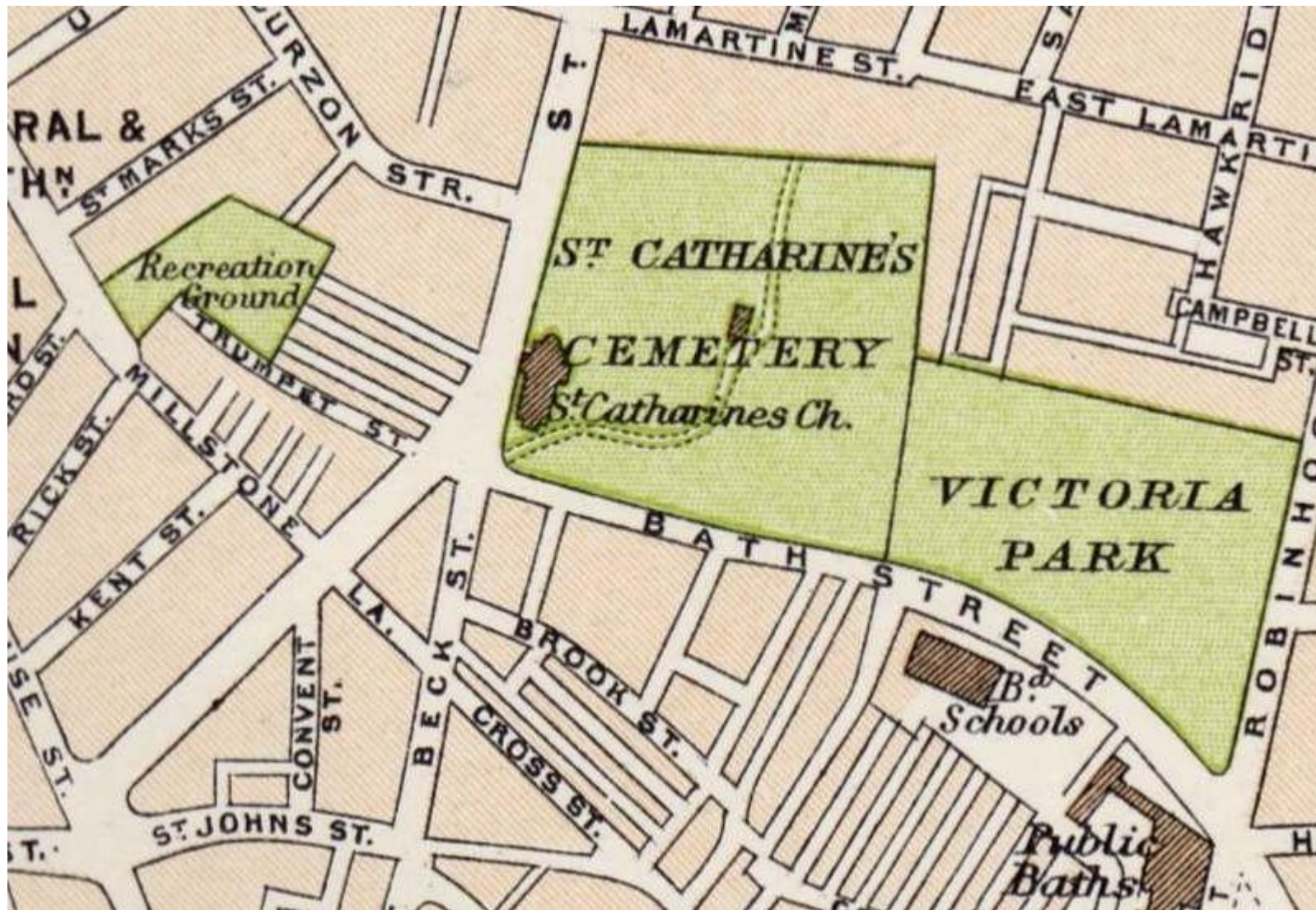
Link - BBC Video:

External BBC link: [William Booth, the founder of the Salvation Army, was born at 12 Notintone Place in Sneinton, Nottingham in 1829.](#)

Skeggy bus to come in, to be taken to my second home beside the seaside."







We are now on St Ann's Well Road

Across from the Salvation Army - William Booth Hall (other side of this roundabout) we see: **The Generating Station/Tram Depot and the Victoria Ballroom** to the left and Bath Street to the right

Sid Wheeldon makes the comment:

"If I had the Money I would Buy this Building (Generating Station) and turn it into a St Ann's Museum, housing any artefacts/photos/memorabilia/ and a life size replica of the down stairs front room, kitchen & scullery of my birth place - 22 Cathcart St. Also show short Films of our childhood & portray what life was like living in St Ann's back in the Day ..."



The Generating Station/Tram Depot and the Victoria Ballroom



Billy Merrin's Commanders - Victoria Ballroom - 1933
([PHOTO FROM: Picture the Past website](#))



Bath St - Rest Gardens



Bottom of Bath Street circa 1900s
[join the bath street virtual walk here](#)

**Across the road from the Empress cinema is:
St Catherine's Church - PARISH ROOM AND INSTITUTE**

Victoria Ballroom

The Victoria Ballroom was opened in 1929. It later became the Locarno and then a Bingo Hall.

(TOUR GUIDE PAUSES AT THIS POINT TO FIND A SUITABLE SNAPSHOT....)

Do we stop and go to the movies or shall we go dancing?

" I'm popping into the cinema myself to check out the posters of forthcoming films... perhaps I can find one of Clark Gable...now that poster will become a collectable no doubt... "Gone with the Wind"...mint condition.



THE EMPRESS CINEMA
(1928-1988)



St Catherine's, circa 1975

"We are standing outside the Empress cinema...if you look over to the corner of Bath Street you will see the **St Mary's Garden of Rest**, formerly the Victoria Gardens. This was once a cemetery (necessitated by the plague (1832) Here you will find the only remaining grave in the park... that of Bendigo the boxer. It is still possible to see many of the old gravestones around its walls but best known is the stone lion which marks the final resting place of William Thompson, 'Bendigo', a champion bare-knuckle fighter and a Nottingham hero in Victorian times. Bendigo, baptised in St Mary's, in later life turned from fighting to evangelism.

For full information on the history of this church and burial ground - .here is a very good link - good photos on this site...also the map has very high definition

<http://southwellchurches.nottingham.ac.uk/nottingham-st-catharine/hhistory.php>

Burial Ground:

<http://southwellchurches.nottingham.ac.uk/nottingham-st-mary/xburialgrds.php>

It is worth your while to take out your iPod or laptop at this moment and Google or Wikipedia his name...makes fascinating reading.

<https://nottinghamhiddenhistoryteam.wordpress.com/2016/02/09/william-bendigo-thompson/>

If we go inside this cinema, we can wallow in
ART DECO OPULENCE



The Empress Cinema interior



Bendigo's grave



(tour guide whips out a laptop and tries to find a suitable image)

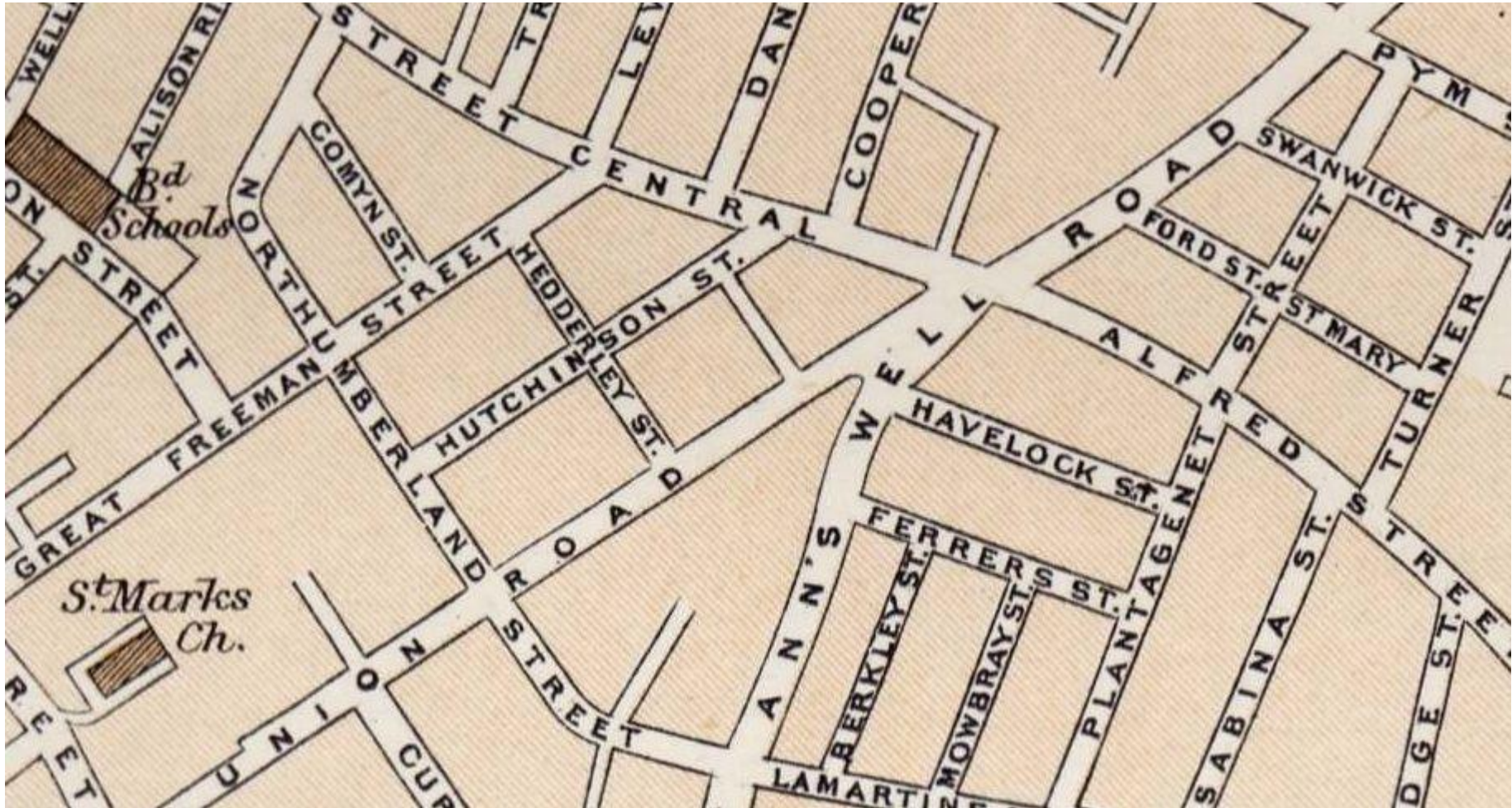


1954 - Movie showing is "A Star is Born" starring Judy Garland and James Mason

Mavis Baker: *"I remember sitting in the Empress in sublime anticipation...watching those curtains change colour with the seductive lighting on them.... the music (perhaps Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom Wine.....) ...waiting to be transported into the world of the movies.... South Pacific... "I'll Climb a Stairway to Paradise".... "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers." How I loved the musicals especially. One time we saw the Third Man.... (mum took to see everything except the X rated horror films)."*

Tony Miller: *"Can you remember the chap in uniform that was in the foyer, and used to let you in if you had been queuing outside....he used to check your age if you wanted to try and get in for an A film...we used to call him **Mr. Rhubarb**, because he was really tall with a moustache and his uniform was in the traditional red, green, & gold."*

Sid Wheeldon: *"what a great Memory for detail you have Tony the chap I recall was Mr Spencer doing that Job. He was David, Kenny & Johnny Spencer's dad. The same man who chased Cappendale around the Science Lab for really Marking David with the Infamous Strap he wielded- too heavy-handed was Cappel with that strap. Nowadays a teacher gets suspended for looking at pupils incorrectly, Cappel would have been jailed forthwith had he been teaching now."*



Pre-empting Sid collecting his best suit for the 100th member celebration of our Facebook website, we try to get a glimpse of the pawn shop's gleaming spheres in the distance (but not succeeding yet...we are too far away...)

Sid Wheeldon: "Andersons Pawnshop with the 3 Cylindrical or spheres hanging outside!"

Mavis Baker: " Sid...can you recall where on the road that was?"

Walking up St Ann's Well Road
on the right hand side are the even nos:

2 CYCLE DEALERS Smith Bros

4a SIGN WRITER

4a SHOPFITTERS

Tony Miller:

*"Mavis, Past Northumberland St, and just past **Bamford's** on the left walking up Senty, just before Union Rd junction on the left with the **"Coachmakers Arms"** on the corner of **Union Rd**....."*

"Have you just found a ticket then Sid....Make sure you get your best suit out and your Granddad's Gold Fob Watch, ready for our 100th member site celebrations.....I will buy you a pint of Shipo's..."

In 1956 just beyond the Empress (towards Curzon St) on the left was:

23 OPTICIAN

25 PERAMBULATOR DEALER

27 ST ANN'S CAFE AND SNACK BAR

29 CONFECTIONER

Tour Guide strikes out up the road.....

"Just make sure this cultural walk does not turn into a pub crawl...I know you senty's lot!!!" she says with tongue in cheek.

CURZON STREET

Consulting Kelly's directory of 1956 we may see:

31 & 33 Sheppard W & Sons Ltd BOOT DEALERS
(TONY M stops to ogle the expensive shoes!)

35 & 37 TAILORS Prossers

39 LADIES HAIRDRESSER Goodliffe

41 & 43 DOCTOR O'Dea Patrick

45 [DENTIST Lawrence Wm Ernest](#)

47 DRESSMAKER Pocklington Miss Lavinia

49 Smith

51 Judd Cyril

53 FLORIST Warman, Herbt. Jn. & Son

4½ SHOEING SMITH

6 NEWSAGENT

8 -10 MOTOR CAR MANUFACTURERS Stanley Motor Spares Ltd

12 HERBALIST

14 SHOPKEEPER Mr Hickling

16 WARDROBE DEALER

COPESTAKES YARD



Those of us walking up this side of the road will pass

THE GLADSTONE LIBERAL CLUB
between **Copestakes Yard** and [Lamartine St](#)
(a watering hole for some)...

We can get some cash at the **BARCLAYS BANK** at No 60 (which is on the corner of Ferrers St)

We can have a drink at **THE NAPOLEON HOTEL....** which is on the corner of

NORTHUMBERLAND ST

55 NAPLOEON PUBLIC HOUSE

57 Osborne Bert & Son, BUTCHERS

59 Stubbs Jn CONFECTIONERS

61 Bickley Dennis GREENGROCER

63 King Wilford DYER & CLEANER

69 Bamford W & Sons Ltd FUNERAL DIRECTORS

71 Read B BEER RTLR

73 & 75 LADY BAY CLEANERS LTD DYERS &

CLEANERS (proprietor's name Jesse)

STOKES PLACE

79, 81, 83, 85, 87 Everetts Stores Ltd LADIES OUTFITTERS

89 Shaw Frank L CHEMIST

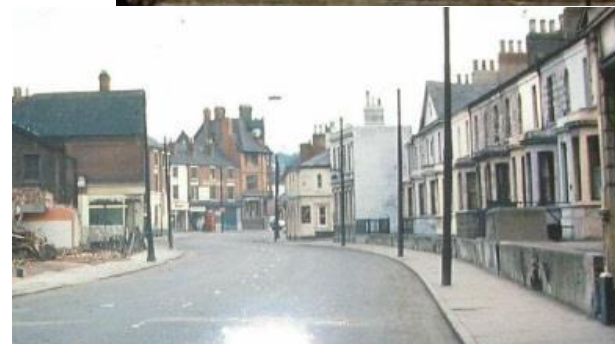
91 Stones Premier Stores HARDWARE MERCHANT

91A & 93 Greenman Pure Foods Ltd CAKE FLOUR MFRS

95 & 97 Anderson Jsph PAWNBROKER



Sid Plunketts is in this stretch of the road



Approaching Commercial Square - we see the Westminster Bank...and is that the Admiral Dundas pub off to the right?

20 Gladstone Liberal Club Ltd (East Nottingham) LIBERAL CLUB
20 Gladstone Lecture Hall

Stokes Place 1926 (floods)

On the right of the picture is Barclays Bank, next to Ferrers Street and the Admiral Dundas public house. On the left is Stokes Place and Everetts Stores Ltd, looking towards the junction with Union Road...



99 Shelton Colin **WELDER**

99A Nash Bros **JEWELLERS**

103 & 105 Henleys Tyre & Rubber Co Ltd **MOTOR TYRE MFRS**

107 Waddingham Harry **CAFE**

109 **COACHMAKER'S ARMS PUBLIC HOUSE**

LAMARTINE STREET

22 Smith Alfd. **SADDLER**

24 Green Chas. Geo

26 `Tyethurst Bertram

32 Foster Miss Florence

34 O'Callaghan. **PHYSICIAN & SURGEON**

36 Pheasey Harold

38 Barton Alfd

40 Reed Arth

42 Chamberlain Harold

44 Kirkham Mrs Eliz

46 Hanbury Mrs Annie

48 Pacey Mrs Mary

50 Morrow Mrs

52 Taylor Frank

54 Prenn C J

56 Goodliffe Waltr. A

60 Barclays Bank Ltd **BANK**

FERRERS STREET

62 ADMIRAL DUNDAS PUBLIC HOUSE

64 Cran J K **GREENGROCER**

66 Coppock's Ltd **TOBACCONISTS**

68 Shelton Lenard

70 Gaunt J H **DRAPER**

72 Zhanbury Wm **PAINTER**

74 Binton Percy **NEWSAGENT**

HAVELOCK STREET

76 Winfield Geo **BUTCHER**

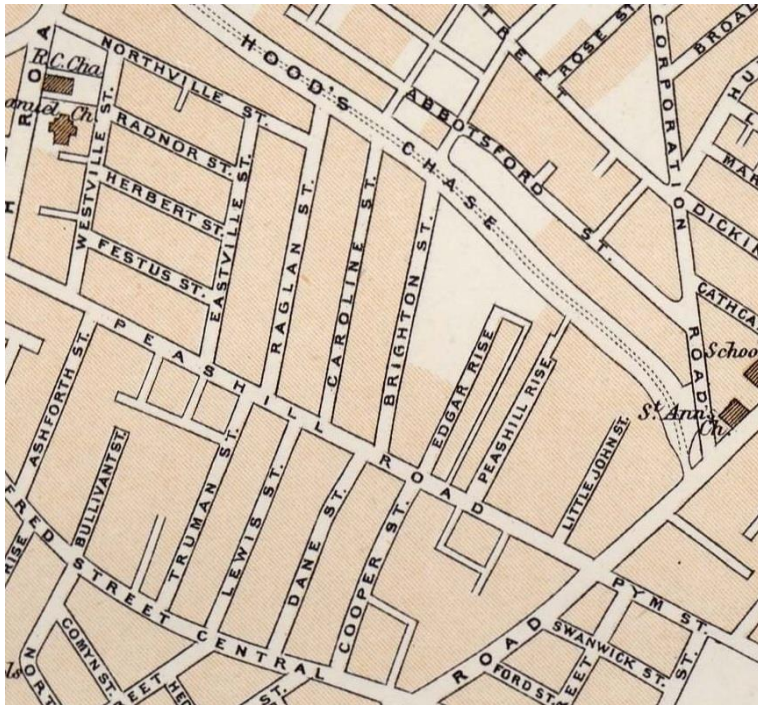
78 F. W. Farnsworth, pork butcher;

80 & 82 Leslie Atkin Wine and spirit merchant;

84, S.S. Plunkett outfitter

86 M. H. Coupe Ltd, house furnishers; **MILLINER Briley**

HARD CONFECTIONERS



The Pawn Shop...Sid has a good story to tell about going here!



The Coachmakers



Alfred St Central on the left beyond the crossing. Another view of the Coachmakers Public House on the corner of Union Rd

TOUR GUIDE PRODUCES SOME **MAPS** OF THE AREA TRAVERSED SO FAR (dating from when the Victoria Station was first built - late 1900s)

[click here to access maps for download](#)

ALFRED ST SOUTH

88a St Ann's Studios Photographers;

Congregational Chapel and Schools. (ref 1953 Kelly's Directory)

.. Looking up the road we see THE CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL.



This part of St Ann's Well Rd was known as Commercial Square.

UNION ROAD

111 & 113 Briley Mrs M E **MILLINER**

115 Thompson Misses Eliz, & Miss Emma **HARD**

CONFECTIONERS

117 **Plunketts S. S. GENT'S OUTFITTERS**

119 Carnill J P **BUTCHER**

121 Smith & Walton Ltd **PAINT MANUFACTURERS**

123 Westminster Bank **BANK**

ALFRED STREET CENTRAL





The Oliver Cromwell on the corner



GENT'S OUTFITTERS Plunketts

Tony Miller :

*"Can I stop at **Sid Plunketts** to get some white paper collars size 15" - going down the Locarno Friday night and must have a clean collar, might even get the scissors out and round off the collar ends, to make it look a bit more MOD....."*

I think that Syd Plunket's shop deserves a "Blue Plaque" for his service to the 60s Gents fashion industry...he was born 40 years too early, otherwise he could have been another Nottingham Paul Smith. Good old Syd...his daughter lives in our Village, Margaret.....she could cut the grand opening ribbon at the ceremony, when we fix the plaque..."

Mavis: "what a 'fab' idea'.

Mavis Baker

"Which collar did you choose Tony?"

Tour guide remarks on the type of suit she has noticed the young men wearing in the 1960s

Tour Guide searches for a link for the 1960's fashion conscious amongst us:



Westminster Bank - Watson Fothergill architect

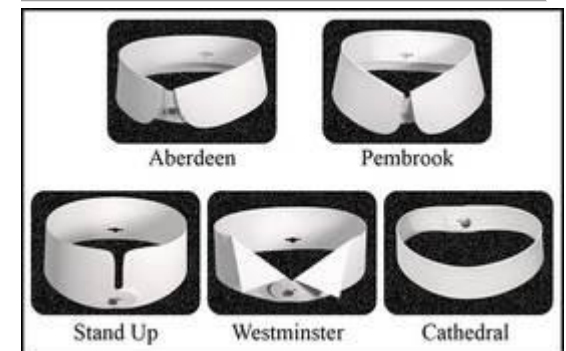


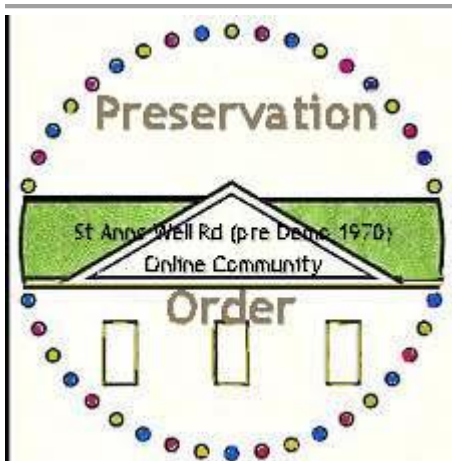
*1960's men's Italian suit
rich navy and black wool
weave –
jacket fully lined in a rich
navy satin-*

*3 button front high stance
- 3 on the cuff - center
vent back, skinny 2.5"
notched lapels 5 button
vest lined in off white -
silky feel navy satin back -
back adjustable, pleated
front pants - unlined
- tapered cuffed leg - 1.5"
wide waistband with belt
loops for a 1" wide belt
label: **Burton Tailored,**
**By appointment of Her
Majesty Queen Elizabeth
II,***



*...an example of a Simplicity pattern she
could knock up on her mam's Singer
treadle sewing machine by the weekend,
and shows her latest purchase from
Deans:*





One of the buildings that should have had a preservation order slapped on it.....



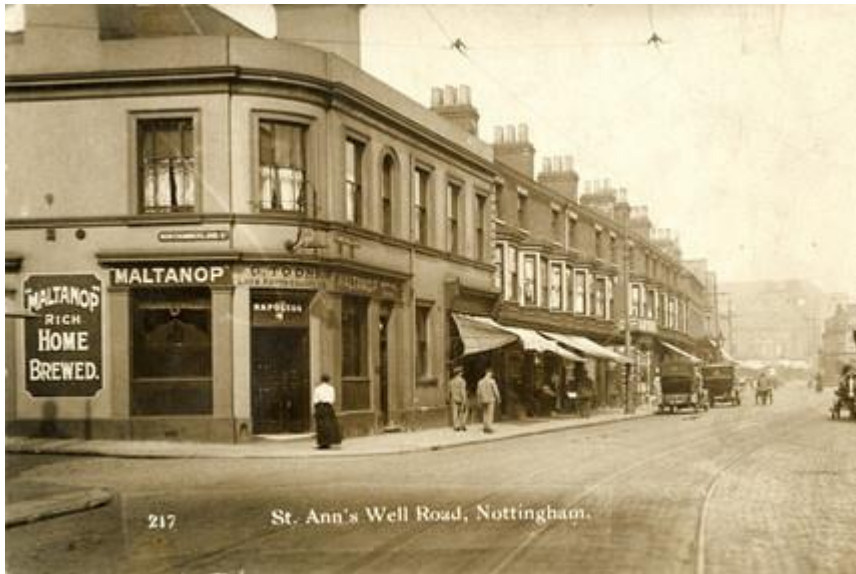
Painting by member Angie Miles



Turning and looking back to where we have been walking we see the COACHMAKER'S ARMS PUBLIC HOUSE on the corner of Union Road. Apparently The Coachmakers didn't have a license for spirits, only beer.

NORTHUMBERLAND STREET

Corner of Northumberland St circa 1915



Westminister Bank on the left corner of Alfred St Central and Oliver Cromwell public house on the right corner



The Westminister Bank was a beautiful building designed by Watson Fothergill. (Front view above Side view of the Westminister bank (above) The Oliver Cromwell public house opposite the Westminister Bank in Commercial Square, bottom of Alfred St Central.



This photo shows the view taken from the bank looking to the side of The Oliver Cromwell. A cycle shop is just across the laneway. There is a factory beyond..... several members have a discussion about this spot (update to be made here on the name of this side street and factory beyond)

127 OLIVER CROMWELL INN PUBLIC HOUSE

129 & 131 Nottingham Co-operative Society Ltd CO - OP

135 & 137 Jordans Nottingham Ltd WIRELESS DEALERS

139 Mince Mrs D. A. CONFECTIONER

141 Wooley Horace E BAKER

143 & 145 Dean L. C. LADIES OUTFITTER

145A Joyce Ernest & Co Ltd WHO. NEWSAGENTS



CAVENDISH CINEMA



[WW1 Percy C Gill \(at no 98\)](#)

BUTCHER Carnills

92 & 90 Daws H H & Sons **WHOLESALE TOBACCONISTS**

FORD STREET ST MARY

94 Fields Miss Florence

96 Adcock Wm

98 Henson Mrs Mary

100 Shaw Miss Mary **WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANT**

102 Kay C C **FRUITER**

[104 Holmes Frank CYCLE DEALER](#)



Cavendish Cinema

Tour Guide stops for a moment to refer everyone to the document in our files titled : "CINEMAS - The Cavendish (also referred to as 'the cavo' "

(In our Facebook Files section you can read ongoing comments about our memories of the Cavendish cinema) Not far from the cinema is the **CONFECTIONER**

147 Reason Wm E **CONFECTIONER**

Here you can buy your favourite sweets to take into the cinema if you like!

149 Victoria Laundry & Dyeworks (Nottingham) Ltd **LAUNDRY & DYEWORKS**

151 Hancock Ernest **GROCER**

153 Horne Mrs. Doris **CHINA & GLASS DEALER**

155 Dawson Ernest **BUTCHER**

157 Miller Harold **GROCER**

159 Crowther J **TAILOR**

161 Ash Harold **FISHMONGER**



WW1 Fred Archer (at no 163-167)

163 165 167 Morris Butler **OUTFITTER**

169 Shaw Bros **IRONMONGERS**

171 Ask Fredk H **FRUITERER**

173 **ST ANNS WELL INN PUBLIC HOUSE**



Looking back to the bank

Shop with the blinds out is Deans ladies outfitters. Stopped and looked in them windows many times (Susan Carberry)

SWANWICK STREET

106 Adam Jas. Harvey M.B. Ch.B. **GLAS.PHYSCN**

108 Shipley Harry

110 Riley Leslie Wm. **PLUMBER**

112 Shaw Rt

114 Kermode Geo

116 Terzza Mrs Kate

118 Smith Sidney

120 Modec Supplies **GENERAL DEALERS**

PYM STREET

122 Burtons the Furnishers **HOUSE FURNISHERS**

124 British Traders (Grocers) Ltd **GROCERS**

126 Messom Arth. **TAILOR**

134 Barnes & Crawford **HOUSE PAINTERS**

136 Wakefield Ernest V **CONFECTIONER**

138 Addison Wm. **HAY & STRAW DEALER**

140 Chase Tavern **PUBLIC HOUSE**

Smith & Walton Ltd PAINT MANUFACTURERS

PEASHILL ROAD



Looking back down St Ann's Well Rd at this point we can see the front of the St Ann's Well Rd Inn....and in the distance the other pub we have passed- The Coachmakers

175 Treadgold Mrs Violet Ethel **BEER RETAILER**
177 Pilkington Ahert **PORK BUTCHER**
179 -181 Patrick & Green **DRAPERS**
183 Kingston C Ltd **BUTCHERS**
185 Barkers **BAKERY**
187 - 189 Stoppard Jn **PAWNBROKER**
191 Hallworth Harold **NEWSAGENT**
193 - 197 Nottingham Trustee Savings Bank TSB
199 Sales H **BUTCHER**



[WW1Percy Bernard Stephenson \(at no 201\)](#)



[Peas Hill Road](#) to the left and [Pym Street](#) on the right.

Further up on the left is a small TSB bank then the start of Robin Hood Chase which leads all the way to Woodborough Road

The pub is The St Ann's Well Inn, a most appropriate pub for us all to gather in and have a natter and share some memories of this part of the road.

201 Towle Henry Ltd **BAKERS**
203 Livesey Mrs Hannah **DRAPERS**
205 Smith Harold
207 Handley Mrs Alice
209 Pottinger Mrs Lydia
215 Cooper P R & Co Ltd **CHILDREN'S DRESSES**
MANUFACTURERS

Robin Hood Billiards Saloon

(NOTE: these business were relevant to the early 1950's)

Time to head up towards The Chase (Robin Hood Chase)...(be sure to check out the photo albums for views of the Chase through the decades)



St Anns Well Inn



Computer generated art by Mavis

122 **Burtons the Furnishers**
124 British Traders (**Grocers**) Ltd
126 Messom Arthur **TAILOR**
134 Barnes & Crawford **HOUSE PAINTERS**
136 Wakefield Ernest V **CONFECTIONER**
138 Addison Wm. **HAY & STRAW DEALER**
140 Chase Tavern **PUBLIC HOUSE**



[WW1 Theo Smith \(at no 146\)](#)

The Kelly's Directory we have shows we have passed (according to our Kelly's Directory)

BEACON STREET

146 Carman Wm **FRIED FISH DEALER**
148 Holden Fred **MILLINER**
150 Gillespy Patrick W **BEER RETAILER**
152 Maypole Dairy Co Ltd **GROCERS**



Approaching the Robin Hood Chase. TSB bank visible in this image. Time to head up towards The Chase (Robin Hood Chase)...(be sure to check out the photo albums for views of the Chase through the decades)...and also St Ann's Church

154 Wood Thos. BUTCHER

154a Smith J Henry Ltd SILK THROWSTERS (GOODS ENTRANCE)

WAINWRIGHT PASSAGE

158 & 156 Browns the Furnishers HOUSE FURNISHERS

162 & 160 Hopewells Ltd HOUSE FURNISHERS



WW1 Albert Dixey (at no 162)



WW1 Ernest Stoneystreet (at no 162)



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Tony popped across to check out what was in the sale for his mum. Wonder if they have any of that modern Ercol furniture?

164 Clarke Ronald **CHEMIST**

166 Home & Colonial Stores Ltd **GROCERS**

168 Chace Boot & Shoe Stores **BOOT DEALERS**

170 Dewhurst J H Ltd **BUTCHERS**

172 Jane **LADIES OUTFITTERS**

BYCROFT'S YARD

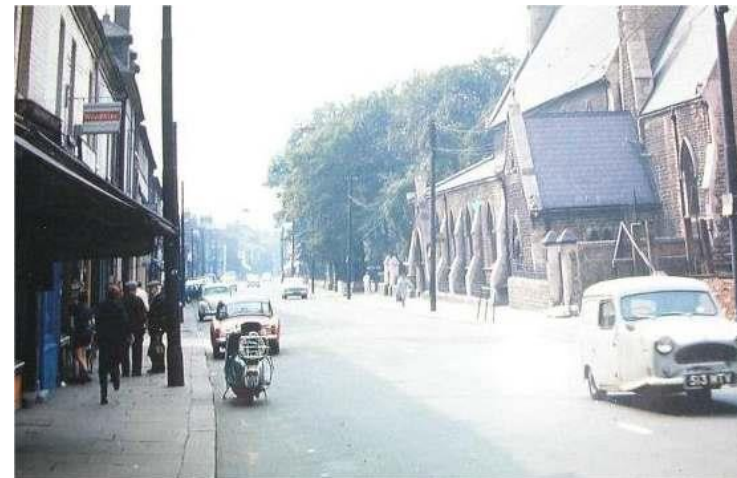
176 & 174 Lancaster Edwd. **DECORATORS' MERCHANTS**

180 Chettle Cecil Louis **DENTIST**

182 Simpson Thos. **BUTCHER**

184A Margaret **LADIES HARDRESSER**

184 Bailey D & Son **REFRIGERATION ENGINEERS**





Here we can also stand and admire [The St Anns Church](#)



Computer generated art by Mavis



The church once had a substantial school alongside



Susan Carberry:

I used to get off the bus from work at the church: left hand side the shop on the left was a jewellers come pawn shop. Stoppard's smaller shop I think .

Wow often think of the huge Diamond rings in that window second hand for 9 guineas !!! Three times my weekly wage as a junior... Still got a silver charm bracelet full of charms from there...charms were 3/6 , that's not the ones with a ten bob note in or a pound note !!

Had a neighbour who used to buy and redeem pawn tickets, she had some beautiful jewellery .. Bit further up was Mrs Hurt's chip shop and Mr Summers for sweets and ice cream. Little shoe shop good for Welles and plimmies. Then an electrical / telly shop, veg shop on corner of Martin St opposite corner Kings hall, oh what great memories !! 1958



The most extraordinary thing has happened on this virtual tour:

A note on the flower:

(The common name *Nottingham catchfly* commemorates the former occurrence of *S. nutans* on the walls of Nottingham Castle, and the species was chosen as Nottinghamshire's county flower. Despite this association, Nottingham catchflies no longer occur in either the city of Nottingham or the wider county of Nottinghamshire.)

..standing in the grounds of the St Ann's churchyard has found a rare flower (the Nottingham catch-fly).....Mavis hands the flower to Tony..... 'I would like to plant this very special and unique Nottingham wild flower here in our very own Garden of Remembrance within the grounds of St. Ann's Church, the very heart of St. Ann's, as a

lasting and growing tribute and testimony to the many brave young men of St. Ann's who served in World War One during 1914/18 and to the very special few who gave their ultimate sacrifice for our safe future and happiness''

'Never to be forgotten'

Tony:- *"Mavis has produced a fantastic document, street by street along with the names of some of the many young men of St. Ann's who served and fought in the Great War. This document could provide you with an opportunity to begin research of your own. It is an aid for individual research to further investigate any of your own relations appearing on this list from the era of the Great War via the Ancestry web site (which is where their service records were initially identified),thanks Mavis."*

Mavis: *"Thanks Tony, the Excel document has several pages, one of which has good links for research of this kind, including the ancestry.co.uk one."*

We have paused for some time here at St Ann's Church...the garden is established and many of us are searching our photo albums and exploring our family trees for ancestors who served in the armed forces.

A search has been made to find the memorial plaque that once was in the chancel of St Anns. Evidence has come to light that it was moved to the HQ of the Boys Brigade on Ransom Rd just prior to these events of 1970.....

[MORE INFORMATION - CLICK HERE](#)

[Link to "we will remember"](#)

[LINK TO "HONOUR ROLL"](#)

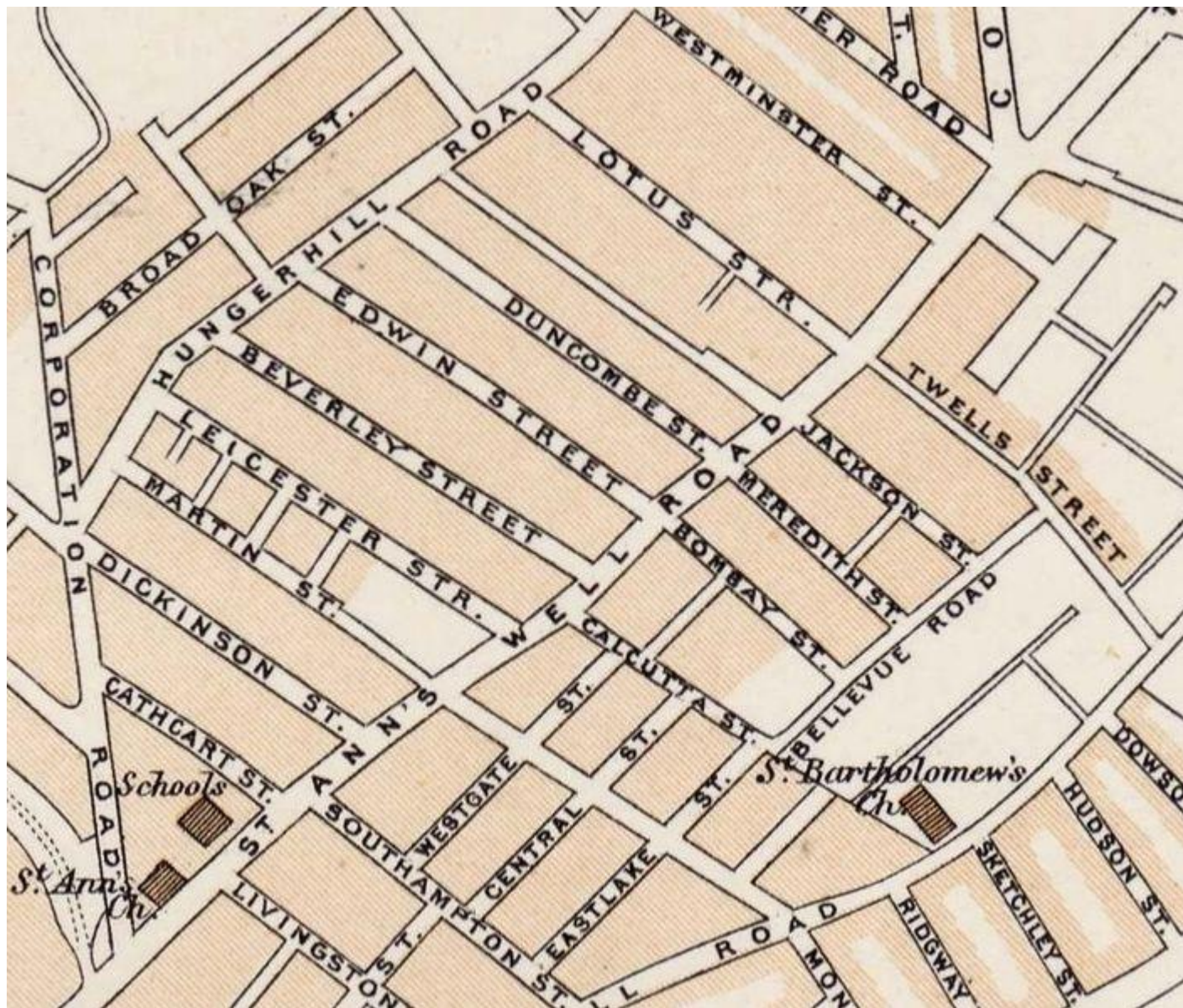


[Link to our online Garden of Remembrance](#)

[Link to Photo Album](#)



*Whilst this research continues...we turn on the walk to look across the street.... "The Post office must be around here....."**SCROLL DOWN** (past the street directory) to arrive at our next destination....**THE POST OFFICE***



**ROBIN HOOD CHASE &
CORPORATION ROAD**

St Ann's Church and Schools

- 219 Smith Stanley N **CONFECTIONER**
221 Beasley Percy **FURNITURE DEALER**
223 Garden Gate **PUBLIC HOUSE**



**CATHCART
STREET**

- 225 Clarke Mrs Blanche **BEER RETAILER**
227 & 229 Clarke Jsph **FISH FRIER**
233 Sanders & Sons Ltd **BOOT & SHOE DEALERS**
235 Truswell Arth **DAIRYMAN**
237 Durose Ernest
239 Caves Arth
241 Morris Mrs Muriel **BEER RETAILER**



WW1 Herbert Warren (at no 241)

LIVINGSTONE STREET

- 186 Lawton Mrs Mary **WARDROBE DEALER**
190 Lymn A W **FUNERAL DIRECTOR**
192 Taylor T F & Son **OPTICIAN**
194 Ward W H **NEWSAGENT**
196 Handley Harry **DRAPER**
198 Gunn Stephen **BUTCHER**
202 & 200 Tetley Frank **GROCER**
204 Newman Thos. Wm
206 Fletcher Albt. **HAIRDRESSER**
208 Johnson Leonard **BOOT & SHOE DEALER**
214 Mills Jsph. **GREENGROCER**





DICKINSON STREET

245 Scots Grey Inn **PUBLIC HOUSE**
 247 Summers Wltr **CONFECTIONER**
 249 Stainsby Bernard **NEWSAGENT**
 251 Lady Bay Cleaners Ltd **DYERS & CLEANERS**
 253 Reeve Geo Son **HAIRDRESSERS**
 255 Bartle Mrs G **BABYWEAR**
 257 Helliwell Alex **SHOPKEEPER**
 259 Weatherland Jas. **GREENGROCER**

SOUTHAMPTON STREET

looking down Southampton St to St Anns Well Rd

218 & 216 Marsden J D Ltd **GROCERS**

220 Meakin Geo **BOOT REPAIRER**

222 Graingers **FURNITURE DEALERS**

224 Ramsden Leslie L **CONFECTIONER**

226 Town Sub Post & M.O. Office **POST OFFICE & M.O. Office**

(one of our Facebook members used to live above the post office. Who? [Click here to find out](#))

226 Sumner Miss F M **NEWSAGENT** & sub post mistress

228 Whittle Hy. Fredk. **DRAPER**

230 Turton Geo. **BUTCHER**



[WW1 Reginald A W Neville \(at no 232\)](#)

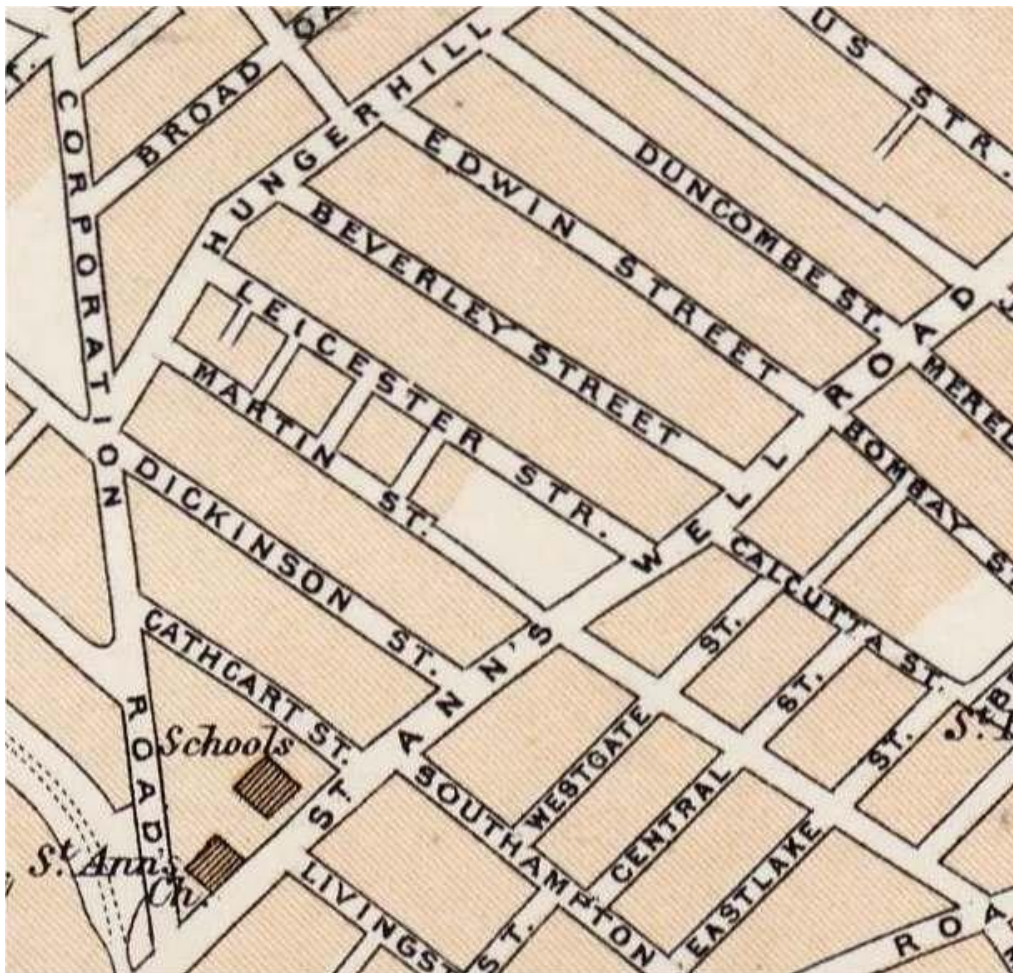
232 Hallett Stanley **SHOPKEEPER**

234 Fearney Albt. **HARDWARE DEALER**

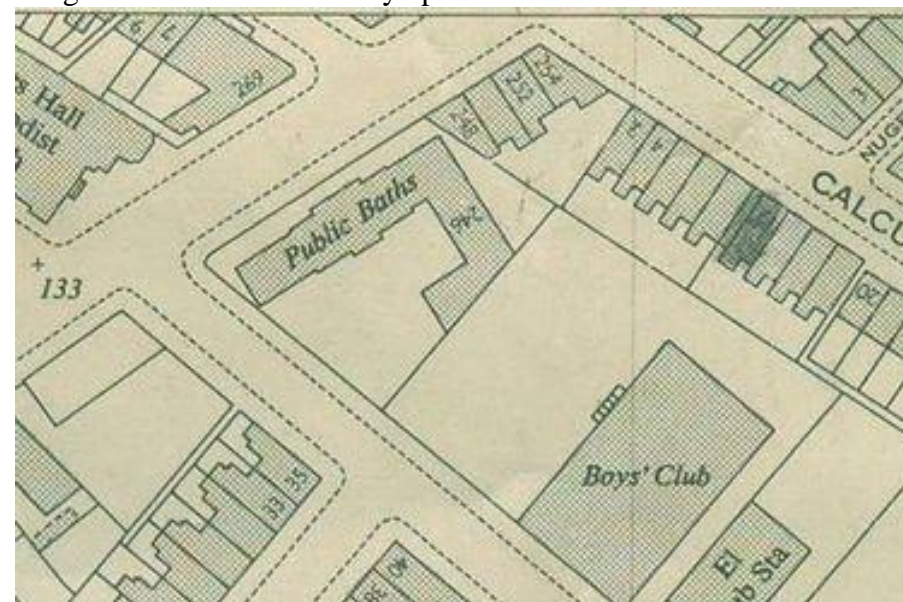
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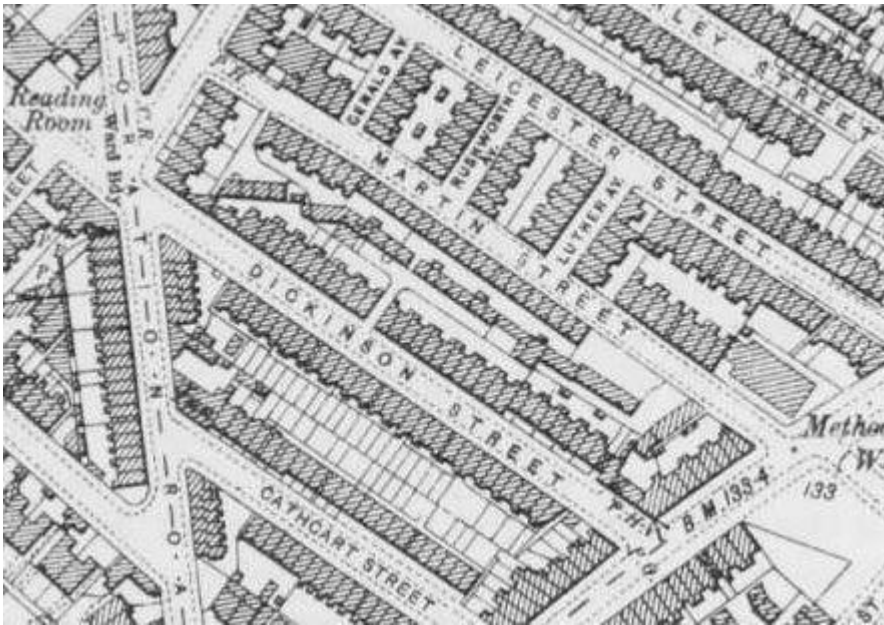
238 & 236 Whitworth Wltr. PORK BUTCHER

240 Nottingham Co-operative Society **CO-OP**



Crossing [Northampton Street](#) we arrive at the Public Baths....perhaps time to scrub up before we cross the road to visit Kings Hall and make our way up to the Board School.





MARTIN STREET

MISSION ALBERT HALL***KINGS HALL*** CHURCH



From Northampton Street



[link to public baths](#)



246 **City of Nottingham Public Baths**
 248 Cooper K G **RADIO ENGINEER**
 250 Rafter Mrs Betty
 252 - 254 King Bert **BEER RETAILER**



Unlocking the door
From left to right: Mr L A Thraves LRIBA (Architect),
Lady Belper, Miss Anthea Watterson,
Rev K L Waights, Rev E Sellers and Rev G H Taylor MA, BD.

King's Hall: re-opening 21 June 1951

[External link for more on Kings Hall](#)



[more comments about this photo](#)



[WW1 Richard Woolley \(at no 262\)](#)

CALCUTTA STREET

260 Meadow Dairy Co Ltd **DAIRY**

262 Watson Hy. E **FISH FRYER**

264 Carlton **Laundry & Dye Works Ltd**

266 Strecker Mrs Eliz **PORK BUTCHER**

(their son Fred was a well-known local speedway rider in the 1930s)



Standing outside The Kings Hall Methodist Church we are looking at the Co-op which is on the corner of Northampton Street. Looking back we can see St Ann's Church on the right
269 Boots the Chemist **CHEMIST**



Fred Strecker

Streckers were renowned for their smallgoods (polony etc)

To learn more of Fred's career go to <http://www.speedway-forum.co.uk/forums/index.php?showtopic=12061>
or <http://www.thisisnottingham.co.uk/golden-era-speedway-racing-relived-new-book/story-13986959-detail/story.html>
for info on the speedway track
<http://www.defunctspeedway.co.uk/Nottingham.htm>

LEICESTER STREET

271 Stapleford Jas **GREENGROCER**
273 Northage J S **FISHMONGER**
283 **Nottingham Imperial Laundry Ltd**
285 Scrimshaw Ltd **PORK BUTCHERS**

BEVERLEY STREET

289 Burrell Geo **CYCLE DEALER**
291 Howard Fred **BUTCHER**

An Alley way appears here.....and Tony has some comments to add:

"Does anybody remember the famous McCarthy twin brothers, Decorators & Wall paper hangers, they worked for their Mam & Dad who had a work shop up an alley between Beverley St and Edwin St. next to Howards the butchers. They were both cross eyed and wore thick specs...how on earth they got to match the patterns on the wallpaper, god only knows...they were always running..... and pushing an old pram with all their paint, wallpaper and brushes on the top with their ladders sticking out. They also had a famous brother, Dennis who went on to be a well known. broadcaster on Radio Nottingham."

[Link to Blue Plaque](#)

293 Wilson H **MARINE STORE DEALER**
295 Ware Mrs Emily Maria **HARD CONFECTIONER**
297 Hodkin Harry **NEWSAGENTS**
299 Errick Harry **FRUITERER**

.....(seems there was an error in the Kelly's Directory of 1956 regarding nos 268-274) **Jim Cartwright tells us " I lived at 270 St Anns Well Rd, it was on the right hand side of an entry (as we called it,) next door to Streckers. Across from us was a chap called Arthur, next door to him lived Alan and Tony Stackhouse who were about my age then Coxes jewellers (Cox Arth. **WATCH & CLOCK REPAIRER**)**



[WW1Thomas Edgar Spinks \(at no 272\)](#)

276 Martin Arnold **BUTCHER**

(at this point Mavis remarks that Martins was her family's local butcher..."a small joint for the Sunday roast and some 'lights' for the cat and bones for the dog." ...we did not have a dog at the time...the bones were to make a stock for a stew!)

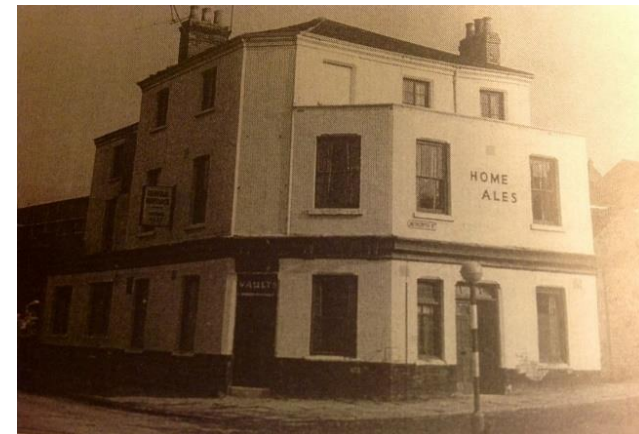
278 Parker Fras. Jas **BEER RETAILER**

BOMBAY STREET

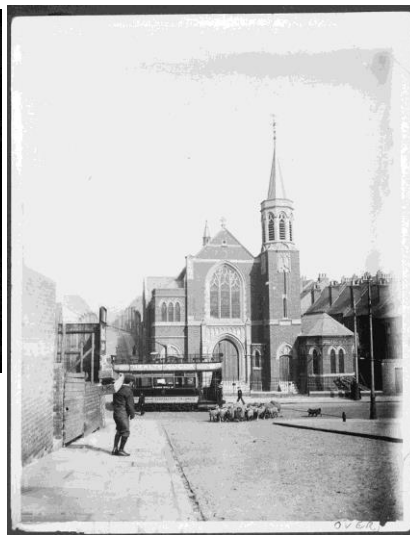
284 Miller Alec **GENERAL DEALER**
286 Hughes Mrs Harriett E **DRAPER**
288 Exon Miss E L R **SHOPKEEPER**



Northampton St 1901 and the Methodist Chapel – Wesleyan



General Havelock Public House

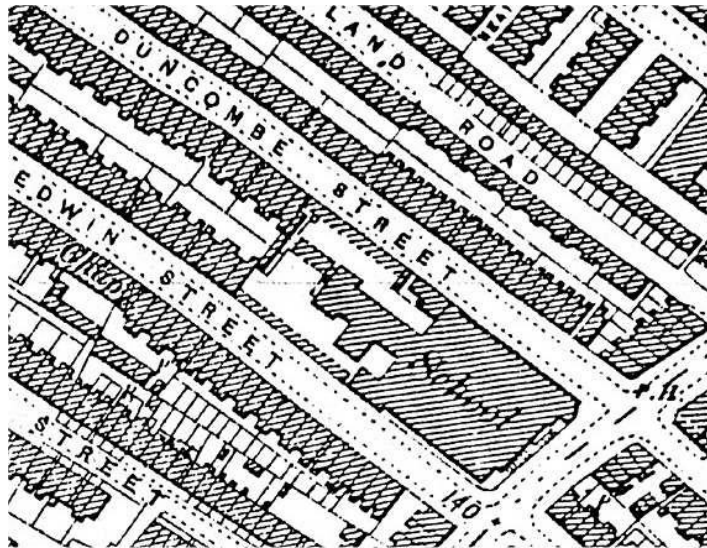


View to the Methodist Chapel (site of the Kings Hall) - (viewed from Northampton Street on the other side of the road.)
 Links about Kings Hall and people connected to this church:

<http://www.thisisnottingham.co.uk/Farewell-Godfather-St-Ann-s/story-12204509-detail/story.html>

<http://www.chezfred.org.uk/gp/FullAlbertHall/16CHAPTER16.htm>

EDWIN STREET



- The map is from one of 1885 and shows the layout of the school
Between EDWIN STREET and Duncombe street was the County Primary Schools (junior, mixed and infants)
Better known to us as ST ANNS BOARD SCHOOL



MEREDITH STREET

290 General Havelock **PUBLIC HOUSE**

294 & 292 Woollatt Miss Nerissa **DRAPER**

296 Lee A E **SEWING MACHINE DEALER**

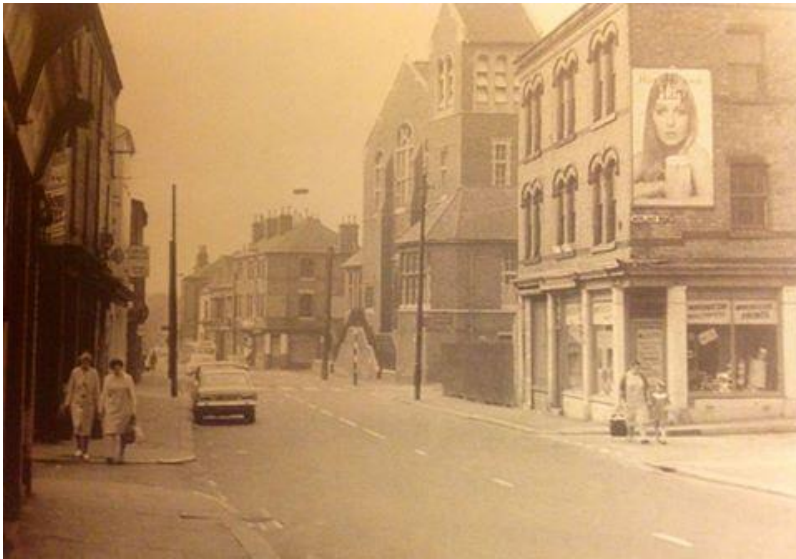
298 Lago Mrs Annie M **SHOPKEEPER**

JACKSON STREET

306 Sharp Reuben **BUTCHER**



WW1 Frederick Cronk (at no 308)



TOUR GUIDE COMMENTS:

"This photo stirred many memories when first put up on our site...http://www.facebook.com/groups/165773113522985/permalink/166797590087204/?comment_id=198212760279020&offset=0&total_comments=42"

Shortcut to 2 uploaded pdf files to our file section on this site.....showing 1930 images of children in Board School (from Bygone mag)

<http://www.facebook.com/groups/165773113522985/272580229508939/>

and

<http://www.facebook.com/groups/165773113522985/272580536175575/>

PHOTO ALBUM OF BOARD SCHOOL

"We have also created a large photo album related to the school...see it here:" <http://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=oa.247402232026739&>

TONY MILLER adds the comment: ... "we moved on to St. Ann's Well Rd to 284 opposite the Board school, my Dad took the brave step of opening his first shop, next door but one to Exton's sweet shop, Hughes babywear shop next door, and another second/hand furniture shop Nixons, Dad's shop was a general dealer's.... house clearing etc or more commonly described as a "Junk Shop" it was a start..and he was on his way, packed in full time work as a lorry driver for Billy Bate's down at the W/Sale

308 Victoria Laundry & Dyeworks (Nottingham) Ltd LAUNDRY & DYEWORKS
 310 Humphreys Miss Constance SHOPKEEPER
 312 Cousin Miss Bessie LADIES HAIRDRESSER
 314 James Royston GROCER
 316 Bullock Miss Bessie LADIES HAIRDRESSER (??????)

TED BULLOCK HAIRDRESSER

Ted Bullocks - you can see the razor blade sign above the shop door. This is where you got your Tony Curtis hair cut. In his window he displayed toys and a whole range of products that could be purchased there.

Tony Miller says that he was a real MEAN barber, he would point to the pictures on the wall and say "Do you want a Tony Curtis, a Bob Mitchum, a Burt Lancaster, an Elvis, or a Perry Como?" He would then try and sell you a comb, or a pair of socks whilst cutting your hair but he would NOT cut your hair if you had been to Charlie Halidays the time before.

David Daykin said: Re Ted Bullock. He was the cheapest barber, 1/6d, next up the road was **Bill Easter** at the side of Harry Bramley's cost 1/9d., and then **Charley Halliday** at 2 bob and he had a twin brother and had a photo in the shop of his brother cutting his hair with the comment "who cuts the barbers hair? "Ted had a large mirror in the shop with photos of film stars all over it. The idea was that you picked one out and Ted would make you look like him??? The only trouble was Ted could only perform one hair style, so that's what you got everytime. We all used to choose Tony Curtis, with his long curl drooping down his forehead. Ted used to tell us how to get this effect. Take a lock of your hair, spit on your fingers and then twist, twist and twist until you got that effect. When you walked out of the shop and up the road you often met somebody approaching and spitting on their fingers and twisting their hair. " been to Teds,yep ,, av you,,,yep"" Will tell you more stories about Ted later. A good bloke nevertheless

Market, switched to sewing machines old & new...started trading as City Sewing Machine Supplies, later had three more shops and as a family we all lived behind and above the shop."

TOUR GUIDE adds "Yes Tony, we can verify that....in the records the Miller name pops up several times in this area. Looking back to Bombay St we can see a Mr Alec Miller at No 284 - a general draper! And at the bottom of Twells St also is a Miller.

Staying on the same side of the road as the Board School we pass:



[WW1 Albert Woolley \(at no 305\)](#)

DUNCOMBE STREET

301 Thorpe Hy **GREENGROCER**
303 Holliday Chas, Wm **HAIRDRESSER**
305 Lover Albt **SHOPKEEPER**
307 Peace Arth **FRUITERER & GREENGROCER**
309 & 311 Whiting John & Sons Ltd **PAWNBROKERS**

David Daykin: Ted Bullock - Ted would often cut the back of your neck and would comment " do you know you have a rash on your neck? But Ted was the Dr Phil of senty and could fix this problem. He sent you up the road to **Oldhams chemist** (facing Harry Bramleys)., for 2 penneth of peroxide. When you got back in the shop he splashed it on the back of your neck. I thought I saw Lazarus running out of there one day after the treatment!! Again walking up the road and with your neck bent forward to stop it touching your coat collar you would see someone and the comment " been to Teds? „yep"

Tony Miller Brilliant.....and that's why Ted has achieved our first Senty, "Blue Plaque" award for services to the hairdressing industry and helping to make Tony Curtis as famous as he was....his first model. * * * * *

Tony Dexter said: Barber Bullock Story: Remember classmate Alan Bentley going there one lunch hour for a "Basin Cut". Came back to school dripping all over his forehead with some of Ted's special grease on mixed with hair clippings. Morley teacher Mr Wilkinson quipped to tell him next time to "Put a Spot and not the Pot".

320 Newman Mrs Annie
322 Webster Thos H



NORLAND ROAD

- 327 Cooke Wm **BEER RETAILER**
- 333 Doye Mrs Sarah A **CONFECTIONER**
- 335 Mason Bros **BUTCHERS**
- 337 Rawson Albt **FRIED FISH DEALER**
- 341 Ayers Wm **NEWSAGENT**
- 343 Trotts Wm C R **HARDWARE DEALER**



Trotts at the bottom of Lotus Street



The Queens Arms on the other corner of Lotus Street



Looking up St. Ann's Well Rd towards Lotus St. On the left hand side is **Rawson's** Fish & Chip shop with the white car outside, then the paper shop and **Trotts** on the corner and **Bramley's** further up on the left. On the other side of the road is **Wakelins** ladies hairdressers where the pram is.

Here also is:

TWELLS STREET

324 Miller C SHOPKEEPER

328 Abberley Miss Gladys LADIES HAIRDRESSER - did this used to be Wakelins?

330 Kirkham Mrs Winifred M DRESSMAKER

332 **Quality House** BOOT & SHOE DEALERS

336- 334 **Webster**, Jack and Mary FISHMONGER (& FRUITER & GREENGROCER)

338 Grindle Leonard

340 James Rt

....YARD



The Queen's Arms, bottom of Lotus Street early 20th century

342 Oldham Wilfred K CHEMIST

348 McQuiggan Stephen

350 Peck Harold W

352 Hayes Wm.

354 Wallsdale Mrs Annie (Worsdale?)

356 Baker Geo. "Mavis Baker lived here"

358 Stoneystreet Geo A & Lucy

360 Sharp Mrs Kate

(Irene and Fred Sharp) TABBOCONIST and newsagent

[more discussion about these shops...click here](#)

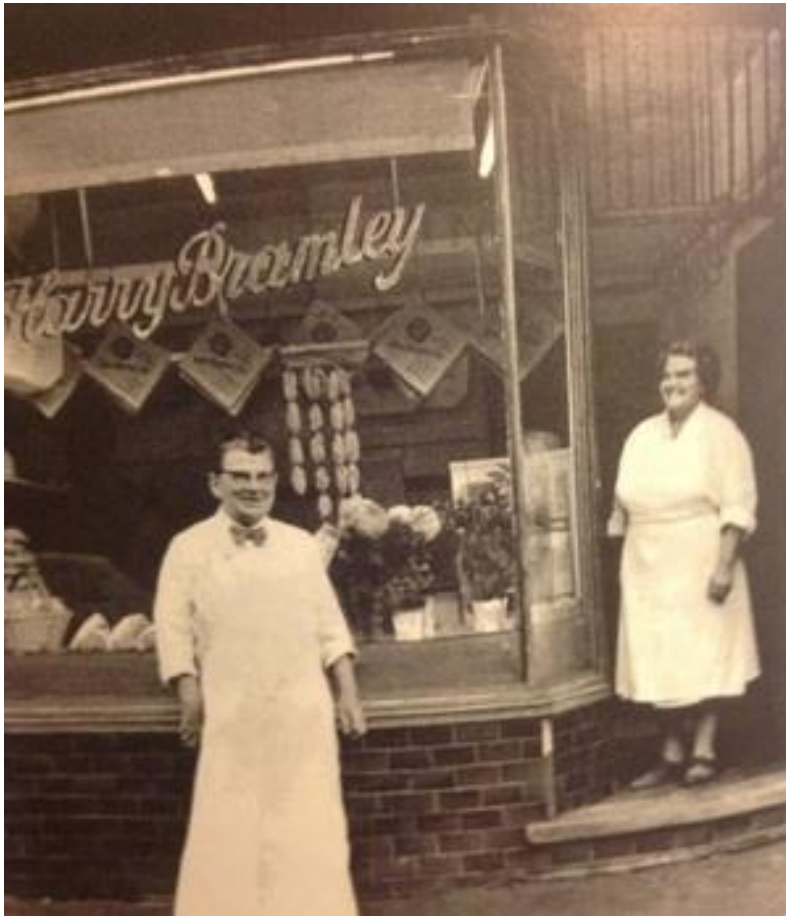




LOTUS STREET

- 345 & 347 QUEEN'S ARMS **PUBLIC HOUSE**
- 351 Sudworth Mrs Alice M **DRAPER**
- 353 Turton Fredk J **CONFECTIONER**
- 355 Sanderson Mrs Eliz **TRIPE DRESSER**
- 357 Beighton Horace **BOOT REPAIRER**





359 **HARRY BRAMLEY PORK BUTCHER**

361 VINCENT Alfred

363 **TACEYS Fish & Chip Shop**

- Tony Miller: Next door to Sir Harry's shop was Tracey's Fish & Chip shop, we used to get our 3p mix from here on our way back home from BB Mr Tacey was a very nice chap ...always full of fun...he used to have a trick when gave you the change, he did it to all the kid's...he used to conceal the change in one hand and with the other he used to click the coin on the hot stainless steel counter top...then he used to lift the hand where you the change was and then he would give you a wink, and give you the change from



BILBERRY STREET

362 Danby Wltr. CONFECTIONER

364 Smith Arth. NEWSAGENT

366 Smith Arth. HARDWARE DEALER

368 Smith Geo A DRAPER

374 Lightowler L FRIED FISH DEALER

376 Allen Mrs Emma SHOPKEEPER



[WW1 Richard Wootton \(at no 382\)](#)

under the other hand....it worked every time, I never forgot it and still play the same trick on my grandchildren. His wife Mrs.Tacey was a lovely lady" Been to BB lads? I bet you had a good time" she used to say... a real Mum...I think.....but not really sure didn't she later get killed in a tragic car accident....they had a son Howard Tacey, I think he was an only one....I have seen him over the years and I think that he has now retired and moved out to live in France. Tacey's Fish & Chip's lovely M'Duck.....

- Mavis Baker: Mrs Tacey died by falling out of their car when the door fell open as they went round a roundabout on their way to a holiday in Mablethorpe. My family was in Mablethorpe at the time - Harry Bramley's son was there too - he told us about the accident.
- Tony Miller How terrible...looking back she must have been quite young when she was killed 50 ish..what a shame,

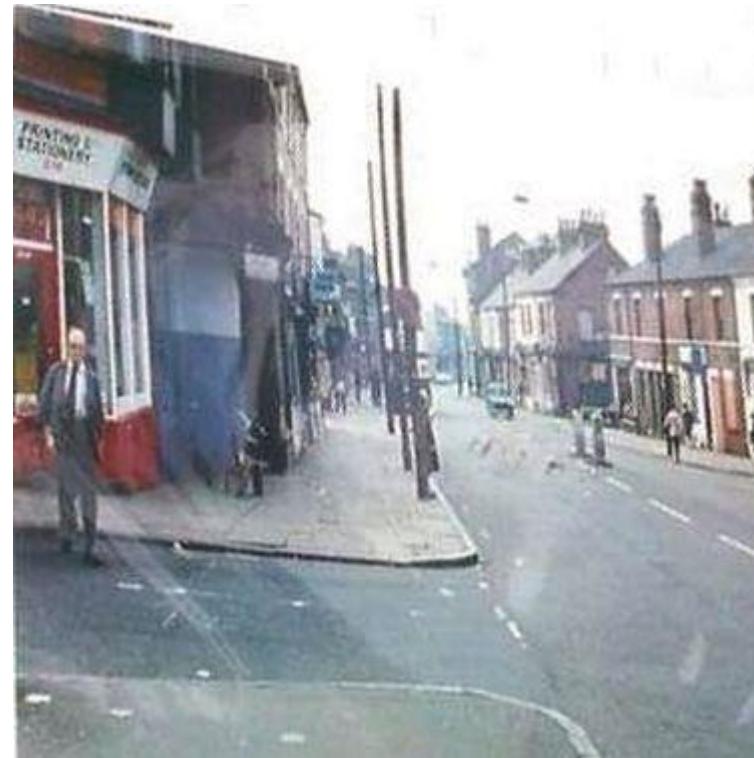
365 Nottingham Cooperative Society BUTCHERS

367 [Easter J W](#) HAIRDRESSER

371 [Henson Geo](#) COAL MERCHANT AND HARD
CONFECTIONER

- **David Daykin remembers:**

"Easters barbers, He is the only barber I ever saw who used a cut throat razor to shave someone. The honing of the razor on a strop was quite a skill. The three stooges in the photo are left to right, Paul Lakin of Westminster St, John Stafford of Shelton St, and me of Lotus St. We must have been waiting for the pearly gates of the Queens Arms to open !!!!



Looking back down St Anns Well Rd from the corner of 'Donkey Hill' (St Bartholomews Rd)



The picture below is looking up the road from the corner of Bilberry St...The shops at 362 to 376 are on the right in this image as they would have been in the early 1900s.



Looking up Westminster Street



The corner of Wells Road/Ransome Road. Here is the Police Station, Policeman's house was at the rear. A Builders' Merchants, Cobblers and the renowned Mrs Wood occupied the buildings leading up on the left up Wells Road

WESTMINSTER STREET

373 Swift Thos & Sons **GREENGROCERS**

377 Searle Geo Wm

379 Teather Mrs Florence **CONFECTIONER** and home-made ICE CREAM. Had a son Michael and daughter Linda.

Tony Miller: Teather's Ice Cream Yum...Yum..Mick Teather their son, was in the Boy's Brigade he was a little bit older than us and eventually became an officer in the company. He was a great chap and a well-known larger than life character...because he was quite a big lad, with a very big heart....some of the kids used to be cruel and call him names "Fatty Teather" was the favourite, he just used to laugh about it and take it all in his stride and joke about his size....he used to join in all the sports with us and was in particular a very good badminton player...he also used to play the big drum on our Boys Brigade band parades once a month...he loved the BB and was a very good friend, always happy and very good company, sadly he died just a few years ago of cancer at quite a young age...if anybody deserved one of our "Unsung Hero Award" it was Mick Teather... God Bless him.

381 Thackery Saml

383 Wrench Leonard **GROCER**



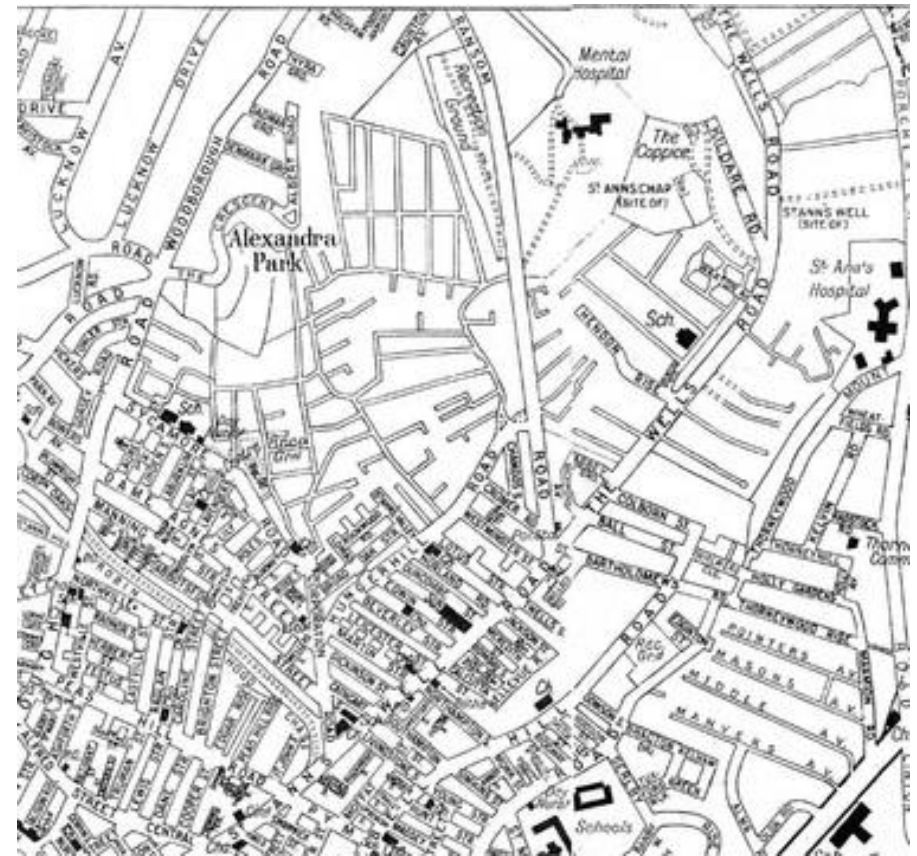
The Westminster Hotel



The Policeman's house (partially demolished)



ST BARTHOLOMEWS RD ("Donkey Hill")



The Westminister Hotel.

Corner of Donkey Hill looking across to the demise to the Westminister Hotel

Here we come to the end of St Ann's Well Road and continue up Wells Rd ...read on...

[Read more of the chats along the virtual walk - click here](#)



St Bartholomews Rd (Donkey Hill) goes off to the right to Bluebell Hill, Gordon Road and eventually Porchester Rd and Mapperley Top.



Looking down Donkey Hill towards the end of St Ann's Well Rd



Coppice Rd/Ransom Rd goes off to the left... (This image circa 1910)



Cromer Rd running off Coppice Rd/Ransom Rd (circa 1970)



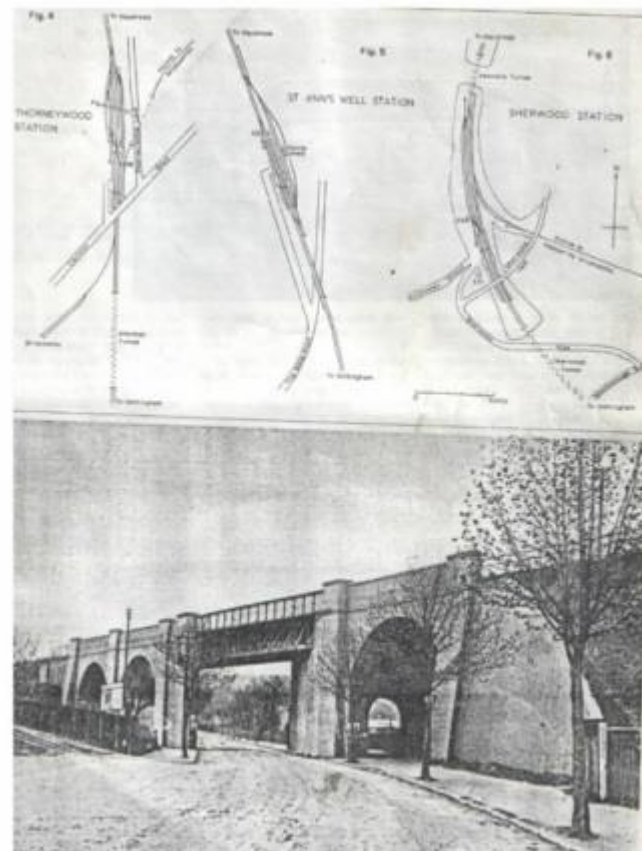
Wells Road continues straight ahead



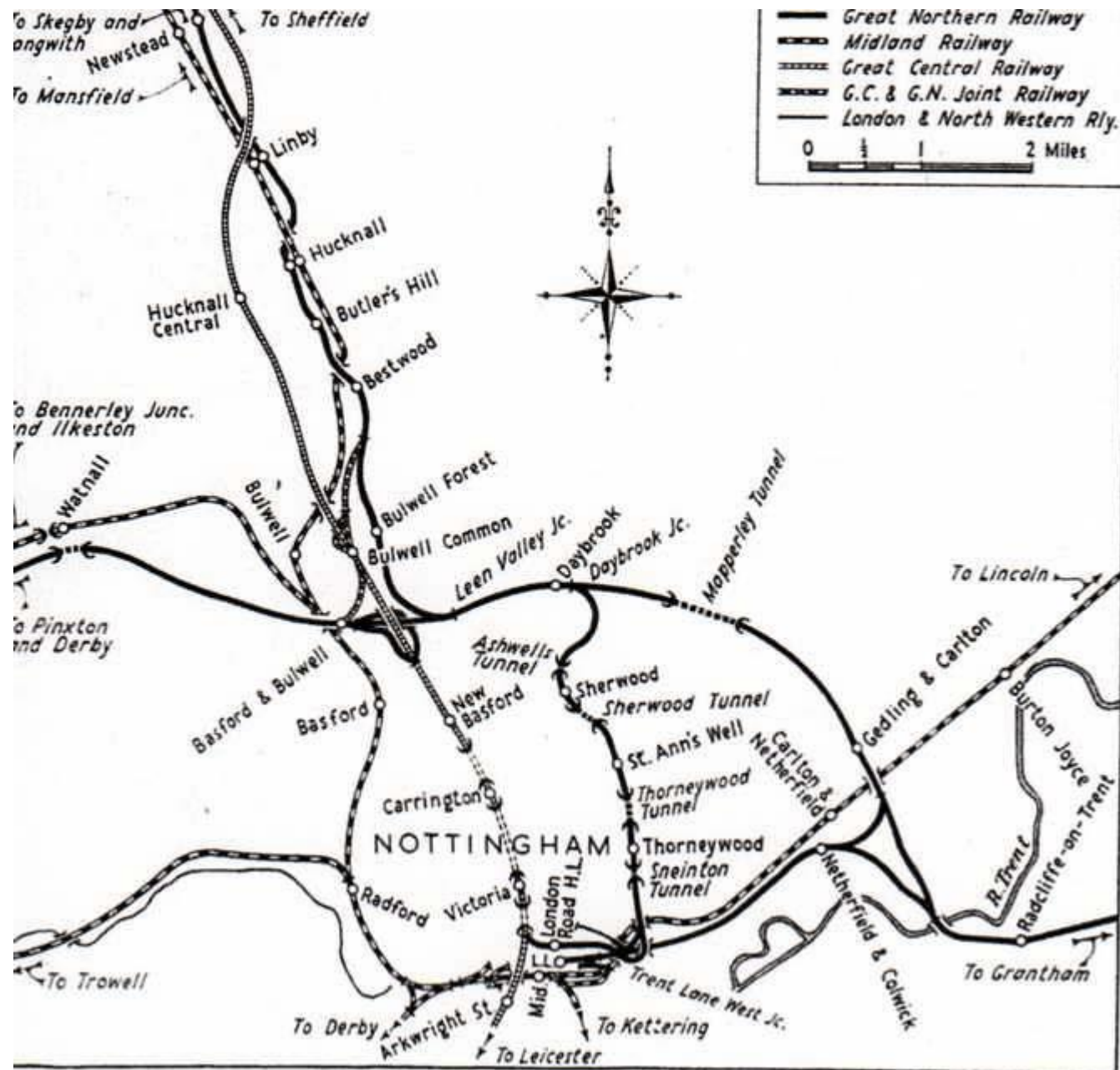
Colborn St cnr Wells Rd 1974



Morley School circa 1933



The Railway Bridge on Wells Road





Once St Ann's Well Station Master's House The Victorian house on the right was originally the home of the station master at St Ann's Well on the Nottingham Suburban Railway (1889-1951). The station, of which there is now no trace, was largely on a wide embankment behind the council houses further down the hill, and the railway crossed The Wells Road a little way to the south on a high lattice girder bridge. The NSR (operated by the Great Northern) lost its passenger service in 1916 in face of competition from the city's trams, but the goods yard continued to supply coal merchants and serve the Somnus bed company until closure. The NSR was promoted by the owners of the Nottingham Patent Brick Company and the house is built of red bricks and terra cotta tiles from its brickyards at Thorneywood and Mapperley. (A more celebrated station built of NPBC bricks is St Pancras.)...source: <http://www.geograph.org.uk/photo/3051158>



Wells Rd Kildare Rd No 40 Terminus. (The houses up on the right are on Porchester Rd).



The Twitchel that ran down from Porchester Road to Wells Rd



This photo is taken from Porchester Road by Mike Wright about 1966.



Wells Rd circa 1925

We hope you enjoyed this 'Virtual Walk' created by the admin of the Facebook group
["St Anns Well Road Pre Demolition \(1970\) Online Community"](#)

To experience more of St Anns Well Rd Pre Demolition (1970)

Please visit our 'sister' site

<http://stannswellroad.weebly.com/>

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