

IN MEMORIAM.

W. BERNARD SHURROCK.

The death of Mr. W. B. Shurrock, in May, 1933, after a long illness, removed from the Association one of its earliest members, as he joined the Association in October, 1922.

Mr. Shurrock's mountaineering interests lay in walking and scrambling rather than in rock climbing, but he was a regular attender of meets and lectures. He was a keen and skilful photographer, and on several occasions gave short talks illustrated by lantern slides, on walking in Wales and the Lake District.

He was also a very well known, popular, and active member of the Cyclists' Touring Club.

By profession he was an engineer and was an Associate Member of the Institute of Automobile Engineers.

HAROLD CARNEGIE JENKINS.

By a motor accident near Standerton, in South Africa, on February 10th, 1933, the Association lost a valuable member in Mr. H. C. Jenkins. A Yorkshireman by birth, he was an old boy of Rotherham Grammar School, and played rugby for Sheffield Club for some years. He was a keen climber from his earliest days and was one of the early members of the Fell and Rock Club, and an enthusiastic member of the Derbyshire Pennine Club.

He started climbing in the Alps about 1925 and subsequently spent many holidays there, and in 1931 he spent some time climbing in the Rockies where he made many friends amongst the Canadian Alpine Club men.

He was the founder and Managing Director of the Mining Engineering Company Ltd., of Worcester, a business which he had built up with untiring energy and enterprise.

About the end of 1932 he went out to South Africa on business and was on his way to Mont-aux-Sources, where he intended to do some climbing, when he met his untimely death.

Those who have climbed or camped with H. C. Jenkins will always remember him as an ideal companion—always cheerful and helpful and the first man there when any work was to be done.

CHRISTOPHER MARTIN.

Mr. Christopher Martin, who died at the age of 65 on the 28th January, 1933, was an eminent medical specialist and well known surgeon in the Midlands. He was born at Stockton-on-Tees and was educated at Edinburgh University where he graduated with first-class Honours. After a short time as house surgeon at the Royal Maternity Hospital in Edinburgh he came to Birmingham in 1890 and joined Mr. Lawson Tait. Until 1920 he was house surgeon at the Women's Hospital and subsequently became consulting surgeon and Vice-Chairman of the Committee of Management. From 1913 to 1921 he was President of the Birmingham Medical Institute.

Mr. Martin became a member of the Association in 1924 and was a regular attender at the lectures. His mountaineering activities were principally in Switzerland but he had also climbed in many other parts. His modesty and his unflinching kindness endeared him to all who knew him and he will be missed very much in the Association.

RICHARD PLEWS VERSCHOYLE.

Although a comparatively recent member of the Association, R. P. Verschoyle was well known to most of the members, to whom he had endeared himself by his charm of manner and quiet humour.

He was educated at Harrow and New College, Oxford, of which University he was a B.A., B.C.L. and he was a Barrister-at-Law, and held a post as Reader in Law at Birmingham University.

He was very keen both on British rock-climbing and on Alpine climbing. Probably his best climbs were a traverse of the Weisshorn on which he modestly admitted he was "all out," and a traverse of the Meije some years ago.

He joined the O.U.M.C. in 1924, the Climbers' Club in 1926, and the M.A.M. in 1930, and was instrumental in founding the Birmingham University Climbing Club in 1933.

He lost his life while descending alone from the Aigle Hut after a second traverse of the Meije, and the evidence points to the accident having been caused by a broken buckle on his rucksack allowing the sack to swing out and throw him off his balance. By his death at an early age the Association has lost a pleasant companion and a keen climber.