

## Edmund Were Dorrell



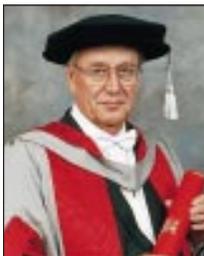
Consultant ophthalmologist Royal Berkshire Hospital 1948-73 (*b* London 1911; *q* Cambridge/Barts 1938; FRCS Ed, DOMS), *d* 18 November 2000. Teddy joined the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve at the outbreak of war and took part in the Normandy landings before travelling to the Far East as a surgeon commander in the aircraft carrier *HMS Venerable*. After the war, he decided to specialise in ophthalmology, training at the Royal Eye Hospital before taking over his father's NHS consultant post at the Royal Berkshire Hospital in 1948. He was obsessional about the management of his patients—for example, he would lay out successive field charts of his glaucoma patients across the department floor for himself and his staff to study and discuss; so outpatient clinics often extended into the evenings. Teddy had always been a keen and intrepid sailor, and after retiring he went to live in St Mawes where he had first learned to sail as a boy. From there, he and his wife, Molly, accompanied by various family members and friends, cruised for many happy years to south west Ireland, the north coast of Spain, but most of all to Brittany, where the handsome and seaworthy *Indian Queen* was often to be found anchored in the river at Benodet. [DAVID DORRELL]

## Benjamin Flacks

Former general practitioner Davyhulme, Manchester (*b* 1912; *q* Manchester 1936; DCH, FRCP), died from pneumonia and lymphoma on 3 February 2001. He studied hypnosis, acupuncture, and homoeopathy in the early 1970s and he kept continually up to date by scouring *MIMS* and any other journals he could lay his hands on until just before he died. He enjoyed many sports, and played table tennis for Manchester and tennis for Manchester University. He played bridge and had an obsession for gardening. As he entered his eighth decade, he began to

play the keyboard (though not very well), and learned to draw. He leaves a wife, Diana, three children, and eight grandchildren. [ROBERT FLACKS]

## Robert Hereward Glendinning



General practitioner Bristol 1947-87 (*b* Newcastle 1921; *q* Durham 1942; OBE), *d* 8 March 2001. He combined life as a general practitioner with an active life as a politician and educationist. He was called up to the Royal Army Medical Corps and served first in India and then Japan. There he met survivors of the first atomic bomb at Hiroshima, an experience that became a powerful influence on his subsequent work on the national executive of the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament. After the war he joined a general practice in St George in east Bristol. He had a frank, straightforward style—many patients would recall the way that he scared them into giving up smoking. He was proud of his role in the building of St George Health Centre, which was one of the first health centres housing a complete primary healthcare team and attracted many international visitors. Robert was a staunch socialist all his life. He was elected a city councillor in 1964, and in 1981 became chairman of Avon County Council education committee. He was a founding governor and chairman of Bristol Polytechnic—now the University of the West of England—and became its pro-chancellor in 1998 after his retirement as a GP. He also pursued his interests in music and wine tasting. He leaves a wife, Margaret, and two daughters. [DAVID MEMEL]

## David Hutchison

General practitioner Musselburgh 1951-85 (*b* Edinburgh 1920; *q* Edinburgh 1943; MRCP, FSA Scot), died from prostate

cancer on 2 June 2001. He joined the Royal Air Force as a medical officer and served in India, Burma, and Ceylon, where he encountered smallpox, plague, poliomyelitis, typhus, anthrax, malaria, and dysentery. Immediately after the war, he worked in the south of England for a while before returning to Edinburgh to enter general practice. His understanding of his patients and their families was enhanced by on occasion joining miners and fishermen in their work. At first his annual share of the money generated by the practice was £420, but his living expenses were £480. He developed a sideline as a silversmith to help bridge the gap. He was a founder member of the Scottish Mineral and Lapidary Club and a knowledgeable and enthusiastic gardener. After the premature death of his first wife, Jean, he married her close friend Vera Jordan. On retiring, he and Vera settled in the East Lothian village of Aberlady where he continued his service to the community as a Church of Scotland elder and often anonymous benefactor. He leaves Vera. [ROGER THOMAS]

## John Charles Linley-Adams

Consultant physician Eastbourne hospitals (*b* 1921; *q* Barts 1944; MD, FRCP), *d* 8 May 2001. He was senior medical registrar in the medical professorial unit at St Mary's, Paddington, a lecturer in clinical medicine at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, and he did a research project on endemic disease in Trinidad. When the Eastbourne post became vacant, it was less than two years after the widespread publicity associated with the Old Bailey trial of another Eastbourne doctor, John Bodkin Adams, and John sought the advice of a colleague as to whether he should apply. He was told, "You will certainly be shortlisted, for they will be keen to see this other Dr Adams." On his appointment, he altered his surname by hyphenating a family name to avoid misunderstanding. There seems to be no precedent where a doctor has found such a step necessary. John took an active interest in postgraduate training, became a member of the General Nursing Council, and played an important part in raising standards of medical care. Predeceased by his first wife, Beth, he leaves his second wife, Patsy, and four children from his first marriage. [IAN BROWN, JOHN SURTEES]