

## Appendix J

### MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT 1954-1963: BRIEF BIOGRAPHIES

#### **(Frank) Patrick Bishop**

Elected Conservative MP for Harrow Central at the 1950 General Election. Born 7 March 1900, educated at Tottenham Grammar School and King's College, London. Served in the RNAS and RAF, 1917-18. Called to the Bar at Gray's Inn, 1923 and practised as a barrister-at-law, 1924-29. Author of *Advertising and the Law* (Ernest Benn, London, 1928, 2nd ed 1952) and *The Ethics of Advertising* (Robert Hale, London, 1949). Assistant manager of *The Times*, 1937-45. Served in the Home Guard, 1939-45. General Manager of the Newspaper Supply Company and chairman of the Newsprint Rationing Committee. A moderate MP, he supported a coalition between the Conservatives and Liberals. Retired, on medical grounds, from the House of Commons at the 1964 General Election. Knighted 1964. Died 5 October 1972.

#### **Ian Douglas Harvey**

Elected Conservative MP for Harrow East at the 1950 General Election. Born 25 January 1914, educated at Fettes College, Edinburgh and Christ Church College, Oxford. President of the Union, 1936. Served in the Royal Artillery, 1939-45 (AA command and in NW Europe), rising to the rank of Brigade Major. Contested Spelthorne, 1945. Member of the London County Council (Kensington South division), 1949-52, and Kensington Borough Council (Queen's Gate ward), 1947-51. Contested ILEA elections (Westminster North division), 1986. Director of an advertising agency.

In November 1958, whilst Under-Secretary of State at the Foreign Office, was found *in flagrante delicto* with a Coldstream Guardsman in St. James's Park. Tried to escape from custody and attempted to give the police a false name. Charged with gross indecency and breaking the park's regulations. In court the indecency charge was dropped and a fine of £5 imposed on both parties. Resigned from the House of Commons and excluded from the Conservative Party. Author of *To Fall Like Lucifer* (Sidgwick and Jackson, London, 1971). Died 10 January 1987.

#### **Anthony Tosswill Courtney**

Elected Conservative MP for Harrow East at a by-election in 1959. Born 16 May 1908, educated at Edinburgh House, Lee-on-Solent, and Royal Naval Colleges, Dartmouth and Greenwich. Served in the Royal Navy 1922-53, retired with the rank of Commander. Deputy head of the Naval Mission in the USSR during Second World War. Heavyweight boxing champion of the Royal Navy for several years. Contested Hayes and Harlington, 1955. Continued naval intelligence activities under cover of his job as head of a firm of export consultants. Noted for his fierce anti-Soviet speeches, the KGB allegedly set a 'honey trap', photographing him with a female Intourist guide and circulating the photographs. Defeated at the 1966 General Election. Author of *Sailor in a Russian Frame* (Johnson, London, 1968). Died 24 January 1988.

#### **Albert Newby Braithwaite**

Elected Conservative MP for Harrow West at a by-election in 1951. Born 2 September 1893, educated at Woodhouse Grove School, Leeds Grammar School and Leeds University. Enlisted as a private in August 1914, commissioned in the Yorkshire Hussars, 1915. Awarded the DSO and MC. Contested Rothwell 1922, Pontefract 1923 and Elland 1924. MP for the East Riding of Yorkshire constituency of Buckrose 1926-45. Knighted 1945. An engineer and company director. Committed suicide 20 October 1959.

#### **(Arthur) John Page**

Elected Conservative MP for Harrow West at a by-election in 1960. Born September 16 1919, educated at Harrow and Magdelene College, Cambridge. Joined the Royal Artillery 1939, served in Europe and Middle East (wounded) and demobilised as a Major of the Norfolk Yeomanry. Contested Eton and Slough 1959. A sales manager. Knighted 1984. Retired at the 1987 General Election. Listed his recreations as painting, politics and "defending the Monarchy". Died 31 October 2008.