

OBITUARY

William A. Singleton

1916—1960

It is with deep regret that we record the death of our Chairman, Professor W. A. Singleton. Professor Singleton was a graduate in architecture of Liverpool University and after a period in practice he was appointed lecturer, and later senior lecturer, in the University of Manchester. Here, in addition to numerous other activities, he carried out research into the vernacular architecture of the South Lancashire region for which, in 1949, he was awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. In 1951 he took charge of the architectural courses run by the York Academic Trust and in 1956 became Director of the Institute of Advanced Architectural Studies. In 1959 he was appointed Hoffman Wood Professor of Architecture in the University of Leeds.

A Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects and a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries, Professor Singleton played an active part in the formation and development of the Society of Architectural Historians of Great Britain. His enthusiasm and conviction, coupled with the breadth of his interests, made an invaluable contribution to the Society, and his comradeship and good counsel will be sorely missed by his many friends within its membership.