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>>> Helen Hassett
informant at the death
of Ellen Hassett
(her mother?) in 1860

Birmingham is a "Museum
of the Jewelry Quarter")
also made pewterware
("Knighthood" trademark)
following his acquisition
of "Sturges, Bladen &
Middleton" & "Browetts'
Pewterware"

During WWII they made
light steel pressings for
ammunition, having
contracts with the Ministry
of Supply, Admiralty
and M.A.P.

He used the name
"J.B. Hassett" for all
his business purposes

President of "Birmingham
Jewellers Association"
(later to be known as the
British Jewellers' Ass'n)
in 1938, when they hosted
Prime Minister Neville
Chamberlain at their
annual dinner, immediately
following his return from
meeting Adolf Hitler at
Munich, his speech at the
dinner being the first
broadcast after that event;
The Chamberlains are a
distinguished and long
established Birmingham
family

d.18.10.1969

m.1st Apr-Jun.1912
Aston, Birmingham;
Annie Elizabeth Law
(or Hughes?) d.1951

m.2nd Betty E. Bolland

>>> William "Billy" Joseph
Blennerhassett
(alias Blenner-Hassett);
b.Apr-Jun.1891 Aston,
Birmingham;
emig. to Canada; unm.
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d.23.4.1915 K.I.A.
(WWI Belgium);
Private (Service No.100)
8th Batt'n, Canadian Light
Infantry (Manitoba Regt.);
Killed in action at Ypres
(now Ieper), West Flanders;

His name is on the Ypres
(Menin Gate) Memorial,
West Flanders, Belgium
(Ieper, West Vlaanderen)
panel 24-26-28-30;
This memorial bears the
names of men who were lost
without trace during the
defence of the Ypres Salient
during the First World War

>>> Justice Francis "Frank" >>>>>

Alfred Blennerhassett, QC
b.7.7.1916 Aston,
Birmingham

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Edu. Solihull School;
of Hampton-in-Arden,
Solihull, Warwickshire;
of Lamb Building,
Temple, London

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TA 1938; Royal Artillery; Capt. Royal Warwickshire Regt (East Africa, WWII) 1939-46

Barrister of Middle Temple 1946; Oxford Circuit;
Dep. Chairman of Staffordshire Quarter Sessions 1963-71 [TIMES 14.9.1963];
QC 1965 [TIMES 15.4.1965]; Recorder of New Windsor 1965-71,
Hon. Recorder of N.Windsor from 1972; Recorder of Crown Court from 1971/2;
Elected Bencher of Middle Temple 1971; Circuit Judge (Midland & Oxford Circuit)
1978-89 [TIMES 21.9.1978]; Member of the Parole Board

Member of the Home Office Committee on Magistrates' Courts Procedure;
author of "Progress and the Individual: The Valedictory Process" Birmingham 1951
(Birmingham & Edgbaston Debating Society paper);
Legal adviser to Gen. Medical Council & Gen. Dental Council 1972

Chairman of a British Government committee set up in 1975-6 to review the working of the law
on drinking and driving, known as "The Blennerhassett Committee of Inquiry into Drinking
& Driving" (a.k.a. "Blennerhassett Review", "Blennerhassett Group"), which in
The Blennerhassett Report proposed introduction of roadside breathalyzer tests in UK;
Featured in a newspaper cartoon ["Sunday Telegraph" 2.5.1976] - see right -->
[Who's Who 1974-5, 1982-3, 1983-4, 1985-6, 1988, 1990, 1992]

Played golf with the Bar Golf Society; Capt. of Heath Golf Club; Mem. of Birmingham Clubs

d.13.6.1993; from his obit. in ["Daily Telegraph", 18.6.1993, p.23] said:
"Frank Blennerhassett presided over his courts with dry authority, only rarely giving
rein to the wit that made him such a catch as an after-dinner speaker"

m.1947/8 Betty Muriel Bray
of Brixham, Devon

>>> Rev. Eric William >>>>>>>>>>>>

Blennerhassett
b.1921

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Served in the TA in 1938
with his brother Frank;
and during WWII 1939-46
as Capt. Royal Artillery;
Liasion Officer, Canadian
Night Fighter Squadron
1943-45 (Saskatchewan 1943)

Methodist Minister (from 1947)
at Radlett, Sutton Park,
Winchester & Portsmouth;
BBC Radio & TV Religious
Broadcasting 1956-76;
St.Paul's Bedford Street,
Covent Garden, London 1972-76
Oxhey, Watford, Herts 1968;
Chichester, W.Sussex 1993-2007

m.c1940
Edith Amy "Babs" Coulson



