

*25th March*

*In the days before we closed, our Reserve Stock came into its own. Our readers turned to the likes of Trollope, Galsworthy, Mrs Gaskell and George Eliot. Among more recent writers in demand were (local) Stella Gibbons, Evelyn Waugh Somerset Maugham and, interestingly, Nigel Tranter. Crime fiction remained popular, together with biographies, diaries and personal accounts of travels.*