

Westford Wanderings

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Valued Town Employee of Yesteryear - "All the citizens of the town have been greatly enriched by the presence of these good people in public office," says the town officials in 1968 when recording the deaths of three long-time public servants.

They were Charles L. Hildreth, town clerk for 51 years (1915-1966); Charlotte Prescott Greig, town treasurer for 33 years (1929-1962) and Albert A. "Bert" Hildreth, cemetery commissioner for 18 years (1950-1968).

Ben Drew still grows apples

Still hearty and active is Ben

W Drew who served as town meeting moderator for 26 years, probably a record. He retired in 1968 and then moved to Ver-shire, Vermont, where he and his wife, Sally, continue to grow fine apples. They are located in picturesque country near the Connecticut River Valley in a tiny town, where he purchased a large dairy farm to plant new fruit trees.

They report they have had time to do considerable travelling recently, to South America as far as Peru and to the Greek Islands. Right now he is skiing in Switzerland with two sons, one from Williamstown and the other from New Zealand.