

# Grave of the Month

## Albert Percy “Sausages” Morton

1884-1971

Born in Newbury, AP won a scholarship to St Bartholomew’s Grammar School. He went out to work at 14 years old. He worked on the desk at Griffin’s Butchers.



When he was 21 he set up a shop of his own, which he ran for 44 years.

The Second World War was particularly difficult for pork butchers as they could not be sure of good quality supplies of porkers. Before that, visitors to the Racecourse etc took home pounds of Newbury sausages every time they visited.

He was a Deacon of the Baptist Church and Superintendent of the Sunday School 1905 - 1947. He masterminded the move from Northbrook Street to the current site at St Mary’s Hill.

He funded a new Brigades’ Hall which still bears his name today – Morton Hall.

He served on several committees including the Town Council, the Relief Committee, London Trustee Savings Bank and the Old Dispensary.

His obituary mentions his role on the committee of the Speen Hostel but we do not know what or where that was. Can you help?

His grave is on the site of the Dissenters Chapel.

More information

<http://www.fnrcnewbury.org.uk/biography.asp?BiogID=1772&PersonID=1915>