## **Reviews**

A SHADOWED MAN by Lois Lamplugh; with a Foreword by Richard Williamson; jacket design by Peter Rothwell. Pb., 176pp. To be published under her own imprint 'Wellspring' in the late spring, at a special cost to Society members of £7.50 (£9.95 in bookshops). \* See enclosed order form from John Gregory \*.

This is an important work that gives us an authentic, sympathetic and objective view of Henry Williamson particularly in the 1920s and '30s, for Lois' parents lived in Georgeham and the family became firm friends with Henry at a very early stage and apart from recollections, Lois is able to draw on a considerable collection of letters.

Lois Lamplugh is to be admired for her determination to publish her work despite an apparent total lack of interest from commercial publishers. We wish the venture well.

A full review will appear in our next issue.

**A WEST COUNTRY CHRISTMAS** compiled by Chris Smith. Alan Sutton. November 1989. Paperback. £6.95.

A charming collection of anecdotes and nostalgia and includes on p. 92 'The Yule Log' taken from *Linhay on the Downs*.

THE COUNTRYSIDE COMPANION compiled by Sam Elder. Introduction by Robert Hardy CBE. Michael O'Mara Books Ltd. Autumn 1989. £12.95.

This more solid work gives a selection of items from a core of the finest country writers. HW is represented by 'Scandal and Gossip in the Village' from *The Village Book*.

The Aylesford Press draw our attention to two new books, a hitherto unpublished essay by Eric Gill **SERVILE LABOUR AND CONTEMPLATION** with a foreword by Brocard Sewell (P/b £5.95), and Barbara Wall **RENÉ HAGUE: A PERSONAL MEMOIR** (P/b £9.95).

Tabb House have now published the second part of Anne Garnett's diary, FIELDS OF YOUNG CORN (companion volume to Caught from Time). £11.95.