

DR. H. R. ELPHICK, C.B.E., J.P., F.R.C.P., F.R.A.C.P., S.M.A.

T. A. Stewart Memorial Award, 1980

Dr. H. R. (Bob.) Elphick, C.B.E., J.P., F.R.C.P., F.R.A.C.P., of the Rose Society of Western Australia was awarded this high honour for 1980.

Dr. Elphick joined the Rose Society of W.A. in 1945 and has been active as an exhibitor and judge for much of that time. He was elected President in 1963 and continued in that office until 1975. During this period his wisdom and unassuming authority guided the Society to an elevated status in horticultural circles. Since then he has been a member of the Council and was recently elected as a Vice Patron of the Society.

Dr. Elphick was for many years Physician Superintendent of the Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital in Perth. It was during this period that he and the late Mr. C. C. Hillary, S.M.A., were responsible for the establishment of extensive rose gardens at Sir Gairdner Hospital.

In 1978 Dr. Elphick was made a Commander of the British Empire for his outstanding service to Thoracic and General Medicine. Prior to that the titles of Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Fellow of the Royal Australian College of Physicians were bestowed upon him. Dr. Elphick also received the Queen's Jubilee Medal for dedicated service in his profession.

West Australian rosarians are delighted that Dr. Elphick was chosen as this year's winner of the T. A. Stewart Memorial Award for his outstanding service in promotion of the rose.