## **Poulter, Briant Alfred 1881 - 1972**

Briant Alfred Poulter [also known as Briant Poulter] was born in Frimley, Surrey, England on 24 February 1881. He studied at Fulham School of Art from 1894 to 1898, and at Reading University from 1899-1904, during which time he was also articled to William Ravenscroft (1848-1943) in 1899 to 1903. He then worked as an assistant to <a href="Cyril B. Tubbs">Cyril B. Tubbs</a> and <a href="Arthur Alfred Messer">Arthur Alfred Messer</a> (1863-1934) of <a href="Tubbs & Messer">Tubbs</a> & <a href="Messer">Messer</a> in 1903, and to Edward Prioleau Warren (1856-1937) in 1904-05.

From 1905 he was in partnership with his brother, <u>Harry Reginald Poulter</u> (1879-c.1966) as <u>H.R. & B.A. Poulter</u> in Camberley, Surrey, and later with <u>Percy Richard Morley Horder</u> (1870-1944) as Morley Horder & Poulter from 1919 to 1925.

The H.R. & B.A. Poulter partnership designed a number of private residences in the Camberley area. They also designed the Camberley Heath golf clubhouse; St Andrews Church in Frimley; and the Territorial Drill Hall in Aldershot.

Two drawings of 'Llantwit' in Farnborough, Kent designed by H.R. & B.A. Poulter are illustrated in 'The Studio Yearbook of Decorative Art' 1907 (p.39); a photograph and a ground-floor plan of 'Denistoun' in Camberley, Surrey, designed by H.R. & B.A. Poulter is illustrated in 'The Studio Yearbook of Decorative Art' 1910 (p.67); photographs of Seaton House, Camberley and 'Collingwood', Bagshot Heath, designed by H.R. and B.A. Poulter is illustrated in 'The Studio Yearbook of Decorative Art' 1911 (p.65); photographs of the south front and entrance hall of a house in Camberley, Surrey, designed by H.R. & B.A. Poulter are illustrated in 'The Studio Yearbook of Decorative Art' 1912 (p.56); and two photographs of the lounge at 'Old Kiln', Churt, by H.R. & B.A. Poulter are illustrated in 'The Studio Yearbook of Decorative Art' 1915 (p.103).

B.A. Poulter was elected a Licentiate of the Royal Institute of British Architects (LRIBA) in 1911 and a Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects (FRIBA) in 1916. In addition to his work as a painter, B.A. Poulter was also a watercolour painter. He exhibited at the Royal Academy in London and at the Royal Scottish Academy in Edinburgh between 1905 and 1936. He died in Surrey in 1972.

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