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## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

*A New Chapter has commenced!!!*

A number of people are wondering what is happening in view of the recent winding up of the Community Association. With this in mind, we therefore give you the following facts about a recently held meeting of the newly formed **NEWTON AYCLIFFE COUNCIL OF LOCAL ORGANISATIONS "NACLO"** to which there has been a wonderful response from various representatives of local organisations. No fewer than 27 were represented at the meeting held on 6th June in the Upstairs Room of the Iron Horse. Mr. J. Ashford presided and put before the meeting a draft constitution which was accepted, subject to certain amendments.

It was agreed that the affiliation fee to the Council of Local Organisations would be 5/- now, but subject to review at the A.G.M. which it was agreed should take place within six weeks of the financial year end on September 30th, 1961.

It was also agreed that Committees should be formed to organise events as they arise. A committee of nine was elected consisting of :- Mr. W. Gerrard, Mr. Carr, Mr. H. Milward, Mrs. Appleby, Mrs. Thompson, Councillor J. Dormer, Mr. F. Batley, Councillor W. Spencer and Councillor W. Strahan to run the Town's **Annual Sports Day** which will be held on **SEPTEMBER 2nd** on Simpasture Playing Field.

The new Editorial Board of four consisting of :- Mr. S. Mossop, Chairman, of 9 Kellawe Place, Mr. G. Machin, Mr. D. Hood and Mr. Kimber, (Mrs. Spark was co-opted) was elected for "The Newtonian," and they will be producing the August edition

Both Committees have the authority to co-opt any person they feel will be of assistance.

It was also agreed that the Welcoming Parties should continue and the next one will be on **WEDNESDAY, 19th JULY**, for all recent newcomers.

The retiring Editorial Board, E. F. Broomfield, J. G. Blair, E. M. B. Hamilton, M. Spark, E. Mackey extends best wishes to their successors.

## REV. T. A. DREWETTE MEMORIAL FUND

It is not necessary to elaborate on the work of the late Rev. T. A. Drewette, as we are all aware of the devotion and zeal with which he applied himself both to the spiritual life of his church and the community life of Newton Aycliffe. We shall all have some memory of him either as the first Vicar of the Parish of St. Clare, or as an active social worker, and it would seem fitting that we should remember him in some tangible way.

The Parochial Church Council feel that this can best be achieved by the provision of a memorial in the Parish Church which of

course in itself is a monument to his endeavour. It has been decided therefore to institute a public subscription fund to which any contribution you may care to make can be paid. Your gift may be made either to the Memorial Fund Treasurer, Mr. T. F. Hayes, 16 Westmoreland Way, Newton Aycliffe, or to Mr. J. Oliver, Barclays Bank Ltd., 47 Beveridge Way, Newton Aycliffe.

Although at present no decision can be taken on the form that any memorial should take, this will be announced in due course, and in the meanwhile the Parochial Church Council wish to express their gratitude to all those who do contribute.

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## COUNCIL NOTES

At the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council Councillor J. Dormer was elected Chairman, and Councillor A. Cessford Vice-Chairman.

Following the Parish Meeting held in the Town regarding the Rent Increases, the Parish Council asked our M.P. Mr. J. Slater to make arrangements for a deputation to be received by the Minister of Housing. The Minister declined to meet the Members saying he did not think it would help matters if he received the deputation. The Parish Council again asked Mr. Slater to pursue the matter, and a question was asked in the House of Commons. A negative reply was received and Mr. Slater gave notice of his intention to raise the matter again in a debate on the adjournment of the House.

The Parish and District Council have decided to make no objection to the proposed amalgamation of the Bishop Auckland King James 1st Grammar School and the Bishop Auckland Girl's Grammar School to form the Bishop Auckland Grammar Technical School.

The resignation of the Clerk to the Parish Council, Mr. H. Bilton was received with regret, and the Council placed on record their appreciation of his services. Mr. Bilton is resigning on Medical advice.

## CORPORATION NOTES

### Gardens Competition

For the purposes of the Annual Gardens Competition, all gardens in the town will be inspected by the Corporation's horticultural staff during the last two weeks in July, when the best gardens will be selected for final judging by an independent horticultural expert.

The town will again be split into four sections for the purposes of the competition but on this and future occasions, the sections will consist of the four newly created local government wards numbered 1, 2, 3 and 4.

It has also been decided to discontinue the award of prizes to the best gardens in each of three classes in each ward and, instead, larger and more prizes will be awarded for the most attractive gardens in each ward. Prizes of £4, £3, £2, £1 and 10/- will be awarded to the five best gardens in each ward, and similar prizes will be offered for the best gardens attached to old people's bungalows, which will, once again, be treated as a separate class.

Certificates of merit will be awarded to all gardens included in the final judging, and the first prize-winners in each ward will compete for the Lady Beveridge Rose Bowl, which will be awarded to the tenant of the garden adjudged to be the best in the town.

### Television Aerials

Everybody seems to admire the neat appearance of the new parts of the town where all aerials are being erected out of sight from the front of the houses. In the case of re-lets or of tenants getting television for the first time, in the older parts of the town, aerials must now be attached to brackets fixed under the eaves at the back of the house, or indoors, the only exception being the Unity houses where technical difficulties make this impossible and in blocks of flats, in which the aerials must be put into the roof space. In time, Newton Aycliffe may have lost its "Heath Robinson" look!

Managers of Primary Schools have been appointed as follows:-

Sugar Hill	—	Councillors Vickers and Guy.
Vane Road	—	Councillors Dormer and Evans.
Stephenson Way	—	Councillors Spencer and Mrs. Hewson.

Additional Managers will be appointed by the County Council in due course.

Following complaints about annoyance caused to the Residents by pupils in the Bede Crescent Flats, the Parish Council are, in the first instance, writing to the Head Master.

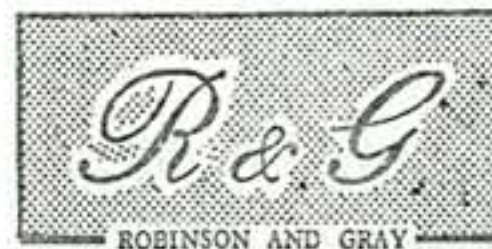
The County Council has agreed that the Lord Beveridge book collection, originally intended for the Newton Aycliffe Branch Library, be transferred to the University of York.

The County Council has agreed to development proposals as follows:-

MacMillan Road	—	Erection of British Legion Club and Headquarters.
Dalton Way	—	Erection of Public House.
Beveridge Way	—	Erection of a Supermarket.

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## DURHAM MINERS' GALA



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On Saturday, 15th July, 1961 the Durham Miners' Gala will take place in the ancient and historic city of Durham. For those residents of Newton Aycliffe who are 'north-country' by adoption only, the following may prove interesting.

The "Gala" is a trade union demonstration, claimed to be one of the largest in the free world. From 8 a.m. onwards, the representatives and members of about 120 miners' lodges in Durham County will parade right through Durham City carrying their lodge banners and accompanied by their own brass bands. Those lodges which for one reason or another are unable to have their own band, will have engaged a brass or military band from some other part of the country.

Many famous bands have attended past Galas and the trend continues. The Tanfield Lea Miner's Lodge are being played in by the United States Army Air Force Band as they were last year. Our own Town Band has been engaged to 'play in' Middridge Lodge.

The Lodge Banners are an interesting feature in themselves. Massive silken tapestries, depicting the many facets of the miner's life and valued at hundreds of pounds are carried by the lodge representatives through the city to the old racecourse where the

miner and his family assembles to hear speeches by Members of Parliament and noted trade union leaders.

Adding a sombre note to the proceedings are the many banners draped with black crepe and black rosettes denoting the fatal accidents at work during the past 12 months of members of that lodge.

The speeches being concluded about 1-30 p.m., some of the banners begin the home-ward trek through the city. Other sections of the vast crowd converge on the great noble cathedral where a special service is conducted during the mid-afternoon.

All vehicular traffic through the city is suspended from 8 a.m. to 8 or 9 p.m., a very necessary rule in view of an estimated crowd of over 200,000. All hotels and public houses remain open all day from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

There are many vantage points throughout the city where one may obtain an excellent view of the proceedings, but as these are dependent upon the density of the crowd at one particular time it is not considered worthwhile to mention any particular site. Without a doubt, a visit to the "Gala" is an unforgettable experience.

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### The Vicar

A new vicar has been appointed. The Rev. John J. Graham will be instituted on Monday, July 10th in St. Clare's Church. We welcome Mr. Graham, his wife and family, and we look forward to a new phase in the life of the church under his leadership.

### Memorial Fund

The Rev. T. A. Drewette Memorial Fund is still open. Mr. Hayes of 16 Westmorland Way is the Treasurer. Donations may also be placed directly through Barclay's Bank at the town centre.

### July Dates

Wednesday 5th	Young Christian Action meeting 7-30 p.m.
Saturday 8th	GIFT DAY—for the Building Fund.
Sunday 9th	Anniversary of the Dedication of St. Clare's.
Monday 10th	Institution of the Rev. John J. Graham.
Thursday 13th	Mother's Union meeting 7-30 p.m.
Thursday 20th	Women's Fellowship meeting 7-30 p.m.

## ARCHERY

A very pleasant afternoon was had on Sunday, 2nd June when Beehive Bowmen were the visiting team. They won by a comfortable margin—which was really to be expected, but nevertheless, we didn't put on too bad a show. In fact thanks to young David Nelson, one of our promising juniors, we managed to beat them in the Western round. David's score was 186.

Our next big shoot is our Open, which we are holding on 2nd July. Albion round for gentlemen, optional western for ladies.

We shoot every Sunday afternoon from about 2 p.m. until light fails. Juniors 10 to 14 are taught and are shooting under supervision at all times. Any interested person please contact the Subscription Secretary at Burn Lane Sports Club.

## SPORTS & RECREATION CLUB NEWS

### Rugby

The Rugby season having now finished, the Newton Aycliffe R.F.C. can look back on a very successful season, particularly in view of the fact that this is only its second season.

For the record, the Club played 23 fixtures of which 16 were won and 7 lost, with 358 points for and 135 against. Joint top scorers were Brian Hunter, the captain, and John Gooding, each with 16 tries. Incidentally John is only 16 years old and has played for Kent Schoolboys; he will go a long way in the Rugby world.

Probably the most notable achievement was reaching the semi-final of the County Fourth Teams Shields, having knocked out Durham City and Hartlepool Rovers, two of the bigger "powers" in the County. It is no secret that the Club hoped to win the Shield this year, and so improve the status of Rugby Football in Newton Aycliffe. Oddly enough the Club was knocked out of the shield Competition by Sunderland IV and yet in the first round of the County Junior Sevens at Durham City, Newton Aycliffe beat the Sunderland Second string.

However, the Club are running two teams next season apart from the odd Junior match, so that, although we were able to call on 37 players for first team duty this last season many more players will be needed. The Club spirit is extremely high, and already the members are looking forward to next season the off season, so interested players of all ages, and supporters, are asked to contact Jack Horsfield, Hon. Sec., 5 Bede Crescent or go along to the Burn Lane Club House any evening.

## ATHLETICS CLUB

The re-formed Athletics Club has welcomed a dozen new young members in recent weeks. I am sure there are many more young people in the town who are athletically minded. A coach will look to your training on Tuesday and Friday nights at Burn Lane Sports Ground (6 p.m. onwards). Older members are also welcome to train or help in training others.

## CAGE BIRD SOCIETY

The Newton Aycliffe and District Cage Bird Society held a meeting on the 30th April, in the Upstairs Room at the Community Centre to a good turnout including three new members. It was decided that the Club should hold their Members' Bird Show on the 23rd September. Now is the time to join the Club so that you can enter your birds in the show, and compete for the prizes. Don't hold back, thinking you may not have enough experience or that your birds may not be good enough to show, for many of our members are also novices, so join now and let the more experienced fancier help you to enjoy your hobby to the full by contacting the Secretary.

The walnut T.V. Table raffled by the Society was won by Mr. J. A. Patterson of 64 Hatfield Road, with a yellow ticket No. 69.

Next meeting dates will be 2nd July, 23rd July, 13th August.

A. Cullen, Secretary, 28 Pease Way, Newton Aycliffe.

## NORTH-EASTERN ELECTRICITY BOARD

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### SPORTS AND RECREATION CLUB

The Sports Club goes from strength to strength, and the list has now been re-opened to accept new members. For particulars of membership, fees, etc. see George Robson, Hon. Secretary, 7 Lee Green or at the Club House, Burn Lane.

### NEWTON AYCLIFFE RADIO SOCIETY

The Second Annual General Meeting and re-election of officers will be held on July 12th at 8 p.m. in The Iron Horse

We thank the unknown lady who sent us **Hints and Recipes** from the **Northern Weekly Gazette** for February and March, 1926.

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### TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD

The May meeting was held on the 12th instead of the 5th because the members had a visit to York on that day.

At the meeting there was a talk on Home Decorating by Turners of Darlington. Social half-hour was dancing.

The July meeting will be on Monday, 3rd when Mrs. Marshall will speak on "Drama." Competition, neatest ankle; Sales table Salads, and Social Half-hour "Guild Talent."

### WOMANS COLUMN

Soft fruits are at their best in early July, particularly Raspberries and Strawberries. These, in my opinion, are much better flavoured if eaten uncooked. The following recipe needs no cooking and is easily prepared.

**Summer Pudding**—Line a basin with fingers of white bread or plain sponge cake, fill the cavity with raspberries or sliced strawberries—sprinkle well with caster sugar—when almost full make a lid with bread or sponge cake, cover with a shallow saucer and weight well down. Leave to press about 24 hours. Turn out into a glass dish and serve with fresh cream or custard. Any stewed fruit may be used for this recipe but raspberries and strawberries are particularly good.

**Fish with Salad**—How many of you use canned Tuna fish—often referred to as "the chicken of the sea." If you have never used it do give it a trial as it is most inexpensive, and this is one of the nicest ways to serve it :-

From an 8-oz. tin of Tuna fish drain the oil and put it aside—flake up the fish adding a little Anchovy essence (if liked)—pile up in the centre of a dish covered with shredded lettuce, decorate around with sliced tomatoes, sliced cooked new potatoes, and sprinkle the whole with chopped chives or parsley—now mix the fish oil with a little salad cream and pour over the salad.

**Cookery Hint**—Before weighing syrup or treacle lightly sprinkle flour in the saucepan and then weigh the syrup—it will then just slide off into the mixing bowl.

**Household Hint for the Month**—When knitting socks, knit in a matching nylon thread in both heel and toe, you will find they last much longer and give you a frame on which to mend when the wool has worn through. Jersey elbows can also be treated in the same way.

**Decorative idea for the kitchen**—There are now so many attractive tea towels on the market it seems to me sometimes a pity to just use them straight away for their intended purpose. I use mine this way for a while I make a hem along the top and insert a bamboo stick about one inch longer than the width of the towel. Attach a length of cord to each end of the bamboo rod and hang up the towel on the kitchen wall. The large flower prints and county maps look really gay and of course you really do see the design to advantage.

M.M.G.



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All this can I confirm, having visited Mallorca (as one should spell the name) on many occasions. In spite of its recent popularity as a result of glowing reports from earlier pioneers, it still remains an island of incomparable beauty, unbelievable light effects changing each second, so that mountains appear blue, then mauve, and suddenly fiery red in the setting sun. It is an island of charming people, mostly speaking only the native Majorquin. Each day seems to be endless; Manana (tomorrow) can take care of itself.

A brief four hours' flight from London airport and one can bask under blue skies, the hot sun relieved by the fresh breeze from the sea. Visit Mallorca from February until October—in May the island is laden with the perfume of millions of flowers and shrubs—it is said that at night sailors can tell if they are off the coast because of the scent which fills the air.

Leave the beaches, now so often crowded with English visitors, and take a trip in the mountains, setting off early in the morning on mules. Jog steadily up until the apparently inaccessible mountain which seemed so distant in the morning is just as far beneath you in the afternoon; gradually the horizon widens on all sides until one feels on top of the world, winding between eucalyptus trees and sweet-smelling pines on paths which seem perilous at times but which the animals tread sure-footedly, until one reaches the summit. There, at a spring one can refresh oneself, release the mules (hoping that someone will be able to catch them again), eat cold chicken ravenously and drink champagne, sleep or rest for an hour and in the cool of the evening start the long trek back.

One could write pages of the days spent in a boat off the coast, visiting tiny beaches otherwise inaccessible and bathing in the ever-warm sea, or of gay evenings in the little cafes, eating seafood and dancing to the local instrumentalist. All this can be done at prices as unbelievable as everything else—luxury hotel room with private bathroom and terrace, for say 30/- a day and simple pension accommodation for as little as 8/- or 10/- a day. Sufficient to quote in closing a favourite toast—Health, wealth and the time to enjoy it." One knows instinctively that the last wish is the one nearest their hearts.

M.B.

### BEVERIDGE ROLLER DANCE & FIGURE SKATING CLUB

Although unfortunately the Community Association is now non-existent, we feel on behalf of the committee, and members of the skating club, that we must thank whole heartedly the past members of the associations committee for their efforts and help, which in turn made the skating club possible in the new town. We would however like to make it quite clear to all, that the club sessions will continue to function as usual. Sunday and Tuesday are class lessons when all spectators are welcome. 4 to 7 p.m. and 7 to 10 p.m. respectively. Our public skating session which is each Saturday evening from 7 to 10 p.m. still welcomes you all, either to skate or to sit and watch all the fun.

Our club is now well over its first birthday, and despite the sunny weather, and light evenings all sessions are well attended with well over two thirds of our membership readily awaiting the forthcoming National Skating Association figure and dance tests.

Owing to circumstances beyond our control, we are unable to hold our usual skating sessions on the following dates :-

Sunday, 16th July	Saturday, 29th July
Saturday, 16th September	Saturday, 18th November

A special word must go to all our club members parents, who at the moment only turn up once in every blue moon—Now come on Mams and Dads, it's about time more of you started taking an interest in your child's recreation, and pleasing achievements as a member of our popular venture.

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21 Clarence Green, Newton Aycliffe.



## CHILDREN'S PAGE

## NEWTON AYCLIFFE YOUNG NATURALIST'S SOCIETY

The Society now has about forty members and on May 13th there was an excursion to Dyance Wood, Summerhouse, to see the Heronry. Our next excursion was to Richmond where we explored the banks of the river Swale, Billy Bank Woods, and visited The Earls Orchard Youth Hostel where we looked at an old map and got a really fine view of Richmond Castle.

We are becoming a strong and vigorous society and it is very pleasing to note that many of the boys have a surprising amount of knowledge concerning the birds of our countryside.

The Children are encouraged to "*Seek and admire, not harm and destroy*" and the collecting of birds' eggs and the ruthless picking of rare flowers are discouraged.

Several boys have seen the cuckoo on the trading estate; there is a ring-ousel's nest near the Iron Horse and the housemartins have returned for a second year to their nest on the wall of the Dixon Road Flats.

## Things to do:-

1. Keep a record in a note book of all the different species of birds you see. Enter date and place where seen.
2. Look up the difference between the House Martin and the Swallow.
3. Find out all you can about the Shrew, our smallest British Mammal.
4. Listen for the owl in the ash tree near Simpasture Gate if ever you are passing there late in the evening. If you have seen it can you tell me what kind it is?

## This Month's Competition

Draw and colour if possible, four interesting specimens which you have found yourself on the seashore. Send your entry to 5 Dixon Road by July 31st, the winner's name will appear in the September Newtonian.

F.G.S.

## BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION

The Annual Field Day is being held on Saturday, July 15th in the grounds of the Scout Hut, Finchale Road, commencing at 2-30 p.m. It is hoped that all who have enjoyed themselves at this event in the past will come again, and that those who have not been before will make a note to come to what is one of the festive occasions of the year in Newton Aycliffe. Enter your bonnie bairns in the Baby Show (prizes for three classes up to two years old; eat a hamburger made on the spot; have a go at the sideshows; have your fortune told; sit and enjoy some refreshments.

The Scouts will be selling programmes, price 3d., in the fortnight before the Field Day. We hope to receive your support in this way, even if you are unable to come, and you never know, yours may be the lucky programme.

J. A. Hey, Scoutmaster.

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## WARD No. 2

Councillor	W. G. Boys	19 Watson Road
"	J. G. Hewson	16 Dixon Road
"	S. Woodward	53 Pease Way

## WARD No. 3

Councillor	H. R. Evans	13 Hatfield Road
"	E. Greenwood	78 Hatfield Road
"	R. H. McKee	39 Bewick Crescent

## WARD No. 4

Councillor	J. Conlon	37 Stead Close
"	Mrs. J. L. Kell	5 Macmillan Road
"	D. G. Perry	9 Humphrey Close

## Great Aycliffe Parish Council

## WARD No. 1

Councillor	A. Guy	55 Gilpin Road
"	N. H. Nicholson	103 Greathead Crescent
"	D. Vickers, J.P.	22 Clarence Chare

## WARD No. 2

Councillor	S. Brown	63 Dalton Road
"	Mrs. E. Hewson	16 Dixon Road
"	W. T. Strahan	37 St. Godric's Road

## WARD No. 3

Councillor	J. G. Dormer	34 Eden Rd., (Chairman 1961/62)
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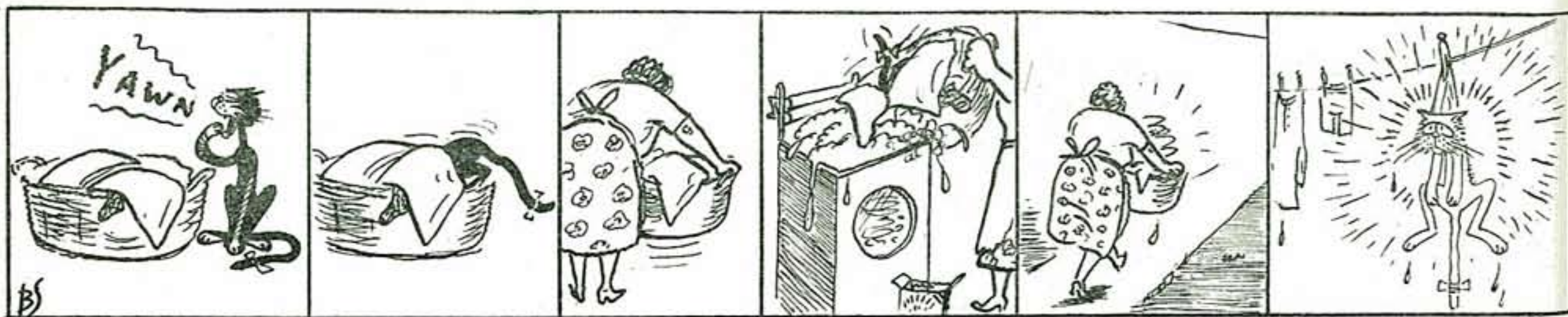
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The Annual house-to-house collection which was held from 8th to 13th May, 1961 raised the sum of £125 16s. 5d. As Local Organiser of the Appeal, I wish to say Thank You to all those people of Newton Aycliffe who helped and gave to make this splendid result.

T. F. HAYES.

## The Adventures of Buttercup





## COMMUNITY CALENDAR FOR JULY

## Beveridge Hall

- Sunday:** Town Band 10-30 a.m.  
Assembly of God Sunday School 2-30 to 4 p.m.  
Skating 4-7 p.m.
- Monday:** Library 2-4-30 p.m. & 5-7 p.m.  
Townswomen's Guild at 7-15 p.m. 3rd July
- Tuesday:** Welfare Clinic 9-30-11-30 a.m.  
Family Planning Clinic 2-3-30 p.m.  
Skating Club 7-10 p.m.
- Wednesday:** Library 2-4-30 p.m. 5-7 p.m.  
Road Safety Meeting 5th July 7 p.m.-10 p.m.  
Welcoming Party 19th July Evening
- Thursday:** 9-30-4 p.m. Welfare Clinic.  
Dog Training Class 6-30 p.m. to 9-30 p.m.
- Friday:** Library 2-4-30 p.m. 5-7 p.m.  
7-30 p.m. Table Tennis Session
- Saturday:** 7 p.m. Skating Club

## Clarence Hall

- Sunday:** Assembly of God Services 6 p.m.  
Junior Youth Club 8 p.m.  
Jehovah's Witnesses 2-30 p.m.
- Monday:** 1-30-3-45 p.m. W.V.S. Children's Nursery.  
Jehovah's Witness 7 p.m.
- Tuesday:** Whist Drive 7-30 p.m. Open to all
- Wednesday:** 2-00 p.m. W.V.S. Meeting.  
Territorial Association Cadets—Evening
- Thursday:** Junior Youth Club 7-9-30 p.m.
- Friday:** Assembly of God Youth Club 7 p.m.
- Saturday:** Free

## Committee Room

- Sunday:** Loco Spotters 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.
- Monday:**
- Tuesday:** Welfare Clinic 9-30-1  
F.P.A. Clinic 2-3-30 p.m. Toc H, 7 p.m.
- Wednesday:**
- Thursday:** 9-30 a.m.—4 p.m. Welfare Clinic  
Probation Officer 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.
- Friday:**
- Saturday:** Skating Club 7 p.m.

## C.A.B. Room

- Sunday:** Free
- Monday:** 2-3 p.m. Registrar.
- Tuesday:** Labour Party 7 30 p.m.
- Wednesday:** Free.
- Thursday:** 2-3 p.m. Registrar.
- Friday:** 2-3-30 p.m. C.A.B. Session and 7-30 p.m.—  
8-30 p.m. C.A.B. Session.
- Saturday:** Free.

## Upstairs Room

- Sunday:** Salvation Army 2 p.m.—4 p.m.  
Cage Birds Society, (Morning) 2nd & 23rd July
- Monday:** Whist 7-30 p.m.—All welcome.
- Tuesday:** St. John Cadets (Girls) 6-30 p.m.
- Wednesday:** Town Band 7-30 p.m.
- Thursday:**
- Friday:** 6-30 p.m. St. John Cadets (Boys).
- Saturday:** Town Band (Juniors) 10 a.m.

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### NEWTON AYCLIFFE OVER 60 CLUB

A party of 29 members of the Club spent a very enjoyable week's holiday at Eastbourne. Besides coach trips to Brighton, Wannock Gardens and Hastings there were sea trips to Beachy Head, Birling Gap and Pevensey Bay. The weather was fine and very warm which together with good food, good accommodation and good company all added up to an excellent holiday.

Entertainment on 5th July will be given by Shotton Colliery O.A.P.

The Chiropodist will visit the Club on Saturday, 8th July at 2 p.m. and not on 1st July as stated in the June "Newtonian."

### R.A.F. ASSOCIATION NOTES



During the past month, much social activity has taken place within the branch. Outstanding of these occasions was an evening especially arranged for the presentation of a chiming clock to Mr. Bill Carr, who recently resigned his office at this branch to take over duties as the Secretary of Durham Region. Five years of good work has been done by Mr. Carr, and he can rightly claim to be among those who have made the Branch what it is today.

The Social evening was well attended and among those present were our President and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Chisholm, our own Mr. and Mrs. Shafto of Aycliffe, and Mr. and Mrs. Denham of Darlington Works League. Mr. Shafto presented the R.A.F. Shafto Cups for Darts, Dominoes and 'Fives and Threes' to representatives of winning teams.

Mr. Fred Hardy, Chairman, made the presentation of the clock to Mr. Carr and for Mrs. Carr was a bouquet of flowers and a bowl. Mr. Ronnie Manning our branch secretary, gave a warm welcome to all those present, extending his thanks to all members for their loyal patronage which has maintained and fostered a happy atmosphere within the branch.

It is now just over one year since we had the honour of a visit from Her Majesty the Queen and Prince Philip, and to commemorate this great occasion and the official opening of the branch, two bronze plaques have been fitted in the entrance lobby.

### Notes

Newton Aycliffe played Stanley Branch of the R.A.F.A. at Cricket on the excellent grounds of the Newton Aycliffe Sports and Recreation Club in Burn Lane. Newton Aycliffe had a walk-over victory, and are now matched against Stockton Branch.

H.G.S.

### "KEEP FIT"

A Grand Rally, Thursday, 6th July at 7-30 p.m., Marlowe Hall. All interested Welcome.

### LIFE BOY NOTES

Our Life Boys, known as the 7th Darlington Life Boys Team, attached to the Methodist Church, held a very successful Parent's Night on May 18th in the Methodist Hall. It was attended by over fifty parents and friends and raised £8 for the Church Building Fund. I would like to thank everyone concerned who helped to make this event possible.

At this Parent's Night, proficiency badges were awarded to K. Seaman, S. Seaman, R. Lawson, P. Stevenson and M. Taylor. Merit Certificates were awarded to Peter Stevenson and Brian Jackson.

We have a membership of 32 boys whose ages range from 8½ years to 11½ years. During the Summer months our activities are mostly outdoors and they include treasure hunts, cricket and rounders, etc. but the work for the merit certificate award still continues.

No meetings are held in the Summer Holidays but we return with renewed vigour to our weekly Thursday meetings for the winter session.

J. SCOTT (Mrs)

### GARDENS GUILD

*HOW'S YOUR LATHYRUS' or  
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IT'S THE 1st 1961 JOINT ANNUAL SHOW  
SATURDAY, 12th AUGUST in the OVER 60's CLUB

All entries must be declared not later than 9 p.m. on Thursday, 10th August in the Upstairs Room, The Iron Horse or by first post on that day to the Secretary :- Mr. J. E. Pearson, 34 Highside Road, Heighington. Schedules now available—Flowers, Vegetables, Soft Fruit.

### FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION

Clinics are held in the Beveridge Hall EVERY Tuesday 2—3-30 p.m. Appointments are advisable due to very busy clinics.

The clinic will be closed in August. Information and appointments from Mrs. Thomas, 26 Eden Road, Newton Aycliffe, Tel. Newton Aycliffe 637.



## THE ADVENTURES OF DOGGIE RUM

Young Doggie Rum ran happily along the path to the orchard.

It was a delightful morning and the sun peeped between the leaves of the apple-trees, from a bright blue sky.

Doggie Rum found life very strange and wonderful, every day something mysterious seemed to happen, BUMP!! Oh!!! What was that? Something hit me on my back. Doggie Rum started to run away, with his ears back to the side of his head, so that he could hear better as he ran. But he could hear nobody running after him, so he stopped and looked back. There was nothing moving except the leaves in the wind.

He pricked up his ears so that he could hear if anything was crawling towards him in the long grass, then he started back to the spot where something had hit him on his back. He could see a round object on the ground, shaped like a ball. Would it move if he went up to it? Was it alive?

Doggie Rum came closer to it, sniffing at it, he decided that he liked the smell, so cautiously he put out a paw and touched it. It rolled over, and Doggie Rum jumped away, thinking it might be alive. He then placed both paws around it, and touched it with his nose. Now I'm going to bite it, he said, it's not hard to bite, not like a bone, and it's lovely and sweet and juicy in my mouth.

Suddenly Doggie Rum's eyes glistened. A beautiful little brown squirrel dashed across the grass and quickly started to climb an apple tree.

Hello! Hello! Shouted Doggie Rum, who are you? and where are you going? Me? I'm just a little brown squirrel, and happy to be alive, aren't you? Of course I'm happy to be alive too, little brown squirrel, said Doggie Rum. Are you climbing the tree, to have a swing on one of the branches, little brown squirrel? Oh no, but tell me your name? And then I'll tell you what I'm doing. My name is Doggie Rum, and I'm out looking for adventures. Well, I am climbing this tree to bring down an apple for my breakfast. Is that what you call those Red round things hung up there? However are you going to carry one down? You watch me, said the little brown squirrel.

Standing on a strong bough, he placed both his fore-legs around a rosy apple, hugged it to his chest, and held his chin over the top of the apple, after he had bitten through the stem. Doggie Rum stood watching him. However are you going to carry it down Squirrey, he asked? You don't mind if I call you Squirrey do you? Not a bit said Squirrey, what shall I call you? I think that I will call you Rummy if you call me Squirrey. All right Squirrey said Rummy, this will be just between you and me.

Squirrey started to climb down backwards still holding the apple. Oh, how clever of you Squirrey, now mind you don't drop it. Squirrey got half-way down alright when all at once a blackbird flew into the tree screaming. Look-out!! Look-out!! there's a hawk after me. The hawk flew away when the black bird reached the safety of the tree, but Squirrey was startled by the scream of the blackbird, and dropped the rosy red apple, which fell on to the grass bank, and rolled slowly down into the river. Get a boat or make a raft quickly Rummy, and then we can go after it, said Squirrey.

Oh look Squirrey, said Rummy there is a nice wooden plank, we can use it for a raft—Come on.

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## LATE NEWS ITEM

### ***Preliminary Announcement:-***

Discussions are now concluded for a business partnership between two friends, i.e. Mr. Maurice Collinson and Mr. Bob Pocklington. Both are well known in Newton Aycliffe and they have joined forces, particularly in the Radio and Television departments. Mr. Collinson's business in the Hardware Section will continue as before at his address, but his Radio, Television and Gramophone Section will be shortly transferred to Mr. Pocklington's premises at 76 Beveridge Way.

A final announcement will be made in the next issue with the new name of the Company, when it has been registered.