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EDITORIAL

The Newton Players have put in three years of hard work in their spare time at a cost of about £150 to build themselves a headquarters hut behind the Community Centre, only to see it wrecked in one evening by a few irresponsible individuals. Such senseless vandalism is difficult to understand. However, although the 'Players' are despondent at the prospect of the repairs and replacements that have to be undertaken, they are in no way defeated; and in the best tradition of the theatre the 'show goes on' albeit later than was intended. The 'Players' themselves have this to say :-

"For the first time since the formation of the Society over eleven years ago the Newton Players have been forced to cancel a production. The reason for this unprecedented action is vandalism. Our hut situated behind the Community Centre was broken into, chairs slashed with broken glass, flats and scenery smashed, a large chest containing paint was broken open and the paint scattered over furniture, walls, and properties. Costumes were torn apart and accessories trodden into spilt paint. 30 out of 42 panes of glass were smashed. Thanks to the public spirit of two gentlemen working in their nearby garages the names of the children responsible for smashing the windows are known. It is thought that the damage inside the building was done by an older type of individual of low mentality, as is usual in cases of this kind. The extent of the damage can perhaps best be measured by the members of the society who have worked not only on the sets, and collecting and caring for props, but on building the hut itself by raising money to do so. As theft is evident the police are investigating, and by the time this report appears in print the committee will have decided whether or not legal action will be taken.

The Newton Players would like to apologise to their patrons and add that the play which has had to be cancelled, 'Mystery at Blackwater,' will now be performed in October as the first production of the 1963/64 season."

H.J.N.

This is the opportunity for those who have the time to spare to give the Newton Players the much needed help they require for their recovery. Repairs to the building and making new sets are the chief items to be undertaken. Many minor jobs have also to be done. Offers of assistance should be referred to:- Mrs. McLoughlin, 13 Cumby Road, or to Mrs. Neal, 53 Kemble Green South, Tel. No. N/A. 344.

EDITOR.

FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION

Clinics are held EVERY Wednesday in the Welfare Clinic, Dalton Way at 6-30 to 7-30 p.m. There is a lady doctor in attendance. Appointments are advisable.

Information and appointments from:- Mrs. Thomas, 84 Cockton Hill Road, Bishop Auckland. Tel. Bishop Auckland 2162.

GREAT AYCLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

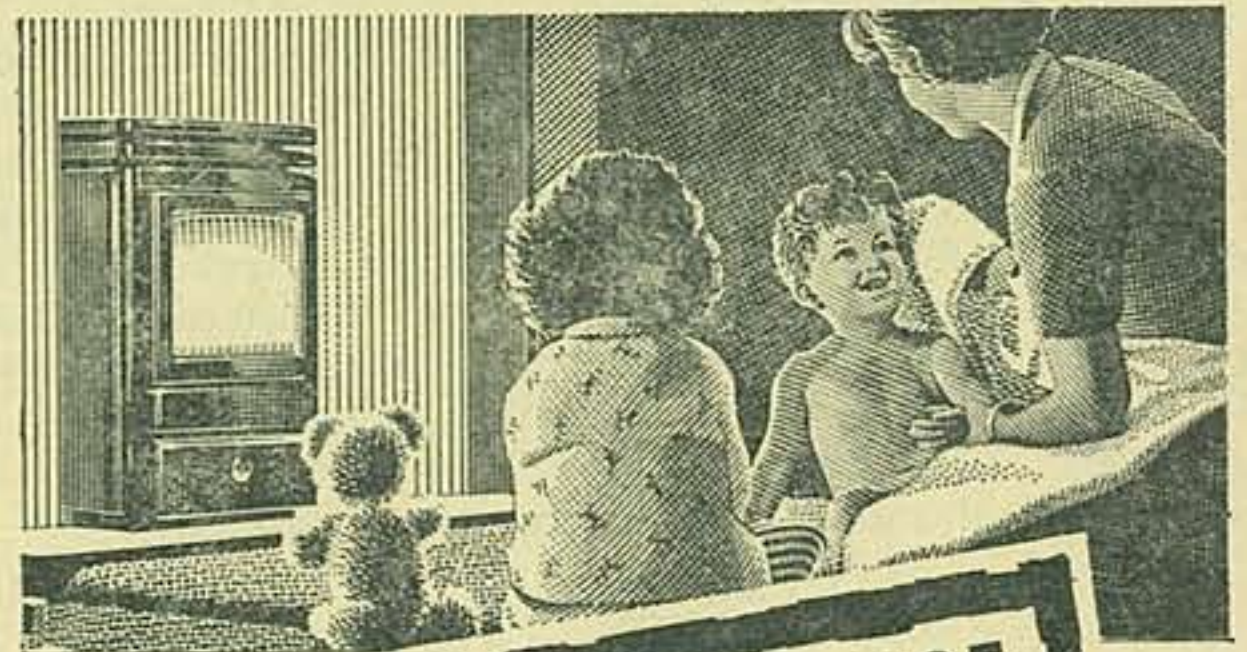
As from 1st April, 1963, The Parish Council Office, third floor, Churchill House, Newton Aycliffe will be open for the transaction of Council Business from 9 a.m. to 12-30 p.m. and from 1-30 p.m. to 5 p.m. from Monday to Friday.

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TOWNSWOMENS GUILD

April the first might be 'All Fools Day' but the Newton Aycliffe Townswomens Guild were no fools when they invited Mr. S. Cardwell to be the speaker at the April meeting on that day, for his talk describing the Orkney and Shetland Islands was something that members and visitors will remember for many a long day.



Mr. Cardwell's vivid description of his journey by steamer, bicycle and on foot, accompanied by his really beautiful coloured slides had the magical power of making one forget the immediate surroundings and be transported to the islands for a brief holiday. Mr. and Mrs. Cardwell were thanked on behalf of the Guild by Mrs. Clarke, and Mrs. Cardwell was given a box of chocolates in appreciation. Mrs. Cardwell judged the competition, a decorated chocolate egg and awarded the prize.

The surprise parcel, donated by Miss Hamilton, was raffled and won by Mrs. Parker. Two new members were welcomed to the Guild, and the meeting closed with a display of Scottish Country Dancing.

The June meeting will be held on the second Monday in the month—June 10th. Speaker Mr. J. Sylph; his subject: Activities of the Aycliffe Trading Estate. Competition: Salad in a saucer. Sales Table: home made biscuits, the social half hour: pencil and paper. By the time you get this copy of the Newtonian a party of forty or more Guild members will have been on an outing to the Harrogate Flower Show which is planned for April 25th.

M.M.G.

FRIENDS OF THE TOWN BAND

This group has got off to a good start. The members have arranged to hold some social event each month, mainly in their own homes, in order to augment the Band's funds. Later more adventurous evenings will be planned. It is also hoped to assist the Band by publicity, collecting, etc. any time they play in the town. The group is not confined to the Bandsmen's relatives: any well-wisher will be most welcome. Please give your names to Mrs. Gaul, 7 Baliol Green and you will then be invited to the next social event. The Band has always been generous towards the town—let the townspeople now repay that generosity.

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SPORTS CLUB ANNUAL SHOW, AUGUST, 31st.

In the next issue of the Newtonian a schedule of the Show will be included. This schedule will give all classes exhibiting in the show. May we make an urgent appeal to all intending competitors? Would you please send in your entry forms at your earliest convenience. We are making this request to ensure that as many entries are included in the official programme as is possible. The printers have given us a deadline and the latest date for inclusion in the programme is Saturday, August 17th. Late entries, of course, will be accepted.

Friday, August 30th has been selected as the night of our Show Dance held at the Gretna Green Wedding Inn. At this function the Show Queen of 1963 will be chosen.

Volunteers are still needed and anyone wishing to help out should contact M. Richardson, 9 Greathead Crescent, or call at the Sports Club any Wednesday evening, we will be only too pleased to see you.

Please help us to make this year's Show a real bumper effort! Send in as many entries as you can and turn up at the field with friends, on this your own show day.

G.F.W.

NEWTON AYCLIFFE CRICKET CLUB

We give a list of our FIRST TEAM FIXTURES, for May and June. The SECOND TEAM FIXTURES are the reverse of these.

MAY

11	Murton C. W.	Away
18	Eshwinning	Away
25	Mainsforth	Home

JUNE

10	Peases West	Home
15	Ushaw Moor	Home
22	Hetton Lyons	Home

JUNE

1	Easington C.W.	Away
3	Ushaw Moor	Away
8	Langley Park	Home
24	Peases West	Away
29	Tudhoe	Away

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G.F.W.

**Thought for the Month
(from the Spanish)**

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R.A.F. ASSOCIATION NOTES



A bi-monthly General Meeting will be held in the Canopus Club on Tuesday, May 21st commencing at 7-30 p.m. All full and associate members are urged to attend as several important items will be under discussion. These meetings usually prove most interesting, particularly to those members who are not always aware of 'what goes on'; useful ideas that have been instrumental in enhancing the club premises, and formulating future policy have been put forward at bi-monthly meetings, they also

provide the opportunity to air your views; a sufficient reason why all who possibly can should be present.

Plans for 'Battle of Britain Week' are being prepared; Mrs. Pat Figures has been elected official organiser, with Mr. Alan Coates as deputy. This year it is intended to spread 'Battle of Britain' over the whole month of September, instead of the usual concentration on one week. This should prove an advantageous move and a complete break away from that which has taken place in the past.

During September an 'all out' effort is to be made for 'Battle of Britain,' and a good all round programme is to be arranged. Mrs. Figures appeals to all members and friends to assist with Wings Day collections. It is understood that the usual Treasure Hunt will be organised by the R.A.F.A. Motor Club, although the details are not yet known.

At a recent committee meeting Mr. B. Cornley spoke of the money spent on Welfare Work; he said he would like members who knew of deserving cases to discreetly let him have the facts, as it is well known that those whose needs are greatest are reluctant to present their own case. Mr. Cornley gave his assurance that he would arrange an interview without the slightest embarrassment to the person concerned, and also stressed the fact that all welfare matters are treated as strictly confidential.

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MEALS ON WHEELS

At a very well attended meeting held at Churchill House on April 5th Mrs. Chetwynd—Talbot W.V.S. County Organiser, outlined the details of the service which it is hoped to bring into operation early in May. A restaurant on the trading estate has agreed to cook the meals, and the delivery will be made from a rota of twelve drivers who have volunteered the use of their cars. Once the local authority has confirmed help towards the cost of 'meals on wheels' a start will be made by serving 12 meals twice a week with the probability of increasing the number to 24.

Mrs. R. E. Tomlinson, 17 Cumby Road will be the organiser, assisted by Mrs. Butler, 11 Cumby Road, and Mrs. J. Horsefield will act as the rota secretary.

R.E.T.

NEWTON AYCLIFFE OVER 60 CLUB

At the Annual General meeting officials and Committee were re-elected.

The Treasurer in her financial report had the pleasant task of informing the meeting that the whole of the mortgage of £2,000 from the Development Corporation had been repaid and the Club was now free from debt.

The President of the Club, Mr. W. N. Davis, O.B.E., congratulated the members on such a splendid achievement, and also paid tribute to the hard work put into the effort by the Officials and Committee.

The Committee would like to take this opportunity of thanking the Residents of Newton Aycliffe for their financial support in the annual envelope collections during the past four years, and it is hoped that no further appeals will be necessary.

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Wherein lies the reason for the ever-increasing popularity of the ancient sport of Archery? Can it be the sibilant hiss of the shaft speeding unerringly (sic) to the target awaiting to enfold the oncoming missile. Can it be the feeling of exultation when the arrow finds the mark with a satisfying 'chuk.' Can it be the knowledge that, when on the shooting line, all extraneous thoughts are excluded and the archer concentrates on the elusive gold, staring like a one-eyed Cyclops as if in defiance of the archer's skill. To every bowman and bow-woman the interest in their chosen sport is manifold.

Neither the old pageantry of archery, nor its companion the long bow, have remained forgotten. The boy who shouts "Old Robin 'ood" after an archer, self-consciously bearing bow and arrows to a match, is not alone, even as a television viewer, in remembering the figure who remains the most beloved man in legend. It would seem that the feeling for archery has been with us from early childhood. Ask any schoolboy how King Harold died at Hastings; the answer will be forthcoming. Does the same boy know how Harold's predecessor, Edward, died?

The art of shooting in a bow can be divided into five partitions: Standing, Nocking, Holding, Drawing and Loosing. The first four partitions can be taught quickly and easily, but oh, the trouble the archer, even the expert, has with the loose. This apparently easy action is the most tantalizing, annoying and yet the most graceful of the partitions. It is impossible, in this short article, to explain fully how to shoot but anyone who is interested will be welcome to attend any of our shoots when the explanation will be given. The archery bow, although the most simple, is also the most individual of weapons. As no back-sight is provided, it is impossible for any archer to give sight-marks on the bow-sight of another archer. The length of the face from eye to chin, the weight of arrow used and the action of loosing is different in all members and this has a critical bearing on the position of the sight-marks.

Target archery, although it has the largest following, is by no means the only facet of the sport. More and more people are going in for Field archery and taking their bows out in preference to a shot-gun in search of game, small and large. There are authentic records of at least three elephant and a Kodiak bear of some 700-lbs. which have fallen to the bow.

Many thousands of years have passed since the first bow was drawn, the oldest known surviving bow, the Holmegaard bow, is dated circa 7000—8000 B.C. The use of the long bow as a weapon died with the introduction of the musket but the use of the bow as a sport has lived on. Since the second World War, the greatest mechanised struggle in history, the number of men and women who shoot in a bow has increased as never before and the number of archery clubs has increased with them. There are probably more archers in England now than at any time since the fourteenth century. A paradox indeed for the re-birth of a venerable pastime. Can we compare this re-birth with the birth of a New Town? Would it be not fitting for the members of this new community to rally round and share in this terrific revival?

The members of the Newton Aycliffe Archery Club, both present and future, have the facilities, the organisation and the enthusiasm to make our town known and respected in this corner of the archery world. The facilities; one of the finest fields in the area, equipment loaned freely to the would be member, tuition and encouragement when required and the close proximity of a friendly Club House in which to talk over the success, or failure of the latest shoot. The enthusiasm; all our present members have it, can we persuade **you**, male or female, strong or weak, to shake off the veil of apathy and to take your part in creating an archery stronghold in Newton Aycliffe. Any further information can be obtained by contacting Mr. Joe Nelson of Bede Crescent or Mr. Harry Walton, 5 Greathead Crescent, or by attending any meeting held on the Moore Lane Sports Field any Thursday evening or any Sunday afternoon.

Footnote to parents: There is no **toy** bow, even the first bent twig or bamboo and string is a potential weapon which can maim or blind.

TOXOPHILITE.

NEWTON AYCLIFFE OPERATIC & DRAMATIC SOCIETY

It is hoped that by the time you receive the May copy of the 'Newtonian' you will have heard about our show 'The Mikado' that is being presented in the Methodist Hall from Wednesday, May 8th to Saturday, May 11th. The principals are:- The Mikado, *Les Parker*; Nanki-Poo, *John Boyle*; Ko-Ko, *Colin Jude*; Pooh-Bah, *Derek Trudgill*; Pish-Tush, *Len Carr*; Yum-Yum, *Ena Hart*; Pitti-Sing, *Marjorie Hey*; Peep-Bo, *Jill Dickinson*; Katisha, *Jean Carr* and they are supported by a very strong chorus. The producer is John Land and the Musical Director Robert Hymers. The performance begins at 7-15 each evening. So come along and give your support to this enthusiastic Society who are bringing musical gaiety to the town.

J.B.

GARDENS GUILD

Members please note—On Tuesday, May 14th at 8 p.m. in the Iron Horse, the Hydrangea will be the subject of a speaker from Houghall. As many members as possible should attend, as these informal talks always are both interesting and instructive.

The bus outings of last year proved so popular that we shall arrange others this summer on similar lines, and you will be kept informed of the proposals either through this journal or by notices in the Sales Hut.

Towards the end of last year I proposed to arrange a course on Botany; so far, the names of those interested are insufficient to make it a practical proposition. There is still time, but I must have a certain number before I can go ahead. So will you please let me have your names as soon as possible. The talks would be given by Mr. G. H. Banbury and would be slanted to be of particular interest to gardeners, and illustrated largely from the garden. The course is open to everyone, member or non-member, so I repeat, let me have your name and address—time is getting short. New members are always welcome; if you are not a member why not join us. We have the experts in the Guild but don't let that deter you, we want to help you with your gardening problems, no matter how simple they may seem to you. Honorary membership is available to pensioners; all enquiries should be made either at the Sales Hut on the allotment field behind Clarence Chare on Sunday mornings between 10-30 a.m. and 12-30 p.m. or to K. Stewart, 12 Pease Way.

K.S.

CYCLE PROFICIENCY TESTS

These tests will be held after five training periods which start on 17th May, 1963 and continue for the next four Friday evenings.

It will be appreciated by the Road Safety Committee if adult cyclists will endeavour to set an example by using correct procedure when turning right at road junctions. If in doubt about the use of safe roadcraft, consult the Highway Code.

All child cyclists between the ages of 9 and 15 are eligible to enrol for the training and subsequent testing. Successful trainees will be presented with a badge and a Certificate showing that they are safe cyclists.

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An open invitation is extended to all Ex-Servicemen to join us at one of our meetings and to the Women folk of the town to attend the Women's Section Meetings.

It is felt that if you are a stranger in your own town then the opportunity of becoming a member of an Organisation which does nothing but good is open to you.

Facilities for many kinds of activities are there, so please come along and join us and help to enlarge these activities so that you can at least say we have had one pleasant evening per fortnight.

All Ex-Service personnel are reminded that if they are in need of assistance of any kind even though they are not members of the British Legion then the local Service Committee will be willing to assist with any problem that arises at any time of the day or night. Please do not hesitate to contact them.

NEWTON AYCLIFFE MOTOR CLUB

Hello again, at last the weather seems to be favouring us poor motorists and this fact plus the lighter nights removes any and every excuse you may have for not attending Club functions, indoors or out. The Whist Drive and social evening held in March was a great success, the results are now history and were well reported in the local press anyway, so sufficient to say "thank you" to all those who helped to organise the event, the lenders of cards, donors of prizes, and most important of all competitors. During May we are holding two runs, a treasure hunt, and we hope to be visiting the Motorcycle Show at Blackpool. The details of the first three are given below. Details of the Blackpool trip will be given in the local press. Cheers for now,

ERIC

DATE	EVENT	VENUE
MAY		
Wed. 1st	Committee Meeting	Iron Horse 8 p.m.
Sun. 5th	Run to Keld	Town-centre Car Park 1-30 p.m.
Wed. 8th	General Meeting	Iron Horse 8 p.m.
Wed. 15th	Treasure Hunt	Town-centre Car Park 7-30 p.m.
Sun. 26th	Run to Bolton Abbey	Town-centre Car Park 1-30 p.m.

NEWTON AYCLIFFE SPORTS CLUB, MOORE LANE

Now the light nights are with us once again, why not, when taking your evening stroll, pay our club a visit. Our aims are to create Sport and promote as best we can, a good social atmosphere.

We have aims of expanding our club house in the near future. This will make our premises much more comfortable and no doubt create a new club spirit.

Once again we are sponsoring the annual show, and hope that this year the weather will be kinder and afford us the possibility of making the day a huge success. This can be attained, surely, with your help and enthusiasm.

G.F.W.



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N.S.P.C.C.

The newly formed committee of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children are holding a Fashion and Beauty Show at the Boys Club on Friday, May 17th at 7-30 p.m.

It is hoped that the ladies of Newton Aycliffe will turn out in force to support this our first event which includes a Mannequin Parade by Berkertex, a display of Knitted Fashions by Wendy Wools, a demonstration of hair styling by Norma Stavely, and make up by Mrs. Crake our Beauty Consultant representative.

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C.C.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR FOR MAY

Beveridge Hall

- Sunday:* Town Band 10-30 a.m.
Assembly of God Sunday School 2-30 to 4 p.m.
Skating 4 to 7 p.m.
- Monday:* Townswomens' Guild 7-15 p.m. 6th May
Labour Party (Women's Section) 7-30 p.m. 13th May
- Tuesday:* Skating Club 7 p.m.—10 p.m.
- Wednesday:* Dance 7-30 p.m.
Bakelite Reel Club 7-30 p.m. 15th May
- Thursday:* Dog Training Class 6-30 p.m.
- Friday:* Table Tennis Club 7-30 p.m.
- Saturday:* Skating Club 7 p.m.

Clarence Hall

- Sunday:* Jehovah's Witnesses 3 p.m.—4 p.m.
Salvation Army 6 p.m.—7 p.m.
- Monday:* W.V.S. Children's Nursery 1-30 p.m.—3-45 p.m.
Canine Club 6-15 p.m.—10 p.m.
- Tuesday:* Whist Drive 7-30 p.m. Open to all
- Wednesday:* W. V. S. Meeting 2 p.m.—4 p.m.
Territorial Cadets—Evening
- Thursday:* Jehovah's Witnesses 7 p.m.—9-30 p.m.
- Friday:* Assembly of God Youth Club 7 p.m.

Committee Room

- Sunday:* Loco Spotters 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.
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- Monday:* Whist 8 p.m.
- Thursday:* Probation Officer 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.
- Saturday:* Skating Club 7 p.m.

Warden's Office and C.A.B. Room

- Friday:* 2—3-30 p.m. C.A.B. Session and 7-30 p.m.—8-30 p.m. C.A.B. Session

Upstairs Room

- Sunday:* Salvation Army 10 a.m.—11 a.m. & 2 p.m.—4 p.m.
- Monday:*
- Tuesday:* St. John Cadets (Girls) 6-30 p.m.
- Wednesday:* Town Band 6-30 p.m.
- Thursday:* Salvation Army 6 p.m.—8 p.m. Drama Club 8 p.m.—10 p.m.
- Friday:* 6-30 p.m. St. John Cadets (Boys)
- Saturday:* Town Band (Juniors) 10 a.m.

Child Welfare Centre

- Monday:* 2 p.m.—3 p.m. Registrar
- Wednesday:* 2 p.m.—3 p.m. Registrar
- The Registrar is also available as follows:-
- Darlington* Mon., Wed., Fri., and Sat—11 a.m. to 12 noon.
- Shildon* Tues., 9-30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1-30 to 4 p.m.
- „ Thursday 9-30 a.m. to 12 noon.
- „ Sat., 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Child Welfare Clinic—Times of Opening

- April 2nd and alternate Tuesdays thereafter:-
9-30 a.m. to 10-30 a.m. Infant Injections
10-30 a.m. to 11-30 a.m. Ante-Natal Clinic
1-30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Health Visitors Sessions
- April 4th and every Thursday thereafter:-

9-30 a.m. to 12 noon } Child Welfare Clinic
1-30 p.m. to 4 p.m. }

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Now that the library is housed at the centre of the town it seems certain that many more residents will take advantage of the service it offers, for the very good reason that everyone goes to the town centre at least once per week, whereas, not everybody went to the Community Centre unless they had to. However the old library must have been popular as the number of books issued exceeded 12,000 per month. It will be interesting to see whether the new library tops this figure. The wide range of books in all sections—fiction, non-fiction, technical works, and a grand childrens department, are clearly shown, each in their own divisions, there is also something new, a very good reference library. Although the hours of opening are shown at the library entrance, it is as we'll repeat them:-

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Wednesday 10 a.m. to 12 noon

Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Welfare Centre which is in the adjacent building is beautifully equipped, and the under-cover pram park, where the babies can be easily seen from the waiting-room window is a great improvement upon the disadvantage of the conditions at the previous premises. In the waiting-room a play pen has recently been added, where toddlers can be placed in safety while 'mum' has a cup of tea in peace. incidentally, where else can you get a cup of tea and biscuits for the modest sum of 3d. The clinic opening hours are:-

Every alternate 9-30 a.m. to 10-30 a.m.—Infant Injection

Tuesday 10-30 a.m. to 11-30 a.m. Ante Natal Clinic

1-30 p.m. to 4-00 p.m.—Health Visitors
Session

Every Thursday 9-30 a.m. to 12 noon

Child Welfare 1-30 p.m. to 4-00 p.m.
Clinic

The Registrar, whose office is in the same building, attends at the following hours. Mondays and Wednesdays 2 to 3 p.m.

WOMENS COLUMN

Firstly, my thanks to Mrs. Mayo of St. Godric's Road for her New Zealand recipe that was published in the April edition, I am sure many other readers have ideas, such as recipes or household hints, that they would like to pass on. I should appreciate contributions to this page, so please send items that you think would be of general interest, to the editor whose address is given on the front page of this paper.

In reply to a reader who asked whether I thought the housewives of the town were millionaires by suggesting the use of aluminium foil for storing white table and bed linen, the answer is—of course not, only the most treasured pieces should be cared for, this way others could be safely put away in old pillowslips or polythene bags.

The flower of the month is the Tulip; there are striped, feathered and variously marbled tulips in their rainbow colours which are a delight to the eye. They look beautiful in mixed flower arrangements and by themselves. All the leaves should be pulled off with the exception of one or two near the top of the stems, this allows the blooms to get more water, and so last longer.

M.M.G

BEVERIDGE ROLLER DANCE AND FIGURE SKATING CLUB, NEWTON AYCLIFFE

On March 31st members and friends enjoyed seeing seven skating couples compete for "The Walworth Shield." The winning couple was number six on our programmes, and what a delight for Mary Henderson, and her partner Maureen Toft when compere Godfrey Bennett announced their success. For Mary and Maureen this was most pleasing, for it was only one week before the competition that they decided to team up and have a go.

Many thanks to our judges who came from Darlington to judge this our seventh quarterly pair dance competition. Gifts of large Easter eggs were presented to the judges on behalf of the committee and members. Miss Kathleen Keeney was presented with her Easter egg by Carole Carnan, and Carole Hails with her partner Jacqueline Pilsworth made the third presentation to judge number three Miss Joan Benson.

With our new committee hard at work, members are once again reminded to keep an eye on the club notice board for details of future activities. The club committee is Mrs. Shirley Bennett, Miss June Walker, and Mr. and Mrs. G. Henderson. The President is Mr. Noel Bennett. The Chairman Mr. Eric Nelson and the Secretary-Treasurer Mr. Godfrey Bennett, 24 Kenny Walk, Newton Aycliffe. All correspondence to the Secretary please.

Please make a special note of the following dates for 1963, when the skating sessions will be cancelled for the holiday season—July 27th to August 11th both dates inclusive.

The Saturday general skating sessions are in full swing—our new price for Skating is now only 1/6d. Spectators 6d. Club Members 1/-. If you would like to become a member please call and see the Secretary, any Saturday 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Annual Subscription only 7/6d.

G.A.B.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I was amazed when my good friend Denis Bradley of Newton Aycliffe sent me photos of the town. I had built a picture in my mind of a typical English town, ancient buildings, narrow streets, with everything crammed together. So you can imagine my surprise when the photos revealed a modern looking town of wide streets, new and up to date attractively built houses and shops, spacious lawns and gardens. Surely, I thought, this can't be the England my grandfather told me about. Grandfather Ashton emigrated to the U.S. in the 1800's and my whole idea of England and its towns is based on the stories he told me. Now, through the medium of our tapes and exchange of photos plus the 'Newtonian' (a copy of which I get regularly from Denis), my conception of England and Newton Aycliffe in particular has

undergone a complete change. You see I have heard the sound of the bells of your town clock, on tape sent by Denis, with a description of St. Clare's Church, which must look very like our Blessed Sacrament Church here in Rapid City; he has also told me of St. Mary's Catholic Church, which I picture as similar to our Lady of Perpetual Help Cathedral in this city. The many fine organisations and social clubs that the citizens of Newton Aycliffe support gives me evidence of the determination of your people to provide for your town's successful future. Rapid City and Newton Aycliffe are 6,000 miles apart, and although I have never set foot in your town, nor met the man who has given me such a wonderful mental picture of it, I feel that I know them both.

Leslie Ashton, Rapid City, South Dakota, U.S.A.

On passage from the Persian Gulf to Amsterdam 25th February, 1963
M/V. "Border Reiver"

The Editor, Newtonian.

Sir,

I was most interested to read in the February edition of the "Newtonian" that it was read abroad.

My wife has been sending the "Newtonian" to me for sometime, and that means it is despatched to almost any port in the world due to my seafaring profession.

Strange as it may seem, this monthly journal is read by a large number of my officers on board my ship, not perhaps because they are particularly interested in the town (I doubt whether half of them knew Newton Aycliffe existed before sailing with me), but because reading material is so very scarce on board ships, and consequently it is enjoyed.

As magazines and periodicals are frequently exchanged with other ships in foreign parts, this monthly journal ultimately finds its way aboard another vessel—either British or Foreign.

I should like to relate an incident that occurred recently, when I was astonished to see a Port Said vendor (better known as a 'Bumboatman') alongside my ship selling roasted peanuts in the remains of a 'Newtonian.' Was it originally one of mine? or did it come from another vessel?

Nevertheless, it's a great little journal and I really look forward to receiving it as it keeps me up to date with the progress of the town during my absence.

Yours faithfully,

Captain D. G. Palmer, 8 Vane Road, Newton Aycliffe.