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*Reflections - - From a resident who appreciated Newton Aycliffe.*

There is a saying in Germany that with the tear of parting in the eye everything looks golden. So does Newton Aycliffe to me, since I know that my days here are numbered. Indeed, it can appear quite literally golden, when the sun sets behind the black silhouettes of the trees round the playing field and changes all the colours so that they glow as in a painting by some old Dutch master. Even my pet aversion - red-brick - can look warm and friendly in such light. I enjoyed it almost daily. However gloomy the day may have been, the evening seemed invariably to be fine.

I am astonished how lyrical I can get, as though I had not complained as much as anyone about the imperfections of the place! I criticised equally the extreme openness of the "older" part and, however illogical it may seem, the claustrophobic appearance of the newer quarters with their maze of impenetrable high fences. I would have liked to see higher buildings, particularly in the town centre which seemed to lack many urban qualities. I deplored the old-fashioned letter-boxes and telephone kiosks which may be all right in places where they have stood for 30 or more years but are surely an anachronism in the context of a New Town. I never ceased to regret that houses were still built with open fires and that the whole town had not been made a smokeless zone from the outset. I had never seen so much dirt as accumulated on my windows, walls and furniture, and it was not much consolation to be told that Bradford or Rotherham are even dirtier! This is quite an impressive list of complaints, and given the chance I could go on for a while. But my goodness, what advantages to outweigh them! Of course, I shall never convince anybody that life in our top-floor centrally heated flat was the most pleasant I can imagine and that it is with trepidation that I move to an ordinary house on ground level. In this I am just un-English. But there is the easy shopping - almost all self-service, with groceries sent so that no more than one weekly trip is required, and there is not much nowadays that is not obtainable on the spot. There is the quietness - nothing worse than lusty children and icecream chimes to upset one's peace. It is worth a lot to be equally far away from the smoke-grimed terraces of old industrial towns as from fussy semi-detached sub-urban villas, from mock-gothic schools as from neo-Georgian office blocks. And what a wonderful feeling it is to be part of a growing, steadily improving town. What is lacking to-day, may well be there to-morrow, whether it is a post office, a health centre or old peoples' home, and everything is the most modern we can get. I could go on with this list too, and it is not only my impending departure that makes me realise what a good life it has been. If I still criticised, it was only that I wanted to be proud of the town and therefore for the good to be even better.

11 Dixon Road, Newton Aycliffe,  
12th August, 1963.

HELGA DRUMMOND

## 2nd NEWTON AYCLIFFE (St. Clare's) BOY SCOUT GROUP

A brand new 'Annual Date to Remember' starts this year. This is our first Annual Ball which is to be held in the Working Men's Club, St. Cuthberts Way, on Tuesday, 3rd December. Dancing will be from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m., and there will be a licenced bar, spot

prizes and a Bran Tub. Tickets are 6/- each, which includes a buffet supper, so make a note of the date. Tickets can be had from 123 Silkin Way, and 12 Church Close.

Our first Annual Camp was held at Masham, Yorks. during August last. We were unfortunate with the weather - but who wasn't! - although everyone enjoyed themselves very much. We must mention here that Mr. Lawrence, Chairman of the group gave up a week of his holiday to act as Quartermaster for the camp and without his help the camp would not have been possible.

The Troop wishes to thank the Group Committee for their help in making the camp possible and a special thanks goes to Mr. Sid Wood, the local Coal Merchant, who would not accept any payment for running the Troop to and from Camp.

We were unfortunate to lose Mr. Brian Moore in June when he moved with his family to North Wales. Mr. Moore was Assistant Scoutmaster from the beginning of the Troop, and we wish him every success in his new position.

Since June, however, two new Scouters have joined the Troop. They are Mr. John Jones and Mr. Bernie Price. Both have had a very wide Scouting experience and have already made their mark on the activities and standards of the Troop.

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On Sunday November 10th, there is to be a Memorial Service for the fallen of the two Great Wars, which will be conducted by the Vicar of St. Clare's Church the Rev. J. J. Graham, on the car park at the town centre; in the event of it being a wet day the service will take place in the British Legion Hall.

A parade will assemble in Barrington Road, against the R.A.F. Club, at 10 a.m. and march to the car park, headed by the town band under its conductor Mr. Pluse; the British Legion Pipe Band will also be in attendance.

Wreaths may be layed at the foot of a temporary Cenotaph, after the service; these tributes will be transferred later to the Aycliffe Village War Memorial.

### SEDGEFIELD CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION NEWTON AYCLIFFE BRANCH

A Branch of the Young Conservatives is to be formed in Newton Aycliffe and a meeting for this purpose shall be held at 12 Aylmer Grove, on Monday, 18th November, at 7-45 p.m.

An invitation is extended to all young people, between the ages of fifteen and thirty, to attend this meeting. We should be particularly pleased to see visitors from the village of Aycliffe and from surrounding areas. These Branches, once formed, are entirely responsible for their own organisation and are invariably most active

Aylmer Grove is reached by turning into Thurlow Grove off Westmorland Way.

The November meeting of the Newton Aycliffe Branch will be held in the Iron Horse hotel on Wednesday, 20th. The programme will consist of a Speaker followed by a film show arranged by Mr. W. Eyre.

W.T.S.

### NEWTON AYCLIFFE TENANTS ASSOCIATION

Would members of the above Association please note that Mr. F. A. Warrenner, 12 Warburton Close has succeeded Mrs. M. Palmer as Hon. Secretary.

All newcomers to the town are cordially invited to join this Association and any enquiries should be made to the Secretary.



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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Sir,

May I, through the columns of the Newtonian, express the heartfelt thanks of both my wife and myself to all our friends, neighbours, the Boys Club, and the Police, for the kindness and generosity shown since our son David met with an accident on Saturday September 14th. It is difficult to put our feelings into words, but all these people have been so truly wonderful that without their thoughts and prayers the circumstances would have been far more difficult to bear. How nice it is to find that although most of us come from far apart into this community; should misfortune strike one of us, so many do so much to comfort the distressed. We are very pleased to say that David is making satisfactory progress, but it will be some months before he is out of hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. CLEGG

Sir,

It was a matter of great regret to me that no mention was made at the official opening of the Child Welfare Centre, of Mrs. Morton who laid the foundation for the present service. She, with the help of one or two other ladies, visited houses where it was known there were babies, giving information regarding the opening of the Clinic at the Community Centre. She was chairman of this Voluntary Committee until leaving the town some time ago, and she now resides in Liverpool. Mention should also have been made of the little nurse who tramped the town in all winds and weathers calling on young mothers who so often needed help and advice with a first baby. Fortunately we still retain her valuable services.

DORIS C. THOMAS,  
Hon. Secretary.

### FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION

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

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



### NEWTON AYCLIFFE OVER 60 CLUB

At the time of going to press we are not able to state the financial result of our Sale of Work held on 28th September, which was opened by Mrs. G. Morphet, but we confidently expect that we shall do as well as, or even better than, last year.

It is with very deep regret that we have to record the passing of a founder member of our Club, Mr. Edward Beavan. He was a most enthusiastic and indefatigable worker in all matters concerning the Club, and it was a source of great satisfaction to him that he was spared to see the fulfilment of the repayment of the mortgage and the freeing of the Club from debt.

He will be greatly missed by all members and others with whom he came into contact.

GWU.

### TOWNSWOMENS GUILD



In December the Newton Aycliffe Branch of the Guild becomes a "teenager", in other words it celebrates its thirteenth birthday. It is hoped that the Federation President, Lady Starmer, other federation guests, together with visitors from local guilds will be present to mark the occasion. At this birthday meeting on December 2nd, Miss Ridley has been engaged as speaker and her subject will be "Northumberland, the Unknown County". The competition is to guess the weight of the birthday cake, the sales table; anything for Christmas, and surprise parcels will be provided by the committee.

A series of coffee mornings/evenings and afternoon teas are in progress to promote guild funds. The next coffee morning will be held at Mrs. Beattie's house, 9 Cumby Road, on Wednesday November 13th, from 10-30 a.m., and Mrs. Metcalfe 2 Suites Walk has an afternoon tea on the following day Thursday November 14th from 2-30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

On November 6th, the guild members will visit Messrs Tootills factory on the Aycliffe Trading Estate.

M.M.G.

### THE OPERATIC AND DRAMATIC SOCIETY

The applause had hardly died away from the very successful performance of "The Mikado" when the next production had been decided on, it is to be "The Gondoliers" and will be staged in the Marlowe Hall School early in April 1964. Rehearsals are well advanced and the singing of the chorus under the direction of R. Hymers of Bishop Auckland gives assurance that the show will be a huge success.

As the name of the society implies, it has a drama section, that aims to produce a play each year. The intention was to stage "Dry Rot" later this year. Unfortunately this has had to be postponed due to shortage of cast, so an appeal is made to anyone who would like to join the Drama Section; they will find both fun and friendship by so doing. All the details can be obtained at the Operatic rehearsals held each Wednesday evening in the Milton Hall School, or from Mr. G. Park, 13 Dixon Road, and the Secretary of the Society, Mrs. T. Abley, 66 Shafto Way.

J.B.

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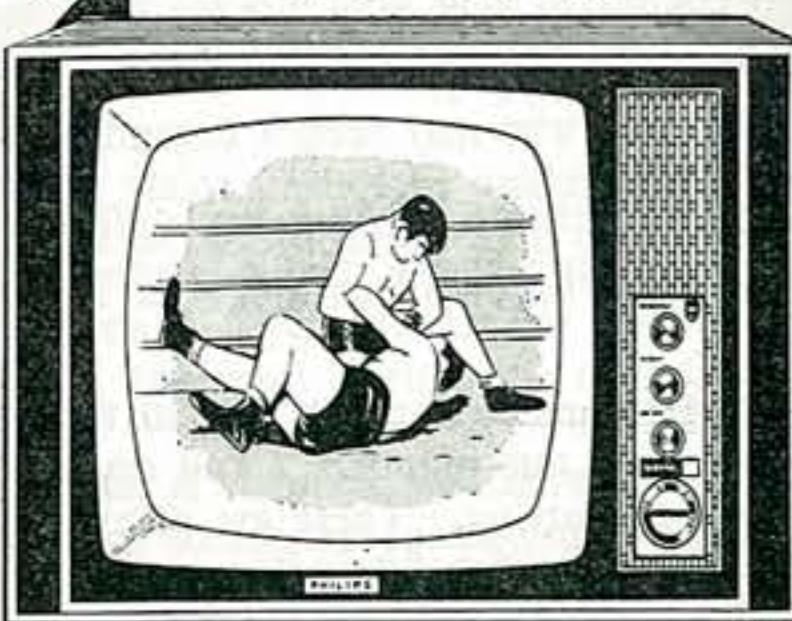
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### O.A.P.s COAL FUND

At a "Bingo" session, arranged by Mr. Barry, 5 Isherwood Close, that took place on October 3rd., in the Over 60s Club, the entire proceeds amounting to £33-12-6 were donated to the above fund. We wish to record our thanks to everyone who helped in any way whatever to raise this much appreciated sum of money.

J.W.H. and C.D.



### BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY SENIOR DETACHMENT NEWTON AYCLIFFE

An appeal this month to people in the town who have had medical equipment on loan.

Please, if its use has ended, would you return it immediately. Medical Loan is a service for which there is no charge. The equipment has to be bought out of our funds and as our numbers are relatively few, the raising of funds take up a great deal of our time and energy. It is therefore rather disheartening to say the least, when the equipment on loan is not returned and not on hand for some one who may need it urgently. We cannot go on raising money to purchase equipment solely to replace that which is not returned. So once again, please be fair, and return immediately anything you have on loan that is no longer required.

Our detachment numbers around twenty but we would dearly love to swell our numbers. You do not have to take exams in first aid or nursing. There are many other ways of helping the Red Cross. Raising funds is one of them. As you can imagine, we are running out of ideas for this purpose and would very much welcome help in this direction. One event in particular that we would be grateful to receive ideas and support for, is the December Sale (Christmas Fayre). Mrs. Lumb, 9 Church Close or Mrs. Allen, 11 Baliol Green are the people to contact.

Meetings are held in the small hall of St. Clare's Church every Wednesday evening at 7-45 p.m. A course of Home Nursing is in progress at present.

Finally a word to the menfolk. So far there has been no response to our challenge in an earlier issue. We have one male member in our detachment so how about some more of you joining to keep him company. A mens detachment could then be formed.

### WOMENS COLUMN

Two well recommended recipes.

1. A slightly unusual way to treat cabbage.  
Chop the cold cooked cabbage and put into a basin, add a beaten egg, a drop of milk, pepper and salt. Grease a pie dish, put in mixture and bake in a moderate oven.

2. A prize winning recipe for a cold pudding called Citrus Whip.

Ingredients: 3 eggs, 5 oz. Caster sugar, 1 level dessertspoon powdered gelatine, 2 tablespoons of warm water, 4 tablespoons of orange juice, (tangerine will do), 1 tablespoon lemon juice, the grated rind of 1 lemon, and 3 level teaspoons of caster sugar.

Method: put egg yolks, the 5 ozs caster sugar, half the orange juice, and the grated lemon rind, into a big bowl, and whip until thick and creamy, (about 10 minutes), melt the gelatine in the warm water and add to the mixture with the remainder of the orange and lemon juice. Whip the egg whites stiff and add the 3 teaspoons of caster sugar to them and continue to whip until very stiff. Then fold the egg whites into the mixture and pour into a glass dish. Decorate before serving, with angelica, cherries, and cream if liked.

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M.M.G.

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### NEWTON AYCLIFFE LABOUR PARTY WOMEN'S SECTION

A Pie and Peas supper and Social Evening with visitors from Trimdon Grange women's section, started off our Winter session. On October 7th. we had a visit from Mr. P. Smith, a member of the Tees-side Marriage Guidance Council, who gave a very interesting talk on "Marriage Today".

Most of our meetings now will be spent in preparation for our Christmas Fayre, to be held in the Over 60's Hall on Saturday November 23rd. Members are very busy sewing, making jam and chutney, and various other things for this event. There will also be stalls for toys, groceries, provisions, home made cakes, costume jewellery, Christmas gifts etc. Admission to the Fayre will be free.

A Christmas Dinner has been arranged for members and friends at the White Horse Hotel, Darlington, for Saturday December 28th. We will be having a Christmas Party for children of members, the date to be decided later. Children of Labour Party members will also be welcome at this party.

New members and visitors will receive a cordial welcome at any of our meetings, which are held fortnightly in the Clarence Hall, Finchale Road Community Centre, dates of which are published monthly in the "Newtonian".

Lily Cessford.

Hon. Secretary.



## R.A.F. ASSOCIATION NOTES



With Battle of Britain week over, the Newton Aycliffe Branch of the Royal Air Forces Association can once more relax, for the time being at least. This is always a trying period for those organising the programme, and this year full praise must go to Mr. Alan Coates. Alan took over the responsibility of organiser at short notice, but has filled the breach in a most efficient manner. Our sincere thanks Alan for a splendid effort.

Our thanks are also extended to all those who assisted over the Battle of Britain period, to collectors and everyone who took part in the events organised. The Management Committee of the Branch would also like to thank all the local trades-people for their generosity and kindness in making this the very best Battle of Britain effort ever yet staged at Newton Aycliffe. A special mention of appreciation must also be made to Mr. Leslie Green, owner of West Farm Products, Beveridge Way, for supplying free of charge all the foodstuffs for the two major events held at the Branch. All monies made from these eats have gone into the Welfare coffer.

The Fancy Dress Ball held at the Canopus Club was a complete success with the first prize going to Mr. Albert Swann, who came dressed in the outfit of a 'wreck left over from the Battle Of Britain'. Dressed in a leather jacket, flying boots and a 'genuine' Luftwaffe (hope I spelt that right) officers hat. An excellent get up Albert, but tell me, 'where did you get that Hat'?

A highlight of the Fancy Dress Ball was the announcement that the son of Mr. & Mrs. Swann had joined the Royal Air Force as a boy entrant. This is excellent news, and we wish the lad the very best of luck on his chosen career.

### Notes:-

Looking through the Members Subscription Book, I came across the name of Mr. H. Lincoln of 7 Crawley Place, Newton Aycliffe. Mr. Lincoln must be one of our oldest members. A former member of the Royal Flying Corps, he served when balloon type air-ships were vogue and when firing through the propellor was a new invention. Shades of days when flying was 'flying'. Good to have you among us Mr. Lincoln.

### Open letter to the Citizens of Newton Aycliffe

Dear Friends,

May I, on behalf of the Newton Aycliffe Branch of the Royal Air Forces Association, thank very sincerely the citizens of Newton Aycliffe and district, also the traders, clubs and local organisations of the Area, for their very kind response to our Wings Day Appeal recently held.

The Street Collections, which are earmarked solely for Welfare purposes, amounted to £70 0 11, together with the donations, and collections received from the Aycliffe Trading Estate and organisations and traders at Newton Aycliffe and District, amounted to the excellent total of £137 6 2.

In addition during the month of September, we held various special events to commemorate the anniversary of the Battle of Britain and from these activities we realised the grand total of £125 11 0, which again is used for Welfare Work.

May I therefore convey to all helpers, our sincere thanks and appreciation for their splendid efforts during these appeals, which has resulted in showing an increase over last years figures.

Your help in this respect is very much appreciated and will be of the highest value to the Royal Air Force Association and the Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund.

Yours sincerely,

(C. E. Manning)

Hon. Secretary

## NEWTON PLAYERS

Make a date to come and see our first play of the season on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday November 27th. 28th. 29th., in the Beveridge Hall.

The play, "HOW NOW HECATE?", written by Martyr Coleman is a comedy guaranteed to make you glad that you forsook the "magic lantern" for one evening. Watch for further details which will appear around the town during the next few days.

The production of the play is of course well advanced; however all people who are keen on acting, producing, set designing, or painting etc. are cordially invited to come to "The Hut", situated behind the Beveridge Hall, any Thursday evenings from 7-30 p.m. onwards. Even if you are only slightly interested you will be most welcome, and will have the opportunity of watching the cast at rehearsal, thereby perhaps dispelling any "mystery" attached to "how it is done?", and we hope, be encouraged to become a part of your Town's Drama Group.

## A SOCIAL CLUB

What are the prospects of forming a Social Club in the town for people of both sexes between the ages of 18 and 30? Bearing in mind the large proportion of residents within this age group it is considered that there must be many who would welcome such a proposal. The idea needs careful thought and consideration therefore all those people who visualise such a club coming into existence, and have constructive ideas and suggestions, are invited to write, or call and discuss the project, with Miss Lesley Latimer, 4 Westcott Walk.

## Thought for the Month

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The new committee elected are as follows;

<i>Chairman</i>	Mr. G. Butterfield.
<i>Secretary</i>	Mr. M. O'Reilly.
<i>Treasurer</i>	Mr. R. Adamson.
<i>Press</i>	Mr. E. Nelson
<i>Members</i>	Mr. B. Turnbull and Mr. R. Ingram.

Prospective members please note that the annual subscription is now 7/6d. per year a slight change from the previous sliding scale.

No details of the winters programme are available yet due to the lateness of the A.G.M. but keep in touch and remember that any activity can only be a reflection of the support it receives, its up to you members; are you one of the apathetic majority or the enthusiastic minority?

Be Seeing You,

ERIC.

**PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED ASSOCIATION**

Members should note that our new meeting place is Marlowe Hall. We meet every Friday at 7 p.m. Handicrafts and entertainment as per programme, alternate each week. Mr. and Mrs. Pedelty who recently celebrated their Ruby Wedding anniversary, were presented with a gift from the club. Wilfred and Mabel, who were looking very well and happy, laid on refreshments for us.

The Heighington Womens Institute who were giving a concert party that night, ended their programme most appropriately with an old favourite "My Old Dutch". Our Treasurer, Mr. M. Lowery has had to leave us to take up a new appointment in Durham. We wish him every success in his new venture, and trust he will pay us an occasional visit in the future.

Our swimming classes are going great guns, three of the pupils have learnt to swim, and the remainder are doing very well, each learner has an instructor provided, which is of tremendous help.

The film show given by Mr. G. Lowes on September 20th. provided a most enjoyable evening.

J.M.

**TENNIS CLUB**

A Grand Jumble Sale will be held in the Newton Aycliffe Tennis Club Pavilion on Saturday November 30th., commencing at 10 a.m. Admission for adults will be 6d. and for children 3d., and all the proceeds will go to the club funds. The Tennis Club is situated opposite Lightfoot Road, where it joins Macmillan Road, or a little way beyond the British Legion on the opposite side.

W.G.

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In 1955 R. Cripps & Company decided to cover their responsibilities for sales, service and replacement parts for International Construction Equipment in the Northern Counties of England by opening a Depot in the North East and to this end they occupied premises of 24,006 sq. ft. on the Trading Estate at Shildon, County Durham.

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In the following eight years the requirements of the business increased the staff to its present total of 75.

The nature of the business carried on is the service of new machines and the dismantling and overhauling of machines after lengthy service. As these machines consist of large International Bulldozers (weighing up to 30 tons), Four-wheeled drive Loading Shovels etc., and also Scammell Dump Trucks, the amount of space necessary to deal with each machine is considerable and the size of the present premises has called a temporary halt to the expansion of both the work to be carried out and the number of people to be employed.

To overcome the bottleneck, and to cope with the ever increasing types and sizes of new machines in the range of International Construction Equipment, R. Cripps & Company Limited have decided to build a new Depot at the North-East Entrance of the Aycliffe Trading Estate.

The new Depot will provide a total area of covered space of approximately 36,000 sq. ft. and in addition will have an extensive concrete apron for ancillary works. It also includes a large test ground where new machines can be demonstrated and where repaired machines can be tested under working conditions.

There is ample space at the new site for further extensions as and when these become necessary in the future.

The labour force engaged in the Shildon works will be transferred to Aycliffe and it is intended to double the present number of employees in the next three or four years when the new facilities have made this possible.

The Architects for the new Depot are Cordingley & McIntyre of Durham City and the main Contractors are Messrs. Derek Crouch Limited, of Birtley. Work will commence towards the end of September and will be completed by Summer of 1964.



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**BRITISH LEGION WOMENS SECTION**

"Where are you going to in such a hurry" asked Mrs. X. meeting her neighbour Mrs. Y.

"It's Legion Night tonight and there is a mannequin parade on, I want to see the latest styles".

"Mannequin Parade at the Legion, I thought they only talked about business and played Beetle".

"Oh dear no", replied Mrs. Y., "There are all sorts of things going on, something different every fortnight. There are Film Shows, Beauty Talks, Social Evenings, Concerts etc. They try to cater for all tastes".

"What is the Womens Section all about anyway? I do not really know much about it".

"Well dear", said Mrs. Y. "The British Legion Womens Section is a really good Organisation. They provide pensions of from 10/- to 12/6d. a week to ex-servicemen's widows. Over 300 widows mostly from Southern Ireland get this. Their husbands were volunteers in the Wars, and they only get a small pension from the Irish Government. The Womens Section also has three Childrens Homes and two Rest Homes. They also have a Welfare Fund to help many causes and these are kept going by donations from Branches all over the Country. I could go on all night but have no time. Why don't you come along to the next meeting and learn more about it".

I think I will", replied Mrs. X.

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The club, known as the "Happycraft Club" meets each Saturday morning in Marlowe Hall School, under the able leadership of Mrs. Peace and Mrs. Alderson.

Part of the meeting time is devoted to craft work of various kinds, while the rest of the morning the children sing songs, play games, and generally enjoy themselves.

At a recent meeting of the parent's committee, Mr. Smyth of 43 Sheraton Road, was elected chairman, and Mrs. Hill, 11 Maling Green, secretary.

If there are any other physically handicapped children in the town who would like to join the club, the above officers will be glad to supply further details.

M.H.

**AYCLIFFE TABLE TENNIS LEAGUE.**

The league has got off to a very good start, and although the County Junior Match held in the Boy's Club was not so well attended as was hoped, it is appreciated that this is our first season, but we are confident that next season will show a great improvement. The results of the first week's matches were:-

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**NEWTON AYCLIFFE ARCHERY CLUB**

This Club has just completed its 3rd. season, which can truthfully be said to have been the most successful. It is among the leading clubs of the county, and in nearly all the major shoots there were members of the N.A.A.C., on the shooting line. Their greatest moment came when the team won the Tess-side championships, which were held at Acklam Park. In this tournament Mr. R. Freeman a N.A.A.C. member, put up the highest individual score.

The club has in its turn held invitation shoots, one in July, and in September a novelty shoot, on both occasions many of the leading archers of the north took part. An Archery versus darts match took place between the R.A.F.A. Canopus Club and the N.A.A.C., the score ending in 12 games to 1 in favour of the archers.

The clubs own championships were held in September and were a huge success in spite of a high wind, the results being :-

Mr. N. Clark	Highest score	Mens
Mrs. P. Pinkney	" "	Ladies
Mr. J. F. Wilson	Most golds	
Mr. H. J. Walton	Highest score handicap	
Mr. R. Pinkney	Most reduced handicap in the season	

**Junior Champions**

S. Lundy	14 - 18 group
D. Nelson	10 - 14 group

The archery season officially closes at the end of October, but shooting will continue for those willing to brave the weather. Plans for next year's tournaments are already being made, these include the Tees-side championships which will take place on our own field.

**PUBLIC LIBRARY**

September 30th was, for us, the end of the half-year - a time for taking stock and seeing how things are progressing. This half-yearly progress report comes just over five months after the opening of the new branch library, and also just after our official opening, which was on September 18th.

In the short time that the new branch has been operating and in the three weeks at the beginning of the financial year that the old centre was still operating, we have issued 115,809 books which compares more than favourably with the total issue of 67,032 for the whole of the last financial year.

So far this year issues of books to children have exceeded 30,000, which, as far as I can gather, makes this the most used children's library in the county system.

During all the time that we have been open I've been trying to detect trends in the reading habits of the readers using the library, to help me in selecting the books which would prove the most useful additions to our stock - but as yet none are evident. This is partly due to the paucity of requests for books which are not in our stock, and has led me to wonder if everyone realises that it is possible to obtain books which are not in the stock of this branch.

The County Library operates a Requests System by which most works of **Non-fiction** (except the 'lighter' biographies, travel-books and the like) can be made available at the reader's local branch. Thus although we might not have the books that a reader is requiring in stock, we can often obtain them from another branch of the county system. **SO PLEASE DON'T BE SHY ABOUT REQUESTING BOOKS.**

Finally might I add that although the figures above would seem to spell conclusively that the library is very successful, we could only consider it successful if the people using it are satisfied with the service they get. We are always ready to listen to complaints and suggestions for the improvement of the service. Where there are faults we will try to correct them, and all suggestions for improvement will be implemented whenever they are feasible.

**N.A.C.O.L.O. NOTES**

The work of N.A.C.O.L.O. is now spread over a wide variety of interests and activities, some of which are already in operation and many of which will only gradually become apparent to the people of Newton Aycliffe.

There are active committees planning next year's Town Show, looking into the facilities for youth activities in the town, collating information on the future activities of all the individual organisations, running the quarterly Welcoming Parties for new residents, and running the Newtonian. In addition, an Old People's Welfare Committee is in the process of being set up to co-ordinate the already invaluable work being done for our older residents. Also in minds of many of our members is the ever-growing problem of accommodation for meetings, stage shows dances and the like. To discuss this problem a meeting was held on October 29th, when members had an opportunity of meeting Mr. Brooke-Taylor, the recently appointed Social Development Officer for the Development Corporation. News of progress will be given in "The Newtonian" from time to time.

All organisations and any interested individuals are reminded that the Annual General Meeting of N.A.C.O.L.O. will be held in the Board Room in Churchill House at 7-30 p. m. on November 7th. Anyone with the interests of the social life of this town at heart will be welcome at this meeting.

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We were sorry indeed to lose our Commanding Officer Lt. Col. P. S. BRIGGS TD. on his retirement in October. He had a warm affection for his "Northern Troops", and he often travelled up from Hull to be with us, especially on social occasions. We met our new Commanding Officer, Lt. Col. C. J. WETHERALL on 10th. October, and we hope that his tour of duty with 150 (N) Transport Column R.A.S.C. (T.A.) HULL, will be a happy one. 511 Coy. R.A.S.C. (Mot. Amb.) T.A., is under command of this Column.

During November we will concentrate mainly on Recruit type of training, Drills, Weapon Training and Map Reading. We will turn out a contingent for the Remembrance Day Service at Newton Aycliffe on 10th. November. Our Annual Trophy Presentation and Bounty night will take place at the R.A.F. Club on Monday 18th November '63 and the list of winners will be published in the December issue of "The Newtonian". There will be a Social Evening after the presentation for Wives, Sweethearts and Friends.

The B.11. Drivers Course will finish on 28th. November and the B.1 Drivers Course will be completed by 15th December '63. A course for Drivers B.111 will commence on 2nd. December, 1963.

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This garden that nature planned.

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With little paths that twist and turn;  
This beautiful park that nature made;  
We gave it the name of Woodham Burn.

O.I.

### WHAT'S ON IN NOVEMBER ?

November

1st Friday

Caledonian Society Hallowe'en Party. Gretna Green Inn, 8-0 - 11-30 p.m.

2nd. Saturday

N.A. Rugby XV. away.

Newton Rangers Res. v Eppleby

3rd. Sunday

Roller Skating, Beveridge Hall 4 p.m.

5th Tuesday

Whist Drive. Clarence Hall 7-30 p.m.

7th. Thursday

N.A.C.O.L.O. Annual General Meeting.

Board Room, Churchill House, 7-30 p.m.

9th. Saturday

N.A. Rugby XV. 1st and 2nd v Winlaton Vulcans 1st and 2nd.

10th. Sunday

Remembrance Service, Town Centre Car Park, 11 a.m. with Parade before.

Roller Skating. Beveridge Hall 4 p.m.

12th. Tuesday

Whist Drive. Clarence Hall, 7-30 p.m.

16th. Saturday

N.A. Rugby XV. 1st. v Swan Hunter 1st.

17th. Sunday

Roller Skating. Beveridge Hall 4 p.m.

19th. Tuesday

Whist Drive. Clarence Hall, 7-30 p.m.

23rd. Saturday

N.A. Rugby XV. 2nd. v W. Hartlepool G.S.O.B. 2nd.

24th. Sunday

Roller Skating. Beveridge Hall, 4 p.m.

26th. Tuesday

Whist Drive. Clarence Hall, 7-30 p.m.

27th, 28th, 29th, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday.

The Newton Players present "How Now, Hecarte", a comedy by Martyn Coleman Beveridge Hall. 7-30 p.m.

30th. Saturday

N.A. Rugby XV. away.

December

1st. Sunday

Roller Skating. Beveridge Hall, 4 p.m.

3rd. Tuesday

Whist Drive, Clarence Hall, 7-30 p.m.

4th. Wednesday

Caledonian Ball. The Club Concert Hall, 8 p.m. - 1 a.m. Tickets only, from members.

Dec. 7th Saturday

N.A. Rugby XV. 1st. v Gosforth Nomads.



**NEVILLE MALE VOICE CHOIR**

After a period of inactivity in the concert field we have embarked upon a series of events to culminate in what to the Choir, is the highlight of our year, the Celebrity Concert, to be given on November 30th.

Our programme commenced on September 10th, with a concert given in the R.A.F.A. Club as our contribution to Wings Week and as a gesture of thanks to the Committee and Members of the R.A.F.A. for the use of the Club premises for our weekly practises. We were assisted on this evening by Mrs. N. Jude of Newton Aycliffe and Mr. D. Weatherly of Bishop Auckland, and it is indeed true to say that all present, Choir included, were thrilled by their efforts and a most enjoyable evening was had by all.

On Saturday 5th October, we were at Nettlesworth Methodist Church in aid of the Harvest Festival and although the audience was small it was appreciative and even several members wives who travelled with us and are our severest critics thoroughly enjoyed the evenings entertainment.

On 29th October by a concert will be held in St. Clares Parish Hall, in aid of the Annual Stewardship Campaign and on the 21st November, in the Aycliffe Hospital.

**NEWTON AYCLIFFE FUR SOCIETY**

The response to the formation of this society has exceeded all expectations, the show held in the Clarence Hall on September 20th, was a terrific success producing a total of 200 entries, and 68 of these were in the juvenile section, and what a job it was for the judge to sort them all out, and what a night it was for the organisers. However, congratulations to all those who won prizes, and to those who were not so fortunate, better luck next time. We hope to give everyone all the assistance they need to produce a first class show rabbit, with lectures, talks on feeding, and the necessary care and preparation needed to show the rabbit to its best advantage. It is proposed to give these talks about an hour before each show,

At the first show a special prize, given by Miss G. Kettlewell, was won by Miss L. Peacock, and another special given by Mr. E. Ogle went to B. Dickenson, who also won a book on rabbit keeping given by the secretary. A vote of thanks must be recorded to the judges, Mr. D. Reid of Darlington and Mr. W. Nicholson of Cockfield, who performed a difficult task extremely well, a very large 'thank you' goes to the three ladies who looked after the tea arrangements, and to the three gentlemen who acted as stewards.

The next show will be held on October 30th., in the Clarence Hall, when the entries may be even bigger than those of the previous one. The more the better, as there are plenty of prizes to be won.

F.J.L.

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Mr. Ronald Dowd - Tenor.

#### Miss Victoria Elliot

Born at Gateshead-on-Tyne and joined Carl Rosa Opera Company in 1944. Promoted principal soprano in 1945, she remained with the Company until 1947 when she left to devote more time to the concert platform. In 1952 she joined Sadlers Wells Opera Company. During the last 10 years she has sung leading roles in many Sadlers Wells Opera productions, and is now the Principal Soprano of the Company. She has appeared many times on television, radio and Promenade Concerts at the Albert Hall.

She will be remembered for her astonishing feat at a concert in the Dorchester Hotel when she shattered a number of wine glasses with her top note. Although she failed to repeat her feat in a B.B.C. television studio no fewer than 21 broken wine glasses were sent in by viewers complaining that Miss Elliot had ruined their glassware.

Miss Elliot appeared last year at the Globe Theatre Stockton with the Sadlers Wells Opera Company.

#### Mr. Ronald Dowd.

He was originally to have appeared in our 1962 concert but was unable to attend because of ill health, and we have been fortunate to obtain his services for 1963.

He is an Australian who came to England in 1956 and joined Sadlers Wells Opera Company and has guested with the Royal Opera House. He has sung in Germany, France, Holland, Israel, and Japan. Over the past four years he has sung "Canio" in Pagliacci at Covent Garden, "Idomenio" with Sadlers Wells Opera Company and has appeared often on television and radio.

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Perhaps music lovers appetites will be whetted if I give you a brief glimpse into our programme for the evening. The finale will comprise 3 items from AIDA - Celeste Aida by Dowd - Nile Chorus by the choir and will finish with Ritorna Vincitor by Elliot, and solo items will include Jewel song from Faust, Tacea La Notti - Il Trovatore, Dear Hall of Song - Tannhauser, Vicini T'Affretti - Macbeth, by Victoria Elliot and Thy Tiny Hand - Puccini, None Shall Slumber - Puccini, Flower Song - Bisset, All Hail Thy Dwelling - Gounod, by Ronald Dowd. Miss Elliot and Mr. Dowd will sing the Misere Scene from Il Trovatore.

We all look forward to an evening of musical enchantment and invite you to join us. Please remember that admittance is by programme, and that it is the early bird which catches the worm. Don't be too late obtaining your programmes which will be on sale shortly from any member of the choir and from the shop of Mr. E. Pryce on Neville Parade.

On the 9th November, 1963 at 10 a.m. in the Methodist Hall, we are again running a Jumble Sale and would like to invite anyone with jumble to contact any member of the Choir or in particular Mr. J. Wallace, 4 Bowes Road or Mr. E. Pryce, Neville Parade and we will gratefully collect.

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The usual W.V.S. meetings are held each Wednesday from 2-0 p.m. to 4 p.m. so that anybody can get help in any direction they require and if your particular problem should be outside the scope of the W.V.S. you may be sure that you will be advised of the right people to approach.

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