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## GREAT AYCLIFFE COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

The Churches in Aycliffe Village and Newton Aycliffe have joined to form the Great Aycliffe Council of Churches, affiliated to the British and the World Council of Churches. The Council has for its objects the exploitation of all means possible for Evangelisation, and co-operation in social and charitable work. It will also provide opportunity for discussion between Church members of differing denominations on questions of Faith and Order.

The member Churches are :—

|                               |                   |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| Anglican Church of St. Andrew | Aycliffe Village. |
| Anglican Church of St. Clare  | Newton Aycliffe.  |
| Assemblies of God             | Newton Aycliffe.  |
| Methodist Church              | Aycliffe Village. |
| Methodist Church              | Newton Aycliffe.  |
| Salvation Army                | Newton Aycliffe.  |

The first "official" united effort by the Council will be Christian Aid Week for which preparations are now being made. Anyone who would care to volunteer for work during this week, which is May 10th to 15th will be welcomed. If they get in touch with the Secretary he will make the necessary arrangements for them to meet the organiser in their part of the town or village. The Secretary is Mr. K. M. Scott, 2 Hylton Close, Newton Aycliffe.

K.M.S.

## OPERATIC AND DRAMATIC SOCIETY

April—this is the month the Society have been preparing for or a long time. For one week this month Newtonians will be given a musical treat worth remembering when the Society stage their third show "IOLANTHE". This Gilbert and Sullivan musical is one of the most popular of their many hits. Some wonderful singing and really first-rate performances by the 'cast' are a heartening feature of this most enthusiastic and encouraging society. Marlowe Hall Schools main hall is transferred into a theatre for the week. Orchestra pit, dressing rooms, lighting effects, usherettes, booking plans, sweet stalls and all the other things that one associates with a theatre; nothing is left to chance and a tremendous amount of preparation ensures that the public get a show that they will enjoy and we hope remember. The musical director is again Mr. R. Hymers of Bishop Auckland who successfully directed the last two shows. The producer is Mrs. Joyce Walton of Shildon who has a very wide experience of acting and producing and was "Duchess of Plaza Toro" in the societies last production "The Gondoliers". The dates to remember—MONDAY, APRIL 26th to SATURDAY, MAY 1st. both days inclusive when "IOLANTHE" will be performed in the Marlowe Hall School. Tickets may be obtained from members of the society or from Mr. H. Cox, Hairdresser, Town Centre, who will open for booking from Tuesday, April 20th.

J.B.

## NEWTON PLAYERS

It is as you know the 'Players' object to present plays that differ in theme and character from those that have gone before and in keeping with our policy the opening play of the season "One Way Pendulum" is as different from the last one performed, "Bonadventure" as is "My Fair Lady" from "Romeo and Juliet". "One Way Pendulum" is a farce but not in the traditional 'Brian Rix' style. From the performers point of view it is marked by two highlights. One—it is our first venture into this type of play; two—it has the largest cast of any production we have so far staged. The 'Players' are full of enthusiasm for this new and ambitious undertaking. We as a company will enjoy playing "One Way Pendulum" and want you to enjoy it with us. It will be staged in the Beveridge Hall each evening May 19th 20th 21st. A reminder will be given next month; in the meantime be sure to keep one of these evenings free.

W.S.M.

## LOCAL ASSOCIATION OF GIRL GUIDES NEWTON AYCLIFFE

### Coffee evening.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sir,

I would like to thank the "Road Safety Committee" for reducing the Traffic Wardens hours. By whose permission have they done this? I work 9hrs. 35 minutes per week, but the hours quoted in the March 'Newtonian' add up to 8 hours 20 minutes per week. I have worked the same 9 hours 35 minutes for the past 8 years without complaint and can see no good reason to change now, especially to please tired 'mums' who cannot get their children to school for 9 o'clock.

K. Allen,  
First Traffic Warden,  
11 Baliol Green.

Sir,

I have just read my March issue of the "Newtonian" in which I find a Time Table issued by the Road Safety Committee giving the times at which the Wardens are on duty.

Did the Committee when compiling this time-table consult any of the Wardens or spend any time themselves on any of the crossings? Because the times given are not strictly correct. In the mornings it isn't necessary for the Wardens to be there until 9-10 a.m. as all the children are in school just after 9 o'clock at the latest. But the time with which I disagree most is the dinner time 1-15 p.m. to 1-35 p.m. Anyone who uses the crossings knows that more children cross the road between 1 o'clock and 1-15 p.m. than afterwards and in fact if the Warden is not to go until 1-15 p.m. she need hardly bother to go at all as she will be lucky if half a dozen children cross after that time.

I am the Warden at Stephenson Way Junior and Infants Schools and note that my times are different from anyone else's. For a short period of the year, namely, December and January, our schools close earlier in the evenings owing to lack of road lighting and during those 8 weeks I am on the crossing at 12-45 p.m. to 1-30 p.m. at dinner time and at 3-30 p.m. till 4 o'clock in the evenings. For the rest of the year our times are exactly the same as the rest of the schools in the town, and as our Junior School is rarely cleared by 4-15 p.m. my Head Master would take a pretty dim view of things if I went off home at 3-50 p.m. as shown in the Road Safety's time-table.



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I know that the Road Safety Committee do a lot of work to make the roads safe for the people using them, but I do wish they would get their facts right in cases like this.

D. A. Nelson,  
24 Westmorland Way,  
Newton Aycliffe.

### Editors comment :-

"The times published in the March issue were given in good faith to the chairman of the Road Safety Committee, following the original complaint, by one of the wardens. And these times were confirmed by the County Constabulary, Accident Prevention Branch, who were present at the meeting.

Sir,

Would it not be appropriate to name the new town, when completed, "CHURCHILL". By giving this name to a town Co. Durham could be first in the field with a town bearing the name of a man whose like we shall not see again.

A.C.

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## NEWTON AYCLIFFE MOTOR CLUB

Firstly a reminder that the first club run of the season will take place on the 4th April, Town Centre Car Park; 10-0 a.m. start so please be on time.

Secondly, by the time you read this the Club's activities for Carnival Week will be under way so if you can help in any way please do so.

Speaking of Carnival Week it has come to my notice that the attendance of our 1964 Carnival Queen at the Club's annual dinner has been the only official duty offered to her since Carnival 1964 ended. As a member of one of the many sub-committees working on the Carnival may I appeal to other clubs and organisations to at least offer our queen other jobs to do, and so maintain continuity from carnival to carnival, as well as giving an incentive to our budding queens to come forward and try for the honour of the title.

See you April 4th??  
Eric.



## NEWTON AYCLIFFE SECTION OF THE WILD LIFE FUND

When the committee met on March 5th plans were made for the Easter Fayre to be held on Saturday, April 3rd. at 2-30 p.m. in the Over 60's Club. The President Mr. Reginald Bloom, Director/Curator of Flamingo Park Zoo will open the Fayre, and it is hoped the Vice-President, Lady Masham, and the Regional Organiser, Mr. Howat will also be present. Mr. Bloom will be bringing some animals from his Zoo. No doubt you remember the Baby Elephant, the Orang-Outang, and the Chimps from the film-show that was held in October last.

There will be plenty of bargains; Plants, Cakes, Toys, Books, Records and Clothes, a Bran-Tub and other prize winning features for the children. If you would like to know more come and see for yourself, and perhaps win one of the many prizes that are to be raffled.

The committee has received the Treasurers report concerning the result of the Flag Day of February 12th/13th. The sum collected amounted to £24-5-0 for which the Fund is most grateful, and the organisers wish to thank the collectors who so kindly gave their time; the committees of the Workmens, R.A.F.A., and British Legion Clubs who so kindly allowed the collectors to operate in the entrances to their premises.

All who are interested in the activities of the Wild Life Fund or the Wild-Life Youth Service (which is the Youth Section of W.L.F.) and who would like fuller information regarding its aims and objectives should apply to the Organising Secretary—Miss C. D. Spark, 8 Lowery Road. Telephone: Newton Aycliffe 775. All prospective helpers will be most welcome.

C.D.S.

### COFFEE MORNING

On Wednesday, April 7th A COFFEE MORNING will be held at the home of Mrs. Hudspeth, 22 Burn Lane from 10-30 to 12 noon. The object is to raise money in aid of the Campaign for Family Planning overseas chiefly in India.

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### BRITISH LEGION, NEWTON AYCLIFFE BRANCH.

The Newton Aycliffe Branch of the British Legion has been in existence since March, 1958. When first formed its membership was a mere 26 now seven years later the number is approximately 1,000, figures which speak well for the great work which the Legion is doing. The essence of the Legion is to help ex-service men, women and their dependents. This branch has set up a Welfare Service Committee, all of whom are ex-service men or women, together with a representative from various organisations in the town and these people are doing excellent work in the field of Welfare. The Welfare Officer or a committee member is available on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday evenings between 7 and 8 p.m. to discuss and advise members on welfare problems that they wish to raise. All ex-service men and women should be Legion members; during April there will be four meetings, come to one and learn how the British Legion does its work and help us to give assistance to those who need it. Date and time of the meetings are:—

|                     |                           |
|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Tuesday, April 6th  | Men's Section 7-30 p.m.   |
| Tuesday, April 20th | Men's Section 7-30 p.m.   |
| Tuesday, April 13th | Women's Section 7-30 p.m. |
| Tuesday, April 27th | Women's Section 7-30 p.m. |

J.M.



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**TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD**



It is unusual for the Townswomen's Guild to look backwards; but if all goes according to plan this is what will happen on May 3rd. at 7-15 p.m. in the Beveridge Hall, as the programme quotes the social half hour as a Victorian Evening and the competition is 'Victorian Jewellery'. The Victorian era covered more than "60 Glorious Years" coming to an end in 1901. As this is a relatively short time past there could be many treasures on show that belonged to our 'great' or even 'great-great' grandmothers. It will be most interesting to see the kind of things that have been handed down, the care with which they have been treated, and how they compare with their 1965 counterparts. Look through your treasured possessions and bring along any item of 'Victoriana' household articles, photographs, jewellery, pictures, books, clothes etc.

The speaker for the evening of May 3rd will be Mr. R. L. Easby whose subject will be "Place Settings". All of us know how to set a table of course, but for the very special occasion a few new ideas would be welcome and Mr. Easby will be able to show you how to make the most of your table when that little extra, that makes all the difference, is required.

Mrs. Nelson will donate the surprise parcel, and the final item will be a Victorian sing-song.

A date to make a note of is April 12th when Mrs. Lamb will hold a Coffee Evening at her home 6 Langley Road, from 7-0 p.m. onwards.

All information regarding the Guild can be obtained from:—

Mrs. Parker, 14 Windlestone Walk.  
Mrs. Bellis, 15 Lowery Road.

M.M.G.

**511 COMPANY R.A.S.C. (MOT AMB) (T.A.)**

The Recruiting Drive and Annual Admin Inspection and all winter like activities and training are now forgotten for another year and we look forward to more outdoor training such as driving, ranges and camps.

The week-end 3/4th April will see the officers 'slogging' it on the D.D.S.T. Northern Command Exercise at SCARBOROUGH. We have booked the ranges at BATTLE HILL near BOWES for week-end 10th and 11th April.

There will be no training during Easter this year. We have the ranges booked at BELLERBY in WENSLEYDALE for week-end 24/25th April.

A number of young recruits have been enlisted during the last few weeks and we are anxious to see how they will shape on the ranges.

MALCOLM CHISHOLME and GEORGE CRIGHTON of NEWTON AYCLIFFE look promising and so do ALBERT PORTER and DOUGLAS ROME of FERRYHILL.

The bulk of the Company will go to camp in SCOTLAND in May but the following men from NEWTON AYCLIFFE will be among those who will have a fortnight in B.A.O.R. :—

|                   |               |
|-------------------|---------------|
| Cpl. HEDLEY       | Cpl. PARKER   |
| Cpl. LAND         | Cpl. MEREDITH |
| L/Cpl. GASGARTH   | Dvr. ALLAN    |
| L/Cpl. HOLDSWORTH | Dvr. ASHCROFT |

These lads are at present undergoing special training—continental road signs—driving procedure, and the sort of things they might expect to come up against whilst driving in B.A.O.R. This is something different for them to look forward to.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

Mrs. Bird wishes to thank all friends, neighbours, the Housing Department staff and N.A.L.G.O. for their kindness, messages of sympathy, and floral tributes in her recent sad bereavement.

**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.

Darlington Address of Registrar :—  
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**Child Welfare Clinic**

|         |                     |  |
|---------|---------------------|--|
| Tuesday | 2nd & 16th February | } a.m. Infant Injections.<br>p.m. Ante Natal Clinic. |
| Tuesday | 2nd & 30th March    |  |
| Tuesday | 9th & 23rd February | } Health Visitor Sessions<br>No Doctor in attendance |
| Tuesday | 9th & 23rd March    |  |

Every Thursday

9-30 to 11-30 a.m. } Child Welfare Clinic  
1-30 to 4-00 p.m. }

Welfare foods are on sale at all the above sessions

**Mothers Club**

Last Tuesday of each month, 7-30 p.m. All mothers welcome.



## WOMEN'S COLUMN

Is your jam store low? There is practically no jam fruit in the shops at present so perhaps you would like to try either or both of these recipes:—

**Date and Lemon Jam.**

Ingredients—1 lb. Dates without stones; 5 Lemons; 1 lb. Sugar; 2 Cups water.

**Method**—Grate the rinds of the lemons, remove pips and pith. Chop up pulp, cover all fruit and rinds with water, stand 24 hours. Boil till set; about 20 minutes.

**Grapefruit Marmalade.**

Ingredients—4 Grapefruit (large); 2 quarts of water; 5 lbs. of sugar.

**Method**—slice very thinly, removing only pips, which are put in a separate basin and covered with water, 1 pint. Put the rest of the 2 quarts of water on to sliced fruit and leave 24 hours. Put into pan, strain and add the pip-water. Cook for 2 hours until tender, add sugar and boil until set, stirring constantly.

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**Diamond and Gem set jewellery** may be cleaned with a small hog's bristle brush dipped in surgical spirit, cleaning carefully behind the stones and setting to remove accumulation of soap and dust.

**Semi-precious stones** should be cleaned by careful washing in warm water and finally polished with very soft cloth or chamois leather.

**Opals and Turquoise** should NOT be washed they are best cleaned with a fine soft cloth dipped in castor oil, followed by polishing with a clean soft cloth.

Check all settings, clasps, clip hinges and strings of pearl necklets etc. **Never ever** wear a piece of jewellery if these vulnerable parts show any sign of wear.

M.M.G.

**CORPORATION NOTES**

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**AN INVITATION**

The Townswomen's Guild invite you to an 'At Home' in the Boy's Club on the afternoon of Friday April 9th. from 2-15 p.m. to 4 p.m. Home Made Cakes and Biscuits will be on sale; a cup of tea and light refreshment will be provided free of charge.

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My first regular station on leaving square bashing was one which was used for the practice of air-gunnery, where pilots could learn or be refreshed by knocking 'seven colours' out of special targets towed by other aircraft over the sea. Being fresh from training I found life on this new station rather strange, especially as 'bull' was almost non-existent. Life on camp was one of work, bed, bottled beer and 'double chips and beans' at the Naffi (the latter luxuries confined to the pay night extravaganza) and I quickly slipped into this normal hum-drum existence but not for long! At pay parade one day the bods assembled alphabetically for the meagre pittance which was to be meted out and have to last for a week. Before the payout started the C.O. stood up from the pay table and addressed the gathering with words that were to cut us to the very soul. "Well chaps" said the C.O. gravely "the A.O.C. is coming shortly and you know we must all give that little extra." A thought crossed my mind "who's the A.O.C.?"

It was a raw January morning when the 'working' parade assembled on the edge of the peri-track. The icy wind cut through my working blue and I felt goose pimples rise on my goose pimples. The Adjutant and S.W.O. man walked slowly along the rigid ranks. "Haircut"—"Boots"—"Closer shave". The words of rebuke came closer, they reached me, eyed me up and down. My haircut was 'short back and sandpapered' my boots glowed, and I still oozed blood from shaving. I felt confident to say the least. The Adjutant eyed me up and down then, turning to the S.W.O. man he grated "Wot a bladdy orful blue, where'd you get it from the surplus shop?" He glowered at my blue in distaste, I twisted my face into a smile at the Adjutants pun (the swine) "keep your face straight" snacked the S.W.O. man, I straightened the offending face instantly. "New blue" said the Adjutant "Number, rank, name and section lad" beamed a transformed S.W.O. man. A thought crossed my mind "roll on flipping demob" or words to that effect.

I tottered into the stores and saw Bill my next bunk mate, good old Bill he worked in stores he'd be able to wangle me something.

Wrong again Harry! "Wotcha wan 'Arry" Bill queried. "New working blue" said I, "cost yer 'Arry" said the unhelpful Bill, and it did. When I left stores I carried an immaculate new blue



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under my arm, NEW not stamped W.D. 1943 like the one I was wearing, but brand spanking new 'clothing credits for the buying of'.

The next parade was a shattering shock, not working blue this time but BEST blue No. 1. dress. I stood to attention in nervous anticipation. My jacket was a different shade of blue from the trousers and rather noticeable. The Adjutant and the S.W.O. man snaked their way through the ranks the Adjutant wittering and twittering to the S.W.O. who in turn made lengthy notes on his official looking pad, affixed to a board by a bull-dog clip. They stopped at me! The Adjutant looked me up and down, I was immaculate, or so I thought "Wot the bladdy hull is this" queried the Adjutant with raised eyebrows "sports jacket and flannels won't do for the A.O.C." I babbled in alarm of my lack of service, my being issued with this new blue and my depleted credit at the Pay Section. "Shurrup" clipped the S.W.O. man "number, rank, name and section" I was most unhappy over this incident as you may imagine. I obtained a new best blue the same day and was again served by the useless twit Bill who had by now had his name changed by me from Bill to 'Nig-nog' and others quite unprintable.

My credit in Pay Accounts was now non-existent and I was informed by a smiling Accounts Officer that I would be in the red for the next twelve months—charming. Pay parade assembled the following week as usual the bods looking rather smarter than usual because of the recent 'bull' sessions, and there was extra zing in the way we jumped to attention when the C.O. came in, ordered us to 'stand easy' and once again he addressed the money craving ranks. "Well chaps" smiled he "we've just had a big disappointment, the A.O.C.s. visit has been postponed indefinitely, carry on as normal, perhaps he may visit us next year." Sighs of relief escaped from the delighted bods. Smiles from everyone, it was great news indeed. Did I say smiles from everyone if I did then I was wrong. One 'irk' was not smiling, on the contrary, he was enraged, embittered, and seething over this unexpected cancellation. Can you guess who that 'irk' was? A thought crossed my mind "even the A.O.C. is messing me about."

The newly formed committee selected at the Annual General Meeting is as follows:—

Chairman  
Vice-Chairman  
Hon. Secretary  
Hon. Treasurer  
Welfare Officer

Mr. G. Pearce.  
Mr. A. Belton.  
Mr. C. E. Manning.  
Mr. G. R. Smith.  
Mr. B. Cornley.

Committee:

Messrs. J. J. P. Bell, E. Branford, A. Coates, R. Colvin, J. Eldridge, T. Gartland, A. Johnson, J. Martin, R. Meggison, C. McDonald, J. Norris, T. W. Ross, W. Sayers and H. G. Simpson (Publicity Officer).

H.G.S.

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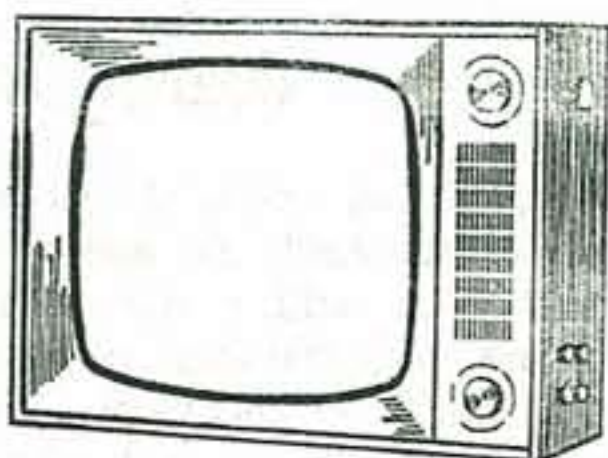
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# CHILDREN'S COLUMN

## MICHAEL'S MAGIC WHISTLE

### Part 5.

*(With the first of three wishes granted him by the imp of a magic whistle, Michael has made himself the Captain of a pirate ship. He and his crew have discovered hidden treasure on a desert island but as they are taking it back to the ship, they are challenged by the villainous Butcher Brimstone.)*

"What do we do, Cap'n?" asked Dick, the cabin boy. "Stand firm and fight?"

Michael looked at the swarthy gang in front of him and shook his head reluctantly. "We wouldn't stand a chance in a straight fight. There are twice as many of them and they'd stop at nothing. No, there's only one thing to do."

"Then what are your orders, sir?"

Michael looked up at the cliff face behind him. "Ah—our men have the treasure safely in the tunnel entrance. Good. Now listen carefully, Dick. We couldn't hope to win in an open fight down here, but one man could hold that tunnel entrance against an army if need be. You must run after the others and tell them to get back to the ship with all speed. I'll stay here and keep off the pursuit."

"Let me stay here with you, sir," volunteered the gallant cabin-boy.

"Thank you Dick, but no. You will be needed on board. Tell the men to weigh anchor and sail off. As you leave the bay fire a single cannon shot and I shall know that the Silver Whistle is safe and my work here is done."

"But Cap'n" asked the bewildered Dick, "aren't you coming with us at all?"

"No, lad," Michael answered sadly, "This is the only way. Don't look so upset. I can't tell you my plans but I give you my word that I shall come to no harm."

Dick shook his head. "It's no good Cap'n I can't leave you here alone."

Michael drew himself up to his full height. "Dick" he said sternly, "You will do as I command. Are you forgetting that I am Captain? Those are my orders."

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"Aye-aye, Cap'n" said the unwilling Dick. He turned and scrambled up the cliff followed by Michael.

Captain Brimstone gave a roar of rage when he saw his quarry disappearing. "After them, men!" he yelled and hurled his heavy body across the clearing.

At the tunnel entrance Dick turned. "Will we ever meet again, Cap'n?" he asked.

"Who knows, Dick? Who knows?" Michael replied. "Be off with you now, and don't forget that cannon shot. Hurry!"

"Good luck" called Dick over his shoulder as he disappeared into the tunnel.

By this time Butcher Brimstone's men were upon him and Michael just had time to steady himself to receive their onslaught. Fortunately, as Michael had realised, the approach to the ledge he was standing on was so steep and narrow that only one of the pirates could approach at a time and even then they were in a precarious position. Michael stood above them and wielded his blade with precision and skill.

His first opponent, a ferocious looking giant of a man came rushing up the steep slope like a wild bull. With one confident stroke, Michael knocked his sword to the ground and the villain fell back in dismay, his wrist bleeding from a deep gash. The second, a tough wiry little man with a bristling red beard, came more warily, but he too was dispatched with ease. The third and fourth fared no better. One by one his opponents fell before his flashing blade. Soon they were reluctant to come forward and huddled together at the foot of the cliff in spite of Butcher Brimstone's furious commands.

Michael had been getting short of breath and was glad of the respite but wondered anxiously what they would try next. He was not left in doubt for long. After a hurried consultation between themselves some of the men detached themselves from the main group and began to climb the cliff a little further along. This was what Michael was afraid of—once they got above him he was lost. With some of them dropping down from over his head and a simultaneous attack from below, even the most skilful of fighters would be helpless.

He watched the climbers warily, his ears straining for the sound of the Silver Whistle's cannon.

Down below, Butcher Brimstone grinned wickedly up at him, his bloodshot eyes squinting evilly in the sun.

"We'll have you in a minute, my lad!" he screamed. "You'll live to rue the day you ever crossed Captain Brimstone's path!"

*(Will Michael save the Silver Whistle and be able to escape himself? Read next month's instalment).*

S.F.W.



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### NEWTON AYCLIFFE OVER 60 CLUB

There was a very large attendance of members at the Annual General Meeting held on 10th March.

Miss E. S. Riley-Lord, J.P., President of the Club, took the Chair, and welcomed Mr. W. S. Fairbairn, one of the Trustees.

In adopting the Annual Report the Chairman congratulated Officials and Committee on a very successful year.

The Treasurer presented the Financial Report which was adopted, and Mr. Fairbairn said he was very pleased indeed at the state of the Club's finances, which reflected great credit on all concerned.

The following were elected:— Chairman: Mr. W. Burdon, Vice-Chairman: Mrs. C. J. Wood, Treasurer: Miss M. Dobinson, Secretary: Mr. G. W. Usher, Committee: Mesdammes, Bullen, Garbett, Hutton, Middleton and Usher. Messrs. Coulthard, Ogden, Shatwell, Stitt and Walker.

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G.W.V.

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D.T.

### LOCAL ASSOCIATION OF GIRL GUIDES NEWTON AYCLIFFE

The Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held at 7 Kemble Green North on May 6th at 7-30 p.m. followed by a Coffee Evening. May we remind you that membership is open to all parents and friends of Guides and Brownies. The present aim of the Association is two-fold. The first to provide camping equipment, most urgently needed and far too expensive for the girls to purchase for themselves. The second aim is to start a building fund for premises to be used as headquarters, preferably in the town. The number of children wishing to enrol increases each week and will continue as the town expands, therefore a headquarters will become essential. We ask for the support of all parents and friends of Guides and Brownies by becoming members of the Association and attending the A.G.M. where they will be made most welcome and will meet other people who are actively concerned with this Association.

M.E.H.

### W.V.S. PLAY CENTRE

The Womens Voluntary Service of Newton Aycliffe is opening a play centre every Monday from 1-15 to 3-45 p.m. in the Boy's Club, Central Avenue commencing Monday, April 26th.

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M.E.

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Results for last month:—

14th February

Barnard Castle United 4     Newton Aycliffe 2

21st February. K.O. Cup Third Round.

Newton Aycliffe 3     Bowes 1

28th February.

Newton Aycliffe 2     Eastbourne (Darlington) 1

The above results mean we are virtually certain to finish runners up in the League and we have also reached the semi-final of the K.O. Cup. We meet the favourites Cockfield during March. Results of this and final league table will be given next month.

## **Film News:**

Films for this month are :—

April 12th:     The Return of the Fabulous .007.

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April 26th:     One of the funniest, sexiest, comedies of recent years.

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Without any false sales talk there is sure to be a terrific demand for tickets for both these shows, so in order to avoid disappointment please get your tickets well in advance.

Don't forget our Saturday Morning Children's Matinee every week 10 a.m. at the Beveridge Hall, Admission 1/6d. each—pay at the door.

see you next month,  
Haurel and Lardy.

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Arrangements have been made for a free Chiropody Service to be available for all Old Age Pensioners in the Parish of Great Aycliffe.

The service will operate as from the 31st March, 1965, at the Welfare Centre, Dalton Way, Newton Aycliffe, on Wednesday and Friday mornings.

All pensioners who have been making use of the Old Age Pensioners Association scheme will now come within the new service. Their appointments will be fulfilled at the same time, but at the Clinic instead of at home.

All pensioners who asked for Chiropody Service when the survey was taken in October last, will be contacted, and appointments made in due course.

All new enquiries should, in the first instance, be directed to the Secretary, Great Aycliffe Old People's Welfare Committee, c/o Parish Council, Churchill House, Newton Aycliffe.

## **Thought for the Month**

*The girl who thinks no man is good enough for her may be right but she is more often left.*

## **NEWTON AYCLIFFE**

## **CARNIVAL WEEK**

**SATURDAY, 22nd MAY**

to

**SUNDAY, 30th MAY**



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The Bi-Annual meeting of the Ladies Section took place on Tuesday, March 2nd. Owing to the poor weather the attendance was small. However new officers were elected:—

|                     |                  |
|---------------------|------------------|
| Chairman            | Mrs. A. Belton.  |
| Vice-Chairman       | Mrs. M. Watson.  |
| Secretary           | Mrs. M. Hodgson. |
| Assistant Secretary | Mrs. Handsford.  |
| Treasurer           | Mrs. J. Bush.    |
| Assistant Treasurer | Mrs. D. Chapman. |

### Committee.

Mrs. M. Naylor, Mrs. J. Bell, Mrs. S. Brotherton, Mrs M. Wind.

New members are invited to join the section. An attractive programme of demonstrations, films etc., has been arranged for the forthcoming months. On February 24th a very enjoyable evening was spent by twenty members at the West Hartlepool's Branch.

During April there will be two meetings of the section, Tuesday 13th and Tuesday 27th both at 8 p.m. in the Canopus Club.

M.E.H.

## WHAT TO SEE AT WEEK-ENDS

Numbers of fine gardens within easy reach of Newton Aycliffe are open to the public throughout the Spring and Summer. In the entrance hall to the Housing Department in Churchill House there is a large yellow poster giving details, which anybody may call and see.

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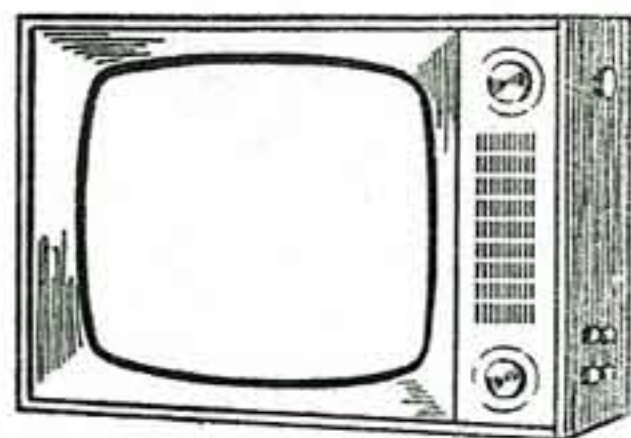
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## RUGBY

On Saturday, April 24th for the third year in succession two new towns meet on the sports ground in Moore Lane; Newton Aycliffe and Stevenage. Do you remember the result in 1963, the first year these teams met; Stevenage 1st team won, Newton Aycliffe 2nd team won, then in 1964 the position was reversed; Newton Aycliffe 1st team won Stevenage 2nd won. The result of these two matches on April 24th is anybody's guess, but with full support from the townspeople to provide the "Newton Aycliffe Roar" it could be that two successes are chalked up for nothing spurs a team on so much as a crowd giving full encouragement. The kick-off for the first match is timed for 1-45 p.m. The British Legion Pipe Band will be there to play before the match and during the intervals. The attendances in 1963 and '64 were not bad, but nothing like what they might have been, so let us see a turn out of spectators the like of which has not been seen before to give the home teams the will to win in 1965.

The rugby section of the sports club are providing hospitality for both the visiting teams and it looks like being a week-end to remember.

## HAVE YOU ANY MARRIAGE PROBLEMS?

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## WOODHAM BURN W.I.

The monthly meeting will be on Thursday, April 15th at 7 p.m. in the Over 60's Club when there will be a cookery demonstration by the N.E.E.B. The competition is for an Easter Bonnet, which can be made in any material, or even knitted. It is hoped that every member will make a special effort and bring something for the Sales Table, either home made cakes, bread or preserves.

May brings our first year to a close and nominations for the new committee will be taken at the April meeting.

M.H.

## FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION

The Family Planning Clinic is open every Wednesday from 6-30 to 7-30 p.m. in the Maternity and Child Welfare Centre, Dalton Way. A Lady Doctor is always in attendance to advise and help with any problem that may arise. All enquiries are strictly confidential. Information may be had and appointments made through Mrs. Wells, 55 Cumby Road, Telephone 244.

## MUSIC AWARDS

The following pupils of Mrs. Vee Sanders gained awards at the recently held Darlington Competitive Musical Festival.

|                               |                                      |
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## NEWTON AYCLIFFE MUSIC SOCIETY

### 1st April.

Annual General Meeting in the small hall at St. Clare's Church, at 8 p.m. We hope for a good attendance so if you are interested, please come along—suggestions and new ideas for next Season's programme will be welcomed.

### 29th April.

"Something Nice" an evening of recorded music at The Bungalow, Aycliffe School, at 8 p.m. when our host will be Mr. J. Gittins. Unfortunately the March meeting at Aycliffe School had to be postponed due to illness but we are pleased to have been able to arrange another date.

## NEWTON AYCLIFFE JUNIOR ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE

The team entered in the Durham Road Safety Criss Cross Quiz Competition reached the semi-final before being knocked out by Durham. Slightly disappointed but not disheartened the team look forward to next year's competition. In the meantime the team issue a challenge to any organisation who would care to place a team against them. Interested organisations are requested to get in touch with the Chairman, Michael Taylor, 28 Baliol Green as soon as possible.

M.J.T.

## CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION

Mr. Stephen Telford, 14 Watson Road, Newton Aycliffe has been appointed Secretary of the Conservative Association. Mr. Telford is not at present on the telephone, but messages for him can be left at Newton Aycliffe 456.

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