

NEWTON NEWS and Newtonian

FRIDAY JULY 9th 1976

Brake on towns growth?

Sedgefield District Council seem to be throwing "hammers in the works" to slow down our town's development.

The A.D.C. want to shoot ahead, build houses; take over more land for industrial purposes and reach the population target of 45000 in the 1980's.

Sedgefield Council aren't sure whether this is in the interest of the district as a whole.

They aren't particularly keen to sell the Heighington Lane industrial acres to a land hungry A.D.C. who have industrialists clamouring for factory space.

Sedgefield think there is a possibility the A.D.C. could be

securing for itself a longer period in control at Aycliffe than they are prepared to allow. They are anxious to get complete control of our affairs as soon as possible and plans to hand over "housing" are now being formulated as part of the overall strategy.

The offer from the A.D.C. to take over the industrial development at Heighington Lane is obviously a little embarrassing for Sedgefield D.C. and the County Council, who jointly own the land.

It would be particularly embarrassing if the A.D.C. succeed in attracting industry to a site where these two Councils have failed.

But, to be fair, Sedgefield and County look on Aycliffe as part of a much larger area and are bound by other considerations, such as population movement, unemployment, growth of need areas, etc., etc.

ATTRACTIVE

Indeed one of the reasons why our growth rate is worrying outsiders is the towns' undoubted attractiveness. Other areas in the County cannot offer industrialists the type of housing and amenities, nor do they have such a good geographical location as Newton Aycliffe.

It is easy for the A.D.C. to sell Aycliffe and there are signs we could be the boom town of the area if all obstacles were removed.

It may be selfish and biased, but surely growth in any area is better than no growth at all. S.J.H.

POST OFFICE ROW FLARES AGAIN

A lady limped into the Newton Press Office, worn out by the hot weather and in complete exasperation, complaining about the Town Centre Post Office service.

"On Pension pay out day there are always queues to the door and if you want a stamp, and the machine is empty or faulty it can be a long wait" she complained.

This is a common complaint at the Post Office who suffer from understaffing inside and vandalism to the machines outside.

Our only advice is to buy stamps in advance of need and at a time when the Post Office is empty.

"BIG CHIEF" THROWS PARTY FOR HELPERS

As a follow up to Big Chief's Fun Week the Youth Centre are holding a Big Chief's Fun Week staff social to which are invited all those who helped in any way with the week. It is going to be held on Wednesday 14th July at 8 p.m. in the Youth Centre.

If you were part of Big Chief's Fun Week do come along. As well as a slide show and a discussion on the scheme and its possible future it will be a good chance to meet together again in a slightly less hectic atmosphere.

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Our Mayor, Counc. Ernest Elmer, presents the Eugene Gleeman Choir from America with a set of Presentation mats showing scenes of Newton Aycliffe, after their concert in the Methodist Church recently. Also pictured is the Rev. Dennis Marston, who played host to the choir during their visit to the Church.

Photo: Sonny Steele

In connection with the above, Newton Press received the following letter of thanks:

Dear Sir,

I would like to thank everyone on the Town who responded so magnificently to our requests for help in supplying accommodation and transport in connection with the recent visit of the American Choir to the Methodist Church.

The visitors enjoyed their visit to the town — not least the Mediterranean climate, which we assured them was quite normal in County Durham.

John Wearmouth
54 Westmorland Way

CALLING ALL AQUARISTS . . .

A group of enthusiasts have banded together to form a Tropical Fish Club in Newton Aycliffe.

Any reader interested in joining or requiring more information are asked to contact Mr Carpenter, 18 Heild Close any evening after 5 pm.

R.N.A. - Newton Aycliffe branch

I would like to thank those future members of the R.N.A. N/A who attended our first meeting in the Southern Club on Wed. 30th June. In all we had a response of 38 to form this new branch, apologies were sent from many people unable to attend, most of whom will attend our next meeting in the Southern Club on Tues. 13th July, 7.30 p.m.

A committee was formed, consisting of Chairman, Vice Chairman, Sec., Treas., and 6 men elected for a Fund Raising and Finance Committee.

Our ultimate aim, when our membership is strong enough, is to have a club of our own. So I would like to call on you, ex Naval personnel, also present serving members to come along. To remind you again who can join, it is: Royal Navy R.N. Reserves, Royal Marines R.M. Reserves, WRNS, Queen Alexanders R.N. Nursing Service, R.N. Auxiliaries, ex members of the Commonwealth Naval Service, and all ex Naval personnel of countries which are now out of the

Commonwealth. The formation of this Association is for the benefit and welfare of you and your families.

The membership of the association will not be limited to ex Naval personnel, eventually associate members will be introduced into our organisation.

Keith Metcalfe, Hon. Sec.
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CLOTHES PARTY

The Avenue Parent-Teachers Association are holding a "Seconds" clothes party on Wednesday 14th July at 7.00 p.m.

All parents are invited to view and buy bargains in clothes which have only slight defects.

At a recent meeting the committee asked the school to consider the supply of water for pupils during lunch. The headmaster has since met with the request. It was stopped before due to the amount of mess caused by spilling and fooling around.

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The walk will now be held at a later date which will be announced in this newspaper.

The sponsored walk is to raise money to take children who wouldn't normally have the chance of a holiday, to Staithes, near Whitby, for a week. The cost of this venture to the Youth Club is approx. £300 and anyone who would like to help with a donation or sponsor are asked to call at the Youth Club in the Church Hall, Neville Parade, any Friday or Sunday evening.



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Dear Sir,

Reference Letters regarding

Art Exhibition

in your last issue

Being Mrs Skelton's daughter I could be termed prejudiced from the outset, however—

My mother was approached to exhibit and had a letter to the effect that "being an exhibitor last year would she like to submit paintings this year." (That isn't being approached?)

In addition my mother has had a letter from the Sedgfield District Council which states "I have no responsibility over the amount of payment required by the Arts Council" — surely a similar phrase to that used by the Arts Council about the 8p admission when they say "...is a ruling of the Sedgfield District Council and beyond the control of the Arts Council." The Arts Council man told her

the 25p was required by the Recreation Centre for insurance and room hire.

These letters side-step the issue my mother raised — the 8p admission for exhibitors. It seems that the two authorities can get together over insurance and room hire fees, yet each "have no control" when justifying actions to one old lady who has happened to query a reasonable point, which could well have been avoided with just a little further official effort and agreement.

Gwenyth Batey (Mrs)
86 Washington Crescent

ED: The admission charge to the Recreation Centre is cause for regular complaints by non-members who have already made payment for use of a hall.

It would be an easy enough arrangement to include the admission fee in the hire charge to remove this constant bickering over a point of principle.

OBITUARY

SEPTIMUS HALL

It is with regret we record the death of Mr Septimus Hall, beloved husband of Mrs Daisy Hall and father of the Vicar of St. Clares Church, Rev. Harold Hall.

The requiem service held in the Parish Church was a sad occasion for the family mourners and those friends in the town and from the Church congregation who attended.

Mr Hall was a very popular figure at the Church and around the town. He always had a kindly word for whoever he met. At the Church he assisted his wife at all events and with her helped their son with administrative duties at the Vicarage, answering telephone calls, receiving visitors and undertaking voluntary caretaker's work.

Mr Hall was a businessman before he retired and has the distinction of being a pioneer of public transport. He ran the first bus service in 1918 around Durham, Seaham and Birtley until the business was sold to Northern General Transport.

In retirement, he and his wife took residence with their son in the various parishes of his ministry, and coming to Newton Aycliffe in 1969.

A member of St. Clare's Church said "I'll miss him — he was a fine gentleman" — a statement which sums up the feelings of most of us as we express our sincere sympathy to his wife and members of the family.

REF OF THE YEAR

Joe Welsh of Watson Road has been elected "Ref of the Year" of the local Sunday morning leagues.

A surprised Joe received his trophy at the A.S.E. Club recently.

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Our Festival Queen and her attendants pictured with the Jacques School of Dancing at the Recreation Centre during Festival Fortnight.

Photo: Sonny Steele

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John Tully, County Road Safety Officer has announced that there were now signs that traffic was beginning to build up on the main holiday routes.

He said that many drivers who usually drove only short distances would be attempting long and tiring journeys.

Mr Tully warned holiday makers of the dangers of working all day and then driving long distances overnight. He said that, such action could often be suicidal.

He issued a six point plan designed to make the holiday motorists journey safe and more enjoyable.

1 Have your car serviced before your holiday. Before starting out—check tyre pressures, lights, battery, oil and water levels.

2 Plan your route to avoid notorious bottlenecks and allow yourself plenty of time for the journey.

3 See that your windscreen and windows are clean. Keep your rear window clear of luggage.

4 Fatigue is a killer—stop every hour and a half. Walk around the car and stretch your legs.

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ADC CHAIRMAN TO OPEN FETE

Dennis Stevenson, chairman of the Development Corporation, will open the Aycliffe Day Nursery Fete on Saturday 10th July at 2.00 p.m.
The nursery which is situated on the Industrial Estate, opposite Flymo, is in need of extra equipment and it is hoped sufficient funds will be raised from the various stalls to purchase the items required.
In addition to stalls there are side shows, tombola, bran tub and home made cakes.

BOWLS CLUB

I have pleasure in reporting two very successful Festival Competitions held at St. Oswalds Park.
The Junior Bowls Competition, held on 12th June, attracted 16 young bowlers, some from as far afield as Houghton le Spring and Wakefield. As in previous years the standard of bowling was very good indeed. The winner, who also took the title last year, was Tony Bousfield from Darlington, who beat local boy Brian Robinson in the final.
The Senior Pair Competition held on 19th June, attracted an entry of 19 pairs. There was a high standard of bowling with many games being decided by only one shot. Local entries did well, gaining three out of four places in the semi-finals. The winning pair Harry Palmer and Roy Bailey from Newton Aycliffe beating runners up F. Cowling and W. Irving from Carrville, Durham by 13-3 on 11 ends.
C. J. Wormald Hon. Sec.

Next issue from Newton Press is due out on Friday July 23rd copy should reach us by Monday 19th July

£1,600 spent to promote our town

Letters promoting Aycliffe for industrial location have been sent to the Chairmen of 2000 companies in the United States under a Bicentenary first-day cover postmarked 4th July.
The letter, with a fact sheet about Aycliffe, is the first stage of a promotional campaign in New York, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Washington and California.
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Retail Value £10.17

2 COTSWOLD

12 piece Coffee Sets

Colours available: Rustic & Avocado

Retail Value £2.75 each

6 "BLUE ROSETTE"

Oven Ready Chickens

AVERAGE WEIGHT 3½lbs each

Retail Val. £1.30 each approx

All Electrical goods carry Manufacturers Guarantee

ANDREX TOILET ROLLS (Twin Pack) — 19½p
TYPHOO TEA ½lb packet — 8½p
MAXWELL HOUSE COFFEE (4oz. jar) — 52p
BE-RO SELF RAISING FLOUR 3lb bag — 19½p
KELLOGS CORNFLAKES (375 grms) — 21p
CRAWFORDS CREAM CRACKERS — 11p pkt.
CRAWFORDS PENNYWISE BISCUITS — 11½p pkt.
McVITIES JAFFA CAKES — 17½p pkt.
COCA-COLA — 10p can
JOHNSONS BABY OIL Medium bottle — 30p
ARIEL E3 — 35p
BOLD AUTOMATIC E3 — 35p
PEDIGREE CHUM Original Large — 17½p
WHISKAS NEPTUNE Large — 16p
DOMESTOS (Family Size) — 34p

-- CIGARETTES --

2p OFF per PACKET OF 20

EMBASSY REGAL, Rec. Price 43p Our Price 41p

EMBASSY EXTRA MILD, Rec. Price 43p Our Price 41p

EMBASSY TIPPED, Rec. Price 45p Our Price 43p

PLAYERS No. 6 TIPPED, Rec. Price 37½p Our Price 35½p

★ 25p OFF CARTONS OF 200 ★

-- BUTCHERY --

STEWING STEAK — 56p per lb

STEAK MINCE — 48p per lb

ROLLED PORK (Boneless) 48p per lb

LARGE BROWN FARM EGGS — 20p per ½ doz. (Grade A)

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FREE DRAW

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★ PRIZES ★

1st — Hoover Junior Vacuum Cleaner

2nd — Carmen Hair Rollers

3rd — Hoover Steam/Dry Iron

4th — Elegant Folding Leisure Chair

5th — Elegant Folding Leisure Chair

6th — Cotswold 12 piece Coffee Set

7th — Cotswold 12 piece Coffee Set

8th — Homestead 12 piece Coffee Set

9th — Homestead 12 piece Coffee Set

10-15 — 1 Chicken each

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