

NEWTON NEWS and Newtonian

FRIDAY 17th DECEMBER 1976

Avenue Show - great hit!

The town was alive with the "Sound of Music" last week as the Avenue School performed this wonderful musical to capacity audiences in the school hall.

Once again the standard of singing and acting by the children was outstanding. The audiences each night supported and encouraged the youngsters with continuous applause.

And well deserved it was when you consider the amount of time and energy given to rehearsals, and all in the children's spare time at lunch hours, after school and in holidays.

But all the work and effort since Spring brought its reward in the schools sparkling

Members of the cast of 'Sound of Music' Photo: Steele

interpretation of Rodgers and Hammerstein's famous score.

Many in the audience were visibly moved by the sheer magic of the performance. One came away from the show at new with the world with different attitudes to the much maligned younger generation.

Tribute should be paid to the teachers for the tremendous contribution they made to this show; by acting, singing, making costumes and taking part in numerous other activities involved in producing Sound of Music, they helped and inspired their pupils.

Beverly Edwards as Maria, playing her fourth principal role, gave a magnificent performance. This is probably the last time we will see her as she approaches school leaving age, but we will always recall the parts she took so well with fondness.

As often as Beverly took the leading lady part she was partnered in the leading male role by the irrepressible schoolmaster Mr. Powell. Sound of Music was no exception and the audience were delighted once more by the personality and voice of one of the school's favourite teachers.

The two best character performances were given by two of the Von Trapp children. Melanie Brown as Gretl and Beverley Steele as Louisa captivated the hearts of the audiences with their happy faces and energetic antics.

Mrs. Pierce, producer and musical director, can take pride in her work with the pupils. They all worked very hard indeed and produced an evening of live entertainment difficult to surpass.

On behalf of an appreciative audience I congratulate all those involved in presenting this show and affirm support for the next one. S.H.



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DON'T GET CAUGHT SHORT

Newtonians are advised to get their larders well stocked up over Christmas and New Year as many shops are closing for longer periods.

The reason is that Bank Holidays fall at the week-end therefore few days are due and most shops, accordingly, close for four days this Christmas.

On the quick survey we carried out it was found that of the main town centre supermarkets only Liptons open on Tuesday 28th Dec. Newsagents are also open that day and no doubt will deal with the rush for cigarettes and reading material for those starved of the printed word due to no Sunday papers.

Batchelors are giving some service on each day over the period and can almost claim the Windmill Theatre slogan "We never close."

The Chinese Restaurant is open as usual until New Years Day — in fact, if you want lunch out you can book your Christmas Dinner there!

Generally, with the exception of supermarkets, shops are closed four days at Christmas and two days at New Year (including Sundays) with everything back to normal on Tuesday 4th January.

DON'T FORGET . . .

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Santa Claus

"ROLLER WONDERLAND"

The members of the Beveridge Roller Dance and Figure Skating Club will be presenting this Christmas Musical Variety Show on roller skates. To be staged in the Beveridge Hall, the performances will be in December: Sat. 18th 7 p.m., Sunday 19th 2.30 p.m. and 5.30 p.m. and Monday 20th at 7.30 p.m.

Tickets are now on sale from the Beveridge Hall any Saturday night or all day Sundays. Children under 14 and Senior Citizens 35p, adults 50p.

Further information can be obtained from the Hon. Sec. G. A. Bennett, 12 Hardinge Road, Telephone 2005.

BRITISH LEGION LADIES SECTION

May we thank everyone who helped to make the Poppy Appeal Dance a success, also everyone who attended for donations and gifts for Tom-bola stall which realised £76.73.

The film on Save the Children for Dec. 21st has been cancelled, in its place will be Singing Carols.

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from

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Are you having any difficulties with Christmas? I don't mean problems like, "Whatever shall we give Aunt Agatha this year?" or "Will we be able to afford a turkey this Christmas?" Important, no doubt, but perhaps not so important as questions like, "What on earth is the use of stories about angels and about stars suddenly appearing in the sky?" or "What has all this got to do with Christmas 1976 anyway?"

Perhaps it would help if we tried not to worry too much about the angels and the star and took a close look at what the story of Christmas is saying to us. Basically the message is quite simple. It is that this world didn't come into being by chance, but that it has a Maker, who doesn't stand aloof from us, but is very much involved with the everyday life of men and women. So much so, that He came and shared our human life, coming in the same way that we all do — as a baby.

In other words, God knows our life from the inside, for He has become one of us. So He is in a very good position to help us with our lives if we will let Him. We could do with someone like that in our lives and in the life of the nation just now.

If we take a fresh look at Christmas this year, it's just possible that we shall find that it is the answer to a good many of our problems today. Wishing you all a very Happy Christmas.

Yours sincerely,
 (Rev) Denis Marston

FISH SHOP CHANGES HANDS

Yarm Road Fisheries, a Darlington firm, is taking over Bousfield's Fish and Chip shop and have ambitious plans to give the town a service second to none.

The shop will be completely refurbished and offer twenty seven other dishes in addition to the traditional fish, chips and the supply of wet fish.

The new owners, Mr and Mrs McGarry are originally from Hull and went into the Fish and Chip trade after careers in the Army. At the moment they live in Darlington and operate thirteen shops, but they like Newton Aycliffe and are looking for a house to make our town their new home.

"We feel this new shop has great potential" said Mrs McGarry. "If permission is granted we will provide restaurant facilities and also test the demand for vegetarian dishes" she added.

We welcome the new fish shop owners and wish them every happiness in their new home and prosperity in their new business.

Church fees to double

Many of you may already have read that the Church of England is to introduce an increased scale of fees for conducting Marriages and Funerals, as from January 1st 1977. The effect of this increase will be to virtually double the existing fees, which may seem an excessive jump, until you consider that the fees have remained unchanged since 1972.

In those five years, as each of us knows only too well, inflation has affected just about every aspect of a family's budget. The cost of maintaining, heating and cleaning your Parish Church has been no less affected. Costs have risen astronomically, and even the Church is not exempted from the effects of inflation — contrary to the popular myth, the Church is not subsidised by the State!

For a couple wishing to be married at St. Clares, the new fees will mean an increase from the present £11 to around £22. A funeral conducted in the church, the fee will

rise from £9 to £16. These new fees will still remain one of the smallest items of expenditure, when you consider the cost of the average wedding or funeral. There will be no fee charged for a Christening.

It should be made clear that the Vicar and Curates will in no way benefit from the increased fees. The Vicar's fee is calculated as being part of his salary, and while it may be "money in his pocket," it is eventually deducted. The remainder of the fee covers legal expenses, the organist's fee and the cost of heat and light — which can be considerable on these special occasions.

Quite clearly, the increases are large and may be seen by many as unreasonable. But is it unreasonable to ask those who use the church on 'special occasions' only, to contribute towards its upkeep?

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ROYAL NAVAL ASSOCIATION

Newton Aycliffe Branch
 The Committee wish to extend Christmas Greetings and best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year, to all our members and friends.

We take this opportunity to thank the local organisations and individuals who have helped us, in this, our first year.



The next meeting of the Guild will be held in the Upstairs Room of the Iron Horse at 8 p.m. on Tuesday Dec. 21st. Speaker: Mr R. Holmes Horticultural Officer, Sedgefield District Council, subject: Propagation.

The Sales Hut on the Clarence Chare Allotments is now closed until February/March according to weather conditions prevailing at that time. Watch this space for the re-opening date.

The Chairman and Committee take this opportunity of sending best wishes to members for Christmas and good gardening during 1977.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

at the

METHODIST CHURCH
 Newton Aycliffe

Neville Parade
 Sunday 19th Dec.

11 am Family Nativity Service
 6.30 pm Family Carol Service

Friday 24th Dec.
 11.30 pm Christmas Eve

Communion Service
 Saturday 25th Dec.

10.30 am Christmas morning Service

Burnhill Way
 Sunday 19th Dec.

10.45 am Family Service
 6 pm Carol Service

Saturday 25th Dec.
 9.30 am Christmas morning Service

Services at the usual times on the 26th December. Come and celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ

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at

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Christmas Eve
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Christmas Day
 8 a.m. Holy Communion
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AMATEUR OPERATIC AND DRAMATIC SOCIETY

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the people who have supported our various efforts over the past year. May you have a very Merry Christmas and we hope to see you all again next year, when as usual, it will be our pleasure to entertain you.
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The church bell

On the 23rd December 1976, the bell in the Parish Church of St. Clare will have been used in the new town for 25 years, but I wonder how many people know how and when the bell was acquired.

Church services began in a room in Clarence Farm shortly after the appointment of the Rev. T. A. Drewette as Vicar in May 1950 and about a year later we were reminded that the Prayer Book states that "the Curate that ministereth in every Parish Church or Chapel, being at home, and not being otherwise reasonably hindered, shall say the same in the Parish Church or Chapel where he ministereth and shall cause a bell to be tolled thereunto a convenient time before he begin, and that the people may come to hear God's Word, and to pray with him." And so the search for a suitable bell began.

Lord Beveridge, then Chairman of the A.D.C., and a resident of the town, used his influence at the Admiralty and the Parochial Church Council was able to purchase from the Royal Navy at a very modest price (£18 1s 5d including carriage) a ship's bell which not only served the Church's needs at that time, but was suitable also for hanging in the belfry of the future Parish Church, for which a building fund had been started.

H.M.S. PROSPERINE
The bell, which weighs 2 cwt., came from H.M.S. Prosperpine and "Mr Simp's

Diary" a regular feature of The Newtonian at that time records "The Parson has done me the honour of consulting me on a matter of classical mythology. He tells me that he has bought a bell with 'Prosperpine' in the inscription. Prosperpine, I demonstrated with the help of Dr. Smith, is the Latin name for Persephone, the Greek goddess who presides over the underworld. "Oh dear!" sighed the Parson; "then my bell will summon the faithful to hell!" He ought to have consulted me first. Hope the bell isn't as cracked as the Parson."

Regardless of its origin, the bell has been a part of the Church and the community life of our town for twenty five years. Whenever it tolls, say a little prayer for the town and for all the good things it represents.
Harry Bilton

DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE!

Now that the party season is with us drivers should be particularly careful about mixing their drinks while driving.

Many people failed to realise that disqualification from driving for perhaps a year or more can cause great social and domestic inconvenience and even when the licence is restored, can lead to the most stringent insurance conditions.

In this time of high unemployment the loss of a licence can mean the loss of a job for those who drive professionally or for those who need a car to get to work.

John Tully County Road Safety Officer, gives the following excellent advice for the party season:—

1. When going out to a party use Public Transport or elect a driver who will not drink for that evening.
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from
DENNIS STEVENSON
Chairman, A.D.C.

This has been another year of progress for Aycliffe with important developments for all the people of the town. There are more jobs, more houses and more shops — all contributing to the attractiveness and stability of the town.

Aycliffe has also acquired some excellent new community assets during the year. Greenfield Meeting Hall at Hornedale, the new Boys Club and the new Methodist Church at the Parsons Centre in Agnew are all in use now, and the renovated Village Hall at Middridge should be opened within a few weeks. Out of doors, the 9 hole golf course developed as part of the town's Job Creation effort has been completed and progress is excellent at the Town Council's School Aycliffe sports complex.

Aycliffe is a good example of how successful co-operation between the townspeople, the local authorities and the Corporation can contribute to the creation of a new community. I look forward to more developments in 1977 and wish everyone a Happy Christmas and a successful New Year.

Dennis Stevenson

CINEMA SOCIETY

Special Xmas film "Doctor Do-Little" Wed. 22nd Dec. at 7.30 p.m. in the Rec. Centre members and guests welcome.

YOUTH CENTRES' FIRST PANTO . . .

Hours of effort have produced the Youth Centre's first Christmas Pantomime. It is based (loosely) on Punch and Judy and involves many staff and members both on and off stage.

Directed by one of the Centre's part-time staff Miles Burnage, the play is due to be performed 4 times in 4 different places. The first three are at Greenfield Old Peoples Home, Shafto House and Aycliffe Hospital. The final performance is at the Youth Centre on Wed. 22nd Dec. at 7.30 p.m. Costing only 10p.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

from
THE MAYOR
OF GREAT AYCLIFFE

It gives me great pleasure through Newton News to wish all residents of the New Town the compliments of the season.

During the year the nine hole Municipal Golf Course has been opened in conjunction with the A.D.C. Development work will commence on the new Sports Complex at School Aycliffe early in the new year and this will be yet another asset to the area.

On behalf of the Mayoress and myself I would like to thank the Council and the Townspeople for the honour they bestowed on me when I was appointed Mayor. This afforded us the opportunity of meeting many of the inhabitants on official functions which we have attended.

May we both wish each and everyone of you a very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Counc. and Mrs E. Elmer

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

from Rev. JOHN TIDY, St. Clares Church

BETHLEHEM

Here Christ was born
In the dark stable of a shabby inn.
Cradled in a cattle feeding bin.
The street crowds knew nothing of it and cared less
Busy with the brightness of their own business.
How could they know? How could they understand
That the heart and mind of the universe
Was cradled incarnate in a cow crib?
O you good people who read here tonight
How much do you care?
How much do you understand?

Come Christian men signed by Christ's cross!
Rise from your beds and come down lane and road
Through gate and door to this your Saviour's home.
Here at the altar is the crib, here your incarnate Lord
Move from your seat and fold your hands
Kneel as the shepherds knelt of old
Give of your heart, give of your gold
Accept the bread and taste the wine
See in this sacrament divine
YOUR CHRIST, YOUR BETHLEHEM.

THANK YOU

Mrs Betty Robinson & family
1 The Gardens, Poles Lane,
Ware, Herts. wish to thank all
friends in N/A for their kindness,
letters of sympathy, Masses & floral tributes received on the death of a dear husband & father, Gerard, special thanks to Fr. Anderson
To all members & supporters & anyone who has given their help in '76, the Bev. Skating Club send thanks and seasonal greetings.

Congratulations

DODDS (nee Short)

Congratulations Kay on your 21st, love & best wishes from Mad, Dad and Kevin.

GREETINGS

Mr & Mrs Harry Bilton, 3 Clarence Close send best wishes for Christmas & the New Year to their many friends in Newton Aycliffe. Christmas greetings to all our friends. Godfrey & Shirley Bennett and our three girls.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

from

REV. JOHN KELLY
St. Marys Church

"Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without children." All of us, who either belong to a family or have a family of our own, know in our hearts and experience the truth of this well known saying. But Christmas itself has no meaning outside the Christian context because it is a time when we celebrate the coming of one particular child among all our children into the world.

We can, if our Christmas is to be complete, show our love for God, by thanking Him for that special child. A child who guaranteed that: "Man will live for evermore because of Christmas Day."

Rev. John Kelly

NEW CHURCH DEDICATED

The new Burnhill Methodist Church was officially opened by former minister John Ingony who returned to represent all those who pioneered the venture.

Rev. Alan Coustick, his successor, in the welcoming address thanked all the guests for their attendance. Among the guests representing all sections of the community, was M.P. Jim Boyden, Denis Stevenson ADC Chairman, Mayor E. Elmer, Fr. Anderson, Rev. John Tidy of St. Clares Mrs Lincoln and County Councillor A. Cessford.

The Dedication Service was well attended by members of the new Church and Nancy Jude, in her rich contralto voice, rendered warmly and fittingly the solo "Thanks be to God."

It was evident that Methodists are proud of their new Church and the achievement in seeing it complete.

We wish them joy and success in their work and ministry in Burnhill.

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WANTED

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Young man requires lounge suite, lounge furniture, units with drawers, cupboards, gas cooker Tel: 6512

REMEMBRANCE

FORRESTER (nee Kane) Pat, 26 years, treasured memories of our daughter so sadly missed, God bless you, Mam, Dad, son Robert, Brother Barry, Auntie Margaret, Uncle George, Auntie Eve, Uncle Reg

NOTICES

C.A.B. closed from Friday 24 Dec. to Wed. 5th Jan. Resource unit also closed. If you still have a musical score for the Messiah would you please hand it in to the Newton Press Shop, up the ramp, as soon as possible.

TRADE ADS

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Sunday 26th December — Closed

Monday 27th December (Boxing Day) — Closed

Tuesday 28th December — Open 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Wednesday 29th Dec. — Open 9 a.m. - 10.30 p.m.

Thursday 30th December — Open 9 am - 10.30 pm

Friday 31st December — Open 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturday 1st January — Closed

Sunday 2nd January — Open 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Monday 3rd January — Open 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.