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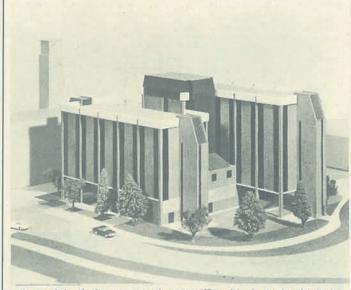
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A model of the proposed new office block to be built in Newton Aycliffe's town centre.

SECOND GENERATION

Civic Theatre presented the first-ever stage show featuring Dougle Squires song and dance team, The Second Generation. This show was such a success that it subsequently led to The Second Generation being associated with five Pantomime Seasons in Darlington, which have all been directed personally by Dougie Squires, and presented by Jamie Phillips for Trends Management.

The Second Following The Second Generation's Darlington ap-pearance seven years ago, they have appeared in count-less stage and television shows all over the world — often in their own show, or atlernatively featuring as lead-

Now the Second Generation are about to return to the Civic Theatre in a very special family entertainment entitled "Easter Spectacular," which will open in Darlington next Tuesday, 17th April, and run daily until Saturday, 21st April, 1979.

Co-starring in the spectacular production, which has again been personally direc-ted and devised by Dougie Squires, will be theatre star Christopher Biggins; the top comedienne Sheila Bernette; singing star and regular member of The Second Generation Wei Wei Wong, who has just completed a long London Palladium season; the interna-tional singing group 'Shades,' which is a group that has grown out of four members of The Second Generation; who are currently in Barbados, and are flying back to the United Kingdom on Sunday especially to appear in this show.

The two boys in the group, Bobby Bannerman and Roger Howlett, both appeared in the 1972 show, and subsequently in Pantomime seasons, with Bobby Bannerman being a particularly successful 'Buttons' in 1974, and Roger Howlett playing the title role of ''Aladdin' in 1975.

To add to the show there

is a new speciality act, pre-sented with puppets, being presented on stilts, by Sue and Peter Barbour, and the show will also feature Trends Management's latest discovery
— 16 year old singing sensa-

tion, Maggie Rose — who has just signed exclusively with the Trends Management office. The show, in keeping with the reputation established by the Pantomime seasons in Darlington, will include music hall sketches and dance routines, ranging from the Charlston to Rock and Roll. ture moments from all the five Pantomimes presented in Darlington with The Second Generation. This lavish show will culminate in a spectacu-lar 'Show Biz Finale'.

Well done, Peter

The 8.30 p.m. performance on Saturday, 21st April, will also be special in that it will be the last performance for Theatre Director Peter Tod, who leaves after 7½ years to take up his new appointment

in Bristol. Newton News takes this opportunity to thank him for the hard work he has put in to bring the best in entertain-ment to Darlington. We wish him every happiness and success in his new appoint-

Knapton's change premises

E. W. Knapton, our local insurance brokers, have moved from offices above Midland Bank ses at ground floor on Dalton

Knaptons have enjoyed a long association with the new town, starting with its founder the late Ernie Knapton, in the

His three sons have carried on the family business, with managing director, Geoff, operating from the Bishop Auckland office, which opened in 1960. in 1960.

Ken and Andy Knapton, who are also directors of the company, run the Newton Aycliffe office, and offer a very wide range of insurance ser-vices covering motor vehicles, vices covering motor vehicles, life insurance, household, commercial and industrial. One interesting facility installed is "Moquote," a computerised system which gives on the spot quotations from the most competitive insurance companies.

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DEREK FOSTER IS PROUD OF HIS NORTH EAST BACKGROUN

Parliamentary Labour Candidate for the Bishop Auckland Constituency, is proud that he was born and bred in the North East and that he has lived here for all but eight of his forty one years. His father was a fitter at Doxford Ship yard in Sunderland and, like many at that time was unemployed for two years during the 1930s.

Mr Foster himself was unemployed for nine months some years ago. "Our family knows only too well the humiliation of scratching and scraping and fighting for decent treatment from the Department of Health and Social Security. Right from my grammar school days the scourge of unemployment has made me very angry but my own spell on the dole propelled me into an even more active political life."

school Mr Foster was head boy, school captain, captain of cricket, played

and had a trial for Durham County Schools rugby team.

He won his way to Oxford University where he studied Philosophy, Politics and Philosophy, Politics and Economics, gaining a B.A. honours degree. After university he spent eight years in industry and commerce, at first with very large firms then with very small firms, gaining valuable insight into production and marketing problems. In 1970 he gave up his company car and other perks, pany car and other perks, losing £1,000 a year, to become a full-time youth and community worker with the Durham County Council at Washington Oval Youth and Community Centre.

"It was the best move I ever made," says Mr Foster. "The problems were immense, especially trying to handle large numbers of boisterous teenagers in a very difficult area. I had been a voluntary youth leader for ten years but in Washington I discovered a

know existed. Many of the youngsters were locked in the vicious circle of poverty, low educational expectations, dead-end jobs or unemployment. Many accepted society's low valuation of themselves and were living up to their image.

Job opportunities

Ever since, first as Further Education Organiser with Durham, then as Assistant Director of Education with Sunder-land, I have been committed to breaking into that circle to establish decent educational and job opportunities for these Sunderland County Borough Council in 1972 and to the new Tyne and Wear County Council in 1973, where he was Assistant secretary/ treasurer of the County Labour Group, and chairman of the Economic Development Committee for three years.

As chairman, he pushed through an ambitious £2m. a

year industrial development programme, including industrial site purchase, preparation, servicing and advance and nursery factory building in the

Tyne and Wear pioneered the Industrial Improvement Area now so prominent in

schemes.

During this time he was also chairman of the North of England Development Council, heavily involved in attracting new industry and encouraging exports. He is pleased to have contributed towards the decentralisation of government offices, the establishment of a regional office of the National Enterprise Board and the winning of the headquar-ters of British Shipbuilders for the North East.

He claims to have raised the level of economic debate in local government largely by hiring government economic experts to beat central government at its own game. "Those were the days of my political baptism of fire," says

in the hothouse of regional politics," a tremendous experience."

It was during this time that Mr Foster got into the habit of an 18-hour working day. Shortly after becoming the Prospective Candidate for Bishop Auckland, he gave up the chairmanship of N.E.D.C. and his Tyne and Wear seat to nurse what is thought to be a "safe" labour seat.

Beautiful

"This must be one of the most beautiful Labour held constituencits in the country," says Mr Foster, "but it stretches from Middleton St. George, beyond Middleton in Tacadala to the Cumbris hor Teesdale to the Cumbria border. You have to cover a lot of ground to be seen in every

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Derek and Anne Foster

and Anne is intensely loyal

Derek's attractive wife, Anne, is a force to be reckoned with in her own right! Although not the height of six pen'orth of copper, she is a Head of House at a large comprehensive school in Sunderland. "Beaneath that sweet, innocent exterior she is as tough as old boots," says her husband. "She has to be to command the respect of some of her eleven stone six foot pupils."

Anne has taught religious education at the same school for 15 years, ever since qualifying at St. Hild's College, Durham. She thinks teaching has become more difficult over that time. "As Head of House I am responsible for the pastoral care of one quarter of the school. Many people seem to be quite unaware of the learning difficulties associated with broken homes and social problems."

Salvationist

Anne is assistant secretary of the Sunderland Association of the National Union of Teachers. She is a past president and past secretary of the association and a past chairman of the Wearside Division.

She enjoys her union activities for the many nationwide contacts, but also because she believes that teachers must fight for the best education service for their pupils. "I have no doubt that without have no doubt that without the strength of the major teachers association, fewer teachers would be employed and schools would have fewer resources."

Anne is an active, uniformed Salvationist, like her husband, and they have both been immersed in brass bands and singing. Her father and

and singing. Her father and brother are brass band fana-tics and when she was younger, with her brother and sister, as the Bulmer Trio, she travelled extensively in Salva-

in London as the special guests of the General.

Mrs Foster is well travelled having been on 5 educational cruises. "Don't let anyone imagine that an educational cruise is a holiday for teachers," she says. "I find it even more demanding than the classroom, but I have been to many places I would not other-wise have visited, Portugal, Tenneriffe, Morroco and Tenneriffe, Morroco

Anne used to be a frequent visiting staff member to the Sunderland Education Authority Outdoor Education Centre by the side of Lake Derwentwater. There she developed a taste for the Lake District, fell walking and rock climbing. "She frightens me to death," says Mr Foster. "I am petrified when 6 feet off the ground."

Anne has grown accustomed to her husband's political activities over the years. "The long days and ceaseless round of meetings are a little wearing, but I do accompany Derek whenever possible and, of course, when in the Dales, we do combine business with pleasure," she

Born and bred in Sunderland, educated in Sunderland and Durham, Anne is intensely loyal to the North East and cannot imagine wishing to live elsewhere. She regards her-self as a Dunelmian and regrets local government re-organisation when Sunderland was taken out of County Dur-

ham.
"I miss my colleagues in the Durham County Association of Teachers," she says.
"They taught me all I know

"They taught me all I know about the N.U.T." "And I learnt a great deal about political tactics by watching my wife's union activities," confesses Mr

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On one occasion in particu-

lar in the Eden Road area we lar in the Eden Road area we had received an emergency call and had got stuck. However about 25 people came out into the blizzard conditions to help us.

I would like those people to know that their action and effort saved human suffering. Yours faithfully,

Alan Herhert.

Alan Herbert, for Aycliffe Ambulance.



Dougle Squires' Second Generation song and dance team, who are appearing shortly at the Civic Theatre, Darlington, in an Easter Spectacular.

PROPOSED SCHEME IS UNFAIR SAYS

"pay-as-you-drive" The "pay-as-you-drive" scheme proposed by the Government to replace vehicle excise licences would be grossly unfair for a high proportion of motorists, the RAC declared today.

Those who paid most in patral tax already contributed

petrol tax already contributed more than low-mileage motorists towards the Government's expenditure for purposes in no

way connected with motoring. In a letter to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Jack Williams, chairman of the RAC's Public Policy Com-mittee, said: "There is no reason why high-mileage motorists — largely using their vehicles for essential purposes — should be expec-ted to contribute more to-wards the Government's ex-

wards the Government's expenditure on such matters as defence and education."

He said it was a fallacy to think that a "pay-as-you-drive" system could be equitable without hypothecation of motor tax income for road expenditure and other ancillary purposes.

More tax
The Government had acknowledged that at least five million owners would pay more tax, but the RAC esti-mated that the final total could be much higher, especially taking into account proposed new registration fees to be charged by the Driver and

Vehicle Licensing Centre.

Mr Williams sald there would be no consolation in suggesting that motorists could purchase vehicles that were more economical in regard to fuel consumption when the market value of the larger cars to be sold would larger cars to be sold would be decreased by the alteration

of the taxation system.

He added that motorists
were paying "more than

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enough" in taxation — about £4,500 million a year with only one tenth being spent on the trunk road system — and made a plea for no increases in the forthcoming budget.

He stressed that the country depended on the use of private road transport

of private road transport, which caters for over 90 per cent of the total land passenger miles (over 230 thousand million passenger miles a year), and pointed out that

any increase of motoring taxes would inevitably have undesirable inflationary effects.

Mr Williams urged the Government to defer plans for the abolition of the Vehicle Excise Duty until all interested organisations had been consulted and the whole scheme had been fully examined by Parliament.

He also called for an assurance that no arrange-ments would be made at this stage which would make it impracticable or inexpedient to revoke the decision to intro-duce the new tax system if it should be rejected by Parlia-

FASTER PILGRIMAGE TO

An Easter Monday pilgrim-age to Durham Cathedral has been planned by Catholic Re-newel in the Church of Eng-land. This pilgrimage will have over 1,500 pilgrims from over 50 parishes in the dio-cese of Durham, Newcastle and Carlisle.

Pilgrims assemble in the Choir School Playing Fields at 10.45 a.m. and will be led a Salvation Army Band along the ancient pilgrim route, over Prebends Bridge, via the South Bailey and Dun

via the South Bailey and Dun Cow Lane, to the Cathedral. After prayers at the Shrine of St. Cuthbert, the Celebrant at the Pilgrim Eucharist will be the Rt. Revd. Alexander Hamilton, Bishop of Jarrow, and the Preacher will be the Rt. Revd. Michael Ramsay, former Bishop of Durham and Archbishop of Canterbury.

A variety of events take place in the afternoon: 11.45 a.m.: Cathedral Eucharist, Preacher Bishop Michael Ramsey, Easter Celebration: The Franciscans and young people.

Franciscans and young people.

2.30 p.m.: The Saints of
Durham, Talk by Mr G. Bonner. Forum with Father Peter Geldard, Organising Secretary of the Catholic Renewal

Movement. The pilgrimage will end with Cathedral Evensong at 4 p.m. Further information from the Revd. Granville Gibson, St. Clare's Vicarage, Newton Avoliffe, Co. Durham. Tel. (0325) 313613.

WORLD-WIDE BROADCAST

More than 400 Mormons in Newton Aycliffe will have a chance to hear the voices of their world leaders on Sunday in a massive international telephone hook-up.

The world general con-ference of the Church of Jesus ference of the Church of Jesus
Christ of Latter-Day Saints —
proper name for the Mormons
— will be underway in Salt
Lake City, Utah, U.S.A., on
March 31st and April 1st.
And on Sunday, April 1st,
one recorded session and one
live session of the conference
will be transmitted from the
famous Mormon Tabernacle

famous Mormon Tabernacle on Temple Square in Salt Lake City to the Latter-Day Saint Chapel on Cargo Fleet Lane, Middlesbrough, where it will be broadcast.

Members of the Church from Newton Avcliffe, led by Bishop Sidney T. Barber, 210 Rowen Place, Newton Aycliffe, will travel to Middlesbrough to hear the broadcast.

Bishop Barber said mem-bers would hear 84-year-old president of the church, Spen-cer W. Kimball, as well as the renowned Tabernacle choir.

Bishop Barber said the con-ference would be broadcast from Salt Lake City to Denver and then to New York, and then relayed either by oceanic cable or by satellite

to London.
From London it would be sent to more than 50 Latter-Day Saint Chapels throughouthe British Isles and broadcastover the public address sys-

tems which are a feature of al Mormon places of worship.

Throughout the world, 155 centres would be receiving the conference in a carefully co-ordinated international places. operation, Bishop Barber said

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Children who took part in a painting competition sponsored by the Trustee Savings Bank, seen collecting their prizes.

Children have turned their local bank branch into an art gallery after a competition for junior schools in the Newton Aycliffe area.
Pupils were asked to paint

pictures of children at play in the contest run by Newton Aycliffe branch of the Trustee Savings Bank North East.

Entries were judged by the Bank's design consultant, Malcolm Hodgson, and the winners and best entries are now on show at the bank in Dalton Way.

There were two age groups for entries — eight to nine and ten to 11. In each case the winner's school received £10 and the winner received a £3 book token. Second prizewinners each received a £2 book token and their

schools were given £5.
There were 170 entries from six schools in the area, and in the end St. Mary's RC Primary School took both first prizes, with Vane Road Junior School taking both of the School taking both of the second place awards.

RETIREMENT

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second place. Four other entrants were given surprise merit prizes and their paintings took pride of place in the exhibition of 40 paintings on show at the bank. They were: Nicola bank. They were: Nicola Brunton, aged 10, of Aycliffe Village School; Stephen Thompson, aged 10, of Vane Road; Petra Harrison, aged 10, of Vane Road; and Paul Barnes, also aged 10, of St.



Angling club news

The match for the Geof Dowson Junior Trophy will be fished on the club lake on Saturday, 16th June, and the Geof Dowson Senior Trophy on the 17th of June.

Both matches are to be fished from 10.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m., peg draw at 9.30 a.m. Both events will be limited to 45 pegs, so first come first served. Names for entry to match secretary, Jack McArdle, 9 Clarence Green, Newton Aycliffe, tel. 313684. The John Bird Trophy will

be fished for on the 11th of August at Fighting Cocks.

Any members not having paid their subs by the 14th March, 1979, ceased to be members after that date, and if wishing to continue as members of the club will have to re-join. Contact the Secretary, Doug Bennett, 55 Welbury Grove, Newton Aycliffe, bury Grove, Newto telephone 315638.

Persons have been reported as fishing the club lake this last week, therefore please note that any person or persons found fishing this lake during the statutory close season will be prosecuted under N.W.A. rules.

The match held at Larting-

ton on 1st April was won by lan Lambert with a perch of

To all election candidates

As our next issue is due out on the 27th of April, just before the elections, we invite all candidates to submit an article of not more than 300 words for publication in Newton News.

As space is limited the articles will be inserted in the order they are received, with no guarantee that all will be published. Copy should reach us by Tuesday, 24th April.

CLASSIFIEDS

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MARRIAGES

WINFIELD — FEARN — On April 7, 1979, at Neville Parade Methodist Church, Margaret Elaine, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs A. Fearn, to John Roger, only son of Mr and Mrs J. F. R. Winfield, of Ellesmere Port.

THANKS

WOULD LIKE TO THANK the Council workers and all volunteers who kept Agnew, the beck and Burnway clear of ice and snow to the town centre. For people like myself who find it difficult to walk in these conditions it was a walk in these conditions it was a great help. Thank you all. Mrs J. Melling, 238 Scott Place.

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FROM 2 Bedroom House, gas cent-ral heating; To 2 Bedroom house with Garage. Rowan Place If pos-sible. Contact 25 Hartley Road.

PUBLIC NOTICES

BOOK & CAKE STALL in Town Centre, on Saturday, April 28th, In aid of the Boys Brigade Danish Fund.

Fund.

BOYS BRIGADE JUMBLE SALE on 7th April has been cancelled.

YOGA CLASSES FOR BEGINNERS in Heighington Village Hall. Tuesdays 8.00 to 9.30 p.m. from 24th April, 1979. And Newton Aycliffe Vane Road Junior School, Wednesdays, 6.30 to 7.30 p.m., from 25th April, 1979. Enquiries to Mrs Gilbert, Gainford 444.

A DAY TRIP TO THE TULIP Festival at Spalding, Saturday, 12th May. Depart St. Clare's 7 a.m., fare £3. Book tour seat now. Send postcard to 21 Luttryngton Court, Byerley Park.

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