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# S.D.C. THINK AGAIN OVER HOUSING SALES

**SEDGEFIELD DISTRICT COUNCIL** are following Government directives, pending legislation, and are considering the sale of Council houses to sitting tenants.

However, there are a few snags to iron out, not least the question of finance and who will give mortgages — and to what extent.

Sedgefield are looking into this aspect and other items which worry them prior to making any decision.

Meanwhile letters have been sent to all tenants asking if they are interested in buying the property they occupy.

This survey will give an indication to the initial response the Council can expect, and give them some idea as to the extra work and staff to administer applications.

If everything goes through smoothly tenants of 20 years can expect the maximum 50 per cent discount on market prices.

It is envisaged that tenants who have resided in their property for 2 to 3 years will

receive a 30 per cent discount and 33 per cent for 3 to 4 years, with an extra 10 per cent for each year of tenancy.

The Government are seeking a ratio of 70-30 in favour of owner occupation.

The national average at the moment is 60-40 in favour.

But in Sedgefield District Council area the trend is reversed — 60-40 in favour of rented Council property. In Newton Aycliffe itself the ratio in favour of Council property is very much higher.

It is quite evident the new town is well out of step and the new legislation will help correct the situation.

Yet our MP, Derek Foster, whilst not against the sale of Council houses to sitting tenants in certain circumstances, warns that the Government plan to sell off large numbers of Council houses at

knockdown prices will leave huge bills to be picked up by the taxpayer, the ratepayer or the Council tenant.

"Only the best Council houses in areas predominantly owner occupied will be sold," he said.

He states that sales will benefit long standing, better-off tenants and that poorer tenants will not be eligible to afford to buy or cope with the total cost of owner occupation.

It is also clear that Sedgefield District Council do not see the sale of houses as a simple matter.

There is no doubt that if Newton Aycliffe rented property was still under the control of the A.D.C. sales would have begun immediately.

Sedgefield insist on treating this issue as a District matter despite the high ratio of Council houses in the town.

It is unfortunate, but this will mean a long delay before those who wish to take advantage of the generous concessions can make any plans.

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## NEWTON NEWS PREVIEW FINE FARE SUPERSTORE

Newton Press were invited to pre-view the new Fine Fare Superstore this week.

Even though the store was not complete it was evident that things would be ship-shape for the big opening next Monday morning.

There was some doubt that the car park would not be ready, but assurances have been given that it will be completed in time to accommodate the thousands of people who will visit the new store. If the car park had not been ready the Fine Fare management admit that chaos would result.

The store is modern, airy and well laid out.

Some commodities have been excluded from the original list of items to be sold, some reduced in quantity, and others, including the sale of wines, beers, etc., postponed. Insufficient room is the main reason for the shortfall in services. "We have found it extremely difficult, and already have achieved much by squeezing a quart into a pint pot," a spokesman said.

There is no furniture on

sale as expected and no cafeteria. Whether they will be introduced at a later date will depend on demand. But shortage of space would mean that something else would have to go to make room.

The food area is immense and there is no doubt that prices are considerably cheaper than supermarkets.

Meat is a particularly good buy and compare with prices paid a year ago.

## Top shop

The supervisor of the Electricity Board shop, Mrs Margaret Jackson, would like to thank the people of Newton Aycliffe for making her branch "Top Shop" for this quarter.

The prize was a fabulous night out at the Dragonara Hotel at Middlesbrough.

Margaret, who has only been at Newton Aycliffe since February, said the staff had all worked very hard to win, and the competition was fierce.

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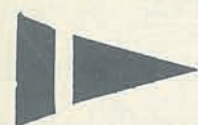
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## **Come and meet Patrick Mower:**

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Be there at 9a.m. to meet him.

### **Win a £1,000 holiday.**

Don't miss out on our super free raffle.  
You could win a £1,000 holiday of your choice or one of many other valuable prizes.  
Just pick up an entry form at the store and fill in your name and address. It's as simple as that.

### **Everything from Soups to Suitcases.**

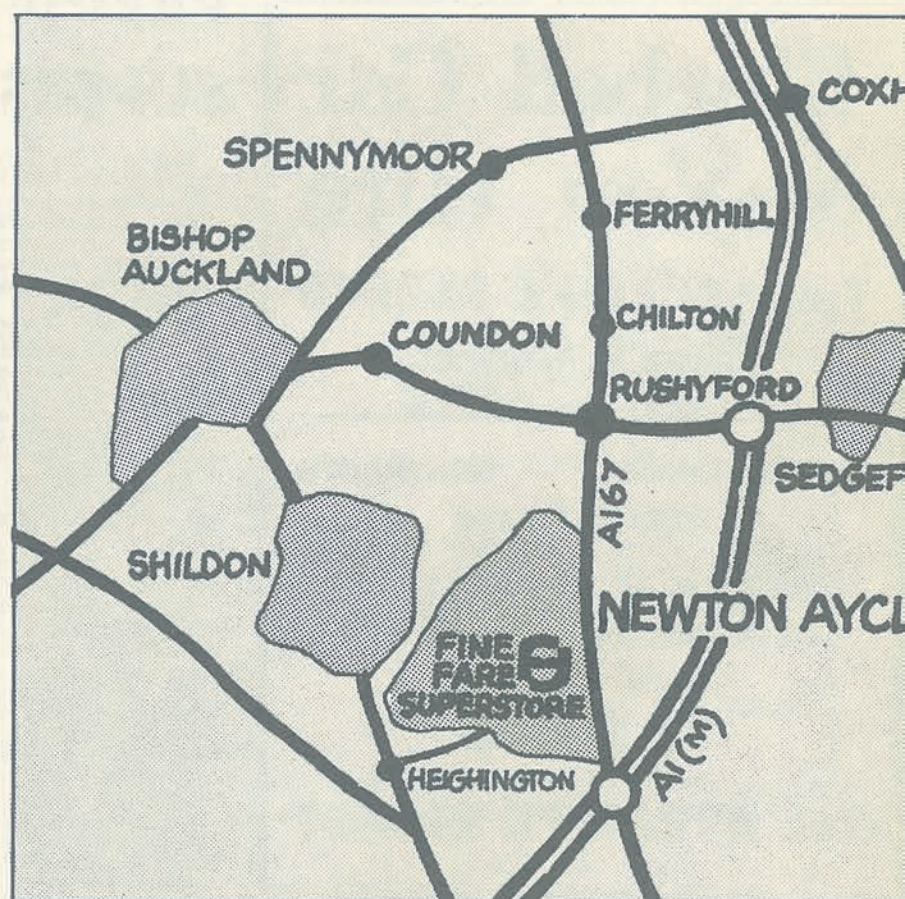
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### **Buses to store.**

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213 from Darlington through Newton Aycliffe to Rushyford Sedgfield (hourly)  
216 from Ferryhill (hourly)  
217 from Ferryhill, West Cornforth, Coxhoe, Bowburn (h



# FINE FARE SUPERSTORE

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# TOO MANY AMATEURS

Almost every region, county, district and new town in the U.K. is competing for industrial investment — yet much of the effort is “in the hands of the first timers and amateurs and badly needs a more professional approach.”

Dennis Stevenson, Chairman of Aycliffe and Peterlee New Town Development Corporations, made the claim in a paper on “The Professional Approach in Inward Investment” at a PTRC seminar at Warwick University recently.

Summarising the rules which ought to govern industrial attraction, Mr Stevenson, whose Corporations promote actively and successfully in the USA, Japan and Western Europe, said:

1. No authority should undertake industrial develop-

ment unless it realises and accepts that it is a long term, multi-million pound commitment.

2. A professional marketing strategy must be established and adopted.

3. Risk-taking people must be hired and given the authority to take what might be politically sensitive decisions.

4. Do not be misled into believing that overseas promotion is more important than dealing efficiently with the contacts coming from the Department of Industry.

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Mr Christopher Needham, the new manager of Fine Fare's Superstore.

# SUPERSTORE BRINGS 170 NEW JOBS

Fine Fare's £2m. superstore opens in Newton Aycliffe on Tuesday, August 21st. The latest in a series of superstore developments, the 26,000 sq. ft. store brings 170 new jobs to the area as well as modern, one-stop shopping facilities with some 16,000 food and non-food lines.

The Fine Fare superstore is a multi-department store, five or six times the size of a typical high street supermarket. It offers the housewife the opportunity of buying her total shopping basket under one roof in clean and pleasant surroundings.

At Newton Aycliffe she will be able to choose from a wide range of quality foods and goods. There is a fresh meat department and fish stall, as well as a whole range of fresh foods, groceries, delicatessen, freezer foods, fruit, vegetables and confectionery. Household goods will be available as well as garden equipment and home improvement products: in fact everything for the home and the family from toys and records to tea services and greenhouses.

As well as offering quality, Fine Fare is able to pass on substantial savings to the customer by bulk-buying for all its superstores in the United Kingdom. The keynote of the store will be low prices without sacrifice to quality.

A great deal of planning goes into the design and operation of Fine Fare stores and the Newton Aycliffe superstore is no exception. Shopping will be made as convenient as possible with 18 checkout desks in the food hall helping the continuous flow of shoppers and free parking space for over 300 cars in the town centre. The superstore will be open from Monday to Saturday from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Saturday and until 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

There are 30 Fine Fare superstores throughout the U.K. and when other developments are completed the company will be the largest superstore operator in the North-East, with stores in Stanley, Peterlee, Darlington, Newton Aycliffe and Hartlepool, providing jobs for over 1,200 people.

### Manager

Mr Christopher Needham, 35, has been appointed General Manager of the new store. He has been with the company for 13 years and was formerly manager at the Tolworth Fine Fare, Surrey. He is married with two children.

"This is my first superstore appointment and an exciting challenge here in the North-East. I look forward to establishing Fine Fare in Newton Aycliffe as a company which identifies with the local community and which can be relied on to offer value for money."

## Aycliffe girl appears in U.S.A. band

A British girl, whose baby-sitting for an American family took her to the United States for a year and to a place in a top marching band, came home to make her farewell appearance with the band.

Debra Boyd, of 6 Ritson Road, appeared with the Lakewood High School Marching Band when they visited her home town on 12th August.



Debra Boyd

Debra was a pupil at the Avenue when Ron McCutcheon came to teach there for a year with his wife, Cath, and two young daughters. She became their regular baby-sitter and the two families became close friends.

"Ron and Cath then invited Debra to spend a year with

them in their home in Cleveland, Ohio," said Mrs Jean Boyd. "It was an opportunity she couldn't let pass."

While in Cleveland, Ohio, Debra began helping out in the Lakewood High School Library and took an interest in their internationally known Ranger Marching Band. She was invited to join them and has made several appearances with them.

The 204 strong band is coming to Britain in August as guests of the Anglo-American Ambassador Marching Swing Band in Redcar. During their visit they will be guests of Eaton Axles, whose world headquarters is in Cleveland, Ohio, and will be appearing in a parade through the streets of Aycliffe and a display in the town park.

"Debra thought she would not be involved with the band because her year in the U.S. was over and she was returning home before the band came across," said Mrs Boyd who, with her husband, an employee of British Rail at Shildon, spent three weeks in Cleveland, Ohio, in July before returning with Debra. "But the band's musical director asked her to join them on their appearances in Britain."

## 25 YEARS FOR GEORGE AND ADDY

George and Adeline Deller who celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary this weekend, have invited the entire staff of a baker's shop to join in the celebrations.

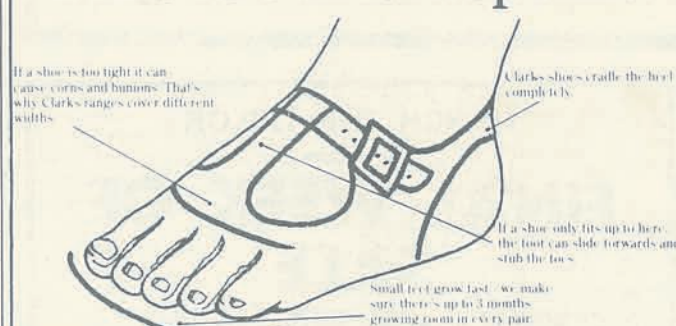
Adeline, or "Addy" as she is known, has worked at the Greggs shop at Beveridge Way, Newton Aycliffe, as a cleaner for over three years. "All the staff at the shop have become firm friends over the years, so George and I thought it would be a nice idea to invite them to our silver wedding party," said Addy.

A total of 18 people from the shop — nine staff and their husbands — have accepted invitations to the celebration, which is taking place at the Newton Aycliffe Recreation Centre.

George and Addy, who live at Denham Place, have two children, Yvonne (23) and Derek (21).

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Newton Aycliffe Junior Cricket team have in their ranks a young man who could make a name for himself in the not too distant future.

Seventeen-year-old Ian Clark has been given the opportunity to take part in trials for Derbyshire County Cricket Club next season.

Ian's talent has not gone unnoticed on the local scene and Darlington RA have asked him to sign on for the coming year.

A prolific wicket taker, Ian made his 50th capture of the season last week in a game against Mainsforth and returned figures of 7 for 35 off 15 overs.

Ian, along with team-mate Stuart Howson, has been selected to play in the Durham County Cricket Festival which starts on Monday, 20th August, and runs for three days.

Aycliffe Juniors meet Etherley in the final of the Bob May Cup on Sunday, August 19th, commencing at 3 p.m.

## BOOK AND POSTER EXHIBITION

The Timothy Hackworth Museum will be presenting two exhibitions in the Soho Engine Shed during the summer.

One of the exhibitions is from the London Transport Collection and consists of posters showing various places of interest in the London area. This exhibition will be on show from 8th August to 30th September, 1979.

The other exhibition is from the Shildon Library and consists of a collection of books depicting early steam transportation around the Shildon area. Some of the books are by local authors which will no doubt be of interest to local historians. This exhibition will be on show from August 22nd to September 30th.

### ARTICLES FOR SALE

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# CLASSIFIEDS

### BIRTHS

**NEWTON** — On July 27th, to Phyllis, darling wife of Keith, a beautiful daughter, Paula Maria Patricia, sister for Victoria. Thanks to staff at Greenbank, Deo Gralias.

### IN MEMORIAM

**OLIVER** — In loving memory of our dear friend, Ethel. Always in our thoughts. Margaret, Kitty and Maureen.

### ENGAGEMENTS

**PARRY-RANDALL** — The engagement is announced between Barbara, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs K. Parry, and Philip, eldest son of Mr and Mrs D. Randall. Congratulations from both families.

### COMING OF AGE

**HUDSON** — Congratulations. Carole, on your 21st birthday. All my love, Malcolm.

**HUDSON** — Congratulations and best wishes, Carole, on your 21st birthday, August 12th. Love from Norma, Rav, Brian, Lynn and Paul.

**BURKE** — Congratulations, Ann, on your 21st birthday. Love from mam, dad, Jean, David and Mary, Andrea and Sandra.

### CONGRATULATIONS

**WAISTELL** — Congratulations, Timothy, on passing your A.N.C.A. (Advanced Certificate in Agriculture). Love, mam, dad, Simon, Gillian and Joslyn. Good luck in your new job.

### THANKS

**THANKS.** I wish to pay tribute to the Matron, Assistant Matron and staff for the efficient and happy way a trip to South Shields from Shaftho House was carried out on Thursday, July 26th, for the residents. An enjoyable meal was provided. The care and attention given is worthy of praise. Coun. Enid Meadows.

**THANKS.** I would like to thank the gentleman who kindly returned my dog's collar on Saturday July 28. Mrs Audrey McDonald, 40 Sharp Road.

### PUBLIC NOTICES

**TEACHER REQUIRES LIFT** from Darlington, Harrogate Hill, to Billingham, arrive approx. 8.30 a.m., commencing September 3. Tel. Darlington 51497.

**LADIES!** Be Hostess at home "Jewellery Parties." Commission good, free gifts given. Ring Aycliffe 317461 after 5.30 p.m.

**JUMBLE SALE** to be held in the new Scout Headquarters, Bluebell Way, on Saturday, 1st September, at 10 a.m. Admission 3p. Please come along. Any donations of good jumble and bric-a-brac, etc., ring Delia Stout, 314205.

**TEACHER REQUIRES LIFT** to Durham or Framwellgate from September. Will share expenses. £1 Deleval Close, Newton Aycliffe.

**BEVERIDGE R.D. & F. SKATING CLUB** will be closed for Summer Holidays during the full month of August. We re-open on Saturday, September 1st, with a public skating session in the Beveridge Hall at 6.00 p.m. All welcome.

**NIGHTLIFE PROMOTIONS** present Country Round-up with the Gibsons, plus Frankie McVay. Pie and Peas Supper, 8 p.m. to 12 Mid-night, Friday, 31st August, in Newton Aycliffe Recreation Centre. Tickets only £1.25. Ring 316920.

### SITUATIONS VACANT

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**FROM** 3-Bedroom Semi, gas central heating, telephone, garden, garage nearby, old part of town; To 2 or 3-Bedroom house with garden, preferably with garage. Box BA1, Newton Press Shop, Town Centre, Newton Aycliffe.

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**FROM** 3-Bedroomed End of terrace, situated in quiet corner of cul-de-sac in older part of town. Gas Central Heating, telephone, and recently decorated throughout; To 3 or 4-Bedroomed Semi-detached, garage, preferably older part of town. Phone Aycliffe 317017 after 6 p.m.

**FROM** 3-Bedroom house, electric central heating, Lounge/Dining Room, sep. Kitchen, 2 W.C.'s, on Westfield Estate; Loftus; To 3 or 4-Bedroom house, Newton Aycliffe. Tel. Guisborough 40293 after 6.00 p.m.

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