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Their aim was to use the premises as a storage and administration centre for donated goods being sent to aid the poorest countries in eastern Europe where children

are suffering and dying from lack of proper nourishment, medicine, clothing, blankets and general care.

But our Town Council objected to the change of use and planning permission was refused. They wanted the building, which has stood empty for years, retained for community use, planning to take it over themselves for a pre-school play group and a drop-in centre for the elderly.

However, after inspecting the property they discovered it could cost as much as £100,000 to bring it up to standard so they scrapped the idea. So, as the building is still

empty and under constant attack from vandals, the Borough Council, who own the premises, have decided it should be demolished with a new gable end erected to the Methodist Church at a cost of £13,500.

It is a crying shame that "Children in Distress" an internationally recognised organisation could not be given the premises to expand their operation from Newton Aycliffe.

Also a shame that no one considered offering them the premises after the Town Council found they didn't have the money for their scheme.

Surely they could have used the building, on a short lease, keeping it warm, insured and maintained, until perhaps, the Council obtained the money for renovation. And the biggest shame of all, as a result of trying to keep the premises for "community use" is the fact that we are now to lose the building altogether!

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Letter to the Editor

"I Certainly Trod on a Few Toes"

Dear Sir,
Wow! Four responses to my letter published in the Newton News, last week.

During the years I wrote for the North of England Newspapers, when I also had my own weekly column Newton Aycliffe News & Views which often included criticism of Aycliffe Development Corporation and the councils, I never got results like this. It is quite gratifying as any columnist will tell you and I find it quite amusing to have got into my mid seventies before inspiring others to respond. I certainly trod on a few toes on this occasion. I have received a courteous reply from Mr Clingan.

I could write reams in reply to the other letters. Suffice it to say, that after 45 years residing in Newton Aycliffe, I am fully aware of the history of the town and it is a long way from Lord Beveridge's dream. Also I am aware of the various organisations that exist and the hard work put into the running of them particularly by the organisers, leaders and committees. Goodness knows, I served on plenty of them in the past. But I never considered it a matter of pride. We are not unique. It was not pride that made me in those early days, defend Newton Aycliffe when it was referred to as an estate. More a matter of putting the record straight. I never mentioned children in my letter, as Mr Clare said, neither did I say the town is dreadful.

We, possibly to a lesser degree than some towns, do have moronic mindless vandals and if Mr Clare interprets that comment of mine, to mean children then it is he, who is being unfair. Whether children or young adults, I appreciate they are thankfully in the minority. Two other things, I am not negative, or bitter. Realistic rather than negative, and sometimes angry at the wanton destruction of the young trees and it is to the councils credit that it doesn't give up in despair. The other thing I

can't resist answering is Mr Clare's comment about his mother's dictum, 'if you don't have anything nice to say, don't say it'. It is obviously a dictum he does not apply to himself. He didn't have anything nice to say about me but it didn't stop him from referring to me in the his first paragraph in mildly vitriolic terms.
Yours sincerely
M. Spark
Woodham

Christmas Concert at Woodham School

Woodham Comprehensive School present a Christmas concert on Thursday 18th December at 7 p.m. The programme will feature various musical groups including the brass band, string orchestra, rock band and the school choir. Tickets are only £2 and £1 for Senior Citizens and Children. Refreshments will be available so have a nice night out with the kids - you will enjoy yourself.

FAMILY SERVICE

There will be a Family Service at St Clare's Church on Sunday 14th December, commencing at 10.30 am. The theme for this month's service is "Jesus Light of the World". A warm welcome is extended to all, but especially Young families, to come and share in this short informal all-age service. Refreshments will be available in the hall afterwards to which everyone is invited.

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Although Ramsays might suffer MOT competition their car sales could be helped with another outlet close by as it should attract more people to the area by giving the buyer a wider choice.

The site for the new garage is on part of "Just Seating" land which is part of the Croxdale Motors Group. Mr. David Atkins told Newton News he was just waiting for planning approval before starting to build, but expected to be up and running by next Spring.

"Nearer the time we will be recruiting local people to join the staff of this new enterprise" said David.

Simply Christmas

St Clare's Church are holding a "Simply Christmas" event in the Church Hall on Saturday 6th December, from 10.00am to 12 noon.

On sale will be gifts, toys, novelties, crafts, cards, bottle stall, tombola, home-made cakes and puddings. Bring the children to see Father Christmas and do your Christmas shopping, then relax with a cup of coffee or tea and a mince pie.

Admission is free. Proceeds are for the Parish Development Fund.

Weather Spoils Sale

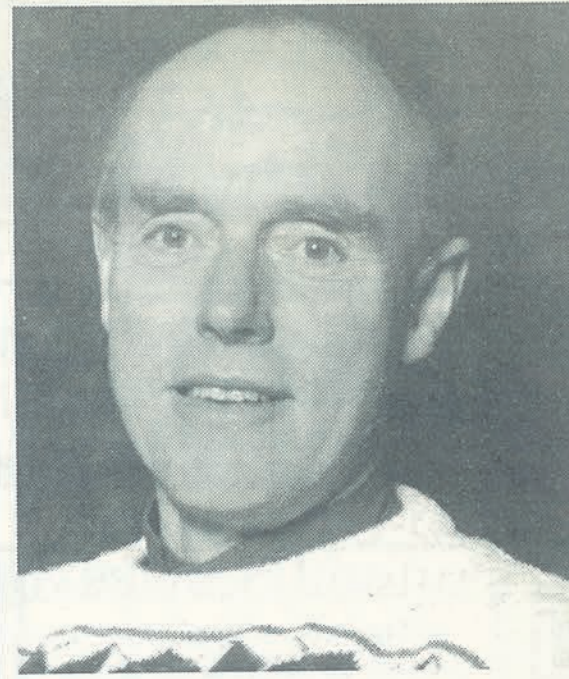
Bad weather affected attendance at the Youth Centre Table Top Sale last Saturday. But organiser, Peter Beatty, is not too downhearted and is planning another for the new year.

He thanks all those who supported the event and in particular Fujitsu who donated £50 to the fund which aims to provide improved access and new toilets for disabled visitors to the centre.

Thanks also to John Caygill who provided transport for the tables borrowed from the Oak Leaf Sports Complex and Harold Garratt for invaluable help.

A total of £286.45 was raised and the Youth Centre Management Committee are extremely grateful to Peter Beatty for all the hard work he put in to this event and the money he has raised for their appeal.

Meet the New Rector of Great Aycliffe Parish



THE REV. BILL BROAD is the new Rector of Great Aycliffe Team Ministry and is living at St. Clare's Vicarage.

He was born 1940 in Essex, educated at St. Andrews University. He married Daphne in 1962. They have three children: Elizabeth, Mark and Simon and Grandparents to Alex, Chloe and Jack. Bill was Ordained into the Church of England in 1966 and became Curate at Ecclesfield from 1966 - 1969.

He was a Prison Chaplain (Assistant at Wormwood Scrubs - the Albany Isle of Wight and then Risley Remand Centre) 1969 - 1976. Vicar and later Rector of the Ditton Team ministry - Diocese of Liverpool 1976 - 1983. Built two Churches one shared C of E Roman Catholic, one C of E - Methodist.

He was appointed Priest in Charge of Mayland and Steeple whilst initiating and later running the Cirdan Sail Training Trust (Ta Ships) in the Diocese of Essex. This was a seven year contract (1983 - 91).

Before coming to Newton Aycliffe Bill was Vicar of Blackhall Diocese of Durham while initiating and running the Faramir Sail Training Trust out of Hartlepool. (1991 - 1997). Came ashore finally in September 1997.

From Bill...

"I have always believed that the purpose of the Church is to be signpost pointing the way to the Kingdom of God and a support and encourager of those who are seeking the Kingdom. As can be seen from the above less than half my ministry has been spent in conventional Parish Ministry. In Prison work and in sea training I tried to find and get alongside the more unfortunate members of our society and help them establish contact with the kingdom.

I have (since 1959) been a firm believer that Socialism and Christianity had much to give to one another and was for many years a supporter of Keswick College - a research institution in religion in Communist lands - becoming Chairman of its managing council for four years and visiting the Soviet Union and Communist China in 1981. With more or less enthusiasm since, have supported the Labour party for nearly 40 years. I believe that clergy should work together in groups or teams and so I was interested and then enthusiastic when Granville Gibbs (Archdeacon of Auckland) asked me on behalf of the Bishop of Durham to become Rector of Gt. Aycliffe.

I am on a five year contract and due to retire in 2005. It will be up to the Parish to decide whether they wish to extend my stay and up to me to be well enough to say yes if asked."

Bill Broad

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UNDER ELEVENS MEET TOP TEAM

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Last Sunday, Aycliffe Under 11's travelled to Middlesbrough and encountered a very skilful Marton side challenging for the 1st Division title.

The lads started well enough on a very large pitch and Anthony Ross narrowly failed to finish off a great through ball from skipper Matthew Dodds in the first 2 minutes. Marton's skills soon took their toll however and despite goalkeeper Scott Roscher's heroics between the posts and Kyle Summersby's goal-line clearance, the goals flowed at regular intervals to give the home side a 4-0 half-time lead.

Two quick goals conceded straight after the interval caused team coach Alan Johnston to introduce all his substitutes in an attempt to stem the flow of goals. This worked fine until the home side scored 3 late goals in the final 5 minutes with some fine flowing football.

Kyle Allen took the 'man of the match' award with Andrew Richardson a close second but the lads can have no complaints about the result, well beaten by a side with players on the books of both Middlesbrough and Manchester United.

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Every 10-15 years the electoral arrangements of Councils are looked at - this review covers the number of Councillors, the boundaries of the areas (wards) which Councillors represent and the names of these wards. A review of the Sedgefield Borough area started on 14th October and the Borough Council has drawn up draft proposals which affect its own electoral structure, as well as those of some of the Town and Parish Councils in the area. These draft proposals can be seen at the Council Offices in Spennymoor during normal office hours, until Friday, 19th December.

If any individual or organisation requires any further information about the review or the draft proposals they should contact the Council on (01388) 816166, Ext. 4304. Any comments on the proposals should be sent in writing to the Council by no later than Monday, 22nd December.

For further information please contact Geoff Wilde (Borough Secretary) or John Turnbull at Sedgefield Borough Council on (01 388) 816166.

Parking Ticket for Disabled Man's 5 minute Bank Visit

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I can only manage up to 100 yards so I took a place near 3 other vehicles, at a safe place near the court entrance.

After only 5 minutes at the bank I returned to find the warden making out a parking ticket for my car, but not the other three who had been there longer.

Despite my explanation she issued the ticket advising me to write a letter and saying I would probably not be fined. It now appears I will face the fine and feel, out of principle, I should go to court to protest. Has anyone else had this problem I wonder?

Yours sincerely
"Disabled"

Name & Address supplied

RUGBY NEWS

Newton Aycliffe 19
Darlington RA 7

A fantastic result for the Town's only Rugby Club. With a full side Aycliffe scored 3 great tries, also making other scoring opportunities some tries being disallowed.

Darlington RA are in a Division above and have been one of the County's senior Clubs. While they have struggled this season they came through with a strong rucking side which looked if it would dominate the game in the first ten minutes.

Aycliffe had no second row players available and Geoff Dixon and Mike Nolan stood in. Initially Aycliffe struggled in the scrummage and line out, but made the best of their resources to score the first try through Neil Shaw look-alike! R.A. responded quickly with a try under the posts making it 5-7 at half time.

In the second half Aycliffe had more commitment and played with increasing belief-far better in the loose, with control in the scrum and line out. Forwards and backs linked well and there was a glut of tries, but adjudged to be forward passes.

RA were denied good ball and looked less and less like scoring. Aycliffe finally got the tries they deserved in the last five minutes. The team have asked that Peter sheen's name does not appear in this week's report.

Thanks to sponsors Great Lakes.

FAMILY XMAS SING-ALONG

Don't forget to get to the Leisure Centre early for the Town's Community Christmas Concert on Sunday afternoon, 14th December from 2.30 - 4pm.

Come along and sing-along with our Town Band and the Woodham Youth Choir. It promises to be a great afternoon with plenty of opportunities for you to sing your favourite Christmas songs and carols and also listen to items presented by our schoolchildren.

Watch out for the newly formed Junior Section of the Town Band - the youngest member of which is only 6 years old!

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Richard Cooke (left) with his fiancée Karen and Roger Adcock, Sales Assistant

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Richard Cooke, the owner, comes from West Auckland and works with his fiancée Karen in the shop. They will be married next year. Richard is the son of an ex REME soldier and was born in Malta while the family was resident there in Army married quarters.

Richard is a member of the T.A. Medical Corps at the Barnard Armoury. He is hoping Newtonians will support his first venture into business.

£30,000 to Pull Down Flats

The Borough Housing Committee agreed this week to demolish the St. Godrics Road flats and tenders are being sought for the work which will include landscaping the area afterwards at an estimated cost of £30,000.

The 3 storey premises which includes 16 bedsits was closed some years ago, following noise and misuse by the occupants who were mainly young single people. Different uses for the property have been discussed, including specialist care for a wide range of clients, but the building is considered unsuitable for conversion.

CIVIC CAROL SERVICE

The Mayor of Great Aycliffe, Councillor Mrs. Sarah Iveson, will hold her Civic Carol Service on **Sunday 14th December, 1997** in St Mary's R.C. Church, Newton Aycliffe at **6.00pm**.

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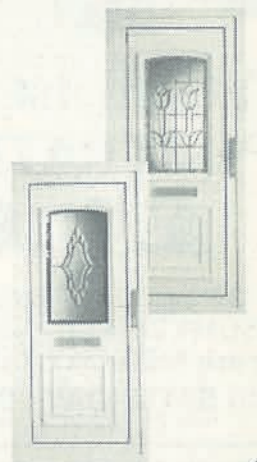
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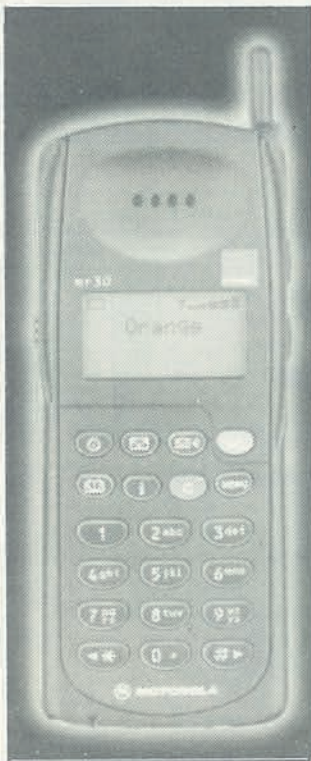
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Aycliffe Bowlers in Next round of Denny Cup

The men's inter club ended in a win for Aycliffe with 99 shots to Gateshead's 96, picking up 7 points out of a possible 12. The Vets inter club against Spennymoor ended with Aycliffe picking up all 5 points. The Ladies Yetton Trophy against Darlington resulted in a win for Darlington. The men's second game in the Denny Cup was against Thornaby, ending in a win for Aycliffe. This took them through to the fourth round when they met Shildon. After a hard game with many dead ends, Aycliffe emerged as victors. This victory takes Aycliffe through to the eighth round of the Denny Cup on Saturday, 13 December 1997 against Cumbria. After their win of 197 shots to 57 shots over Houghton le

Spring in the second game of the competition the men and women will join forces in the Egham Trophy to play Darlington on Sunday, 14 December 1997.

15yr old Town Boxer Takes British Title

On 23rd November in Rochdale, Craig Moir fought for the British IAMTF Junior Thai Boxing title. Craig fought four rounds winning each convincingly. He demonstrated superior skill and stamina counter-attacking his worthy opponent at every opportunity. 15 year old Craig is trained by Sean Dooney Jnr. who instructs juniors in the camp. This is the first Junior title in the Club and more are expected. The Club trains at Greenfield Meeting Hall on Monday and Thursday evenings from 6 - 7 pm for Juniors and 7-8 pm for Seniors. If you are interested please come along - everyone is welcome.

Woodham Burn Juniors Report . . .

On Thursday November 27th class 7&8 visited the Hindu Temple at Newcastle. When we arrived we were asked to take our shoes off and put them on a rack. We walked in and we were totally amazed, there was a red carpet with a plastic sheet running up the hall for you to walk on. There were loads of decorations hanging from the ceiling. There were sections in the room where there were marble deities dressed in magnificent clothes with sequins all over. There were many pictures on the walls, drawn by children and adults. There was a man called Mr Addri he told us all about Hinduism and he answered all of our questions. We all had one last look around and a few children took some pictures. Then Mrs Hope led all of the children around the back of the displays - which is a mark of

respect. As we came round Mr Addri gave everybody a sweet and we then returned to Newton Aycliffe. We learnt a lot from our trip and thoroughly enjoyed ourselves. Reported By Samantha Mitchell Woodham Burn Junior School Year 6 Class 8

TOWN BAND MAKE GOOD PROGRESS

Aycliffe and Brancepeth Brass Band competed in the Camerons Brass Band Competition held at Hartlepool and came a creditable 5th with 166 points. What pleased the Band about their performance was that they included five young players in their first competition, two aged eleven

two twelve and one fifteen year old. The band was still able to compete strongly against more mature bands and the experience will give them extra confidence next time. Members of the band will be accompanying Rotarians on the annual carol singing around the Residential Homes in the town over Christmas.

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Learning About Safety

At the Aycliffe Centre for Children, my group went first to the Police room to talk about drugs with P.C. Smith. Mainly we talked about alcohol and tobacco. In our second room we talked with a paramedic about a man knocked over by a car and the paramedic asked us what we should do. Scott Adams had to dial 999 and tell the Ambulance Service where to go. At the third room we talked about the Community Force and about strangers. Everyone got tricked at the start and we thought the message was from a helper of their's. In the fourth room we talked with the St. John's Ambulance Brigade about how to save a life if someone was unconscious. The fifth room was with the Fire Brigade and we learnt how to get out of a house safely if it were on fire. In our final room we talked about how electricity can jump and how dangerous it can be if we are not sensible. Kyle Summersby, Class 8, Year 6

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goes by without you, the days
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holds a million memories,
sometimes it seems a lifetime,
sometimes just a day. But in
my heart, thoughts of you are
never far away. Your
everloving wife, Mena XX
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memory of our dear Uncle,
loved and missed always,
Niece Mena, Joe and family
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thoughts of times together,
bring memories with love that
lasts forever. Sadly missed,
dear friend Mena Collinson
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memory of a dear Dad and
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Toni
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lives and taken away so
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saw you smile or open your
eyes, never hear you say your
first word or take your first
steps, we really miss all this
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force on October 1st will give
extra protection to those
who suffer violence in the
home. According to the
SFLA, more people will be
able to have violent partners
arrested more easily for
breach of court orders, and
that's a good step forward.
The new legislation - Part
IV of the Family Law Act
1996 - tidies up the "hotch
potch" of legislation
designed to protect those at
risk from domestic violence.
It also makes it easier for
women to stay with their
children in the home. Under
the new law, for the first
time a court can also order
the absent partner to pay
household bills.
The SFLA welcomes the new
law but warns that it still
leaves certain groups with
less guaranteed protection.
In particular, some
unmarried couples are treated
differently by the new law.
"Thankfully we have
overwhelmingly sensible
judges who may not
discriminate in practice, but
it does leave the risk that an
unmarried woman may have
to take more of a beating
before she can force her
violent partner out of the
home," says Christine
Pickwell.
The SFLA, which has over
4000 members, promotes the

idea of adopting a
conciliatory approach to
family law issues such as
divorce and separation.
"That doesn't mean we take
a soft line especially where
domestic violence is
concerned," says Christine
Pickwell. "The problem is
widespread and spans all age
ranges and social classes.
Anyone facing abuse or
violence from a partner
should seek immediate legal
advice to seek protection. A
court order can be obtained
within 24 hours. "
Details of local SFLA
solicitors, a copy of the
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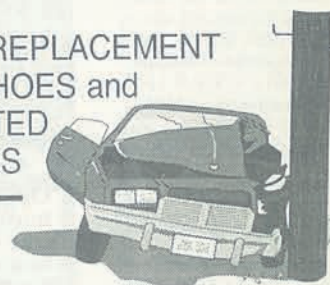
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