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## Wilson gets the Telford message

### Blasting firm writes to residents

Residents on the Hills Lane Estate at Madeley have received a letter from the contractors who are building the Tweedale Valley Sewer which is passing close to the estate.

For a few months now C. W. Buchan and Company Ltd., have been blasting the tunnel, which will eventually carry the majority of the surface water from the southern area of Telford New Town. Recently this blasting has brought protests from residents on the estate and local councillors.

In a letter to the residents, Mr. D. B. Parkes, agent for Buchan's says "We are writing to keep you personally informed of the developments going on beneath your feet. At present we are tunnelling around the edge of Hills Lane Estate. We shall not be directly beneath anyone's house, although we shall pass quite close.

"The ground at present in the tunnel is much harder than was initially expected, and we are having to use explosives more extensively than was once thought. This does not mean there is any danger to lives

### Time flies

Eleven clocks valued at £130 were stolen from Mr. Cawthorne's jewellers shop at New Street Oakengates early on Sunday. The thieves smashed a window to take the items which included two Schatz eight day brass carriage clocks six 400 day brass dome clocks; a 400 day brass and black dome clock; an eight day Hamilton brass clock and one battery clock, Hamilton brass oval.

or property on the surface although you will feel a rumble which may well make your windows rattle now and again.

## I'd like to help but I can't - M.P.

Wrekin M.P. Mr. Gerry Fowler told the Observer on Saturday that the issue of whether or not he can help the residents of Sutton Hill, Madeley, has arisen once again.

"I understand that the secretary of the local residents' association has suggested that I might try to show a little more interest in what the association is seeking to do.

I have in fact a great interest in the aims and the efforts of the association. But this is a suitable moment to emphasise yet again that Sutton Hill, Madeley, Ironbridge, and Coalbrookdale are not within my constituency of The Wrekin, but are part of the Ludlow constituency, the Member for which is Mr. Jasper More.

This may or may not be silly; personally, I believe that it is, and

The Sutton Hill deputation's trip to London on Monday was "well worth while" said the chairman Mr. Edward Boyd yesterday.

He told the Observer they spent an hour discussing Telford problems with Mr. Gerry Fowler, MP, who saw them because Mr. Jasper More MP was not available. Mr. Boyd said "Mr. Fowler told us the Government was well aware of the problems, and said he would do what he could".

Mr. Boyd said at first the deputation were not allowed into the House of Commons and he had "to do quite a bit of talking" before they managed to contact Mr. Fowler.

In Downing Street the deputation was not allowed to show their placards but they handed in the letter for Mr. Wilson as planned.

### Parking pleas rejected

Wellington Urban Council will be asked tonight not to agree with a suggestion by the newly formed local Chamber of Commerce for free parking for two hours on Thursdays and Saturdays.

The Chamber had stated this would encourage a more rapid flow of traffic, but the Council committee think the present parking charges are reasonable and the facilities adequate. They are not convinced that the Chamber's suggestion would encourage more rapid flow of traffic, and it would also involve complications in the timing of vehicles. "They have therefore decided not to agree to the request."

The Committee have also dedicated to take no action on the Chamber's suggestion for more temporary car parks, including a site in Walker Street already cleared for eventual use as a Government office.

The committee has told the Clerk to point out that the free car park at Wrekin Road is rarely full on Thursdays and Saturdays. As a result of surveys the Council have been able to plan each year for the estimated increase in parking needs.

have long said that the boundary of the two constituencies should be the river. But I cannot operate on the basis of what ought to be the case, but only on the basis of what is the case.

In the first place, I have 60,000 electors (meaning perhaps 100,000 constituents) of my own to look after. My duty is to them. In addition to my work as Junior Minister at the Ministry of Technology I send out an average of about 100 letters a week on the affairs of my constituents. If I were to start meddling in the affairs of other constituencies, this would inevitably, for reasons of time if no other, mean that I would have to neglect or defer the

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PRIME MINISTER Mr. Harold Wilson had a letter from Sutton Hill on Monday telling him Telford New Town could be a "swinging place" if the Government gave it more help.

This was stated in a letter handed in at 10, Downing Street by a deputation from the Sutton Hill Residents Association, after eight members had first visited the House of Commons.

The letter to Mr. Wilson stated, "We urge your Government to seriously consider the following points to ease the situation at Telford New Town:- More efforts by the Government to get sizeable industries into Telford; Government help to reduce the rents until there is a satisfactory employment situation in the area; Development Area status for Telford; Government help to provide day nurseries and to ease the plight of old age pensioners and people in receipt

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Members of the Sutton Hill residents Association, set off for London from Wellington station.

### NEW TOWN MANAGER MOVES

"Rewarding and frustrating" was how Mr. Robert Penrhyn Owen described to an Observer reporter the job as General Manager of Telford Development Corporation he is shortly giving up to take another post.

Mr. Owen organised the build up of the Corporation staff by starting in a Birmingham office with only a table, chair, notebook and pencil in 1963. He has supervised its growth to its present 300-plus in the huge offices in Priorslee Hall.

At the end of April Mr. Owen, who lives at Lyth Hill, Shrewsbury,

### INFORMAL CHAT.

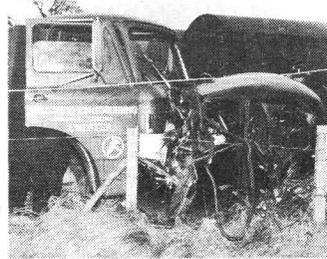
Sir Frank Price chairman of Telford Development Corporation is meeting Wellington Urban Councillors on February 11th for an informal talk about the new town.

A corporation spokesman told the Observer "Now that the new town has been extended to include Wellington, Sir Frank is anxious to get to know the local councillors. This will be an opportunity to have a general chat about the future."

is taking up the appointment of secretary, chief administrative officer and solicitor to the River Thames Conservancy, which carried a maximum salary of £7,160.

Before coming to the new town Mr. Owen was second deputy clerk of Lancashire County Council.

Asked why he was leaving the Corporation, Mr. Owen said "I am going to a better job".



### INQUEST OPENED

Mr. Leslie John Jones (20), of 20, Cliff Crescent, Ellerdine, died instantly when the car he was driving on Thursday afternoon was in collision with a lorry at Crudgington.

Mr. Jones, who was chairman of Ellerdine Youth Club, was a machine operator at the Milk Marketing Board creamery at Crudgington.

He was trapped in the car in the crash, and heavy lifting gear had to be called to free it from the lorry also involved.

The lorry driver, Mr. Brian Wynn, (30), of Victoria Road, Saltney, Chester, was not hurt.

An inquest was formally opened at Donnington on Saturday.

### No one argues with the vicar

No one in the congregation of about 50 at Dawley Parish Church on Sunday morning accepted the invitation of the Vicar to interrupt him during his sermon.

And afterwards the Vicar, the Reverend Bob Wayte told an Observer reporter he was "a bit" disappointed although he had not really expected any interruptions the first time he had mentioned the matter.

He added "I will try it as an experiment for a month."

The Vicar did not go into the pulpit give his sermon, but stood in the church. He told the congregation he was not averse to being interrupted. People could go up to him and say they did not agree with him, or stand up in their pews.

He said "Please don't be afraid to speak up if there is something in the sermon you disagree with or something you want further explanation on. Perhaps we can get away from this idea that the Vicar is six feet away from contradiction when he is in the pulpit."

Mr. Wayte said he would not preach from the pulpit because it would not be so intimidating as if he were up there.

In his address he dealt with the Question of Christian unity and referred to the importance of the first meeting of the Dawley Christian Council at the Town Hall tonight, when various church bodies will be represented.

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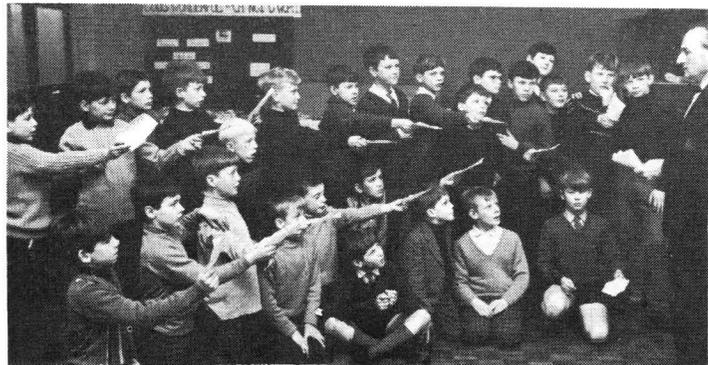
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The 1st Oakengates Boys Brigade held a party at St. George's Methodist Schoolroom on Saturday. Party games were led by Mr. Withington.



Wellington and District Society for Mentally Handicapped Children held a party on Saturday.



Some of the children at Dawley Methodist Church Sunday School party line up for the camera.

## Safety win



A team from Dawley Urban District Council won the Dawley Accident Prevention Council eliminating round for the Colmore Depot Trophy and £100 cash prize.

The winning team will now go forward to compete with other district winners at Shrewsbury and the county's winning team will compete together for the Midland title with other winning county teams from Herefordshire, Warwickshire, Worcestershire, and Staffordshire.

The Colmore Depot Trophy and £100 cash will be awarded to the top team.

At the eliminating round held by

Dawley Pastoral Centre on Friday the results were Dawley U.D.C. team 108 points; Ever Ready 100½ pts; Pastoral Centre 100; Dawley U.D.C. 90½; Dawley Conservative Ladies Coffee Club 84½ pts.

Inspector Morris of Wellington said that he was very pleased with the high standard of answers given and said these showed the teams were conscious of road safety.

The Colmore Depot Road Safety Quiz is run in conjunction with ROSPA.

Pictured are the winning team receiving a trophy from Councillor George Chetwood, chairman of the accident prevention council.

# Junior Observers' Club notes...

## The water seller



A water seller doing a brisk trade in Marrakech.

HELLO, I'M BACK; And very nice to be back, too. I think I must be a homey sort of person. What a difference in everything, particularly the weather, but never mind, it is nice to be home again.

Did I tell you about the flight? I don't think I did, not that it was very exciting, but what I wanted to tell you about was the sudden and beautiful glimpse we had of the French Alps peeping up through the clouds. I never thought we would have taken off, the weather being what it was.

It was foggy and freezing but the plane just soared up through it all, then suddenly we were in brilliant sunshine and we seemed to be floating on a bed of cotton wool. After some hours of flying somebody gave a shout and we all looked through the windows, and there it was some jagged pieces covered with snow pushing up through the clouds.

Soon the clouds cleared away and we had the most wonderful view of a range of mountains with their tops covered with snow, then as we lost

coming. The people were all short and sturdy and not as handsome as I had thought.

Granada was not short of water, it was teeming with rain. It was also cold, as it is nearly five thousand feet up. We had a lovely morning seeing the beauty spots of Granada which included the Moorish Alhambra and Alcázar, the Lion's Court and the Arabic towers and gardens. They were certainly not short of water there as King Ferdinand had spent a lot of money in his day having water piped to his palace.

There were fountains playing everywhere and it was all very beautiful.

I expect quite a few of you have been to Southern Spain and seen all those things yourselves.

Before I finish I must tell you about the Bedouin Arabs. We saw quite a lot of them around their little black tents and rounding up their flocks.

They never till the ground because they are forever on the move and they look very picturesque in their flowing robes. I wish I could have a picture of them but we always seemed to see the best things when we were on the move.

### NEW MEMBERS

Hello and a very warm welcome to:-

Shirley Anne and Jayne Rose-Marie James of 9, Deer Park Road, Wellington.

There is a lovely picture of them, I ought to have a beauty parade of all the pretty girls I have in my Club.

### BIRTHDAYS

A very happy birthday to:- Jayne Rose-Marie James whose birthday was on the 20th. Jayne was four.

Mark Edward O'Brian who will be nine on the 25th.

Karen Fox of Coalbrookdale. She will be five on the 27th.

Have a good time, you lucky people.

It is high time I caught up with some of the letters sent to me. First a letter from Sandra Newsome who asks me about my holiday. Yes it



SHIRLEY AND JAYNE JAMES

height we saw the valleys and a town and a tiny sparkling river then suddenly we are over the sea and dropping as we circled.

We landed in Malaga in warm sunshine. We wondered what to do with our warm coats but there was a coach waiting for us with our courier and we were glad to put them on the rack. The journey to Granada was a revelation.

On the low land there were growing the crimson starry poinsettias and the glowing hibiscus and there were jacaranda trees and date palm trees everywhere.

When we started climbing we saw olive trees even on the mountainsides, where the Spaniards had made little terraces. They never wasted a foot of ground and I never saw a tree growing that didn't grow fruit or something useful.

We saw the women washing their clothes in the streams and I would have liked to have taken a photograph of them. Spain seems to be very short of water except among the mountains.

The women were entirely in black even their heads, and the young girls and children, all wore thick black stockings which were not at all be-

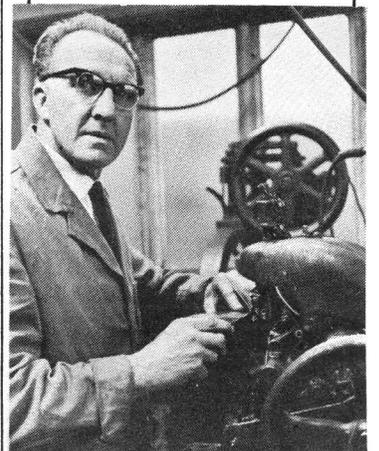
was funny wearing summer clothes at Christmas, but the funny thing was we hardly thought of it being Christmas because apart from our party nobody else celebrated it.

Mind you, the proprietor of the hotel opened bottles of champagne and everybody had a present by their plate and we had parties of our own in our rooms. Fancy finding snowdrops in your garden, the only ones I ever see are in the shops and I haven't seen those yet. What a lovely lot of presents you had. Thank you or the recipe for making ginger crunch, I will make some, but if I find myself putting on more weight I shall blame you. I do hope you get on all right with your French, if you can speak that you can go almost anywhere.

Now a letter from our new girls Shirley and Jayne James. They tell me that they have four pets, a dog, a cat, a fish and a budgie. How's that for being animal lovers. Jayne is very fond of horses and she hopes that one day she will have one of her very own. Shirley is fond of reading and drawing but she is only five so when she is older she will be able to enter an art class. That will be nice, won't it Shirley? I must leave the others till next week.

Time to go. Mind you all begood, but not too good or we will wonder what you are up to. Don't forget the coupon below — not you, your friends I mean. Tell them to fill it up in block letters and then they can join our Club. We will return any photos that you send, so don't forget. Love to you all, your old friend, AUNTIE JOY.

## FAMILY BUSINESS CLOSING



The end of February will see the closing down of one of the oldest businesses in Wellington — Edward Corbett and Son, boot making and repairing, High Street. "It's a shame to finish, but I feel I'm due for a rest," said Mr Edward Corbett.

His wife, Mrs E. J. Corbett, runs a guest house and fish and chip restaurant in King Street, Dawley. Mr Corbett told The Observer, that the business has been in the Corbett's family for over 100 years. Their High Street premises used to be a grocery shop years ago. His father, the late Mr Edward Corbett, started the business in Park Street, when he was a lad. It was moved to High Street over 50 years ago. "Helping my father at Park Street for a number of years, was my grandfather, the late Mr William Corbett," said Mr Corbett, who has been in the trade for 40 years, starting as an apprentice with his father. Mr Corbett was in partnership with his brother, Mr Ernest Corbett, until Ernest died just over 12 months ago. "Now I feel I don't want to carry on," said Mr Corbett. His eldest brother, the late Mr. Harold Corbett, who died in 1932, made a pair of miniature Army boots at the age of 12, and these are now kept at Mr. Edward Corbett's home. "Repairing now is not like it used to be years ago," said Mr Corbett, pointing out that it was a dying trade, due mostly to the introduction of plastic and moulded shoes.

## Accident

A report last week that Mr. Geoffrey Pichen of 4 Reynolds House, Ketley had been involved in an accident should have stated that the accident occurred on January 5.

## MALINSLEE M.U.

At the meeting last Tuesday, the Rev. Morgan Williams conducted the service and gave the address. Mrs. B. Hollis read the business notices and the teas were served by Mrs. W. Felton, Mrs. A. Bryce and Mrs. Janet Powell. The hyacinth bulb competition was won by Mrs. N. Maiden.

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Members of the committee of Wellington Y.M.C.A. Ladies Auxiliary who held their annual dinner in the Charlton Hotel, Wellington on Wednesday, January 15. Pictured (left to right) are: Mrs. C. Rose, Miss G. Mabin, Mrs. E. Richards, Mrs. M. Harris, Mrs. B. Carr and Mrs. H. Pointon.

## POOR RESPONSE TO T.W.G.

TELFORD Development Corporation's community relations officer at Sutton Hill, Mr John Britton, has been concerned with the problems of women who follow their husbands to new towns.

He played a leading part in the formation of the Sutton Hill Ladies Group and watched the formation of the Sutton Hill Women's Institute and now he is disappointed by the response to the formation of an afternoon Townswomen's Guild.

A meeting to discuss the formation of a T.W.G. was held at the Community Centre last week and only 18 women attended.

Mr. Britton told me afterwards: "I had about 10 enquiries from women who wanted to see an afternoon meeting and I am disappointed that those women didn't come."

He said posters had been put up and leaflets distributed so they had no excuse for not know-

ing about the meeting.

The meeting decided that a T.W.G. should be formed and that three meetings should be held to try and get the 35 members needed to form a branch.

The women at the meeting also expressed interest in the running of a toddlers group at the same time as the meetings to enable mothers with young children to attend.

Mr Britton said he hoped to see more women at the next meeting, which will be held at the Community Centre at 2 p.m. on February 11.

Area organiser for the T.W.G., Miss I. Ireland, spoke to the women about the Townswomen's Guild.

Mrs. Phillips helps to carry a container of meals from Dawley Central Kitchens, where they are cooked, to the van.



## Pensioner helps deliver meals

DAWLEY meals-on-wheels service is still "desperate" for helpers to help deliver meals to old folk in the area.

Mrs Dora Phillips, who is the W.R.V.S. Dawley and District meals-on-wheels organiser, told me on Thursday: "We hope to try and keep the service going, but it is difficult."

She said that at the moment they had six people who helped take out meals to 40 old people on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

One of the helpers is old age pensioner Mrs G. Owen, of Moor Road, Dawley. "We have to get a lot more support. At the moment there are only about six ladies helping, and the Dawley vicars and ministers are also

helping us," she said.

Once a month Mrs Mary Breese travels from Lilleshall to help take out the meals in Dawley and she said: "It is rather unusual that an old age pensioner and a person from Lilleshall should be taking out meals for Dawley."

"We have got to keep going and we are anxious to get more helpers," added Mrs Breese.

Last Spring I joined Mrs Phillips to look in on her round of delivering meals and chatting to old folk, and found that the sight of the dark green W.R.V.S. van is both familiar and pleasant to many old people.

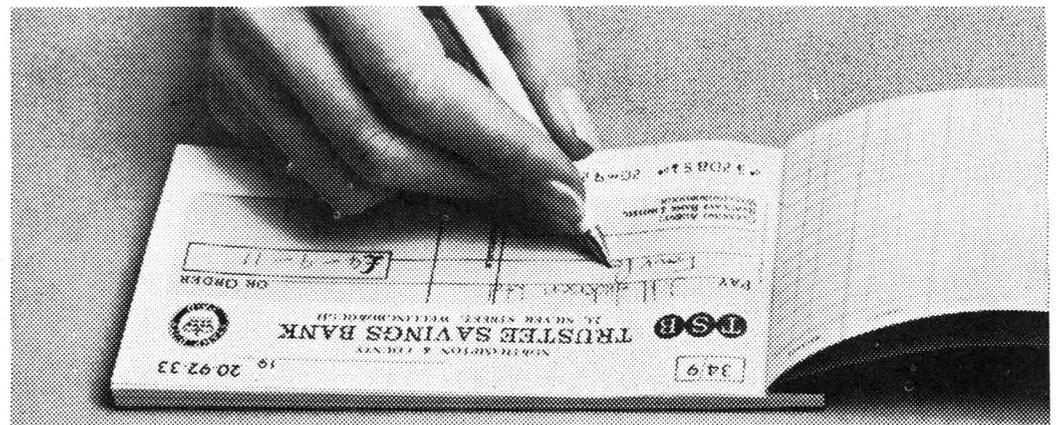
One of the old people we visited then told me: "This is the finest thing ever done for old people and we couldn't wish for anything better."

Another grateful old age pensioner told me: "Oh, they're all very good and the meals are delightful. It is a wonderful service and I don't know what we would do without it."

But now the future of the service hangs in the balance simply because there are not enough helpers. To the old people the service does not just provide meals — for some are lonely and they especially appreciate the cheerful W.R.V.S. visitors.

The service needs helpers who are prepared to give up just a few hours of their free time to helping the old, and anyone who is willing to help should contact Dawley Pastoral Centre, High Street, Dawley.

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## Around The Clubs

### SUTTON HILL LADIES

At the meeting of the Sutton Hill Ladies Group held last week members were given a demonstration of food mixers.

### DAWLEY MOTHERS' CLUB

At a recent meeting of Dawley Mothers' Club members were given a demonstration by Mr. T. G. Mepham and Mr A L Taylor, of Kraft Foods Ltd. The tea hostesses were Mrs M Harper, Mrs V Bucknell and Mrs Morgan. The raffle was won by Mrs June Houston.

### MONDAY CLUB

The Wellington Monday Ladies Club were due to hold their annual dinner at the Forest Glen tonight (Wednesday).

### LEIGHTON AND EATON CONSTANTINE W. I.

Mrs. P. Everall presided over the monthly meeting held on January 7th at Leighton Village Hall. At the conclusion of the business meeting Mrs. Everall told members how much she had enjoyed her year of office and went on to say she intended making a gift to the Institute as a memento of a very happy year.

Members were all able to relax and forget the gloomy January weather outside as they watched Miss Trevor's film on the Irish countryside. Mrs. F. Lee thanked Miss Trevor for her enchanting film and commentary.

A competition for ten lines of hand-writing, judged by Miss Trevor was won by Mrs. N. Hinks, and a raffle prize given by Mrs. Downes was won by Mrs. P. Henderson. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Stanhope, Mrs. Littleworth and Mrs. Webb.

### WREKIN FLOWER CLUB.

The monthly meeting was held in the Wellington Town Hall on January Wednesday 15th and took the form of a members only meeting. With the chairman Mrs. H. H. Lanyon presiding.

Short demonstrations were given by Mrs. Redfern, Mrs. Follington, Mrs. Owen and Mrs. Murphy.

The committee acted as hostesses.

### WOMENS AUXILIARY.

The Y.M.C.A. Womens Auxiliary, Wednesday Afternoon Group, held their annual dinner at the Charlton Hotel, Wellington, last week. About 45 members attended and games were organised. Mrs. Baldwin of the Charlton donated a Christmas cake for a raffle which was won by Mrs. Anstey and Miss Matthews won a shampoo and set donated by "Pauline.s" Mrs. F. Anslow thanked Mrs. Courtney Rose, chairman, and Mrs. E. Groves, secretary, for organising the evening.

### EYTON W. I.

At the January meeting of Eyton on Weald Moors W. I. Miss N. Shoebottom gave a talk on "An Irish Holiday", illustrated by coloured slides. Mrs. Bruce Udale proposed the vote of thanks. Tea hostesses were Mrs. Cooper (Bratton), and Mrs. T. Udale. A competition for three mince pies was won by Mesdames M. Boot, S. Boot and T. Udale. A discussion on programme planning was held at the end of the meeting.

### LAWLEY MU.

At the annual meeting of Lawley Mothers Union held last week, thanks were recorded to the secretary, Mrs. B. Cartwright and the treasurer, Mrs. M. Teckloe who were both re-elected to serve in office for another 12 months. The committee was re-elected en bloc and the Sick Visitors for the Group were re-elected and thanked - for their work during the previous year. The programme for the coming year was arranged and the meeting closed with refreshments, provided by Mrs. R. Nicholls.

### LAWLEY W. I.

After the business had been completed at the January meeting, members and friends were entertained by Mr. Miles — of Jackfield who held a quiz on Shropshire and illustrated this — with colour slides. He was thanked by Mrs. Boundford. The competition a "Holiday Snapshot" was judged by Mr. Miles and the winners were, 1. Mrs. P. Bagnall, 2. Mrs. C. Burd, 3. Mrs. L. Roberts. Tea hostesses were Mesdames, Thompson, Jnes, Rufus, and Miss Rigby.

# 'WE ARE NOT MILLIONAIRES' — COUNCILLOR

WE ARE NOT millionaires, said an Oakengates councillor last week, referring to the price asked for a piece of land in Limes Road.

Wednesday's meeting of Oakengates U.D.C.'s public works and planning committee learnt that the owners of the land — Richard Brittain Ltd. — had asked £187 for the land, which covered an area of 58 square yards, plus vendors legal costs. That amount was the assessment of the district valuer.

The clerk, Mr. P. A. Bennett, told the committee he had discussed the matter with the district valuer, and the solicitor acting for the firm, and at present there was no sign of the price being reduced.

Councillor D. Nock said that with the improvement to the town surrounding the piece of land, it was rather disgraceful to make "gross exploitation" of the authority, who were working for the ratepayers of the district, which included Richard Brittain Ltd.

Councillor H. R. Bradshaw maintained that it was "highway robbery" and that he would like to see the land in question left as it was. "We (the council) are not millionaires."

The clerk explained that the reason why the price of the land was so high was because the firm claimed it had an established existing use.

Councillor H. R. Gibbons, chairman of the urban council, pointed out that there was an old furnace rock wall there from which the council had repeatedly had to gather the debris. There was no outlet for Richard Brittain Ltd., or anyone else on that property.

The clerk suggested that he be instructed to go back to the firm and

try to agree with them directly if there could be a reduction in price.

Councillor Bradshaw said he felt that the land should be donated to the council, and Councillor J. N. Worrall pointed out that that part of Oakengates 10 years ago was the "black spot" of the town.

The clerk said that if the council did not accept the land it would remain "an eye-sore", and he felt that if they did not acquire it from a long term view it could be regretted.

The committee agreed that the matter should be left to see what the clerk could do.

Mr. Clifford Morris, a director of Brittain's, said in a statement: "The criticism is entirely unjustified. Brittain's were approached by the council to sell the land, and the price, which includes an amount for builders' work already done, was agreed by the district valuer acting on behalf of the council."

"I am not prepared to make any further comment, and the matter is now in the hands of our solicitors," said Mr. Morris.



## MEMBERS WANTED

Oakengates Ratepayers Association wants to have more members in the St. Georges, Priorslee and Kettle Bank areas.

At a general meeting of the Association last week Mr. J. Townsend, secretary, said "About 80 per cent of our members are from the Trench area and we are the Oakengates Ratepayers Association so we would like to see more members from surrounding districts."

## Ratepayers not to contest election

OAKENGATES Ratepayers Association decided at their general meeting last week not to put forward a candidate for the town's urban council elections in May.

But the members agreed to put

up a candidate for election "some time in the future."

"The Ratepayers Association should in the near future present at least one, possible more, candidates for election to Oakengates urban council," said chairman, Mr. Peter Hacon.

"We feel that there should be someone on the council who is riding on a ratepayers ticket," he said.

Mr. Hacon said that although the present councillors may support the Association's object some had a "party label."

"We feel that the council is no place for party politics and although they do not play a great part in Oakengates there could be times when those councillors who feel for the Association's objects could conflict with their party line."

Asking members to vote in favour of a candidate for election Mr. Bacon said "The Association's one who is committed to the Association line."

Mr. Mick Thompson of Stanmore Drive, Trench, said: "It is too soon to put a candidate forward, there are only 108 members of the Association and we could only assume about 300 votes, it seems a waste of money."

Mr. Reynolds of Leonard Street said he thought the Association had not yet established itself as a well known it was "too early" to contemplate an election.

Mrs. J. Hobbs of Park Close, St. Georges, criticised the numbers of members at the meeting "It boils down to apathy. On my way here I saw several people who said they had forgotten about the meeting."

## Vandals hit toilets

Because of vandalism in the public toilets at Oakengates market Oakengates U. D. C.'s public works and planning committee has decided to ask the full council that the toilets be open every day only until 6 p.m.

The council's clerk, Mr. P. A. Bennett, told the committee there was no doubt that vandalism to the toilets had occurred when the market was not in session.

He said that he had no direct evidence, but the vandalism probably occurred in early evening.

Councillor J. N. Worrall pointed out that the market toilet was installed there for market users, and was not a town affair.

The clerk said the damage was comparatively serious, with electric fittings being pulled out, and a water supply pipe being torn out.

"Generally speaking I don't think we get so much vandalism here as some places," said Councillor J. Davis, committee chairman.

Councillor H. R. Bradshaw moved that the convenience be kept open on market days only, and closed at 6 p.m., but Coun. Nock said they should be open each day of the week and closed at 6 p.m.

An amendment that the market toilets be open every day to 6 p.m. was carried.

## Leave the posts plea

Oakengates U.D.C.'s public works and planning committee are asking their council to scrap the idea of moving the posts at the end of Chapel Terrace, Wrockwardine Wood.

The Wrockwardine Wood Methodist Church Trustees had requested that the posts be moved, but the urban council's committee last Wednesday decided to recommend to the council that they should not be, when they learnt that some residents still objected to the proposal of moving the posts further into the private street.

The council's clerk, Mr. P. A. Bennett, told the committee that in law they may not enter on the land and move the posts.

## Junction danger

The question of what could be done at the corner of Stafford Street-Grove Street junction, Oakengates to reduce the danger to children travelling from Grove Street to Canon-gate Street, was further discussed by Oakengates U. D. C.'s planning works committee last Wednesday.

The council's engineer and surveyor, Mr. H. Dickens, said that if Grove Street footpath was returned for a few yards along the east end of Stafford Street, the children would be more visible to traffic when they were about to cross the road.

He estimated the cost to be a maximum of £40.

The committee decided to ask their council to approach the County on the matter.

## Visiting



Dr. Tony Trafford, Conservative prospective parliamentary candidate for the Wrekin, visited housewives in the Kettle area on Friday. Dr. Trafford is pictured with Mrs. Cery Shaw of 12(A) Orchard Close.

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The top table at the Midland Counties Dairy dinner at the Town House, Wellington, last week.

## Corporation answer Madeley 'noise' complaints

**CRITICISM that "nobody cares" about new town work disturbing the sleep of some Madeley residents has been firmly rejected by a Telford Development Corporation spokesman, writes HARRY GOODWIN.**

Complaints about sleepless nights by Madeley residents - and the "mess" in the centre of the town were voiced at last Wednesday's meeting of the Highways Committee of Dawley Urban Council.

Councillor Fred Bostock voiced complaints from residents that people cannot sleep because of the noise from tunnelling operations on the new drainage sewer.

But Mr. L. W. Buckthorpe, the Corporation's chief engineer, told me that everything possible was being done to reduce the noise at night - "the contractor is co-operating to the full" he said.

Mr. Buckthorpe said "We are doing our best to make certain people can get their rest." He said that the 24 hour working was essential if the construction programme schedule was to be kept to and also the contractor had a very considerable investment of equipment on the project.

It was necessary to use air compressors because of the ground conditions and had to be used on the 24 hour system.

Mr. Buckthorpe pointed out that all the compressors had double-skinned baffles filled with ashes, were

is no part of this new town where the people are tolerant as the Madeley folk.

"Sir Frank Price talked about a new Jerusalem - he could well say - and personally I would like to see him come and have a look - it is a city of despair a slough of despondency.

Councillor Bostock said his complaint was about unfinished work, Court Street had only been partly finished. On the site of the old public house, The Three Horseshoes, it was chaos. Lorries were tipping clay and bringing it out on to the road. "It is an utter disgrace, waste materials are brought from other areas and dumped here.

There was no footpath between Court Street and the by-pass that night he had seen an accident there. There was no place for people to stand and something should be done else there would be a serious accident.

Madeley was a "slough of despair" and special attention was needed to bring about improvements.

There was a footway along the old railway line" they have been working on this for the last three years it has never been completed. No one cares they start it and leave a mess and go on to make a mess somewhere else.

Referring to the tunneling work in the Washbrook Lane area. Councillor Bostock said the noise from the compressors was "nobody's business" people living in that area knew the job had got to be done but they were complaining about the work going on all night and every night.

He added "they cannot sleep kids are walking the bedrooms all night and going to school half asleep and men taking sleeping tablets and stuffing their ears with cotton wool. Nobody cares that this is going on, and I understand it has to go on until the end of this year.

Councillor Bostock said he was invited to spend a night in one of the houses and have bed and breakfast free of charge to hear what the people had to put up with. He added "I did not accept it, I was there at nine o'clock at night and it was pretty unbearable. Whatever noise you have in the day time, is 100 times worse in the dead of night. I would like to invite Sir Frank Price to go and see some of the happenings at Madeley and endure this compressor noise and bumpings taking place day and night preventing hard working people from getting their normal rest.

"I can assure him the same facilities would be offered to him bed and breakfast free - and he would stop it, I am sure."

Councillor Bostock asked for the support of the committee in seeing that people did not have to endure things, and said they should send an invitation to Sir Frank to spend some time there" and see what people are putting up with in this new Jerusalem."

The committee chairman, Councillor G.H. Wright, said all councillors would have sympathy with the Madeley people. He was concerned about the lack of toilet facilities because he understood they were to be provided almost immediately to take the place of those pulled down.

Councillor C. S. Bethel said he spoke about the toilets some time ago and was told they could not be provided then, because there were other things on the site. But now it was cleared and something should be done.

Deputy surveyor, Mr. J. Cotterill said now they had the labour available, the toilets should be started in the next few days.

Councillor Dr. P. Beaton said the

tunnel compressors should not be working all night. Although it was urgent to get the sewer down, they must remember the health of the people in the area. Perhaps they could make some inquiry about noise abatement rules, and have the compressors silenced or stopped from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m.

Councillor Henry Anderson suggested that suppressors could be used to lessen the noise. He said this was the early stage of the New Jerusalem and they had "a hell of a mess" they had to be adult and accept that.

Mr. Cottrill said he was told that the footpath had not been continued in Court Street because they had not been able to buy the land. The footways on the by-pass were not complete none of them had any surfacing on, although Mr. Savage and he had been pressing for that. "We have written letter begging for the mess to be removed but they have been ignored"

Councillor Anderson said that was a slight on the committee, if the Corporation will not take notice. It meant the councillors were wasting their time and the people that waited for them did not matter.

Councillor Mrs. E. M. Carpenter suggested the committee write a personal letter to Sir Frank Price, asking him to investigate the matters, and Dr. Beaton, said they had a good excuse to do so if no notice was taken of begging letters.

Councillor George Chetwood said they realised they had to be extensive excavations, but this was the first time they had definite complaints about the noise from the com-

pressors. Something must be done about that, so that people can get rest.

Mr. Cotterill said they would be told that the contract was let on the assumption that there were 8 hour shift working on the tunnel to get on with the job. Compressors were used because the electricity board did not provide the power but it was remedied shortly after. Apparently there was not enough power to provide the compressed air for working. He said he thought they would have muffled them, but they are still waiting for equipment. They have told him they have muffled the air intakes.

The committee agreed to write to Sir Frank Price about the complaints

### COALBROOKDALE W. I

The meeting was held in the Holy Trinity Hall on Wednesday afternoon when Mrs. G. M. Derry presided in the absence of the president, Mrs. R. K. Rowntree, who was indisposed. It was announced that only one letter had been received in thanks from 21 elderly people in Coalbrookdale or Ironbridge, who had received parcels of groceries at Christmas.

A demonstration and talk on food mixers was given by Mr. S. Cooper. He was thanked by Mrs. C. Millward.

The tea hostesses were Mrs. V. Madow, Miss B. Maule, Mrs. R. Rowntree and Mrs. C. Millward.

## By-pass traffic 'too fast'

Traffic is travelling far too fast on the Madeley by pass, said Councillor C. S. Bethel at last Wednesday's meeting of the highways committee of Dawley Urban Council.

Deputy surveyor Mr. John Cotterill said speed restrictions signs were on order and would be put up as soon as they arrived.

Councillor Bethel said drivers wanted all the road and there was no thought for people who had to walk.

Committee chairman Councillor G. H. Wright said they had the promise of the police that they would patrol the road.

"The police cannot be there all the while, if we get these signs up I hope it will alter it," said Councillor Bethel.

Councillor Dr. P. Beaton said they had to be realistic about this. He was in favour of speed restriction but it should be 40 mph. No motorists were going to obey a 30 mph limit on a road like that. "We have to face facts," he said.

Mr. Cotterill said he would be opposed to a 40 mph limit because there was to be a big recreational centre near that road, and it would be dangerous with many people there.

Councillor Bethel asked that the Corporation should be requested to have the under pass lit. People would not use it at night.

## Remanded

Charged at Wellington last Thursday with possessing a forged £5 bank note, Gerald Alfred Stanley (36) club owner High Street, Potters Bar, Herts was remanded in custody until tomorrow.

Charged with a similar offence at Cannock, his wife Beatrice Ann Stanley (23) of the same address was remanded on £100 bail until February 6th.



COUN. BOSTOCK.

also fitted with silencers and further silencers were on order. And the air intakes were muffled.

Answering complaints about the "mess" in Madeley, Mr. Buckthorpe said they had two tractor drawn sweepers operating in the area, and they were doing their best to keep abreast of the conditions. But two or three days of wet weather could make it very difficult.

At the committee meeting Councillor Bostock said he wanted to thank Mr. Cotterill deputy surveyor for what he had done at the request of the Madeley Councillors. The fact that complaints were continuing was not his fault.

Madeley was a place of inconvenience and had been so for too long. The public conveniences had gone months ago, and now there were hundreds of workmen and people there with no facility. It was decided that the Corporation would put a ten por a building but nothing had been done.

Councillor Bostock said there was very little consideration if any, for the existing population during the developments. Everything which was introduced was for the incoming population.

He added "Ware suffering - there

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### Hospital dinner

Last Wednesday's successful annual staff dinner of the Beeches Hospital, Ironbridge, was held at the Forest Glen, near Wellington. There was a gathering of about 78, and the evening's programme included games and dancing. The M.C. was Mr. Les Lowe. Our pictures show some of the diners.



The condition of the lane leading to Langley School, was discussed by the highways committee of Dawley Urban Council on Wednesday when the chairman Councillor G. H. Wright said if it were made usable for traffic it would be unsafe for children.

The council chairman, Councillor George Chetwood, said until

### School lane

the estate was completed the lane was only used by people who wished to take a walk, but now about 200 children used it. If they did not do so they had to go down King Street which was very dangerous.

The deputy surveyor, Mr. John Cotterill said it was only a private

road and there was a public right of way over it. It had never been really settled as to how much work the council were empowered to do over a right of way. If they knew the exact future of that area they could do something positive, but unfortunately there was a lot of conflict about the zone of land through which the footpath passed.

## Site for business 'worst imaginable'

— Inquiry told —

A COUPLE hoping to set up a business manufacturing and selling garden equipment, sheds and garages, near Shawburch crossroads, Wellington, have "chosen the worst imaginable site to set up an industrial or commercial development".

This was stated at a public inquiry in Wellington by Mr. E. C. Woodcock for Salop County Council last Tuesday when Mr. and Mrs. John Foulkes appealed against the County Council's decision to refuse planning permission for the business to be built.

Mr. Woodcock said the County Council refused planning permission on the ground that the business would be right in the middle of the countryside, which was bad planning; it was likely that Wellington Urban Council would be extending the Dohill estate right up to the other side of the road to where the couple hoped to have the business. The business would be near to the Shawburch crossroads which had "an appalling accident record," and the County Council felt a business set up here would only increase the hazard.

When the inquiry opened, Mr. W. R. Spanner for Mr. and Mrs. Foulkes said the couple were appealing against the refusal for planning permission, but mid-way through the inquiry he said that they would be satisfied if only five years' plan-

ning permission was granted.

The site on which the couple wanted to build the business is north of Wellington between the Wellington to Whitchurch Road and the High Ercall Road.

Mr. Spanner said Mr. Foulkes started the business from scratch in 1961 in Hadley Park Road, Hadley, and called it "The Garden Stores." They made concrete slabs for gardens, interwoven fences, sheds and garages. In 1965 there were complaints from neighbours about the noise from the business and Mr. Foulkes was then told he needed planning permission to manufacture goods which in turn he applied for and was refused.

He then started looking around for another site for his business and bought the land near the Shawburch crossroads. With the land was an old farmhouse, and barn. Mr. Foulkes had since converted the farmhouse into a home for himself and his wife and if he was granted planning permission he intended to convert the barn into a workshop.

The business would not reduce the amenities of the area, said Mr. Spanner. All workshops and working areas would be screened and only the frontage of the business would be seen and this would be laid out like a garden.

On the safety aspect of the Council's refusal, Mr. Spanner said vehicular access to the business would improve the road conditions. Also it was proposed to build a traffic island at Shawburch and when this was done the traffic would be taken farther away from the business.

Mr. Foulkes said if he got planning permission he would build an office on the site and have a forecourt with car parking spaces. The interwoven fencing would be made in the old building which would be converted into a workshop and the concrete materials would be made at the back of the workshop. All of this would be screened and would look attractive.

Questioned by Mr. Woodcock, he said he moved the business from Hadley, in January last year. The Hadley shop is now used for display and selling only and at present Mr. Foulkes said he was making the concrete products in his garden at Shawburch.

Mr. D. R. Revell, assistant County planning officer said the business would be "an undesirable commercial intrusion, close to a very unsatisfactory and dangerous junction."

Mr. L. T. Jones, a partner in the John Madin Design Group, who are at present preparing the master plan for the enlarged new town area, said it would be bad planning to build a business in open countryside and near a dangerous crossroads.

He said it was unlikely that four years planning permission would prejudice the town. Before the Dohill estate could be developed any more, a new sewerage works at Rushmore had to be built, and this was only in the planning stage. Mr. Jones estimated that it would be at least four years before the works were built.

Mr. G. R. Jenkins, a senior engineering assistant in the County Council roads and bridges department, said if the business was built at Shawburch it would be "basically wrong on highway grounds to permit development of this nature which would generate traffic so close to an unsatisfactory crossroads which has a high accident rate."

He also said the business would attract drivers attention from the road, which would create an additional hazard.

The Ministry of Housing and Local Government's inspector, Mr. N. Ashworth, closed the inquiry.

## BLACKPOOL...Britain's Playground

Two hundred years ago, Blackpool, a cluster of thatched cabins on Lancashire's sea-board, was rapidly gaining popularity as a health resort, and when sea bathing became a fashionable pastime at the beginning of the nineteenth century, the resort was again in the forefront. Since those pioneer days Blackpool has never looked back, and today can justly claim to be the most exciting and popular holiday resort in the North of England.

Blackpool's Tower is known the world over, and has often been called its "trademark". Rising 520 feet into the sky, the Tower is a complete entertainment centre in itself, for beneath its giant legs are an international circus, aquarium, zoo, roof gardens, and the famous Tower ballroom.

Blackpool is also very proud of its promenade which stretches for seven miles beside the sands and sea, and is the resort's No. 1 walk. The less energetic, however, can climb

aboard the unique electric tram-way which runs the entire length of the promenade and cast a leisurely eye over the passing scene. The seven-mile stretch of beach is a carpet of clean golden sand a child's paradise! Buckets and spades come into their own here, and bathing is completely safe.

There are six swimming pools in the town, including the spacious open-air pool at South Shore with its million and a half gallons of purified sea-water. The Derby Baths provides the complete range of Olympic swimming and diving requirements, and international and championship events are often held here. Additionally there is a complete suite of remedial baths, including Sauna. There is never a dull moment for the sports enthusiast, with excellent tennis courts, crown and flat bowling greens, putting greens, a modern ice-skating rink and two golf courses. Cricket, Rugby

League and Association Football are played in their seasons. Stanley Park, on the eastern edge of the town offers a splendid range of sports facilities, including a modern athletics arena. Thirty thousand roses bloom in the Park, and these alone make a visit there well worth while.

A holiday in Blackpool would not be complete without a thrilling ride on the "Big Dipper" and this, and hour after hour of excitement and fun, can be found within a stone's throw of the sea at the popular Pleasure Beach on South Shore Promenade. The youngsters, too, can safely let off steam in a special children's section where the big rides are reproduced in miniature.

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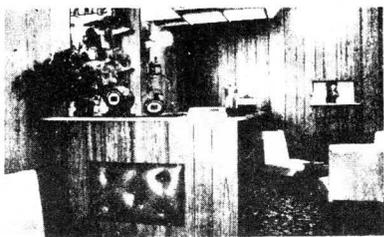
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# POOL

THEFT.— Mr. Duckett's barbers shop in Madley Road was broken into on Saturday night and a pair of hair clippers and cigarettes stolen.

# New shop opens in Dawley



ALTHOUGH not yet completed, Telford Warehouses opened in Chapel Street, Dawley on Friday because of public demand.

Telford Warehouses is a new retail business and sells quality clothes at competitive prices.

At the moment they stock clothes only for women and girls, but hope to open a men's and children's department in about a month.

"It is a retail business, but we hope eventually to go into whole-

sale. It is entirely different to anything else in Dawley," said manageress, Miss Gillian Evans of Wellington.

"We opened on Friday because of public demand, we had people

knocking on the door asking when we were going to open, and now as we have quite a lot of stock we decided to open."

"One of the reasons we are here is the new town and it is in a good spot," she added.

"We are trying to cater for all tastes and sizes and women with over 40 inch hips usually have to wear dark colours, but we are trying to stock a nice range of clothes in sizes up to a 50 inch hip."

And they are also trying to vary stock so there are not too many clothes in exactly the same design.

Telford Warehouses also hopes to stock clothes for local schools uniforms, said Miss Evans.

All the clothes stocked are inexpensive and very attractive and cater for teenagers as well as older women.

Miss Evans hopes that the men's and children's department will also be a big success.

Miss Evans will have one part-time assistant to help her run the shop.

Opening hours will be from nine a.m. — six p.m. on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, and Friday will be a late night when the shop will open from nine a.m. — 7.30 p.m.

## Old folk's club at Sutton Hill?

A committee has been formed at Sutton Hill to find out whether old people living on the new town and Hills Lane Estates would be interested in an old folk's club.

Community relations officer, Mr. John Britton, said that they were to get a list of all the old people living at Hills Lane and Sutton Hill.

"Each member of the committee will visit a certain number to see if they would be interested in a meeting of this kind".

"The committee will also look into the question of transport to the Sutton Hill Community Centre for old people living in outlying districts, and it is possible we will get some help on this on the Rotary Club".

Mr. Britton said that an inaugural meeting would be held in March and they hoped from there to form a luncheon club for old folk with an ordinary chess meeting in the afternoon.

"We will also look into the question of helpers and our findings will go to Mrs. I. Martin-Wilson, area

organiser for the W. R. V. S. But they will want people from the estate to run the club," added Mr. Britton.

The committee, which will disband when the club starts, has seven members: Mrs. Daphne Roberts, Mrs. Jordan (representing Hills Lane Estate), Miss Ruth Dancer and Miss A. Harris (Health visitors) the Rev. Norman Shepherd, Mr. D. Edwards and Mr. Britton.

### Break-ins

Police are investigating break-ins at three properties in the Broseley and Madeley area over the weekend. Two of them were at lock-up shops.

At Walsleys shop in Bridgnorth Road, Broseley, 2,000 cigarettes and ham and cheese as well as a boning knife were stolen. And some hungry thief stole four pullets from a house in Coalport Road, Broseley on Saturday night.

### Corporation dinner

Telford Development Corporation's Estates Office held a dinner at the Wroxeter Country Club on Thursday. Pictured below, Messrs. D. Reeves, A. W. Gould, E. W. Jefferson, R. O. Price, D. Webber, R. Valentine, R. Todd.



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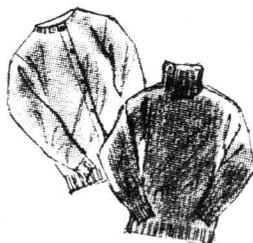
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# TELFORD COSTS COULD BE IN £300,000,000 REGION - FINANCE CHIEF

THE EXPENDITURE of Telford Development Corporation could be between £200 million and £300 million for the enlarged town, Telford Chamber of Commerce (Oakengates and District), learnt last week, from the Corporation's chief finance officer, Mr A. G. Duckett.

Mr. Duckett said it was difficult to give an overall idea of the money involved in new town expenditure by the development corporation, but it was high, and their expense this year was somewhere in the region of £9 million and next year it would probably be about £13 million.

On costs involved in a new town, Mr Duckett said that in the case of local authorities many of the things they did were met out of rates, but a development corporation had no rate fund, therefore all their expenses had to come out of rents of one kind or another.

Obviously a vast amount of money was needed by Telford Development Corporation, said Mr Duckett.

What happened was that periodically he told the Minister of Local Government what money he needed. That may sound very nice but there were all sorts of strings attached. In fact, they were only able to borrow from the Treasury. Half the Corporation's expenditure was probably on housing, and was constantly dictated by the standards of the houses they built.

The Development Corporation's rents for three-bedroom houses in Dawley of £3 15s. or £3 16s. was high compared to local authorities level, but that rent was not covering the cost and the Corporation still had a deficit with that rent.

Despite all the subsidies and grants, and high rent houses, one could still not meet the costs, said Mr Duckett. They (the Corporation) provided a comparatively high standard of houses, and on top of the actual house itself they sought to achieve a high level of layout separating pedestrian traffic from cars.

"This costs more money and our costs in housing are high," said Mr Duckett. He considered the general rents in the country were artificially low. There had been the long history of rent control, and on top of that local authorities generally had adopted a pooling system.

Essentially, the Development Corporation started with no houses at all, so they had no

"It is a burden we ought not to bear locally, and that the Government should help with outright grants," said Mr Duckett.

He went on to point out that if the Corporation built to high standards then inevitably local authorities got complaints from people living in other areas to improve their standard.

But if the local authorities did improve the standards of existing untouched areas there would be an increase in rates to do that.

On industry, Mr Duckett said a different kind of approach was needed. As regards attracting industry it must depend on demand and supply. At Dawley the Corporation had now got over the "hump" of attracting industry, as far as total was concerned.

"With an up turn industrial investment, and with assistance from Ministers in getting some of that industry into Telford, we will get over the hump and go

from strength to strength," said the Corporation's official.

Mr Duckett said he wished to make it clear to industrialists if interested in getting sites for factories in Telford that now was the time to get them at bargain prices.

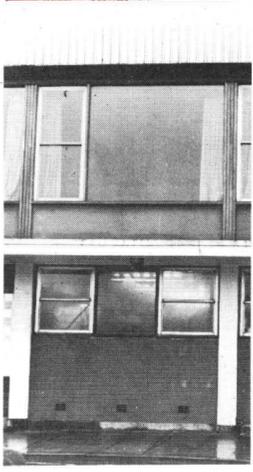
He felt it was essential to get the town "off the stocks" and they had to concentrate initially on building for rent. They had not at present got any houses which were specifically for sale, but they were looking for areas which could be sold in another stage of development.

Asked if the Corporation's houses, at present likely to remain empty for some time, could not be put up for sale, Mr Duckett said that, quite frankly, with the amount of private development that was available, and the kind of prices on the market, they were not likely to attract people to buy at "our high standard."

"I think a lot of traders in the area feel they have been nosed out by the sort of rents they have been asked for," said Chamber member Mr N Pedley.

Mr Duckett said they had the problem of disturbed land; he could not understand why industrialists were allowed to ravage land as they had in the last 150 years, and he considered it was right that a new town be designated in the area. Derelict parts ought to be used rather than prime agricultural land, but that was going to cost a lot of money to do.

## Picture Puzzle



The lucky winner of last week's Puzzle competition is Mr P. J. Reynolds of 59, Princess Avenue, Wellington.

For Mr Reynolds correctly identified the picture as Christ Church Hall, Mill Bank, and a guinea prize will soon be in the post to him.

If you would like to try and win a guinea all you have to do is correctly identify the picture and send your entry to the Editor, The Observer, 73 New Street, Wellington or pop it through the letterbox at our Dawley office at 2 Chapel Street.

Please mark your envelope "Puzzle Picture". The prize will be awarded to the sender of the first correct entry picked out of the hat on Monday morning.

The decision of the Editor, in all matters relating to the competition, is final.

Mr Duckett told the meeting that he was quite certain the picture would be completely transformed when industry moved in. Answering a question on the new town centre, Mr Duckett explained that time was too young to know whether it would be provided by the Development Corporation or by private developers.



Some of the youngsters in Class 4, at St. Georges Junior School.

## Spotlight on... St. Georges infants

DESPITE the fact that its intake of children has doubled since taking over new modern buildings in London Road, St Georges, nearly eight years ago, the local Church of England Controlled School (Oakengates), has an essentially homely atmosphere.

"We have always had the reputation of being an extremely happy school — not only with the staff, children, and parents, but also with the help of Mrs. M. Lowe, and the canteen staff," said the headmistress, Miss M. J. Talbot.

Miss Talbot, who lives in Newport, has been in teaching since leaving college back in 1940. She was in South Shropshire teaching at various schools for a while. When she was made Head of the infants School at St. Georges in 1947 the school had to share premises with the local junior school.

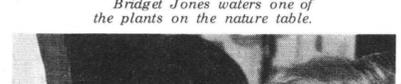
Those premises in School Street are now used by the junior school only. The junior children will ultimately have a new school to attend adjacent to the infants school in possibly two years time.

Miss Talbot recalled that the old days of two schools being operated as separate units under one roof was no fun for the staff concerned, and was certainly not beneficial to the children. The old accommodation was very inconvenient, and every-one seemed to be getting in each other's way because of the limited space.

Local population continues to be on the increase to such an extent that even with the modern school for her infants in London Road, Miss Talbot is finding there is now quite a pressure on space. The numbers have doubled since the new premises were first opened seven years last



Colin Samnall engrossed in his woodwork lesson.



Bridget Jones waters one of the plants on the nature table.



Mark Brant busy painting.

stay with them until they were settled in at school," she explained. "Taking a few children like this they settle quicker in their new surroundings, and it gives us time to find out about their individual backgrounds through their parents, and if there were any special difficulties at home."

On staff relationship with parents, Miss Talbot commented: "The parents are quite free to come and talk to us at any time. We have an open day in the summer, which is usually spread over three days. There's also a sports day in July. Then all the children receive small gifts, irrespective of whether they win their races, and all the parents roll up. Refreshments are served in the school, and everyone has a jolly good day."

With the site of the proposed new

St. Georges junior school not yet started, the infants of Miss Talbot's school are fortunate in having excess grounds to play on, and in the summer months they enjoy plenty of outside organised games.

Miss Talbot considers the present dark mornings to be "an awful trying time" for parents and children. "Many of our youngsters come from quite a wide area, and there are those who have to walk quite a long way to school. It was most definitely a mistake to change to British Standard Time," she said.

To get to and from the infants' school, many of the children have to cross the nearby busy Stafford Street, and in the past there have been one or two minor accidents involving youngsters. Miss Talbot said they had asked the Oakengates Accident Prevention Council to overcome the problem by providing the school with a traffic crossing ward.

Dealing with work carried out at her school, Miss Talbot said that for the first half-hour of any day the children were allowed to be comparatively free. Then there was a definite timetable because it was considered that children of that early age needed to be led into subjects.

But the children at the St. Georges School have plenty of play time, with free activities in the afternoons. They then do painting and modelling, and follow up all sorts of things.

At Christmas, the children entertain the old people, with singing and dancing, and refreshments are laid on. "Many of the old people when shown round the school are interested in modern education for young children, and they compare it with what it was in their own young days," said Miss Talbot.

The school is Church of England Controlled, and Miss Talbot said she had always felt that a certain amount of religious education — irrespective of denomination — was good for a child. "We have our own special charities, for instance, and each year we subscribe to the Church of England Children's Society," said Miss Talbot.

The Vicar of the school managers is the Rev. W. E. Maiden, of St. Georges Parish Church, and on the teaching staff — besides Miss Talbot — are senior teacher Mrs. W. Evans, of St. Georges; Mrs. R. Overton, of St. Georges; Mrs. P. Williams, of Wrockwardine Wood, and part-timer, Mrs. D. Devey, of Wellington.

## Harold will star in the panto he wrote

ON FEBRUARY 1 the curtains will rise at the Little Theatre, Donnington, on a brand new pantomime — "The Swiss Maid" — written by a St. George's man.

The author, Mr. Harold Cross of Mosclay Road, has created an imaginary province of Veldenstein on the borders of Austria and Switzerland and his heroine is a girl called Trina.

Trina lives with her father in the village toy shop, and one of the dolls has magic powers which help Trina to find romance in the arms of an English tourist.

The magic doll is also able to free the local people from the villainous clutches of Rudolph — the wicked ruler of Veldenstein.

The Swiss Maid, which has all the ingredients of the traditional pantomimes, is to be staged by the

Donnington Garrison Amateur Dramatic and Operatic Society. Mr. Cross, who works as an inspector at Sankcys, said: "The Society does a pantomime every year and can get stuck with repeating the same ones, so I have always wanted to write a story of my own and I wrote 'The Swiss Maid.'"

Previously Mr. Cross has written scripts for Cinderella, Dick Whittington and Babes in the Wood. "Although the Swiss Maid is new it is still a pantomime with comedy, pathos and slapstick and a dame," he said. Mr. Cross will play the part of the dame.

The producer, Mr. Norman Cuttle, is handling everything very well and we have nothing but praise for the way he has done the scenery. "I have always been fond of the pantomime and I think I got a little

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The Society's officials are Chairman, Mr. D. Thornycroft, of Kaley; secretary, Mr. D. Jarvis, of Trench; and treasurer, Mr. D. Hammond, of St. Georges.

Interest of the new Society, but goldfish keepers are welcome to come along to the monthly meetings, which are to be held on the first

— that was the original gimmick thought up by the Telford Aquarists as part of their first show staged during the holding of G.K.N. Sankey. Cage Bird Society's open show recently.

Aiming at promoting interest in tropical fish keeping among local people, the newly formed Telford Aquarist Society showed three aquariums at the show.

Their aim is to help and educate people who are interested in the hobby, and there will be quizzes, slide shows and lectures. Tropical fish will be the main interest of the new Society, but goldfish keepers are welcome to come along to the monthly meetings, which are to be held on the first

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# MAKING BETTER USE OF GRASS

by G. P. C. Lewis, Agricultural Development Manager of I.C.I., Shrewsbury

OVER THE recent past there has been a tremendous improvement in arable crop yields. It is, however, probably true that, by and large, grassland performance has not been equally good. This may well be due to the fact that grass has so frequently been looked on as something that is always with us, and its huge potential has not therefore been fully appreciated.

The current pressure of rising costs, including the price of land, is making it urgently important for farmers to ensure that their grassland acreage is making a very full contribution to farm profits.

As far as arable farms are concerned, grass often offers tremendous scope because of its present low intensity in comparison with arable crops.

On many arable farms grass is treated just as a "break" or rest crop and little regard is paid to the financial contribution that the grass can make in its own right.

The practical advantages of a ley break in an arable rotation are generally accepted — a reduction in the carry over of pests and diseases, an improvement in soil structure and residual manurial value. All these help to make a contribution towards better yields in subsequent crops.

In spite of these advantages some farmers have decided to omit the grass break, to crop continuously with cereals and to accept the lower yields that result. This continuous cereal cropping can usually only provide a satisfactory income where the acreage is large and where land is cheap or rents are low.

Usually, however, a grass break is retained because it provides opportunity for enlarging a farm business through the maintenance of one or more livestock enterprises. These can provide a much greater output than can normally be obtained from cereals. They are thus better able to absorb rising fixed costs and, in addition, make a very worthwhile contribution to overall farm profit.

With improved management and intensification of the grass break the following possibilities are available:

(1) Improving the effectiveness of the break in the rotation, thus leading to better yields in the following crops.

(2) Expanding the livestock enterprise without affecting the tillage acreage and hence increasing overall farm profit.

(3) In suitable cases, by intensifying grassland management, stock numbers can be maintained on a reduced acreage and more land is then made available for arable cropping.

This can often be achieved with little increase in fixed costs and the cost of specialised machinery and storage facilities can be spread over a greater output.

Increasing the output from grassland will very often mean keeping more stock and it may also mean additional housing and equipment. This in turn can lead to the need for more capital investment, which often frightens farmers.

If, however, production is to be increased to meet the needs of the future, then a very large increase in investment in agriculture will be needed.

Very careful consideration

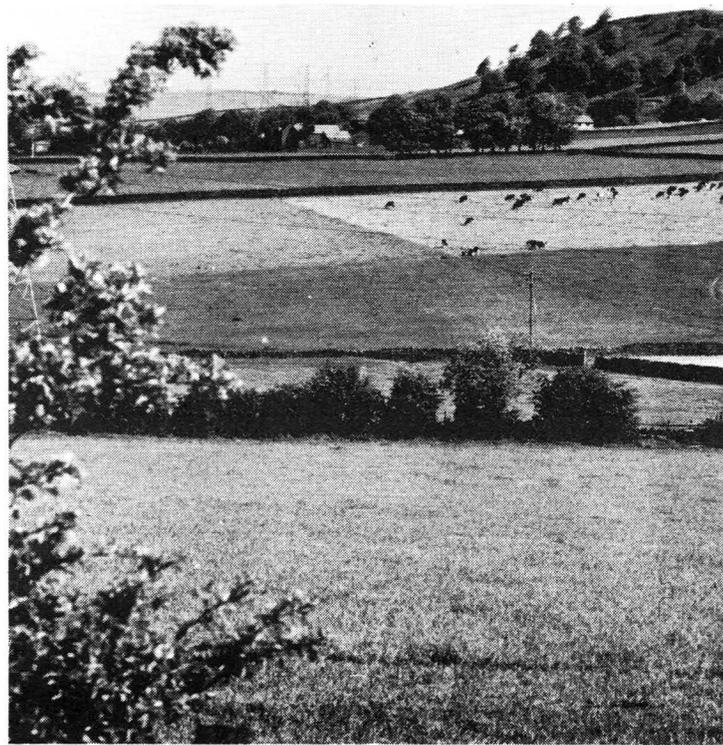
must be given to any projects requiring fresh capital. In addition to budgets it will also be necessary to use techniques to check on the likely return on capital.

On all grass farms the need for intensification of grassland management is just as great as on arable farms and the

smaller the farm the greater this need.

Results from leading dairy farmers up and down the country have shown what can be done by a combination of high fertilizer usage — particularly N — and first class management. The aim must be to maintain a cow for the whole year on an acre or less of grassland. This sort of intensification will entail the use of 300—400 units of N per acre per year.

As yet, much less intensification has been generally practised for other forms of livestock, but results from experimental centres and a few progressive farmers have shown what can be done when grassland is well managed for both cattle and sheep.



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## Wrockwardine Wood

**CHOIR PRESENTATIONS.**— The Methodist Church choir held their dinner at the Charlton Arms Hotel on Thursday evening, and three long serving members received presentations. It was the 76th birthday of Mrs. Dorothy Stones of Lincoln Road. For 40 years she has been an ever-present at services and choir practice, except when unavoidably prevented, and has also been connected with other church organisations. Her late husband and four sons have also at various times been members of the church choir, and one son, Mr. Arthur Stones, was organist for a time. Another presentation was to Mr. A. E. Lowe and his wife. Mr. Lowe has been organist for 40 years, which includes a ten year break. He married the former Mrs. Hilda Cope recently — another choir member — and the presentation also marked this event. Mrs. Lowe is also a member of the women's meeting, and is at present acting Sunday School superintendent. The presentation to Mrs. Stones was made by Mrs. G. Barber and the one to Mr. and Mrs. Lowe by Mrs. G. Baker (choir secretary). Mr. Leonard Bullock spoke in appreciation of the work these three members had done. Mr. A. Matthews was M.C. for the evening.

## Snedshill

**METHODIST CHURCH.**— Mr. A. Woolley (Oakengates) conducted the Sunday morning service. Mr. K. Fryer (Trench) was the evening preacher. Mr. T. Stanworth and Mr. H. Nock took up the offering. Mr. A. E. Worrall was the organist.

## Priorslee

**PARISH CHURCH.**— The Mothers' Union organised a whist drive on Tuesday. Prize winners were Miss P. Lewis, Mrs. Bradley, Mrs. D. Tranter, Mr. E. Tranter, Mrs. Howells, Mr. P. Tranter. Consolation prizes were won by Mrs. M. Luter and Mr. E. Lane. Miss O. Knowles (Deanery woman worker) was the speaker at the Mothers' Union on Wednesday. The Sunday School party was held on Saturday. The Rev. H. Perrins (Vicar) was the preacher on Sunday. Mrs. Bennett was the organist.

## St. Georges

**GOOD NEIGHBOURS' CLUB.**— Miss O. Knowles (Shifnal deanery woman worker) conducted the weekly meeting and gave the address. Mrs. P. Crofts presided, and extended birthday greetings to Mrs. Overton and Miss Roberts. Mrs. Dixon gave a reading and Mrs. Dawes and Mrs. A. E. Worrall organised games. Competition winners were Mrs. Crofts, Miss Pickering and Mrs. Dean. Mrs. Gould, Mrs. Beeston and other helpers served refreshments. Mrs. Crofts thanked all helpers.

**METHODIST CHURCH.**— The Rev. N. P. Owen led the Fellowship on Wednesday. The Boys' Brigade met on Tuesday, and held their party on Saturday. The Nursery School met on Saturday. Mr. A. C. Bloore (Shifnal) was the speaker at the Family Church on Sunday morning. Susan Collins read the lesson. Ann Wellings announced the hymns, and the collectors were Peter Guy and Stewart Whyte. The Rev. N. P. Owen was the evening preacher. Stewards were: Mr. J. Hayward, Mr. J. Martin, Mr. J. Dean, and Mr. R. Rushton. Mr. F. Rushton was the organist at each service.

## Ketley

**GOOD COMPANIONS.**— The meeting in the Clubroom on Wednesday was presided over by Mrs. W. Morris and Mrs. L. Deakin conducted the service. Mrs. F. Woodruff was the pianist. Mrs. Leech and Mrs. Foster received birthday greetings. National Savings secretary was Mrs. J. Ellams. Mrs. A. Elliott and Mrs. H. Phillips were in charge of teas and soft drinks. Cakes were given by Mrs. A. L. Green, Mrs. E. Holt, Mrs. B. Lewis, Mrs. A. Lewis and Mrs.

H. Teece.

**WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.**— The January meeting was held in the Good Companions' Club Room. Mrs. Foster presided. Illustrated talks on holidays spent touring America and Canada were given by Mr. Reece and Mr. Edge. Mrs. Elliott read from the Friendship Book and Mrs. Lewis gave the household hint. A competition was won by Mrs. Ball, and another one for a holiday snap was won by Mrs. Ellams. Mrs. Asquith was the tea hostess.

**METHODIST CHURCH.**— The Women's Fellowship met on Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Davies and the Rev. G. Thornton Thomas led the Youth Club on Friday. Preachers on Sunday were the Rev. G. Thornton Thomas and Mr. Cogger (Wellington). Mr. H. Armstrong was the organist.

## Madeley

**REST ROOM.**— The weekly Friday morning service was held in the rest room. The Rev. E. C. Wright presided over the service. Mrs. J. Smith read the lesson and the Rev. T. H. Coe, of Ironbridge, read the prayer and gave the address. Mrs. M. Baldwin sang a solo and Mrs. A. Cookson read the notices. The pianist was Mrs. M. Wilde and the Rev. Wright thanked everyone for attending.

**WHIST DRIVE.**— A whist drive was held at the Robert N. Moore flats. Winners were ladies, Mrs. E. Brittle, Mrs. F. Newbrook, lowest score Mrs. M. Ireson. Gents, Mrs. F. Newbrook, Mrs. E. Brittle, lowest score Mrs. M. Blakemore.

**UPPER HOUSE.**— The committee room at Upper House, Madeley, Telford Development Corporation's social relations department headquarters can be hired by the public or by a local organisation, at the cost of 5s. per evening. Enquiries about the hiring of the room should be made to Upper House.

**OPENING.**— There is to be an official opening of Upper House, Telford Development Corporation's social relations department headquarters, when local voluntary organisations will be invited.

**RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION.**— At a recent meeting of the local Residents' Association, Inspector G. Harris gave a short talk on the police set-up in the New Town.

**COURT STREET.**— In a conversation with the chairman of Madeley Residents' Association, Mr. Robert Pitman, Sir Frank Price, chairman of Telford Development Corporation said that he would look into the case of two shopkeepers in Court Street who claimed their trade had been affected by recent road works. This was reported at a recent meeting of the Residents' Association when Mr. Pitman said Sir Frank would also look into the question of compensating the shopkeepers.

**CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.**— Mr. G. Whitney of Bridgnorth preached at the evening service in Madeley Congregational Church on Sunday. The organist was Mrs. D. Harper.

**SCOUTS.**— The First Madeley Scouts meeting on Friday was taken by two scout leaders, Barry Garbett and Morris Cookson. The main activities of the evening included various memory tests with the use of ordnance survey maps, and initiative tests which included the decoding of the counties of Britain. The winning patrol was Falcon Patrol, under patrol leader Peter Higginson. The meeting ended with tea and prayers.

**PARISH CHURCH.**— The morning service at Madeley Parish Church was conducted by the Rev. N. G. Sheppard. The evening service was taken by Church warden, Mr. C. M. Haines.

## Jackfield

**WHIST DRIVE.**— A whist drive was held in St. Mary's Hall on Friday night when Mr. Harry Bellamy was M.C. Prizes were presented by Miss E. Venn and the competition was won by Mrs. E. Green. Winners were ladies, Mrs. M. Hadley; Mrs. A. Roberts, Mrs. M. Sutton; highest score, Mrs. A. Plant. Gents Mr. L. Bates, Mr. W. Bennett, Mrs. E. Bishop, highest score, Mr. D. Shaw.

**MOTHERS UNION.**— The meeting was held in St. Mary's Hall, last week when the Rector the Rev. Preb. J. M. Glover conducted a short devotional service and then gave a talk on "stained glass windows". Mrs. N. Hudson was the accompanist for the hymn singing and refreshments were served afterwards by the catering committee.

**DARBY AND JOAN CLUB.**— The meeting was attended by 27 members on Wednesday in St. Mary's Hall, when musical birthday greetings were given to Miss Edith Hedley. Mrs. N. Hudson, the club leader, arranged various games and competitions and the winners were Mrs. L. Smallman, Mrs. A. Cross, Mrs. W. Goymour, Miss A. Thomas, Mrs. W. Hatton, Mr. G. Cleobury, Mrs. Arnold, special prize Mrs. D. Tarbuck. Tea was served by the W.R.V.S. Committee.

**FALL.**— Get well wishes have been sent by many in the village to one of its oldest residents Mr. E. Green of The Calcutts, who had a nasty fall between the main road and his home last Monday.

## Buildwas

**FOR HALL FUNDS.**— There was a whist drive in the village hall on Saturday night in aid of funds, arranged by the Village Hall Committee. The M.C. was the treasurer of the committee Mr. A. Bishop and the prizes were presented by Mr. Harry Bellamy of Sutton Maddock. The winners were ladies, Mrs. C. Nickless, Mrs. J. Oakley, Mrs. D. Bates, gents, Mrs. K. Thomas, Mrs. F. Thomas, Mr. G. Smith. Mrs. J. Pratt of Much Wenlock won the snowball and the competition.

**BUILDWAS W.L.**— The meeting was held in the Village Hall last Wednesday when Mr. E. Jones who presided, welcomed the speaker Mrs. Gwynnell. She gave a demonstration and talk on a well known cosmetic preparation. Mrs. Gwynnell was thanked by Mrs. B. Tristram. The model was Mrs. Ethel Bishop. A competition for the most attractive piece of china was won by Mrs. E. Bishop, Mrs. H. Yapp, Mrs. N. Lowseley. The draw was in aid of the Institute funds was won by Mrs. E. Rollinson, Miss S. Jones. The tea hostesses were Mrs. F. Dobson, Mrs. E. Bishop and Mrs. C. Hawkins.

## Ironbridge

**ROTARY FILM SHOW.**— The Ironbridge Rotary Club held a charity film show cabaret and supper at the Anstice Hall, Madeley, last Wednesday night when the president of the Club, Rotarian T. D. Dean with Mrs. Dean, welcomed nearly 200 guests. In addition to the cabaret from Wolverhampton there were two local artists, Mr. George Stewart (tenor) and Mr. Bill Forster (pianist). The caterers were Mrs. I. Longton of Ironbridge. The

# OAKENGATES

**JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES.**— Visiting the area are Mr and Mrs G. Carmichael, from the London headquarters of the movement. They are conducting a house-to-house "any questions on the Bible" campaign. Sixty-five members of the Oakengates congregation are assisting, and their presiding minister, Mr N. Asher, is making the arrangements.

**MR EADOLAN.**— The death took place in Cophorne Hospital on Friday, January 9th, of Mr Edward Ankrutt Dolan, of 49 Walton Avenue. The officiating minister at Wombidge Parish Church, and at the interment was the Rev. J. Ramell. Funeral arrangements were by Mr J. N. Worrall, Stafford Road, Oakengates.

**OLD FOLKS REST ROOM.**— Mr F. G. Whittingham, was the speaker at Friday's meeting. Birthday greetings were extended to Mrs Taylor and Mrs Bates. The members stood in silent tribute in memory of the late Mrs Hughes. Mr J. Stevens won the weekly competition. Ladies in charge of teas were: Mrs Carr, Mrs Fox, Mrs Jackson and Mrs Latham, assisted by Anne Northwood and Christine Bayliss of Wrockwardine Wood Secondary Modern Girls' School. Mrs M. Powell presided, and thanked the speaker and all who had helped.

**CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.**— The Rev. E. C. Appleby and Miss I. Foster led the youth club on Thursday. The Rev. E. C. Appleby was the preacher at each service on Sunday. Mr S.A. George and Mr J. Lewis were the organists.

proceeds are to go to the clubs local charities and also the St. John Ambulance Brigade. Mr. Martin Brookes, chairman of the Clubs Service Committee, arranged the evening.

**ROTARY CLUB.**— The weekly luncheon of the Club was held at the Valley Hotel last Thursday when Mr. T. D. Dean presided and welcomed the speaker who was Mr. Stan Grange of the Bilston Rotary Club. He gave a talk on Rotary Services and was thanked by Mr. E. Rollinson, secretary of the Ironbridge Rotary Club.

**BRIGHT HOUR.**— The Madeley Wood Bright Hour met on Wednesday in the Wesley Hall when Mrs. G. Jenks presided and the speaker was the Rev. Wesley U. Penney. The accompanist was Mrs. A. E. Evans and the tea hostess Mrs. G. Burgon.

## Youth club annual meeting

Mrs. G. Wright, Secretary of St. Luke's Youth Club Management Committee since its formation several years ago resigned at the Committee's Annual General Meeting held in the Parish Room on Tuesday evening. Mrs. J. Hickman was appointed Secretary, in her place.

Comments on the year 1968 were expressed by the Officers. The chairman Mr. H. E. Andrewartha said the club had had a very successful year indeed membership was excellent with a steady 30, sometimes more, coming along to the Club each Friday evening.

The secretary reported on the year's activities which had been many a successful outing to Blackpool was held last September it was hoped to have one annually in future. National Club Week raised £50 and other successful events had been held together with various activities the Club members had to choose from each week.

Mr. M. P. Andrewartha, in the absence of the treasurer, read the Financial position which was £111.9.9. in the bank and over £6 in hand, this was considered very good indeed.

It was decided to hold a Dinner in March so that all workers of the club could have a social get together.

It was also agreed to keep an eye on people who Management Committee thought would like to help St. Luke's Youth Club. More men were needed on the Committee especially:-

Election of Officers, President:- Mr. C. J. Ecock, Chairman:- Mr. H. E. Andrewartha, Vice chairman:- Mr. C. H. Colley, Secretary:- Mrs. J. Hickman, Treasurer:- Mrs. V. M. Davies.

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**METHODIST CHURCH.**— The Rev. G. Mawson was the preacher on Sunday morning, and Mr Enoch Mansell in the evening. Mr C. Lewis was the organist.

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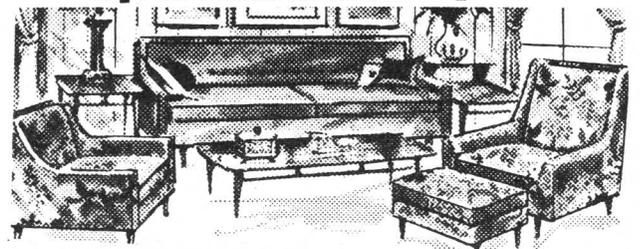
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## Hadley

**MRS G. R. GITTENS.** — The death took place in Cophthorne Hospital on Monday last week, of Mrs Edith Mary Gittens, the wife of Mr G. Ronald Gittens, 76 Haybridge Road, at the age of 56. Mrs Gittens was the second daughter of the late Mr and Mrs Edmund Jones, of Wellington. Her husband, a son, a daughter and a grandson survive her. The funeral service was on Thursday at the Parish Church, Wellington, followed by cremation at Emstrey.

**INDUSTRIAL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP.** — The monthly meeting was held in the lunch hour at G.K.N. Sankeys. The Rev. G. Thornton Thomas (Methodist minister), began a series of talks. He dealt with the first chapter of St. Mark's Gospel. Discussion followed. Mr J. Parton was the pianist.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL PARTY.** — The children of the Elim Pentecostal Sunday School held their party in the Rest Room. Members of the congregation served tea, and afterwards Mr K. Frost (Sunday School superintendent), and the Rev. A. Leitch, organised games. A party from Birmingham put on a gospel puppet show.

**COFFEE CLUB.** — There were over 40 members present on Tuesday, when a demonstration on ladies' fashion hairdressing was given by Jose Grant of Wellington. She was helped by Mrs Joan Hughes, Miss Pauline Williams, Miss Linda Mitchell, and Miss Marie Poole. Mrs H. Teale made the introductions, and later thanked all who had helped. The programme for future events was announced. Stewards were Mrs. I. Schalscha, and Mrs P. Brood. Miss F. F. Smith won the competition. Refreshments were served by members.

**REST ROOM.** — Mrs W. G. Harris, presided over the weekly meeting, on Friday. The speaker was Mr Moses Evans of Oakengates, who also led the prayers. Mrs Parlor read from the Friendship Book, Mrs. M. Williams was the pianist, and Mrs R. Langford led closing prayers. Winners of competitions were Mrs Gale, Mrs Fisher, Mrs Guffog, Mrs Edwards, Mrs Pope and Mr Baldwin. Serving teas were Mrs V. Tidman, Mrs S. Fisher, and Mrs Corfield.

**METHODIST CHURCH.** — At the Youth Club on Wednesday, Mr Peter Jones, a local hairdresser, gave demonstrations of men's hairdressing. Mr H.D. Butler (Wellington), preached on Sunday morning, and the Rev. Rex Hallam (superintendent minister) in the evening. The choir sang an anthem at the evening service, conducted by Joyce Rogers, with Peter Rogers as organist.

## Trench

**METHODIST CHURCH.** — Sunday School was led by Mr K. Fryer on Sunday morning, and the Rev. W. H. Weller conducted the annual Covenant service, in the evening. Mrs R. Baxter was the organist.

**MR C. BEECH.** — The death took place in the Royal Salop Infirmary of Mr Charles Beech, 11 Waverley Terrace, Furnace Lane, at the age of 72. Mr Beech would have retired from the C.O.D. Donnington, in a few weeks time. He was a society steward at Wrockwardine Wood Methodist Church, and church treasurer. The funeral was held there on Wednesday, conducted by the Rev. Rex Hallam (Wellington) with Mr A. Lowe as organist. Hymns sung were "Jesu, stand among us" and "The Lord's my Shepherd." There was a large congregation of friends, colleagues, and church members, and the bearers were trustees of the church.

**SUNSET CLUB.** — A meeting was held on Tuesday afternoon in the Community Centre, Mrs. D. Day, chairman, presided, and the Rev. David Francis, Donnington, conducted the service. Fifty eight members attended. Birthday greetings were extended to Mrs. A. Edwards, Mrs. Nicholls, Mrs. S. A. Edwards and Mrs. F. Roberts. Cakes were given by Mrs. M. Norton and Mrs. E. Upton. Tea hostesses were Mrs. R. Fryer, Mrs. Price, Mrs. E. Biddulph, Mrs. A. Fryer and Mrs. Norton, games were organised by Mrs. F. McGregor, and Mr. A. Weatherall, pianist Mrs. Anita Fryer.

## Leegomery

**METHODIST CHURCH.** — Mr B. Donaldson was the preacher on Sunday morning. In the evening, the Rev. Thornton Thomas, conducted the annual Covenant service, and the service concluded with Holy Communion. Miss M. Millington was the organist at the evening service.

**PARTY.** — The Methodist Sunday School held their New Year party

on Saturday. Tea was prepared and served by Mrs Bailey, Mrs Mitchell, Mrs Moore, Mrs Peake, Mrs Wakeley, and senior scholars. Tea was followed by games and dancing, organised by Mr E. Wakeley, and Miss S. Bailey. On leaving, each child was given chocolate by Mr F. J. Millington.

## Ketley Bank

**ST. PAUL'S METHODIST CHURCH.** — The Rev. G. Mawson preached on Sunday morning, Mr W. Jones collected, and Peter Davies was the organist. Mr G. Carter was the evening preacher, and the lesson readers were Irena Bakonyi and David Vernon. Christine Bakonyi, David Vernon collected and Mrs. Weaver was the organist. The Rev. G. Mawson was the speaker at the Christian Endeavour, today, (Tuesday).

**HILL TOP METHODIST.** — A meeting of contributors to, and distributors of the "Link", the Methodist magazine for the area, was held at the Manse on Friday. The Rev. G. Mawson presided. The Old Park Mission Band, conducted the service on Sunday morning. Mr S. Yapp gave the address and with Miss Janet Yapp, led prayers. Miss May Ferriday was the organist, and Cynthia Davies collected. It was the quarterly members' service, in the evening. Mrs T. Blakemore gave the address, Mr A. Lanham conducted the service, Miss B. Ferriday was the soloist, and Mr J. Parton the organist. Collectors were Mr F. Ferriday and Mr P. Taylor.

## Stirchley

**METHODIST CHURCH.** — At a recent gift service at the church £79 was raised for church funds.

**MRS. S. E. JONES.** — The funeral took place at St. James' Church on Friday followed by interment in the churchyard, of Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Jones (84), of 15, Stirchley Cottages, Stirchley, who died in Cophthorne Hospital, Shrewsbury, on Monday of last week. Mrs. Jones was born in Horsehay, but had lived at Stirchley for about 80 years. She was a member of St. James' Church as well as being a member of the local Mothers' Union and Women's Institute. For many years she worked at D. A. Pugh drapers shop in Dawley and at the Nagg's Head public house, Shifnal. Family mourners included Mr. and Mrs. W. Harper, nephew and niece; Mr. B. Harper, Mrs. E. Syass, nephew and niece; Mrs. N. Jones, sister-in-law; Mr. H. Jones, nephew; Mr. and Mrs. P. Poole, Mr. Walter Harper, Miss Kathleen Poole, great nieces and



great nephews; Mr. T. Kelsey, Mr. H. Jones, nephews. Others present included Mr. T. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. J. Walker, Mrs. W. Kelsey, Mrs. R. Williams, representatives of St. James' Parochial Church Council; Stirchley W.I. Wreaths were received from, Will, Edith, Bill and Ted; Joyce, Reg and Graham; Dorothy, Perce, Kath, John and Neil; Edith, George and family; sister-in-law Nancy; Bert and Ethel; Mrs. E. M. Houston; Mr. and Mrs. M. Williams and family; Mrs. Kelsey, Tony and Jennifer; Mr. and Mrs. Millward and family; Margaret, Walter and family; Winnie, Jim, Gordon, Shirley and Harry; Nancy and Cyril Baugh; Ann and Richard; Stirchley W.I.; Sylvia, John, Susan, Robert and Beverley; friends at the Council houses; all at Mount Pleasant; all at Mount Pleasant; all at the P.C.C. St. James' Church; sister-in-law Sally and family; St. James' Church Sunday School; Mr. and Mrs. A. Rodgers; Marjorie, Harold, Graham and Mrs. Bush; Terry; Mr. and Mrs. Hill. Funeral arrangements were carried out by W. E. Wilkes of Dawley.

## Sutton Hill

**BOXING GROUP.** — The boxing group at Sutton Hill has now split into two sections, junior and senior. The group meet every Monday and Thursday at 7 p.m. At present the group has a membership of 25.

# WELLINGTON

**BACK TO SCHOOL.** — Parents who attend a meeting of the parent-teacher association, Dohill Junior School, Wellington, tomorrow (Thursday), will have the opportunity of showing just what they can do at certain subjects which form part of the school's routine curriculum. The headmistress, Mrs. Beard, said it was thought that the parents would like to see the kind of problems that their children had to solve, and to see how they would manage. The subjects that "back to school" parents will be doing are maths, music, and art. The evening will conclude with an informal exhibition of what the parents present had managed to do earlier. "I think the results will be quite interesting," said Mrs. Beard, pointing out that the school's parent/teacher association had in the past held various meetings, with normally the attendance of a speaker, but it was felt that to invite parents to come along to do some school work themselves

would make a bit of a change. **UNION FREE CHURCH (CONGREGATIONAL AND BAPTISTS).** — The Primary party was held on Saturday, at which games and refreshments were laid on by Mrs. H. D. Jones, Mrs. Swift, and Miss Eggerton and other ladies of the church. Presents were given to the children by Mr. W. R. Bowen. The Sunday services were conducted by the Minister, the Rev. Dennis B. Pidcock. The morning service was a Communion service, and the theme of "Unity" was taken in the services for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The speaker at Monday's Women's Hour was Mrs. Leach, of Wellington, and the Ladies' Fellowship met the same day at 106 Haygate Road. Yesterday (Tuesday) the Ladies' sewing meeting was held at "Haldon," Albert Road. A church meeting was to be held yesterday (Tuesday), to discuss how the church could offer friendship to people in the neigh-

bourhood. **OLD PEOPLES WELFARE COMMITTEE.** — Tea for Friday's meeting — attended by about 80 people — was out of funds, and it was prepared and served by members and committee. Birthday honours were given to Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Ferriday, Mr. Bentley. The pianist was Mrs. Dean, who led community singing. A very old member — Mrs. A. M. Hotchkiss, of Bayley Road, Wellington, died recently, and members stood in silent tribute to her. The Wednesday service was conducted by Mr. Benson, a retired Missionary living at Wellington.

## 2ND. WELLINGTON SCOUTS.

— A wide game is being held this Friday in The Ercall area, weather permitting, and included in the programme will be a signalling exercise, which the lads have been studying for a couple of weeks. In charge of the programme will be Mr. Alan Whittaker (assistant Scout Leader), assisted by Messrs. Mike Clay and Robin Leach (assistant Scout leaders). A presentation is to be made next Monday (January 27) at the Scout Hut, to Mr. B. G. Bagnall, who recently relinquished the position of Group Scout leader. No successor has yet been appointed, and the Group will consider any interested person prepared to offer his services in that respect. The Cub party is to be held on the same night as the presentation.

**WREKIN TORIES.** — Hostesses at last week's coffee session, organised by the No. 2 Ladies' Section, were Mrs. Huss, Mrs. Theophilus, and Miss I. Smith. The Women's Advisory Committee held their New Year party on Thursday, when a film show was given by Mrs. R. Mould. Refreshments were served and provided by the officers. A competition was won by Mrs. C. Shaw.

**BLESSED ROBERT JOHNSON SCHOOL.** — The under 16's football lost their match last Wednesday, against Belvidere Secondary Modern, Shrewsbury, 5-4. A series of net ball matches were played on Wednesday against Shifnal Modern, and all four were won by the Wellington school. The fourth year team won 16-2; the third year, 18-4; the second, 7-1, and the first year, 6-4. On Thursday, the headmaster, Mr. B. Price, took a small group of junior children on a theatre visit.

**METHODIST YOUTH CLUB.** — The semi-finals of the boys' baton competition were played on January 13. David Jones beat Derrick Sandells two games to one, and Paul Mannering beat Charles Lowndes two games to nil. The girls' semi-final has already been played and the finalists are Elizabeth Archer and Winifred Loynton. The club is this year going on holiday to Belgium. The Rev. Rex Hallam, who is leading the party, spoke about the arrangements. Devotions were led by Mr. Reg Vaughan. The girls' netball team narrowly lost their match at Bennetts Bank Youth Centre on January 14, by 10-8, against Rodington. On Wednesday members played baton, snooker, table-tennis, darts, etc. Mr. John Griss, assistant youth officer East Shropshire, visited the club on Saturday, and organised a competition evening. The youth fellowship met on Sunday, at The Manse, Holyhead Road. Mr. G. Walton Wilde, who had earlier taken the service in church, invited members to pull his sermon to pieces. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Hallam.

**MRS. A. M. HOTCHKISS.** — Cremation took place on Monday, at Shrewsbury, of Mrs. Agnes Mary Hotchkiss, of 22, Bayley Road, Wellington, who died on January 15, at the age of 92. Mrs. Hotchkiss had specialised in making home made bread, and the day before she died she had baked. She was the last surviving child of the late Mr. Richard James, of The Bank Farm, Gatten, near Pontesbury. A native of Pontesbury, Mrs. Hotchkiss had lived at Wellington for over 50 years and her late husband, Mr. William Hotchkiss worked at Haygate Farm for 46 years. Mr. Hotchkiss died two years last May, aged 90. Mrs. Hotchkiss attended the first meeting of the old Wellington Darby and Joan Club at The Hut, situated in the grounds of All Saints Church. Until her failing health in recent years, she regularly attended meetings of the now local Old People's Welfare Committee at Belmont Hall. Mrs. Hotchkiss is survived by three daughters — Mrs. Alice Sadler, Mrs. May James, Mrs. Elizabeth Worthington — and three sons — Messrs. William Hotchkiss, and James and John Hotchkiss. She also has many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

# DAWLEY

**LEY WHIST DRIVE.** — The fortnightly whist drive of The Ley, Dawley, was held recently. The prizes were presented by Mrs. Cousin to: Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. Cousin, Mrs. Hart, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Scrowcroft, Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Corbett, and Mr. Yates. The draw prize was won by Mrs. Wilkes and Mrs. Ayres. The M.C. was Mr. V. Jones.

**SUDDEN DEATH.** — The death occurred suddenly on Saturday of Mrs. Ethel Maude Plant, aged 68, of 9, New Street, Dawley. Mrs. Plant was found dead at her home. The facts have been reported to the Coroner.

**PULPIT EXCHANGES.** — The start of the "Week of Prayer for Christian Unity" on Sunday saw pulpit exchanges at Churches throughout the Dawley area. The services were conducted by: Stirchley Mr. Ivor Howells; Finger Road Methodist Church, Mr. E. Wilkes; Little Dawley Methodist Church, Dr. J. Metcalf; Dawley Central Methodist Church, the Rev. K. Posnett and the Rev. M. Williams; The Rock Methodist Church, the Rev. C. Nankivell; Horsehay Methodist Church, the Rev. D. H. R. Jones; Dawley Baptist Church, the Rev. A. R. Wayte; St. Leonards Church, Malinslee, Mr. Maymand; Lawley Parish Church, Mr. G. Whitehead; Doseley Church, Mr. P. Brookes; Holy Trinity Church, Dawley, Mr. B. Westbrook.

**POOL HILL SCHOOL NEWS.** — A woollen collection is being held at the school in an effort to raise money for the school fund. The fund helps towards the cost of extra equipment and school transport. Children are also busily saving up for their educational holiday which is to be in Belgium and Holland for five days in June. The Parents Association re-starts after the Christmas break on January 28, all parents and friends are invited. The study course this term is to be art and craft work in the junior school.

**UNITED SERVICE.** — The United Service with Lawley Bank Methodist Church held at the Central Methodist Church on Sunday was conducted by the Rev. K. Posnett. The preacher was the Rev. M. Williams of Dawley Baptist Church. Both Ministers administered Holy Communion. The service was followed by refreshments in the Pastoral Centre and a discussion followed on the future of the two societies.

**MRS. H. M. TONKS.** — The funeral service took place at Lawley Bank Methodist Church on Thursday, followed by cremation at Emstrey Crematorium, Shrewsbury, of Mrs. Hilda Mary Tonks, aged 62 of 20, Heath Hill, Dawley. The service was conducted by the Rev. Morgan Williams. Mrs. Tonks is survived by a husband, Harry, one daughter, Mrs. Hilda Amphlett and four granddaughters. She had lived in Heath Hill all her life.

**REST ROOM.** — Dawley Rest Room held their weekly meeting and serve on Friday, Mr. R. Woolley presided over the meeting and the address was given by Mr. G. Whitehead. Mrs. A. Woolley sang a solo and the lesson was read by Mrs. Skidmore. Collectors were Mrs. A. Gittens and Miss E. Samuels. After the meeting, refreshments were served by members of the ladies committee.

**PARTY.** — The Malinslee Church Sunday School recently held their annual party in the Mission Room. The party was organised by Sunday

school teachers, Mrs. A. Brice and Miss T. Bickerton, and Mrs. B. Hollis, Miss D. Plant. Mr. J. Chetwood also helped to organise games and prepare the tea.

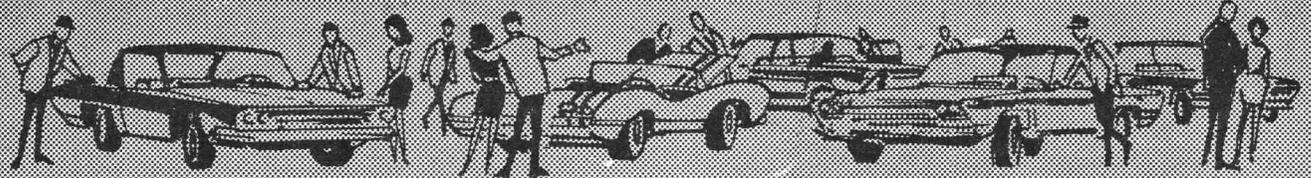
**BROWNIES.** — The first Dawley pack held their meeting in the Dun Cow annexe last Tuesday when about 30 brownies were present. Those present were split into three groups to discuss the topics: "Keeping Pets", "Brownies in other countries", and "Weather charts". The meeting closed with a game which was won by Doretta Martin.

**BROWNIES.** — About 26 members of the First Dawley pack attended the meeting held in Little Dawley Methodist schoolroom on Thursday. Games were won by Janet Edgerton and Gail English, and later each six performed a play for the rest of the pack. The following Brownies have passed artists' badges: Alison Evans, Kim Arnold, Debbie Ford, Joy Duddell, Karen Hughes, Karen Moore, Dawn Widdows and Julie Heritage.

**GUIDES.** — The first Dawley Guides held their annual party in the Methodist schoolroom, Chapel St., on Wednesday when members of the First Dawley Scout troop also attended. The organisers were Misses H. and L. Forgham, Mrs. G. Chetwood and Mrs. E. Owen. Games were won by Carol Fletcher and Paul Buttery and dancing and music was organised by Miss K. Corbett.

**MRS A.W. BULLOCK.** — The funeral took place at Doseley Parish Church on Thursday, of Mrs. Alice Winifred Bullock, of 17, The Ley, Dawley, who died on January 17th. Mrs. Bullock had suffered a long illness which had left her bed-ridden for the past 19 years. Born in Lancashire she had lived for many years in Dawley. Mrs. Bullock leaves five children. Family mourners were: Eileen and Len Bullock; Bill and Nellie Bullock; May and Bill Ashcroft; Harold and Sylvia Bullock; Mr. H. Bullock; Mr. J. Kelly, also representing Mrs. Kelly; Mr. L. Anthony, also representing Mrs. Anthony; Mr. and Mrs. L. Kiniston; Mr. A. Anthony; Mr. N. Davies; Mr. L. Bullock. Others present included: Mrs. Skitt, Mrs. Speake, Miss R. Smith, Mrs. Davies, and Bernard Davies; Mrs. Sheward, Mrs. Walters, Mrs. Walford, Mrs. J. Pitchford, also representing Mr. Pitchford; Mrs. M. Eckells, Mrs. A. Maiden, Mrs. T. Connelly, Mr. and Mrs. K. Williams, Mr. S. Davies, Mr. J. Yapp, Mr. R. Pritchard, Mrs. Hoof, Mr. E. Yapp and others. Wreaths were sent by: Bill and Nellie, Len and Eileen, May and Bill, Harold and Sylvia, Janet and Susan, grandchildren; Hilda and family; May, Jim and family; Nellie and family (Horwich, Lancs.); Harry and Florrie (Lawley Bank). Len, Edna and Len. Betty Lincoln and family; Mr. L. Bullock and family; Len and Ada Bryan; Pat and Ken; From all Anthony family, Broseley; Mrs. Walters and residents of The Ley; Mr. and Mrs. Hoof and Janice; Mr. and Mrs. J. Pitchford and Molly; Mrs. Davies and family, Arden Avenue; Mrs. Cooper, The Finney; Gordon, Lilian and family; Mr. and Mrs. J. Smith and family; Mrs. Griffiths, Joan and Ken; Mr. and Mrs. Speake and family; Ken, Cissie and family; from the family of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. Yapp; Mr. and Mrs. A. Skitt, Friends of Horsehay Works; Friends of Little Dawley Church; Picken family. Bearers were Messrs. A. Franks, A. Skitt, G. Moreton, and A. Sheward

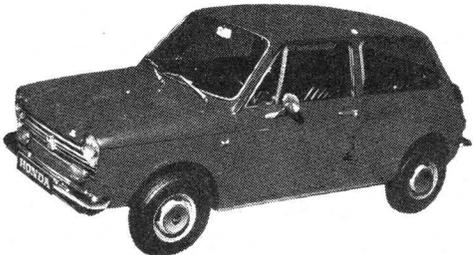
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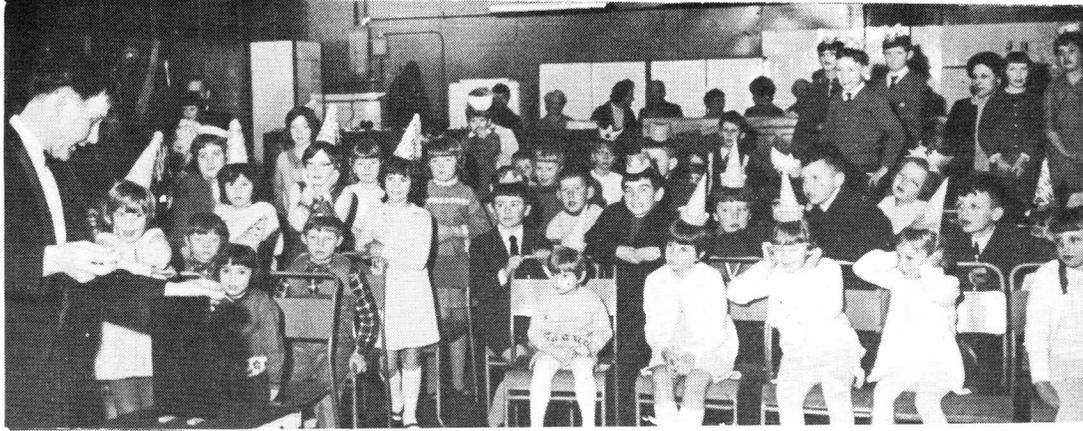
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Youngsters who went along to the Russell Rubber Co. Ltd., childrens party on Saturday, with the conjurer.



Eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Evans, of 1, Windsor Road, Dawley, Miss Pauline Ann Evans was married on Saturday, at Dawley Parish Church, to Mr. Kevin Oswald Waters, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Eley, of 42, Kings Avenue, Market Drayton.

Fifty guests attended a reception at the Annex, Dun Cow, Dawley. The couple's future home will be at Tern Hill, Market Drayton.

The Rev. Bob Wayte officiated, and Mr. Percy Corbett was organist. The bride, given away by her father, wore a white full length dress of lace with a matching train. The veil was held in place with a floral headress. She carried red roses. The bridesmaids were the Misses Josie Waters, sister of the bridegroom and Diane Evans, sister of the bride. They wore full length dresses in pink silk, and white accessories, and head-dresses of pink rosebuds. They carried sprays of lily-of-the-valley.

The best man was Mr. Peter Waters, brother of the bridegroom, and the Usher was Mr. Kenneth Wil-



There was a good spread at the Ever Ready factory's Old folks party.

### R.A.F. careers

Royal Air Force apprentices who have just completed their apprentice training will be spending a fortnight at R.A.F. Careers Information Offices in their hometown areas from January 19th until 1st February as part of R.A.F. Apprentice Fort-night.

In the Shrewsbury area will be Junior Technician David James Vickers who is 18, and comes from 4 Park Lane, Old Park, Dawley. He attended Wellington Grammar School until joining the RAF two years ago.



Junior Technician Vickers will be available to talk to any prospective candidates for RAF Apprenticeships at the Royal Air Force Careers Information Office at 7/8 St. Mary's Street, Shrewsbury from January 24th, to February 1st, 1969.



Some of the people who went along to the St. Georges Conservative party dinner at the Recreation Club, St. Georges on Friday.



Some of the guests at Anthony Horton Ltd. dinner at the Town House on Friday.

### Births, Marriages & Deaths In Memoriam

#### BIRTHS

DAKER.— (nee Leyland). To Ellison and John on 20th January, 1969 at "The Woodlands", Church Road, St. Georges. God's precious gift of a son, brother for Catherine (Nicholas John).

GOODWIN.— (nee Fifield). To David and Susan, on January 17th, 1969, at Cophorne Hospital, a daughter (Amanda Jane).

#### COMING - OF - AGE

MANSELL.— Congratulations Josie on your 21st birthday, 26th January. All my love, Terry.

MANSELL.— Congratulations Josie on your 21st birthday on 26th January. All our love, Mr. and Mrs. Bailey and Pauline.

MANSELL.— (Josephine). Congratulations on your 21st birthday (January 26th). Love Mom, Dad, Irene and Hazel. - a22

#### THANKS

THE FAMILY of the late Mrs. A. W. Bullock wish to thank the doctor for his kind attention throughout Mrs. Bullock's illness. Also friends and neighbours.

#### IN MEMORIAM

PRICE.— John. Loving memories of dear brother. Died January 28th, 1968. "God's greatest gift, remembrance." Loving sister, Alice.

PRICE.— (John). Died 28th January 1968. Always in our thoughts. Loving sister Eva.

HAYWARD.— (Maria). 25th January, 1963. "Silent thoughts, tears unseen, Wishing your absence was only a dream."

God Bless Gran, Janet, Des, Delia. HAYWARD.— (Maria). 25th January, 1963.

"The world is full of Mom's I know, But you were mine and I loved you so." Loving daughter, Peggy.

HAYWARD.— (Maria). 25th January, 1963. "There are times when I am lonely, I wish you were there, To sit by my side, In that still vacant chair." Always remembered by loving daughter Maria, Ted.

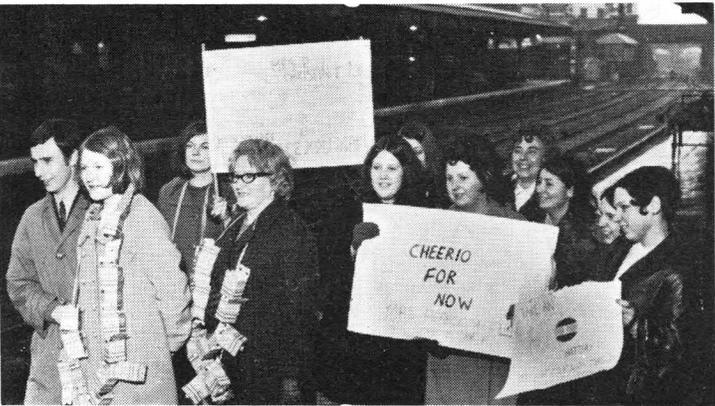
### Woman gets £10,000 damages

Miss Judith Batchelor (22), Rednal Fields, Little Dawley, was awarded £10,000 damages at Shropshire Assizes yesterday against Mr. William Patrick Heaton (24), a fitter of Strine Close, Wellington, on whose motor cycle she was a pillion passenger when it crashed six years ago.

Miss Batchelor was said to be "almost blind" as a result of the accident.

Mr. Heaton, whose insured did

not cover third party risks, told Mr. Justice Ashworth before the damages were assessed "Whatever the amount is I shall never pay it off in my lifetime".



Friends of Mrs R. Pearce and her daughter Christine, said goodbye to the couple on Monday evening, when they left Wellington station for the start of their trip to Lagos, Nigeria, where Mrs. Pearce's husband, Roy, will be waiting for them.

Mr Pearce, of Oldfeld Road, Dawley, left recently to take up the new post of production superintendent, with Ever Ready (International Division), at a new factory in Lagos. He was formerly training officer, and production supervisor at the company's Dawley factory.

### Baptists 'will wait'

The inaugural service of the Dawley Christian Council, is due to be held in Dawley Town Hall tonight, (Wednesday).

Every denomination in the district is represented, with the exception of the Baptists.

The local Baptist Minister, Rev. Morgan Williams, told an Observer reporter "We as a church are not members of the Christian Council, although I personally am. The church have taken a decision, and

they feel they want to wait a little bit to see what happens."

Taking part in the service tonight, will be the Rt. Rev. W. Grasar, the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Shrewsbury, the Rt. Rev. W. Parker, the Anglican Bishop of Shrewsbury; the Rev. J. Lewis, Archdeacon of Ludlow, and Mr G. Whitehead, chairman of the Wolverhampton and Shrewsbury Methodist circuit, and president-elect of the Methodist conference, will preach the sermon.



Married recently at Malinslee Church were Miss Jacqueline Maddy of 20, Eytton Road, Dawley, and Mr. Paul Frank of Wellswood Avenue, Ketley Bank.

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1965 AUSTIN MINI Saloon, green.

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I don't know what it costs in the Common Market countries, but presume the price must hover around the £1,000 mark; it makes one realise what our home-built sports jobs are up against in the battle for European sales.

As its name suggests, the car is based on the four-door 124 saloon, a remarkably zippy little 1,200 cc job capable of nearly 85 m.p.h. and endowed with acceleration which says you get from zero to 60 in a shade under 16 secs.

In the coupe, however, a look under the bonnet reveals a twin overhead cam' head sitting on an engine which has been bored out to increase capacity to 1,483 cc. A two-stage Weber carburettor is used and the end product is a net output of 90 b.h.p. at 6,500 r.p.m. — some 50 per cent more urge than the saloon "parent" has to offer.

Front suspension is independent and includes an anti-roll bar, while the live rear axle is superbly

located by parallel trailing arms and a Panhard rod. Pirelli Cinturato radials on wide, five-inch rims complete the picture of a car which, in the words of one ravingly enthusiastic test in a national motoring weekly, sets new standards of road-holding and handling for conventional suspension systems.

Who am I to argue with that. Let it suffice to say that the 124S couple went down in my book as the only car in which my wife has ever been frightened!

That sounds bad, so I must hasten to explain that her fear was caused — just for the first mile or two — by a chilling conviction that no car could possibly get round corners at the speed at which the Fiat approached them. One bend in particular, she confessed later, had been entered at a velocity which seemed to mean that an accident was every bit as inevitable as sunrise and sunset but the car toured round without the slightest hint of drama, never budging an inch from the chosen line.

Putting it into a nutshell, I cannot recall any car — although I must confess I have still to drive a Lotus Elan — which inspired so much well-founded confidence.

At the risk of becoming a bore on the subject I am taking the unusual step of quoting from the test which appeared in "Autocar"

and describes how the 124S went on the Motor Industry Research Association's proving grounds near Nuneaton.

"Going round the road circuit faster and faster became ridiculous", it said, "for even when we deliberately yanked the wheel at the apex, long after the car was set-up and drifting hard, it simply turned in tighter. Only by doing this, and stamping hard on the throttle in second as we hit a patch of newly surfaced tarmac, could we get the tail to move more than an inch out of line, and then it came straight so quickly it was uncanny."

However, as so often seems to be the case with conventional suspensions offering exceptionally good standards of road-holding, ride comfort suffers. This can be both annoying and uncomfortable over poor surfaces, but must, I suppose, be regarded as a small price to pay for that almost unbelievable amount of sheer hanging-on power.

The brochure talks about "seating four in saloon car comfort", but I for one would not care to cover really long distances in the back. In all fairness, the

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I would, however, voice again my frequent crib about the lack of a modern ventilation system. Fresh air comes in via inlets on either side of the fascia, and the front quarterlights also swivel open, but the rear windows must be hinged open to permit proper circulation. This, as always, involves a certain amount of stretching and fiddling, cannot be done while the car is moving, and inevitably pushes the noise level up considerably.

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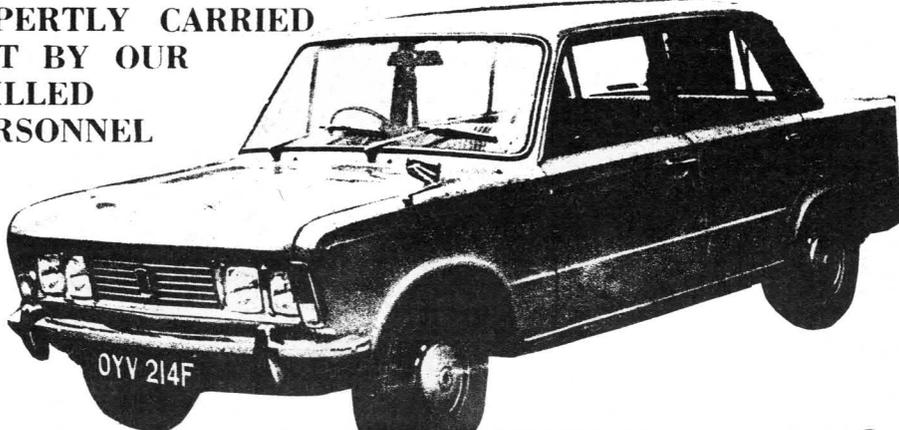
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- (b) Persons in their area who for reward receive into their homes one or more children under the age of five (to whom they are not related) to be looked after for a similar period.

Any person who so receives and looks after one or more children either in his or her home or in other premises in the County of Salop should at once apply to the County Medical Officer of Health, The Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, for registration. From 1st February, 1969, it will be an offence for premises or persons not to be so registered. The maximum fine for a first offence is £50.

W. N. P. JONES, Clerk of the Salop County Council.

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## Message

(From page 1)

of national health and social security benefits." The letter enclosed a copy of the recent cost of living survey in the new town and ended "We think the problems of the new town are not insurmountable and that with Government help this could be a swinging place to live."

Members of Sutton Hill Residents' Association were busy on Saturday preparing for their protest march. At the home of Mrs. Margaret Pratt, the association secretary, they wrote slogans for their placards and made final travelling arrangements. Six people made the trip to London, leaving Wellington railway station on Monday morning.

Mrs. Pratt told the Observer that the slogans they chose for the placards represented all the points they would put to the Minister of Housing and Local Government, if they did manage to secure a meeting with him.

The slogans were: "More jobs for Telford and Reduced Rents"; "Government Relief for Telford"; "Reduce Our Rents or We Live in Tents"; "Reduce Electricity Charges"; "Telford Needs a Day Nursery"; "5½% Unemployed in Telford". The other slogan is made up of a Telford New Town sticker, with the words "for people on the move" and the association has stuck this on to a poster and written the word "out" underneath it.

Mrs. Pratt said when they were preparing the placards, they looked back at the survey they took on the estate last summer and the unemployment was then 5½%, but now it was more likely to be nearer 10%.

## Blasting

(From page 1)

"We are also attempting to restrict our firings to the daytime, but there will, inevitably, be some during the night hours, when work has not gone as planned".

Mr. Parkes finished the letter by saying that if anyone is still worried about the blasting they are very welcome to call and see him at the firm's site office in Bridgnorth Road.

When it was announced that blasting would take place in the tunnel, the firm said that these explosives would be confined to the hours between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. Blasting has been heard and felt on the estate as late as 11 p.m. and as early as 6 a.m., and it is this fact which has made the residents angry.

## GIRL HURT

Miss Gillian Murphy (18) of 2 Tern Lane, Longden on Tern, was taken to the Royal Salop Infirmary yesterday morning after being involved in a collision with a car when she was walking at Longden. The car was driven by Keith Tibbott (20) of Sherwood, Preston Brockhurst.

## Help

(From page 1)

affairs of my own people.

This I cannot do. It is true that I do receive letters, not infrequently, from other parts of Shropshire, and sometimes letters addressed to me as "the Member of Parliament for Shropshire" — but I either refer such letters to the appropriate Member of Parliament, or suggest to the writer that he contacts his own Member. Today I received a letter from Cheshire — there is a limit to one man's capabilities!

Secondly, it is an unwritten rule that one does not interfere in the affairs of another man's constituency. I have tried to observe this rule as do the other Shropshire Members. Many will recall what happened when, at the request of local councillors, I visited Sutton Hill 18 months ago — merely to inform myself of the state of the new development there, out of general interest. Mr. Jasper More's agent at once protested — not to me, but to the press — that I was "poaching" on Mr. More's constituency. It is obvious what the reaction would be if I were actually to take up the problems of Mr. More's constituents without his express permission.

I am perfectly aware that the problems experienced by the residents of Sutton Hill may be experienced also by all the other inhabitants of Telford, as the New Town develops, and that the bulk of this development will eventually be in The Wrekin.

But the fact remains that so far the Development Corporation has not built a single house in The Wrekin. Hence, however great my general interest, there is nothing that I can at present do about the problems of the new residents — without the express request of Mr. More for my assistance. The ball is in his court, not mine.

As for my recent suggestion to the association that I thought it highly unlikely that the Minister of Housing would be able to receive their Committee, I can only say that I don't believe in leading people up the garden path, but in telling them the straight and honest truth.

I know how difficult it is for me as a Junior Minister to see all of the people who wish to see me, however late I work. For the Minister of Housing, who deals with the area which is served by more associations, and which stimulates more deputations, than any other, the task must be well-nigh impossible.

If he saw no deputation at all, he would still be working at least twelve hours a day. I therefore saw no good reason to encourage false hopes. But that is for him to decide, if the association wish to approach him to seek an interview, I am sure that he will consider the request with his normal interest and humanity.

## Wellington council topics

# Council want cash for house loans

WELLINGTON Urban Council, who have recently not been able to make any loans for people to buy houses, will be asked at tonight's meeting to request the Minister of Housing to allocate them £10,000 for this purpose for the remainder of the financial year.

The Finance Committee point out that the Minister had decided that where the quota for a council for the second half of the year was less than £10,000, no grant would be made. The council's quota was just under this figure, and so they had not been able to lend people any money.

But now it appeared that some authorities had not taken up their full quota.

Other items in committee reports to be presented at tonight's meeting of the council include:

The county council have approved an order allowing for 50 feet limited waiting on the west side of the widest part of New Hall Road and for the banning of parking for 20 feet on this side of the road from its junction with Victoria Avenue.

The hedge at the junction of Oake Crescent and A5 has been reduced, and a meeting is to be arranged between representatives of the Divisional Surveyor and the Councils Surveyor to consider re-positioning some of the traffic signs.

Following the passing of the Town and Country Planning Act 1968, the committee recommended that the list of buildings of historic or architectural interest remain unchanged. The buildings are — All Saints Church, Charlton Arms Hotel, White Lion Inn, Market Square (Bradleys), Raven Inn, Cock Hotel, Old Hall, Haygate Farm House.

Two objections have been received to the county council application to extend the experimental traffic order in New Street and Bell Street, but the Minister of Transport has directed this shall continue until June 8th next.

The committee express their grave concern at the delay in replacing defective lighting columns on A442.

The Divisional Road Engineer has told the committee he is sorry it is not yet possible to agree on renewing the lighting on the trunk or principal roads in Wellington but there is a very heavy demand for important lighting schemes on unlit roads.

Hadley and Lilleshall Parish councils had asked for improvements to the bus shelters on Victoria Street. Complaints had been received that passengers were soaked by the rain, and made cold by the strong winds whilst waiting in the shelters. It had been estimated that enclosing the backs and ends of the shelters would cost £92 and repairs and cleaning £45. The committee say for many years the council have been frustrated in efforts to provide a central bus station. In view of the uncertainty of the position, they recommended no action on the shelters.

The council clerk has been asked to discuss with the Chief Constable whether vehicles could wait without lights in certain streets in the town centre at night.

Chartwell Road and Toll Road (from its junction with Arleston Lane to its junction with Chartwell Road) are now maintainable at public expense.

The councillors have been asked to consider a list of all bus stops and tell the Surveyor of any they consider dangerous.

Footpath improvements in Golf Links Lane will cost about £900, and the committee recommend this be approved.

Approval for a limited period of 15 years is recommended for erection of a two storey building to be used as a carpet and furniture showroom

at 8 Queen Street. The county planning sub committee decided to refuse the application as it would be "undesirable permanent extension of commercial activities which would prejudice future planning of the area". The council's committee point out that the site is in a mixed business area.

Another disagreement with the county planning sub committee is reported over an outline application for showroom and stores on land adjoining The Beeches, Bridge Road. The county committee proposed permission for five years by the councils committee say this is unrealistic, and they suggest 15 years.

An application by Fletcher Estates, Shrewsbury for 30 dwellings at Rushbury Road-Admaston Road is recommended for approval, subject to certain conditions.

The committee have taken no action on a request for an advance warning sign for the pedestrian crossing at Dawley Road. The Road Safety Committee stated that as there is a dip in the road, drivers approaching from the south are not always aware they are coming to a crossing. But the Surveyor said the visibility of the crossing beacons is well in excess of regulations.

Outline consent has been received for residential development on the West Road Open Space, and a lay out is to be prepared showing how the land could be developed with detached houses, with a view to selling plots to individuals, or the whole site to a private builder.

The council are recommended to spend £2500 on installing central heating in 12 of their houses, the tenants to pay increased rent.

Final details have been agreed with the Lilleshall Company who are preparing a revised tender for replacing 41 aluminium bungalows at Lawrence Road and Woodlands Road, and the erection of 12 semi detached units. The committee recommended that the council pay removal expenses of tenants and that gas hot air heaters be installed in the buildings.

A tender of £2,984 for supply of kitchen equipment for the High Street - John Street development is recommended for approval.

The WRVS are thanked for their gift of bed linen for use in the communal centre of the Hesba Stretton Grouped Dwellings Scheme.

The committee recommend application to the Minister of Housing for confirmation of a compulsory purchase order for the sites of Nos 32-44 (even numbers inclusive) Church Street, together with garden land, which the Highways Committee say should be acquired for road improvements.

A tender of £10,809 has been accepted for a new mortuary in the area.

Receipts at the "Trust the Motorist" car parks to January 13 were £1,004 compared with £1,025 in the previous year; and at the Parade, £1,847 compared with £1,691. Swimming Baths receipts to December 31 were £2,522 compared with £2,330 the previous year.

The Road Safety Advisory Committee reported that during 1968 a total of 191 children took the cycle proficiency test and 122 passed. This compares with 154 passes of the 188 children tested the previous year.

A request by the Road Safety Committee for signs at the Green, indicating the entrance and exit, has been referred to the police.

## WELLINGTON DOMINOES LEAGUE

SECTION A						
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A. Pts
Duke's Head	8	5	3	0	38	26 13
King's Head H.	8	5	1	2	36	28 11
Raven	8	5	0	3	34	30 10
Smithfield 1	9	2	6	1	36	36 10
Cock Hotel 1	8	3	3	2	34	30 9
Gate Inn B	8	3	2	3	33	31 8
Red Lion 1	8	3	1	3	34	30 7
White Lion	9	3	1	5	33	40 7
Buck's Head	8	2	2	4	30	34 6
Ercall Hotel	8	1	3	4	24	40 5
Malt Shovel	8	1	2	5	28	36 4

SECTION B						
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A. Pts
Haygate Hotel	8	7	1	0	41	23 15
Hadley U.S.C. 1	8	6	2	0	42	22 14
Smithfield 2	9	5	2	2	41	31 12
Barley Mow H.	7	4	1	2	34	22 9
Black Horse	8	3	2	3	32	32 8
Pheasant M.S. 1	8	3	0	5	28	36 7
Horseshoes K.	8	2	4	2	36	36 6
Station Hotel	8	2	1	5	27	37 5
Plough A	8	1	3	4	29	35 5
Queens Hotel	8	1	3	4	24	40 5
Rose & Crown	8	1	0	7	24	40 2

SECTION C						
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A. Pts
King's Head	9	6	1	2	46	26 13
Plough K.S.	8	4	2	2	32	29 10
Midland Red	7	4	1	2	31	25 9
Wickets	8	3	2	3	35	29 8
Red Lion 2	7	2	4	1	30	26 8
Wrekin Inn	7	2	4	1	29	27 8
Pheasant M.S. 2	8	3	2	3	30	34 8
Cock Hotel 2	8	3	1	4	29	35 7
Dun Cow	8	3	1	4	33	31 6
Hadley U.S.C. 2	8	1	2	5	31	40 4
Bacchus	8	1	2	5	25	39 4

## WELLINGTON DARTS LEAGUE

SECTION ONE						
	P.	W.	L.	F.	A.	Pts
Red Lion Park St	11	9	2	61	38	18
Smithfield B	11	8	3	62	37	16
Plough, Allscott	11	9	2	57	42	16
Plough, King St.	11	7	4	61	38	14
Fox & Hounds	11	7	4	60	39	14
Wrekin Inn	11	7	4	54	45	14
Bucks Head B	11	7	4	54	45	14
Barley Mow Wton	11	5	6	49	50	10
Fox and Duck	11	5	6	44	55	10
Pheasant B	11	5	6	44	55	10
Grove Hotel	11	3	8	47	52	6
Oddfellows	11	2	9	38	61	4
Gate Inn Bratton	11	2	9	34	65	4
Bucks Hd. L Lane	11	1	10	24	75	2

Two points deducted from Plough total.

SECTION TWO						
	P.	W.	L.	F.	A.	Pts
Red Lion, L.D.	10	10	0	64	26	20
Cock Hotel	10	9	1	62	28	18
Buck's Head A	9	6	3	50	31	12
Pheasant A	11	6	5	50	49	12
Horseshoes	10	6	4	48	42	12
Unicorn L.D.	10	6	4	44	46	12
White Lion	11	5	6	48	51	10
Barley Mow Hd'ry	10	5	5	46	44	10
Granville Arms	10	5	5	41	49	10
Smithfield A	9	3	6	39	42	6
Ercall Hotel	10	2	8	33	57	4
Swan Hotel	10	2	8	32	58	4
Queens Hotel	10	0	10	29	61	0

## Treat for scouts

Members of Wrockwardine Scout Group had a special treat on Thursday evening, when they were given a talk by Shrewsbury Town footballers — Peter Dolby and John Phillips.

There are some keen footballers in the Group itself, and, under Mr. Pickford, of Admaston, the Scouts football team are contenders for the Oakengates Junior Football Association's northern section championship.

Two years ago the Wrockwardine cub pack was formed, and within the last 12 months the Scout troop was started. After a slow start under the leadership of George Allan and Michael Foster the troop is nearly at full strength.

Behind the scenes, Mr. Maddocks, chairman, and Mrs. Jones, secretary, of Admaston, lead the parents committee, which is giving full support to the Group.

A full programme is now being arranged for the Cubs and Scouts over the next few months. The Wellington rural district council have been instrumental in many ways in helping the Group.



Smiling faces at Priorslee Sunday School party on Saturday.



Pictured after their wedding on Saturday are Miss Janet Muston of 3, Richards Row, Donnington and Lance Corporal Raymond Hutchings of Parsons Barracks, Donnington.



# OAKWORTHS NEARLY GRAB POINTS

**AFTER leading 3-0 at half time, King's Head made defensive blunders in their Sunday League game on Sunday which almost gave Oakworths a dramatic victory. But the game ended in a 4-4 draw.**

Kings dominated the first half and went in front with goals from Steve Parton, Fred Poole and Dave Onions. Oakworth replied with spasmodic attacks but the two good shots by Arthur Hendy were their only scoring chances.

The change started in the 60th minute when Arthur Hendy scored from a free kick just outside the penalty area. Eight minutes later John Edwards made it 3-2 with a shot which Mick Kelly could only tip in the net. Defensive blunders let in Tony Meredith to score close in after 70 and 75 minutes.

Having four goals against them in 15 minutes, plus two very near misses, Kings Head forwards set about their task of pulling the game out of the fire. They were rewarded with an equalising header by Roger Chesters from a Bob Mapp corner. This was an excellent game played in the best spirit, with a very

## HARD TASK FOR THE CROWN

Sunday League Leaders The Crown were generally off form on Sunday, and they had to struggle hard to beat Summerhouse by the odd goal in nine. The match was switched from Hadley to The Crown's ground at Rodington.

The only two Crown players really in form on Sunday were full backs Davies and Gittens, and if the club are to stand a chance of success in next Sunday's vital encounter with Smithfield, they will have to produce better all round form.

Against Summerhouse, The Crown took the lead four times, but each time the visitors hit back with an equaliser. Then the winning goal came about 10 minutes from time through Crown's Geoff Tipton, who put in a good shot just inside the penalty area.

The first goal came after 15 minutes, when Crown's Henshaw ran on to a through ball and slammed it home. Summerhouse through Keith Shepherd equalised but Crown regained the lead soon afterwards when Henshaw pounced on a loose ball in a goalmouth scramble and chipped it into the net.

Summerhouse equalised again when Shepherd got a second goal just before half-time Johnny Harris put the Crown back in front with a good shot.

Summerhouse made it 3-3 after the interval from a Stan Jones free-kick when Crown keeper Bob Taylor misjudged the flight of the ball. Alistair Evans put The Crown back in front with a header off a Snowy Harris centre but Summerhouse made it 4-4 with a lob by John Dunning that dipped and deceived the home keeper. The crown notched the winning goal through Tipton.

Crown Bob Taylor; Peter Davies Fred Gittens; Doug Orchard, Dave Evans, Geoff Tipton; Snowy Harris Alistair Evans, Gerry Henshaw, Colin Dovaston, John Ellis, Substitute Dave Clayton went on 20 minutes from time for Alistair Evans.

Summerhouse Peter Hitchins, Herbert Powell, Rob Middleton; John Hayward, Dave Hardman, Roger Middleton; Alan Gregory, John Dunning, Keith Shepherd Stan Jones, Dick y Bott.



# THE 'MYSTERY' BOXERS

DAWLEY licensee, Mr. Donald Haycox, and his customers at The Crown, have appealed for information on two former prize fighters.

The two fighters are Tom King and John C. Heenan who were fighting bare fists way before the Queensberry rules were invented.

Mr. Haycox (pictured left) has two ink drawings of the men. They were given to him 50 years ago by a uncle. The pictures describe Tom King as being six feet two-and-a-half inches in height and weighing twelve stone nine pounds, and John Heenan being six foot one inch, and weighing thirteen stone ten pounds to fourteen stone.

Although he has looked through record books and asked his customers Mr. Haycox has not been able to find when the two fighters fought, where, and if they achieved any championship.

Can any reader help?

## Junior League round-up

The game lads of Sunnyside Rangers were swamped 24-0 by Park View City in the Oakengates Junior F.A. League on Saturday. It was certainly a one-sided tussle, but the Rangers showed plenty of sportsmanship. Rangers rely on getting their players from a small housing estate, and they are well managed by Mr. Ray Wall.

City's goal tally did their goals for aggregate in the southern section a power of good, and their scorers were, in the first half: A. Lloyd (4), M. Owen and I. Southorn (3 each), D. Morris and T. Young; second half: C. Compton (8), D. Smith and G. Maddocks (2 each).

There was no shortage of interest in other southern section games played on Saturday. Pool Hill United consolidated their top of the table placing by beating Lancaster Swifts 4-1, after leading 2-1 at the interval. The Swifts, whose only goal was scored by John Pitchford, had two goals disallowed — one in each half.

A last minute goal saved the day for Ironbridge Wolves and gave them a 2-2 draw with Wenlock Red Devils. The pitch was a sea of mud and both sides made the best of the bad conditions in a close tussle. Wolves scorers were C. Newman and T. Owen.

Back at full strength, Madeley West End kept up their high league placing by beating Jackfield and Coalport Excelsiors 9-2. It was 6-1 at the interval. The West End scorers were: Jones (3), Ferguson (2), Morris, Dodd, New, Jackson.

A new team has just entered the southern section, and have yet to play their first league match. They are Eytan Argyle, from Eaton Constantine. They did, however, play a friendly last week against Ironbridge Albion, and won that match 13-0.

### NORTHERN SECTION

Their 6-0 win over Kettle Bank Juniors on Saturday put Star Juventus on top of the section table on goal average. Rivals for league honours — Oakengates Sports Juniors and Wrockwardine Scouts — did not play because their respective matches were postponed due to ground conditions. The Sports were to have played Springfield Rovers, and Wrockwardine should have met Newfield Boys.

Star Juventus's match was played on a very heavy ground, and the exchanges were much closer than the final result suggests. Elliot shone for Star Juventus in goal, and full-back Hall scored two good goals from 25 yards. The other two goals for Juventus were scored by Lovett and Ward.

Ironbridge Rangers had built up a comfortable 3-1 interval lead away to Trench Lads on Saturday, through David Bowen. Peter Lloyd and Kaarlo Sugrue. But The Lads were far from beaten and about 10 minutes into the

second half saw them peg one back. Soon afterwards Ironbridge suffered a double blow. Their goalkeeper Bridgewater conceded a penalty when injured in a tackle. From the spot kick Trench Lads equalised, and Bridgewater went off injured. Peter Lloyd went in goal in his place, and the depleted Ironbridge side held on to a draw. The Lad's scorers were Nigel Morris, Kelvin Gregory and David Miller (penalty).

In the other match played in the section on Saturday, St. Georges improved their league positioning with a 2-1 over Park Rangers.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Star Juventus	5	4	0	1	34	7	8
Oakengates Sp.	4	4	0	0	23	5	8
Wrock. Scouts	5	4	0	1	40	11	8
Newfield B	5	3	0	2	31	15	6
Kettle B Jun.	5	2	0	3	15	16	4
Park Rangers	5	2	0	3	12	21	4
St. Georges	5	2	0	3	12	30	4
Ironbridge	3	1	1	1	10	10	3
Trench Lads	5	1	1	3	8	25	3
2nd W. Scouts	2	0	0	2	3	10	0
Springfield R.	4	0	0	4	5	43	0

This Saturday's section fixtures: Ironbridge v Star Juventus, Oakengates Sports Juniors v Wrockwardine Scouts, Park Rangers v Newfield Boys, Springfield Rovers v Trench Lads, Kettle Bank Jun v St. Georges

### SOUTHERN SECTION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Pool Hill Utd.	5	5	0	0	34	10	10
Madeley W.E.	5	4	0	1	51	14	8
Park View City	4	3	0	1	50	8	6
Ironbridge W.	4	2	1	1	14	19	5
Wen. R Devils	4	1	1	2	9	13	3
Jackfield & C.	2	1	0	1	14	9	2
Lancaster S.	2	1	0	1	7	4	2
Sunnyside R.	5	1	0	5	12	64	2
Ironbridge A	4	0	0	4	3	31	0
Buildwas Boys	3	0	0	3	2	24	0

Football fixtures for Saturday are:—

**SUNDAY LEAGUE.** — Shropshire Arms v King's Head, J Tart; Lord H.L. v Dawley NT, G Watkin WRDC v Dun Cow, J Lewis; Cross Keys v Plough, M Stacey; Star v Summerhouse, G Morton; GKN v Bucks Head, S Price; Oakworth v Fox and Hounds, J Bethell; Crown v Smithfield, N Wedge.

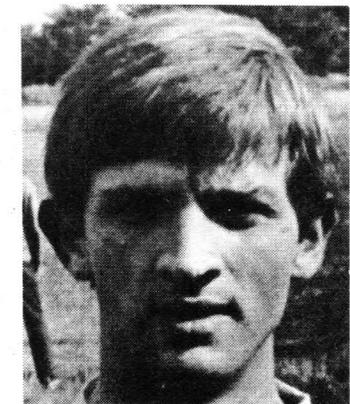
**WELLINGTON LGE.** — Division One: Shifnal United v St. Georges, K Biddulph; Oakengates Sports v Dawley Dynamos; N Wedge; Allied United v Brown Cle, A Tyrer; Albrighton Utd v Hadley OB, J. Tart. Division Two: Horsehay Alliance v Allied Utd, E Davies; Much Wenlock OSA v Walker Spts, J Calcutt; Wellington Amateurs v Bridgnorth Sports, J Powell; Shifnal Y.C. v Ironbridge Y.C, G Morton; Walker Tech v Weston United, J Lewis; Bishop Percy v Wrockwardine Utd, B Amlas. Division Three: REME v Walker Tech, S Haves; NBS v St Nicolas Boys' Club, F Butcher; Abraham Darby v Dawley Rovers, P Thompson; Sutton Hill v Furrows Sports, P Mason; Tibberton Amateurs v Moreton United, E Hewson; Willey Athletic v Coalmoor Amateurs, M. Stacey.

**WREKIN MINOR LEAGUE.** — Millington Cup, round two: RAF Cosford v Ironbridge YC, P Cadman; Coddon Juniors v Warren FC, B Burns; Donnington Juniors v Dawley NT, J Bethell; Edgmond v Walker ech, R Beeman.

**COUNTY LEAGUE.** — Directors' Cup, round one: Bridgnorth Sports v Ironbridge, D Plain. Premier League: Llanymynech v Wrockwardine Wood, K Mills; Donnington Wood v GKN, B Weetman; Hadley OB v Coddon, J Warrington; Blue Triangle v Dawley NT, B Hughes. Division One: Belvidere Colts v Beacon, D Parry; Audco v Belle Vue, W Parton; Broseley v Halls Eng., D E Rudd; Shrewsbury Am. v Meole Brace, D Bryan.

### KEYS TEAM

The Cross Keys team to meet the Plough at Kettle Playing Fields on Sunday is: Mick Rowley; Stuart Nadal, Alan Langford; John Evans (capt.), Dave Roberts, John Morris; Barry Williams, John Hough, Bob Heinemann, Brian Haycox, Ken Armstrong. Substitute Bob Morris.



JOHN MOSELEY

fair result. Star players were left half John Moseley for Kings Head and inside left Ray Watkins for Oakworths.

Kings: M. Kelly; R. Oliver, T. Shepherd; F. Poole, B. Schofield, J. Moseley; R. Chesters, D. Onions, B. Amey, S. Parton, R. Mapp; Oakworths: R. Shotton; G. Price, A. Hendy; C. Smith, R. Felton, A. Archer, J. Edwards, T. Meredith, B. McKee, R. Watkins, A. Hendy.

### DUN COW WIN

The Dun Cow had a 2-1 home win over the Shropshire Star on Sunday.



Summerhouse F.C.

## KING'S HEAD WINNERS

IT WAS prize presentation time at the Kings Head, Hadley, on Friday evening, for members of the bowling club. Fifty members attended and, in the absence of Mr. N. Harper, president, Mr. H. Jones presided.

Mr. Jones complimented the officials of the club, and also the first team on winning the Second Division of the Mid-Shropshire League.

Mr. K. G. Harley, replying, thanked the president, and all vice-presidents, for their support of the club which, he said, was magnificent.

Mr. W. Jones, one of the club's oldest members, presented the trophies and prizes to:

R. G. Pickering, W. Reece, G. Grimley, J. Roberts, J. Broome, K.

### DAWLEY MOVE

It was stated in last week's report of the reorganisation at Dawley New Football Club that several of the players who left the club with former manager, Herbie Mapp, are now returning to play for the club.

Mr. Mapp asks us to point out that only one of the players mentioned, Alan Breeze, left with him to play for Staffordshire League side Armitage, of which Mr. Mapp is now manager.



# Close call for the Town

WELLINGTON 3, POOLE 2

AS THE Duke of Wellington once said about a battle: "This was a dam close call", and Wellington, fading unexpectedly in the second half, once looked certain to drop a point.

Poole, who were two down at half time drew level by the 75th minute and they definitely had their tails up as the end approached.

But after 84 minutes Micky Fudge, always a danger round the goal, snapped up a chance when a defender and Jack Bentley both went up for a high ball. It dropped near Fudge and he promptly slipped it home to give Wellington a victory which kept them in ninth place from the bottom of the table a berth they must maintain at all costs.

Judged by their first half display against Poole, Wellington will get much higher than this up the table. They were in complete command in the early stages and rarely have the team played with so much confidence. They moved into the open spaces smartly and found their men with an ease which suggested that a crop of goals were on the way.

The confidence stemmed from an early and expected success when Dave Matthews scored from long range. His shot from well out on the wing skidded along the greasy ground and surprised goalkeeper Tony Whiting by going just inside the post.

This was only after four minutes, and within a few minutes Matthews had shot wide with another effort and Bentley had a good drive saved. Gerry Harris came up with some good calling and runs, but Town's defence had a test too, with Ray intercepting well.

Bentley headed wide from a Fudge corner, but after 24 minutes came another crafty goal of which Town have scored several recently. Bentley took a freekick just outside the box and Fudge, running through the defensive wall, put the ball in. Soon afterwards, Wellington had another freekick in about the same area but this time Harris had a good shot saved after Bentley and Hart had put up a "smokescreen" by some gamesmanship before the kick was taken.

So at half time Wellington, as one might say, looked like sailing across Poole harbour with everything set fair, but there were storms ahead. After 35 minutes Ralph Murphy swung the ball over when winger Keith Down was fouled, and centre forward Trevor Allen outjumped the defence to score.

Wellington simply could not get into gear and by 75 minutes Poole had drawn level when centre half Colin Eyden scored after Harris had cleared off the line from Taylor.

Fudge restored the picture, and just before time Bentley set off on one of his typical runs only to shoot just wide.

Wellington; Irvine; Whitehouse, Harris, G. Croft, Coton, Ray, Matthews, Hart, Bentley, Fudge, Jagger.

Referee: Mr. J. H. Smith, Leicester. Attendance: 1154.

## Town's trip

Next Saturday Wellington start the first of three successive away games when they visit highly placed Yeovil, who held Town to a goalless draw last month.

The Floodlit Cup game against Nuneaton due on January 27 has been postponed as Borough are in a cup tie. Town's next games are away to Nuneaton, in the league, and Cheltenham in the Floodlit Cup.

### WELLINGTON TOWN DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Winning numbers, Thursday, January 16: (£10) 07356; (£5) 14818, 29919, 20301, 09984. Friday (£10) 03439; (£5) 03491, 16830, 14675, 08173. Saturday (£100) 27862. Monday (£10) 24737; (£5) 03590, 23254, 22700, 17554. Tuesday (£10) 16564; (£5) 28335, 10528, 07199, 20002. Wednesday (£10) 05157; (£5) 24461, 19698, 28555, 05437.

### GRAND SLAM

Saturday, January 18: First dividend paid on 17 goals, four winners receive £10 each; second dividend paid on no goals, 10 winners receive £2 each. Daily tot (£10 each day), Monday 13 27 33; Tuesday 2 7 32; Wednesday 8 11 37; Thursday 27 31 40; Friday 14 21 32.

Horsehay Alliance Lucky numbers. Saturday 18th; 20 and 22.

### MATRIX SHIELD

Positions in the Dawley Youth Club Five a Side football Matrix Shield competition are:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Ps
Cheshire Cheese A	3	3	0	0	17	4	6
Cheshire Cheese B	3	2	0	1	10	12	4
Globetrotters A	2	1	1	0	7	4	3
D'ley Nw Tn Js B	2	1	1	1	11	10	3
D'ley Nw Tn Js A	3	1	1	1	10	10	3
Vic Sheet Metal	2	0	2	0	5	2	2
Olyvers Utd	3	1	0	2	4	5	2
C.G. & T. FC	1	0	1	0	5	5	1
Overdale I	2	0	0	2	2	7	0
Globetrotters B	3	0	0	3	4	13	0

# DYNAMOS GO DOWN AT RODEN

Despite losing 4-2 Dawley Dynamos put up a creditable performance when they visited County League side Roden Rovers in the Cleve Hill Cup on Saturday.

Play was fairly even for the first 15 minutes and the Dawley side took the lead after 20 minutes when Alan Gregory put Watkins in possession. He beat Griffiths with a fierce cross shot.

John Dunning and Ritchie Roberts missed chances later.

Roden had difficulty in trying to pierce the Dawley defence but right on half time Dovason beat goalkeeper Glyn Lewis with a powerful drive.

A minute after the re-start it was Dovason again who caught the Dawley defence unawares and scored from 20 yards. This goal spurred Roden on and they increased their lead in the 65th minute when Poutney took a long throw-in and Dawley centre half Carter was forced into heading an own goal.

Ten minutes later Keith Lowe put Dawley back into the game when he beat Griffiths from 20 yards. Roberts nearly equalised soon after, but Griffiths dived at the winger's feet to bring off a good save.

Roden finally settled the game when from another Poutney long throw-in the ball was scrambled over the line by Clayton.

## Coalmoor win

COALMOOR Amateurs won 4-2 against Tibberton at Dawley on Saturday, Paul Bailey scoring their first goal with a 14 yards shot after 20 minutes.

Ten minutes later Trevor Hope scored another, after being put clear by Johnnie Rixom. When the Tibberton keeper dropped a high centre, Hope scored again to make it 3-0 at half time.

Tibberton came back strongly for their centre forward Dave Groucott to score after 65 minutes.

With 15 minutes to go Groucott scored again, but Coalmoor soon settled the issue when Les Evans beat his back and pulled the ball inside for Les Smith to score.

Coalmoor had good service from Dave Chester, Peter Dodd, John Rixom and Terry Williams, and Earn Sumnall, returning after a two weeks lay off, also had a good game.

### WELLINGTON AMATEUR LEAGUE

FIRST DIVISION										
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Ps			
St Georges	9	8	1	0	32	8	17			
Allied United	10	6	2	2	34	19	14			
Oakengates Sports	11	7	0	4	28	18	14			
Brosely Athletic	13	5	3	5	33	26	13			
Brown Cleve	7	5	2	0	20	9	12			
Hadley Old Boys	11	3	5	3	30	24	11			
Shifnal United	11	4	2	5	21	28	11			
Albrighton United	14	4	2	8	22	41	10			
Dawley Dyn.	10	1	6	3	17	22	8			
Donnington Swifts	9	2	3	4	19	21	7			
Wellington Pol Clb	13	0	2	11	14	51	2			

SECOND DIVISION										
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Ps			
Weston United	13	9	1	3	59	30	19			
Horsehay Alliance	12	8	2	2	37	15	18			
Shifnal Y.C.	14	7	3	4	30	23	17			
Bridgnorth Sports	13	6	5	2	40	36	17			
Walkers Sports	15	7	1	7	45	42	15			
Wellington Amat.	15	7	0	8	51	45	14			
M. Wenlock OSA	9	5	2	2	37	19	12			
Allied United	14	3	6	5	27	36	12			
Walker Tech Coll	11	3	5	3	40	31	11			
Wrock. Utd.	14	2	3	9	32	56	7			
Bishop Percy	7	2	1	4	13	21	5			
Ironbridge Y.C.	11	0	1	10	14	75	1			

THIRD DIVISION										
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Ps			
Dawley Rovers	13	12	0	1	65	10	24			
Moreton Utd.	11	9	1	1	77	9	19			
REME Donn	15	8	3	4	47	27	19			
Abraham Darby	10	8	1	1	62	11	17			
Newport NB's	12	8	1	3	56	14	17			
Coalmoor Amat.	15	8	2	5	51	30	18			
Willey Athletic	11	7	1	3	52	26	15			
St. Nicolas B.C.	14	5	4	5	46	26	14			
Tibberton Amats	15	6	2	7	32	33	14			
Sutton Hill	15	1	13	16	80	3	3			
Walker Tech Coll	14	0	0	14	18	111	0			
Furrows Sports	15	0	0	15	10	154	0			

Results: Brosely Athletic 3, Shifnal Utd. 2; St. Georges 2, Oakengates Sports 1; Much Wenlock O.S.A. 8, Wrockwardine United 4; Walkers Sports 2, Horsehay Alliance 3; Bridgnorth Sports 5, Walker Tech College 5; Weston United 0, Shifnal Y.C. 6; Abraham Darby 3, Newport NBS 1; Tibberton Amats. 2, Coalmoor Amats 4; REME Donnington 2, Sutton Hill 1.

Bridgnorth Infirmary Cup: Stottesdon 0, Bishop P. 6. Matches cancelled owing to ground unfit: Donnington Swifts v Albrighton Utd. Hadley O.B. v Allied Utd; Wellington Police Club v Brown Cleve; Ironbridge Y.C. v Wellington Amats; Walker Technical Col. v Furrows Sports; Dawley Rovers v Moreton Utd.; St. Nicolas B.C. v Willey Athletic.

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# ST. GEORGE'S KEEP TOP POSITION

ST. GEORGES, still unbeaten, kept at the top of the first division of the Wellington League with a 2-1 win over Oakengates Sports on Saturday.

This was the first time that teams from neighbouring towns had met for many years and the match proved to be a real "local derby".

Ground conditions were bad, and in the first half hour the Sports were well on top but missed several chances which in the end cost — then the game.

In the 32nd minute John Hayward, the St. George's left back, broke away up the left wing and appeared to surprise the advancing Sports' keeper as he shot low just inside the near post.

Mal Bradburn was ruled offside when he broke away 10 minutes later and forced the ball into the net.

St. Georges started the second half strongly and Percy Jones, Sports centre half, was outstanding in defence. Sports were gradually getting back on top when Mike Williams, St. George's left winger, voiced on to a trough ball in the 65th minute and scored with a well placed shot.

Play went from end to end and in the 82nd minute Pete Hitchen was brought down in the box and Pete Challiner sent the goalkeeper the wrong way from the spot to make it 2-1.

The spirit in which the match was played was a credit to both teams and the return will be eagerly awaited.

Oakengates, T. Shepherd; D. Fullwood, R. Williams, G. Maiden (capt) P. Jones, B. Russell; J. Garvey, N. Evans, P. Challiner, P. Hitchen, P. Evendon. Sub. C. Turner.

## Roy scouting

An interested spectator at the Oakengates Sports v St. George's match on Saturday was "local lad" Roy Pritchard who made his name playing for Wolves.

Roy is now coaching and scouting in his spare time for old club, and was telling friends he is waiting to go into hospital for removal of a cartilage so that he could play again.

## Easy win for the Wood

WROCKWARDINE Wood had things very much their own way when they won 5-0 at Bedworth on Saturday. Howard Wright gave Wood an early lead when he headed home a cross from Eric Rigby who himself scored after 37 minutes, when he hooked the ball in.

After 40 minutes Tony Adams took a pass from Royston Bowen and outpaced the defence to score, and just on the break John Helliwell scored with a great drive from 20 yards.

After 47 minutes Wright got the fifth goal, but then Bedworth closed up, and no further goals came. Eric Rigby went off with an injured ankle after 75 minutes, Ron Evans taking his place.

Wood team: Bebb; Hancke, Morrison; K. Evans, Hall, Richardson; Rigby, Helliwell, Adams, Bowen, Wright.

The Wood reserve side missed chances to lose 1-0 to Harlescott in a Directors Cup replay. Wood team was: Jones; Cooper, McBain; Boden, Griffiths, Biddulph; Venables, Kinross, Cartwright, Barnett, Pessall.

Next Saturday Wood are home to Stewart and Lloyds and the reserves visit Llanyrnnech.

## Nickless-3

Abraham Darby put in a good team performance to beat Newport B S 3 - 1 on Saturday, Nickless getting a hat trick.

But Newport missed chances in the first 15 minutes, when they should have been four goals ahead.

When Darby started to move well, Barry Davis made some good saves for Newport, before being beaten by Nickless after 25 minutes. The second half saw Darby dominate the midfield more, and Nickless got his second goal after 52 minutes. Soon after, Payne hit the bar, but Newport came back for Howarth to score after a bad throw in.

Darby pulled themselves together and Nickless scored his third, when Pugh took the ball almost to the line, beating three men on the way.

Derek Harris for Darby, deserves mention for his tireless running, but above all it was a good team effort. Abraham Darby, Owen; Gainham, Leedham; Bennett, Weston, Harris, Tonks, Nickless, Evans, Payne, Pugh.

# Horsehay left it late

HORSEHAY ALLIANCE left it until injury time before they snatched a 3-2 away victory over Walker Sports in a Wellington League, Division Two game on Saturday.

The game was supposed to be a home fixture for Horsehay but because of the state of the Lawley playing fields the match had to be re-arranged.

Horsehay went straight into the lead after a couple of minutes play when Gerald Simmonds scored at the second attempt after his first shot had rebounded from the goalkeeper.

The game continued fairly evenly until just before half time when Walker's equalised with a good goal following a corner. The score was 1-1 at half time, but had Horsehay taken a number of chances which came their way they could have been leading at the break.

It was mid-way through the second half before there was any further score and this time Barrie Hayward cut in from the right wing and instead of crossing the ball, as everyone expected he tried a long shot which beat the Walkers' keeper.

There were about 15 minutes to go when Walkers' centre half Jim Evans equalised when he pushed the ball home after a goalmouth melee. A bit of feeling began to creep into the game after Walkers equalised, and an incident resulted in Peter Collins from Horsehay and a Walkers player getting marching orders.

It looked odds-on that the game would end in a draw when the 90 minutes were up, but after a minute of injury time Les Stephan took a free kick, Simmonds picked up the pass and nearly broke the net from 18 yards.

The Horsehay defence had a fine game with goalkeeper Gordon Heighway, Graham Curry, Sam Stephan and Trevor Blocksidge all doing well.

Horsehay Alliance: Gordon Heighway; Sam Stephan, Graham Curry, Trevor Blocksidge, Richard Smith, Harry Plant; Barrie Hayward, Les Stephan, Gerald Simmonds, Tony Proctor, Peter Collins.

## Dawley crash

Although they enjoyed a very good game on Saturday, Dawley New Town went down 5-3 at Coddon Sports.

Dawley noticed a big improvement in the Coddon side since their last visit. Scorers for Dawley were Peter Caine, Reg Jones and Alan Breze.

Dawley team: Brian Breze; Dermott Chater, J. Lewis, Tony Mayle, Colin Jones, Peter Caine, Ray Mann, Reg Jones, Alan Breze, Ron Jones, Mervyn Evans.

Depleted by injuries, Dawley New Town Juniors put up a good display in their Wrekin Minor League game at Coddon although beaten 4-0.

The home side took the lead after five minutes when Lowe gave new goalkeeper Spragg no chance from close range. Dawley soon went on the attack after this set-back and Buttery shot inches wide with Coddon goalkeeper, Ball well beaten.

Just before half time Lowe got his second goal to give Coddon a two goal lead at half time.

With the wind at their backs Dawley mounted attack after attack in the second half but the home side's defence stood firm. Dawley were extremely unlucky when Alan Gough put through his own net trying to clear a ball.

The Dawley centre half had to leave the field with an ankle injury and Rhodes substituted.

Not long before the end Coddon scored their fourth goal from a hotly-disputed penalty.

## Just in time

Sankeys did well to win 2-1 away to Bilston on Saturday, but left it late to get the winner.

It came after 89 minutes when Julian Parker scored from a pass by Tim Pinches.

Parker had a good game, after scoring an early goal, and Terry Curtis and Brian Amey also did well for Sankeys. Bob Withers hit a post from 25 yards.