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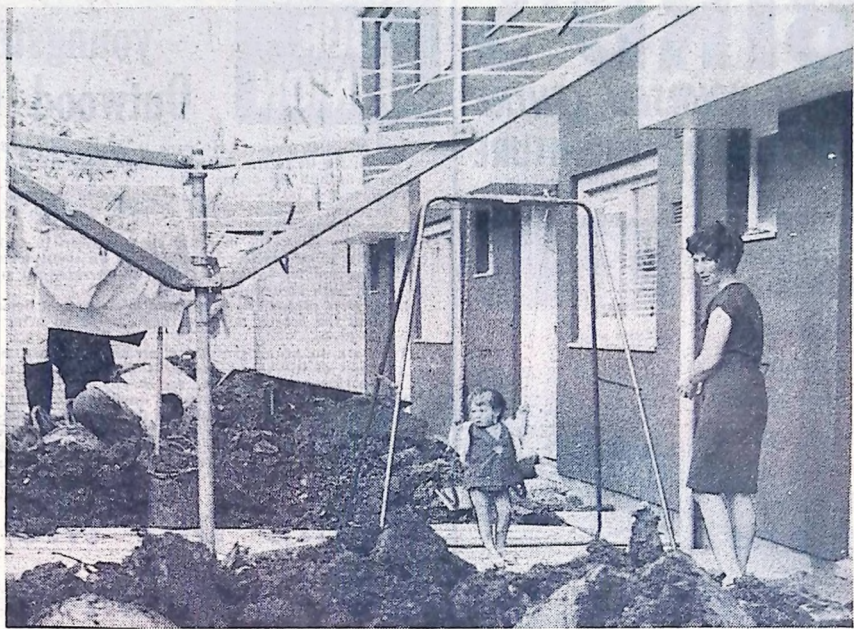
Beneath homes at Oldwyk, on the New Vange Estate, workers replace drains, digging to a depth of three and four feet. Some of the gardens have been dug up for drainage work twice since July.

SUNFLOWERS WHICH REACH FOR THE SUN



Over 12ft. 6in. high and still growing are these sunflowers in the garden of 47, Yardley, Lee Chapel North, Basildon, sown by Mrs. Rosaline Turner from an ordinary packet of sunflower seeds. The plants blocked the light into the living room and have reached the bedroom windows. "The secret is to talk to the plant as it grows. They like to be talked to and I think it helps them grow," said Mrs. Turner.

THIS IS THE LIFE AT VANGE!



THIS IS A SCENE AT BASILDON DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S NEW ESTATE AT VANGE. A FEW MONTHS AFTER MOVING IN, TENANTS IN OLDWYK ARE HAVING FRONT GARDENS DUG UP FOR REPLACEMENT OF DRAINS WHICH HAVE CAUSED CHAOS RECENTLY. TOILETS HAVE FLUSHED INTO KITCHENS AND ROOMS FLOODED WITH BATH WATER FROM NEXT DOOR! THE CONTRACTORS SAY DRAINS HAVE BEEN BLOCKED BY RUBBISH.

Children blamed for new estate drainage chaos

BASILDON DEVELOPMENT Corporation's new estate at Vange has come up against trouble only months after tenants moved in.

Contractors Gilbert Ash are back on the site in Oldwyk digging up whole front gardens and replacing drains.

Work is nearly complete on one block of seven homes, but similar troubles on another block are being investigated and it is possible that these drains may have to be dug up, too.

The current spate of troubles began on Bank Holiday Monday. Drains along a stretch of Oldwyk went haywire. Toilets flushed directly into neighbouring kitchens. Other rooms were filled inches deep with gurgling bath-water from next door. The site agent for Gilbert Ash, Mr. Arthur Godden,

told a reporter on Tuesday: "The drains are working and we have put this trouble down to the children who live on the estate."

"We have found all kinds of rubbish down the drains, including sacks, kerbstones and bricks. These have blocked them

and water has obviously been driven back into the homes."

Mr. Godden also claimed that a drainage system had been broken on the site. There had been some delay in finding the fault.

"We have been back there several times," he said. "But we think that now the children are back to school we will have no more trouble."

He added: "I really feel sorry for tenants who have had to put up with us digging up their front lawns—

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Broken leg, but he was in the walk



"Beat out that rhythm on a drum"—even if you have a broken leg! Stephen Stotter (4) couldn't walk—but rode in a push-chair and beat out the time on his drum while his father, Mr. R. Stotter, pushed him in the sponsored walk in torrential rain on Sunday for the Outwood Common Church and Community Association Fund. The walkers expect to raise £250 as a result of their efforts. The walk was round Hanningfield Reservoir, and of 111 walkers 99 completed the whole course. First home were Martin Wensley (17), of Morris Avenue, and Martin Burgess (17), of Outwood Farm Road.

All dressed up at Ramsden Heath



Nearly £200 was raised at Ramsden Heath's annual fete on Saturday, organised by Ramsden Heath Y.M.C.A. A fancy dress parade was one of the events, and prizewinners are seen above.

Could Billericay's railway bridge tumble down?

IS BILLERICAY'S Stock Road railway bridge in danger of falling down? asks GREGORY BARNES, "Standard Recorder" reporter.

If it is not, then it ought to be if an old cast iron notice bolted to one side of the bridge is to be believed.

It reads: "To drivers and owners of locomotives in pursuance of the locomotive act, 1881, notice is hereby given that this bridge is insufficient to carry any weight beyond the ordinary traffic of the district, and owners or persons having charge of locomotives and other unusually heavy traffic are hereby warned that it is unlawful to attempt to drive the same over this bridge, and they will be held responsible for any damage."

Built in 1886, the bridge has not been altered or strengthened since, and it is

the bit that says "this bridge is insufficient to carry any weight beyond the ordinary traffic of the day" that sets you thinking.

In 1886 the "ordinary traffic of the day" could not have amounted to much, but nowadays hundreds of cars, buses and lorries pass over it every hour.

Many people think, in fact, that there is a lot that could be done to improve the bridge. Main complaint is that it creates a bottleneck because it is too narrow, and suggestions for improving it include aligning the footpath on the outside of the bridge and

utilising the whole width for the road.

To clarify the issue, the "Standard" contacted British Rail's press office in London and a spokesman replied: "It will take normal traffic."

"No, I don't know what weight it would take. It wouldn't take an abnormal weight, lummy, no bridge would, would it? So far as I understand it, if there is an abnormal weight, then they have to get a special route from the Ministry of Transport."

"We at British Rail have to meet certain statutory requirements, you know, and this bridge meets them. Yes, today's statutory requirements."

In national autocross finals

SEVEN local drivers are through to the national finals of an autocross contest. Five belong to Billericay Motor Club and the other two are members of Basildon New Town Motor Club.

They will be among 120 drivers taking part in the final of Players No. 6 National Autocross contest at High Wycombe, Bucks., on Sunday, 24th September.

Basildon club members are Ian Thomson and Mick Bolton. Representing Billericay will be Jim Green, Gordon Woodhill, Barry Walter, Glyn Swift and Cliff Carroll.

Jim Green, who lives at Gladwyns, Leo Chapel North, won the Cooper S Class on Sunday with a time of 1min. 48.2 secs, over two laps of the 1,000 yards course.

"HATS OFF FOR MR. SPEAKER"



BILLERICAY YOUNG CONSERVATIVES HELD A MOCK PARLIAMENT AT THE CONSTITUTIONAL CLUB, BILLERICAY, ON MONDAY EVENING. COUN. A. BARON BURN (CHAIRMAN OF BASILDON URBAN COUNCIL) ACTED AS "SPEAKER"; "PRIME MINISTER" WAS MR. CHRISTOPHER CANNON; "HOME SECRETARY" WAS MR. MICHAEL NICHOLLS; "OPPOSITION SPEAKERS" WERE MR. JOHN GOODWIN AND MR. KEVIN BOWEN. "LACK ROD" WAS MISS E. HOLBEN.

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BONNY BABES (AND MUMS) OF WICKFORD



Above are winning babies and their mums at Wickford Carnival baby show on Wednesday. They are (from the left) Mrs. M. Bull and Jason (five months), Mrs. B. Golding and Janine (eight months), Mrs. P. Butterworth and Sarah (23 months). They all won their section awards.



Sharon Wellingham, as a Bunny Girl, took third prize in the Wickford Carnival fancy dress competition on Saturday. She is seen offering an ice to the Council Chairman (Coun. A. Baron Burn) and Mrs. Burn.

GOOD START TO CARNIVAL



Wickford Carnival got off to a good start last Saturday, and above are some of the children who took part in the fancy dress parade. More pictures on the centre pages.

CARNIVAL PROCESSION

Tomorrow (Saturday) Wickford's stop-go Carnival procession and Town Show will become a reality, and Carnival organisation officials will be able to forget their worries and misgivings as the Carnival spirit takes hold of the town.

The procession will leave Bruce Grove, Shotgate, at 2 p.m. and proceed via Southend Road and the High Street to Elder Avenue for dispersal.

Also starting at 2 p.m. will be the Town Show on Nevendon Road Recreation Ground and a Carnival Night dance, featuring a Princess of the Year contest, at the Community Centre at 8 p.m. will round off the day's events.

THEY'RE NOT TOO YOUNG TO HELP



Here are more mothers and babies who took part in the Carnival baby show at the Community Centre on Wednesday. With them are judges and the Carnival Queen.

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STOCK WEDDING

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THIS IS OUR OPINION

Hats off to these youngsters of Outwood Common

THE YOUNG people have done it again—confounded the sceptics and given the lie to the myth that their lives are just one big social whirl of drug and sex orgies.

They turned up in droves on Sunday to footlog round Hanningfield Reservoir to raise money to build Outwood Common Church and Community Centre.

The 111 walkers, the majority aged between 10 and 30, were hampered by the worst conditions possible on an event such as this—gale force winds and torrential rain—but they treated all suggestions of calling it off with contempt.

Many were plagued with raw and blistered feet before they got half-way round the course, but still they carried on after treatment from the Red Cross.

They are to be congratulated on their success, but they are only a section of the young people of the area, who, in recent weeks, have been taking part in walks for charity.

Without them the possibility of financing projects like the church and community centre at Outwood Common could not even be considered. Praise is also due, of course, to the men and women behind the walk—the organisers and marshals who did all the tedious administration and looked after the safety of the walkers en route.

Stamp out the racial hooliganism at once

SOME HOOLIGANS threw another brick through a Chinese restaurant window early this week—the second such incident in Basildon. "We'll go on," said an anonymous voice, "until you get out of town."

How moronic can people become? Do they realise that the people who work in the Chinese restaurants are first of all from Hong Kong, and, as such, probably more against Chinese Communists than those who threw a brick through the restaurant window; that they are British subjects, and that many of them have lived in England for years.

Attacking innocent and virtually helpless restaurants will only put us into the class of these Communist Chinese who have been making so much trouble elsewhere.

Incidents such as these will doubtless delight the Communist Chinese: in fact giving them fresh ammunition for propaganda. So let the Basildon people at least stamp out this type of racialism before it goes any further.

Runwell folk should be ashamed of this

RUNWELL PARISH Council, acting on behalf of residents of the area, do their very best to preserve the area, keeping it as rural as possible and as nice as possible.

Now comes the news that parishioners have been dumping their rubbish almost on their own doorsteps. A beauty spot has been defiled in one of the few districts that has a body actively concerned with preserving the rural, the beautiful and the pleasant.

It is not possible to lay the blame on outsiders. Local people have been seen carting barrow loads of rubbish to what was once a picturesque spot for a Sunday afternoon stroll.

The area concerned is Meadow Lane, off Church End Lane, once an appeal site, where permission for a caravan site was rejected on the grounds that this was Green Belt land.

The Parish Council are deeply concerned with Green Belt areas and try to vet all planning permission before it is granted—or refused if they have anything to do with it.

No one said it at Monday's Council meeting, but councillors must have been disgusted by this ravaging of the countryside, which they work so hard to protect. Anyone concerned with dumping rubbish should be deeply ashamed.

More Chinese restaurant window smashing

"Dagenham Boys" responsible?

THE FRONT window of the How Wah Restaurant, Basildon Town Centre, was smashed on Sunday morning in a second outburst of anti-Chinese violence in the New Town.

Now manager Mr. Jeff Chan has received a telephone call threatening further violence to the Chinese establishments from a group who call themselves the "Dagenham Boys."

"They should go to the Chinese legation and break their windows not mine," said Mr. Chan after the latest outbreak of violence. "This is just silly. They're not harming us by breaking windows, the insurance company have to pay."

Nevertheless, the local Chinese restaurants have decided to buy a page in the "Basildon Standard Recorder," advertising the fact that they are not Chinese Communists, but British

subjects from Hong Kong. Twenty-nine years old Mr. Chan, a married man with two children who has lived in England for five years, summed it all up.

"I am British," he said. "I support this country, I am against the communists. I like it here, why else do you think I am staying?"

He has asked Police to guard the door of his restaurant. During the telephone call, the Dagenham Boys apparently said that they were going to "do" the Sun Luck restaurant next, the only one of the three Chinese eating houses as yet untouched.

The first incident came

last week when two bricks were thrown through the front window of the Lotus restaurant. An anonymous telephone caller later told the "Standard Recorder," "If they don't get out, me and the boys are going to do it again." They have!

FINED FOR SPEEDING

A RADAR meter in St. Nicholas' Lane, Laindon, trapped 18-years-old motor cyclist Derek Meekings, of Powell Road, Laindon. At Billericay Court on Tuesday he pleaded guilty to travelling at 40 m.p.h. in a 30 m.p.h. zone and was fined £5 and he was disqualified for six months.

No crossing

There will be no pedestrian crossing across Runwell Road, Runwell Parish Council heard at their last meeting. Plain-clothes Policemen took observations for two days by Runwell Church and decided that a crossing was not a necessity.



Married at St. Mary's church, Walton-on-Thames, on Saturday, were Mr. David Peirce, of Brock Hill, Walton, and Miss Pamela Anne Fayle, of Rydens, Walton-on-Thames. The bridesmaids were Miss Pamela Bennett, Miss Judd and Kim Cranston. Rev. Martin Peirce was best man.
(Photo by Lilley's, St. Surbiton)



Miss Joanne Ashkam, of Highfield Road, Billericay, was married to Mr. Robert Moran at All Saints' Church, Stock, on Saturday. Bridesmaids were Misses Barbara Ashkam, Frances Moran and Marilyn Read. Mr. Alan Ashkam was best man.



St. Mary's Church, Ramsden Bolhouse, was the scene of the wedding on Saturday between Mr. Malcolm Russell Dowsett, of Mayfield Road, Billericay, and Miss Irene Gilbert, of Brunner Gardens, Ramsden Heath. She wore a full-length cream dress with short veil, head-dress and train, and carried a posy of pink roses. Attendants were Mrs. Valerie Atherton (bride's sister) and Miss Jacqueline Dowsett (cousin of the groom). Best man was Mr. Keith Dowsett, the groom's brother, and the couple left for a Jersey honeymoon.
(Photo by Stan Caldwell)



Basildon couple Miss Jennifer Wilcox, of The Netherley, and Mr. John Leonard Broadbridge, of Whitmore Way, were married at Holy Cross on Saturday. The bride's father, Mr. Herbert Wilcox, gave her away and the ceremony was conducted by Rev. K. Wood. The bride wore a gown of white satin with a lace coat and train. She carried a bouquet of pink roses. Her bridesmaids were the Misses Shirley Broadbridge, Jannette Milton and Beverley Tankers. Best man was Mr. Victor Wilcox, the bride's brother.
(Photo by Edward Goss)

STOCK WEDDING

Mr. Richard Doss, of Fairmead Avenue, Thundersham, and Miss Sandra Kilduff, of Stock Road, Stock, were married on Saturday at the Parish Church. Given away by her father, the bride wore a full-length gown of white satin and a white pearl head-dress. She carried a bouquet of pink roses. Bridesmaids were Misses Andrea Kilduff, Catherine Jolly and Caroline Doss. George Caudron was best man.

WAGE INCREASE

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JOSS-STICKS WERE FORBIDDEN



St. Mary's, London Hills.
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Officials at Southland Registrar Office ordered several wedding
guests to extinguish joss-sticks when Mr. John Howard, of
Mantle Way, Torquay, gave a report for the Billings area,
on Friday. The joss-sticks, which had been lit to "create
an atmosphere," explained one guest, who was dressed in a
traditional Chinese robe with dark trousers and light jacket with
a flowered sash, adding a little colour. The bride wore a
white mini-dress and a white ribbon in her hair, and carried
a bouquet of red roses. The couple are spending their honey-
moon in Libya, where Mr. Howard takes up a post with the
"Libyan Mail," a new Sunday newspaper for the English-
speaking population in the North African kingdom.

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St. Helen's Church, Westcliff, was the scene on Saturday for
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Road, London, and Miss Denise Quinlan, of Clifton Drive,
Westcliff. Given away by her brother, Mr. Peter Quinlan,
the bride had Miss Emma Walton as her bridesmaid, and
Mr. Albert Cartwright was best man.
(Photo: John Hawkins).



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PLAY LEADERSHIP OPEN DAY



THE COUNCIL'S "HAPPY BABY"

HUNDREDS OF youngsters from play areas all over the urban district converged at the Fryerns Play Leadership Centre for their Open Day—the last event of their season.

Parents, brothers, sisters and relations attended the event which consisted of sporting events, entertainment by youngsters, talent contests and show of work.

Chairman of Basildon Council's Parks Committee who organised the scheme Coun. Derrick Pope summed up the Open Day: "The Playleadership scheme is a very happy baby. It is the one function the Council carries out which is completely approved by both sides of the Council."

"It is one of the best schemes in existence in the urban district and I would like to thank the play leaders who do such sterling work and the parents who encourage children to attend."

Coun. Pope presented Christine Stanley, of Devonshire Road, Laindon, the newly elected Parks Queen, with a new trophy. Deputy Queen is Pauline Moore, of Bush Hall Road, Billericay, aged 12.

In the Playleadership Centre examples of work done by youngsters from five areas were on show. These included paintings, models and needlework.

In the Centre's arena judges Mrs. W. Hayball and Queen Geraldine Gahan were adjudicating the folk-dancing contest. Ghyllgrove and Laindon play areas jointly won the contest with an Irish reel from Ghyllgrove and a La Russa from Laindon. Miss Gahan, Mrs. Hayball and Councillors A. V. Stockley, D. Pope and G. E. Allard and their wives judged the

talent contest. Sally Newman and Tracey Wheatley, of Laindon, won this section with a display of comic acting and singing. Second was Cindy Rogers, of Billericay, who sang and played the guitar and third Maria and Stephanie Derrick of Ghyllgrove, who mimed to a record.

Displays of rhythmic movement by Wickford area and old time music hall from Billericay preceded the presentation of trophies and awards for the sports by Chairman of Basildon Council Coun. A. Baron Burn.

The play areas, with the exception of Fryerns, will now close down and will reopen during the next school holidays.

RESULTS

Fancy dress, under 10 years—1. Shirley Clemenston (as Hippie); 2. Jean Stanley (Poodle); 3. Teresa Murphy (Snow White). Over 10 years—1. Carol Wakely (Bunny Girl); 2. Brenda Shields (St. Trinian's); 3. Gerald Grey (Mrs. Mop). Cycle section—1. Kevin Mears (The Clown); 2. Melanie Mears (Bird in Cage); 3. Robert Oakley (Tottenham Hotspur).

Five-a-side football, Junior cup final—1. Wickford Tornados 2. Fryerns 2. Losers final—Laindon Vikings 4. Chelsea Colts (Ghyllgrove) 2.

Intermediate cup final—Craylands United 4. Wickford Dynamos 0. Losers final—Wickford 1. Ghyllgrove 3. Senior cup final—Colingne F.C. (Wickford) 3. Spartak Colts (Ghyllgrove) 2. Losers final—Ghyllgrove Colts 2. Ghyllgrove Lions 0.

A display of rhythmic movement was given by Wickford Play Leadership under the direction of Mrs. Doreen Mears (centre) at the open day. On the right sisters Melanie and Christine Mears decorated their bicycles for the fancy dress contest. Melanie (left) won the second prize in the decorated cycle section, as a bird in cage.



The picture above shows some of the crowd who enjoyed the events and on the left is the crowning ceremony. Christine Stanley, of Devonshire Road, Laindon, is Parks Queen; with her are her deputy, Pauline Moore, of Bush Hall Road, Billericay, and Basildon Carnival Queen, Geraldine Gahan. Below: Coun. W. Archibald helps with the distribution of certificates to successful children.



Like a puppet on a string



Sisters Stephanie and Maria Derrick, of Roodgate, Ghyllgrove, won third prize in the talent contest. They mimed to the current "pop" hit, "Puppet on a String."


Old times were recalled



"Old-Time Music Hall" was presented by Billericay Play Leadership at the open day.

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★ **WICKFORD'S CARNIVAL WEEK OPENS** ★



Wickford Carnival Queen Ann Camp has the pleasant duty of presenting her own princess (Sonia Martin) with the trophy for the best lady driver in the Carnival Carkhana on Sunday. More pictures of Carnival events on the centre pages.

the pram race took place once more this year.

"We wanted to keep it going, so we entered our own teams and presented a trophy," said Mr. Loveday.

Winners of the race were Cub Brian Hall (10), pushed by Scout Colin Stevens. Best-dressed "baby" was John Swan (10).

The rest of the sports was notable for the lack of teenage entrants. The 13-16 sections in every race were scrapped.

Most interesting race was the grandparents' 40 yards three-legged race, when a pair of elderly ladies took a tumble, but seemed none the worse for the experience.

Sports results:
 Sprint: 20 yards (boys up to 4): Martin Ashfield; 20 yards (girls up to 4): Catherine Kirby; 30 yards (boys 5-8): David Radley; 30 yards (girls 5-8): Susan Atkinson; 40 yards (boys 9-12): John Moy; 40 yards (girls 9-12): Estelle Mickle; 50 yards (men over 21): Brian Timms; 50 yards (women over 21): Sheila Kirby.

Wheelbarrow race: 20 yards (boys up to 4): Martin Ashfield and Paul Taylor; 20 yards (girls up to 4): Elizabeth and Katherine Kirby; 30 yards (boys 5-8): David Radley and Marcus Coomber; 30 yards (girls 5-8): Elizabeth and Jane Kirby; 30 yards (boys 9-12): John Moy and David Evans; 30 yards (girls 9-12): Janet McEvoy and Elaine Gunn.

Egg and spoon race: 20 yards (boys up to 4): Martin Ashfield; 20 yards (girls up to 4): Helen Connor; 30 yards (boys 5-8): Leanne Bield; 30 yards (men over 21): Brian Timms; 50 yards (women over 21): Rosina Johnson.

Three-legged race: 30 yards (boys 5-8): David Radley and Marcus Coomber; 30 yards (girls 5-8): Susan Atkinson and Gillian Green; 40 yards (boys 9-12): Gary Cruickshank and Peter Sharp; 40 yards (girls 9-12): Lorraine Gunn and Lynette Reeves; 40 yards (grandparents): Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hardin.

Television comedian crowned Queen —and himself

WICKFORD CARNIVAL started with "a little bit of fun" on Saturday when comedian Billy Dainty crowned Carnival Queen Ann Camp.

For not only did the Liverpoolian crown Ann, but he crowned himself with a tiara intended for junior queen Gabrielle Mickelborough, much to the delight of crowds on the infants' school field.

The afternoon started with a mini-procession of children's fancy dress contestants, queens and Basildon Drum and Trumpet Corps from London Road to the infants' field.

Everything went smoothly, and the weather remained sunny. Waiting at the infants' field were crowds of parents and friends who had gathered to see the fancy dress contest, coronation and sports.

M.C. was Dave Callaghan, and he introduced Carnival Chairman Mr. Harry Reeves in his best Radio London manner.

Mr. Reeves said: "Here we have a little bit of fun to start Wickford Carnival Week," and introduced Billy Dainty, who immediately started clowning.

"Anyone from the North here?" he asked,

to random shouts of approval.

He then crowned Ann, himself and Gabrielle with the words: "I declare this stone well and truly laid."

Next item was the judging of the fancy dress, with Billy among the judges. All admitted they had a hard task, but plumped for eight-years-old Sharon Still, of Toppsfield Avenue, as the best-dressed girl. She wore a crinolene dress painstakingly made of crepe paper.

Best-dressed boy was two-years-old Simon Bull as the Pinta Man. Both received their prizes from the Junior Carnival Queen.

Other results were: Class "A"—1, Sandra Cordell (the Statue of Liberty); 2, Sean Reynolds (Pixie); 3, Martin Ashfield and Helen Connor (Dick Whittington and Cat). Class "B"—1, Edward Giles (Fleur-de-Peuple); 2, Paul Wells (footballer). Class "C"—1, Siobhan Panton (Jack in the box); 2, Susan Perbles (Turkish delight); 3, Susan Gunn (bunny girl). Class "D"—1, Raymond Wells (cave man); 2, John Nicholls (one of the Beautiful People); 3, Sharon Still (crinolene lady); 2, Janice Reynolds (Eastern dancer). Class "E"—1, Larry Reynolds (drunken sailor). Class "F"—1, Gillian Swan (anti-liter); 2, April Elsie ("Miss World"); 3, Estelle Mickleborough (night and day). Class "G"—1, Glen and Kerry Rogers (Jack and Jill); 2, Karen and Stephen Mansfield (Peter Pan and Tiger Bell); 3, Stephen and Debra Bullwood (Batman and Catwoman). Class "H"—1, Gary and Donna Cruickshank (The Munsters); 2, Lynette Reeves and Lorraine Gunn (Farmer Giles and wife). Class "I"—Simon Bull (Pinta Man).

Immediately following the fancy dress contest came the sports, organised by Dave Callaghan.

First event was the traditional pram race, banned by the Police from the road this year.

Thanks only to Mr. A. P. Loveday, leader of 2nd Wickford Scouts,

Hooligans upset Carnival event

VANDALS IN a car disrupted Wickford Carnival's "carkhana" on Sunday. They sped through the course, knocking over equipment and scaring officials. They refused to pay an entry fee and were only persuaded to leave after protests.

This was the second setback the otherwise successful "carkhana" had to face. The other was torrential rain, which continued until early afternoon.

Eventual winner of the rally, which involved tests of driving skill in a Wickford Town Centre car park, was Mr. Howard Quirk, of Bridge Road, Shotgate. He dropped the least number of points in a series of tests and won himself 12 advanced driving lessons from the Giles School of Motoring.

Runner-up was Mr. Barry Cox, of Long Meadow Drive, who won a £5 voucher from Swan Garage.

Winner of the ladies' section was Miss Joyce Brown, of Canford Avenue, who won a £5 voucher from R. L. Fish, and her runners-up were Mrs. Sonia Martin, Wickford Carnival Princess, and Mrs. Doris Saunders, Carnival Secretary.

Mrs. Saunders was only persuaded to accept her prize after she offered it back when Mr. David Giles told her she had won fairly and squarely

and her association with carnival made no difference.

Tests included parking, reversing and observation of road safety signs. Most interesting so far as the spectators were concerned were two tests involving balance.

In the first competitors had to balance a glass of water on their wooden blocks. Most points were awarded for the least amount of water spilled, but the event was complicated by the rain which prevented drivers seeing the blocks.

In the other, polystyrene was balanced on the car body, and the car was driven as carefully as possible.

A special prize was awarded to former Terry School learner Pankhurst (18), of Park Drive, for his efforts, and other prizes were presented by Queen Ann Camp.



Mr. H. Quirk was the best male driver in the carkhana.



These members of Billericay A.T.C. (2393) took part in the Outwood Common Church and Community Joint Building Fund's walk on Sunday.

Masked raider foiled by a woman attendant

AN ATTEMPTED robbery at the Cricketers European Petroleum Service Station in East Mayne was foiled by a woman attendant on Tuesday.

She was Mrs. Yvonne Butler, of Whitmore Way, who fought off the masked attacker and locked the till.

She received injuries to her face and was taken to Billericay Hospital for treatment. She was allowed home shortly after the incident.

The attack took place at about 4.30 p.m. as rush hour traffic along the road began to build up.

The man, with a stocking over his face and a piece of iron covered with rubber, drew up in a car. Mrs. Butler locked the till and tried to push the man out of the kiosk. They struggled and then the man ran off. He left the iron bar behind.

Mrs. Butler was still in a state of shock on Wednesday morning. She was unable to speak to the Press and was staying at a friend's house.

Mr. E. Walker, in charge of both E.P. garages in East Mayne, said after the attack: "The thief got no money thanks to Mrs. Butler. She must have been very calm and collected at the time to have locked the till. And it must have taken great courage for her to grapple with the man."

"We were on the scene only a few minutes after it happened, but we could see nobody. But Mrs. Butler was very shaken."

Police were on the scene within minutes looking for the man.

RELIEF ROAD

Basildon Council's Executive Committee have accepted a revised estimate of £692 from Keen's Aerial Surveys, Ltd., in connection with surveys needed for the Wickford Inner Relief Road and Nevendon Road by-pass.

Fined £10

For travelling at 41 m.p.h. in a 30 m.p.h. zone, Roger Evans (17), of Theydon Crescent, Basildon, was fined £10 and his licence was endorsed at Billericay Court on Tuesday.

He was trapped by a radar meter in St. Nicholas Lane, Laindon.

Play scheme is a big success

BILLERICAY'S Play Leadership scheme, an outstanding success in its first season, will now become a regular feature of the district during school holidays it was announced this week.

Chairman of Basildon Council's Parks Committee Coun. Derrick Pope said on Monday he would also recommend that the Billericay scheme should be extended to include other holiday periods.

At present all the play areas, with the exception of Fryerns, close during the winter months.

Said Coun. Pope: "The Billericay scheme has been a wonderful success, with a response far beyond our expectations."

"This was a pilot scheme to see what response there would be in Billericay. The number of children who attended the sessions during the holidays underlines the need for this kind of scheme."

During the school holiday period an average of about 200 children attended the sessions at Lake Meadows, Billericay. On occasions, at specially-organised events like pet shows, there were as many as 500.

Estimated cost of the Play Leadership at Billericay was £750.

Senior Play Leader Mrs. Joan Stevenson said this was her first season as play leader. She had been astonished at the instant success of the scheme.

"Parents have been tremendously enthusiastic about the idea and we have had a great deal of praise."

"It has been suggested even that one of the service organisations might build us a Play Leadership centre."

Predictions that the urban district centres might also be expanded came from Coun. Pope.

But he stressed that this would only be possible if the amount of vandalism at present being felt—especially in the New Town—could be curbed.

There had been a grant deal of Play Leadership equipment smashed. This all had to be replaced.

"If we could stop the vandalism that goes on with Council property, we could spend £1,000 a year more on Play Leadership and parks," he said.

Our picture below shows contestants and judges at the Billericay Play Leadership heat of the Parks Princess Contest.



Basildon wrestler was on top

FACING TOP competition from a strong entry, Basildon man Tony Cooper gave the home crowd something to shout about on Saturday when he won the welterweight crown at Basildon Carnival's wrestling show.

Tony won his four bouts all on falls to carry off the Carnival Shield presented to him at the end of Carnival Queen Geraldine Gahan.

RESULTS

Lightweight — 1. Geoff Pullen (London); 2. Alan Lines (Birmingham); 3. J. Randell (London). Welterweight — 1. Tony Cooper (Basildon); 2. M. Leigh (Crawley); 3. B. Bailey (Slough). Featherweight — 1. K. Hayward (London); 2. S. Lee (Rising Hill); 3. J. Guerin (Basildon).

HAPPY NOTE

The meeting of the Billericay Branch started off on a happy note, in celebration of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. R. Charlesworth. Members clubbed together to buy them a tete-a-tete tea set and wished them many more happy years together. Also celebrating a wedding anniversary were Mr. and Mrs. Keene. Mrs. Boulter from Wickford entertained everyone with songs and short stories. Charitable messages for their recovery were sent to Mr. Harrington and the other sick members and everyone was happy to hear that the sick list was still going down. Vice-Chairman Mr. Spencer presided.

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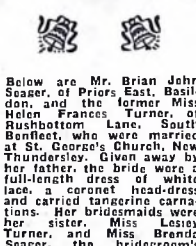
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Young Guard of Honour



Cub Scouts formed a guard of honour when Mr. Arthur William Abbott, of Victoria Avenue, Lunden Hills, married Miss Patricia Ann Stuart, of Whitmore Way, Basildon, at Lunden Hills Methodist Church on Saturday. The bride, who made her own wedding dress, was given away by her father, and her bridesmaids were Misses Joan Stuart, Norah Abbott and Margaret Greenhall. Rev. J. J. Rooney officiated, and Mr. Peter Greenaway was best man. (Photo by Florides Photographic)



The wedding took place on Saturday of Mr. David Charles Keener, of Spencers Croft, Harlow, and Miss Jennifer Joan Munday, of Downey Close, Basildon, at Holy Cross Church, Basildon. The bride was given away by her father and wore a full-length gown of white lace over silk, with long georgette train. Her bouquet was of white, peach and pink roses with stephanotis. The matron of honour was Mrs. T. Munday, aunt of the bride, and the bridesmaids were the Misses Paulette Munday (bride's sister), Irene McKellon (bridegroom's step-sister) and Vanessa Munday (bride's young sister). The brides were Masters Marc and Stuart Munday. Mr. Thomas Keener, the bridegroom's brother, was the best man, and the honeymoon is being spent on the Norfolk Broads. (Photo W. J. Charlesworth)



Below are Mr. Brian John Seager, of Priors East, Basildon, and the former Miss Helen Frances Turner, of Rushbottom Lane, South Benfleet, who were married at St. George's Church, New Thundersley, given away by her father, the bride wore a full-length dress of white lace, a coronet head-dress and carried tangerine carnations. Her bridesmaids were her sister, Miss Lesley Turner, and Miss Brenda Seager, the bridegroom's sister. Mr. David Seager, brother of the bridegroom, was best man. The honeymoon is being spent at Torquay. (Photo Highlands Studios)

Mr. Roy Banks, of Rodegate, Basildon, and Miss Christine Hayward, of Little Wakerins Road, Little Wakerins, were married on Saturday at All Saints' Church, Barling. Given away by her father, the bride wore a full-length gown of white brocade with a long veil, and carried a bouquet of white and peach carnations. Misses Stella Carol, Pamela, Belinda and Amanda Taylor attended, and Mr. Raymond Banks was best man. (Photo Studio 77)

FIRST-TIME MUMS ONLY

OWING to the extreme pressure on maternity beds at St. Andrew's Hospital, Billericay, expectant mothers between the ages of 18 and 25 will only be admitted for first confinement when there is a risk of complications or where housing conditions are bad. This has been agreed by the local Maternity Liaison Committee, Minister of Health Kenneth Robinson stated this week in reply to a question from Billericay Member of Parliament Mr. Eric Moonman.

"My own medical advice is that hospital confinement for mothers in this age group having first babies is not essential except where complications are likely, or where housing conditions are unsuitable," said Mr. Robinson.

"I am told that the position in the area is improving now that additional beds are becoming available at Orsett Hospital, but owing to difficulties in recruiting midwifery staff, only 45 beds have so far been brought into use out of a total of 60 in the new department."

Safety P.C. leaves town

POLICE constable Keith Pinnock, the Road Safety Officer known to every school child and motoring organisation in the district, has left the Essex Police. He is now a member of the Metropolitan Police at West Ham.



Above are Mr. Daniel McNamara, of Whitmore Way, Basildon, and the former Miss Joan Bell, of The Gore, Basildon, after their wedding at St. Martin's Church, Basildon, on Saturday. The bride had Miss Pauline Gardner and page boy Robert Gardner as her attendants. Mr. Edwin Bell, the bride's brother, was best man, and the bride wore a long white satin dress, lace bodice and sleeves and carried red roses. (Photo: Florides Photographic)

Below: Mr. Michael James Marchant, of Homestead, Laindon, and Miss Pauline Heath Carter, of Athelstan Gardens, Wickford, were married on Saturday at St. Catherine's Church, Wickford. Given away by her father, the bride wore a full-length gown of lace over nylon, decorated with drop pearls, and a three-tier veil secured by a coronet. Mrs. E. Fleming, Miss Brenda Marchant, Miss Sharon Fleming, Miss Tracy Service and Master Stephen Fleming attended, and Mr. Alan Marchant was best man.



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"BY THE time I finished work in my old job I only had time to go out for a drink, so I thought I might as well get my own pub," Mr. Tom Newman (45), new licensee at the de Beauvoir Arms, Downham, told the "Standard Recorder" this week. Mr. and Mrs. Newman are seen above.

A household name in Outwood Common, Billesley, where he was in business as a newsagent for seven years, Mr. Newman has handed the shop over to his son, Tom (23), so he can enjoy "the much better social atmosphere of a pub."

"I like meeting people, and there's no better place than a pub to do that," he said. "This pub has a very nice location in the countryside, but it is not too far away from the towns. Everyone has been very nice to us since we moved in and I think we shall settle here for good."

Mr. Newman, who is also President of Outwood Common Football Club, plans to redecorate the "Beavers" throughout to draw the crowds from nearby towns, and he hopes the brewers, Ind Coope, will also extend bars in the not too far distant future.

"This pub has got great potential and with the brewers' help I think we can make it one of the most popular in the district," he said.

Meet a happy housewife

MRS. Jennifer Clausen, of Southend Road, Wickford, won her seat in a local council election recently.

It was part of a quest to find the "Girl on the Pack," organised by the manufacturers of a brand of tea. They are looking for a happy housewife with a warm, fresh personality and Mrs. Clausen, who is interested in jigsaws and crossword puzzles, was chosen out of scores of other competitors to take part in the area final. Prizes worth £300 will be won during the contest.



Mrs. Jennifer Clausen

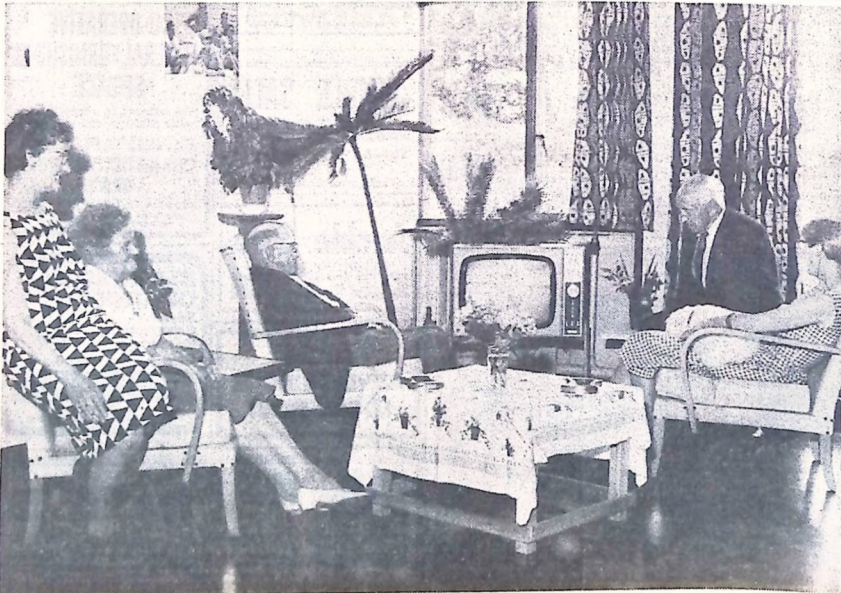
YOUNG SOCIALISTS

Basilston Young Socialists discussed general problems involving housing at their meeting at the Laidon Community Centre, Leasford, won her seat in a local council election recently.

Now in use is the rest lounge at Laidon Community Centre—complete with armchairs and television. But it has meant a problem for one O.A.P. club who meet at the Centre.

"The men leave the meetings for a crafty look at the Test match or races," said Centre Warden Mr. Ron Moorcroft, "and the Club Chairman has a job getting them back to the meeting."

The room is intended for people who want a rest or a cup of coffee. It is also used as a waiting room. The summer period is a quiet time, but Mr. Moorcroft thinks it will be very popular during the winter.



People — and what they are doing...



We've heard of people with cats, dogs and an assortment of other creatures in their homes, but at Wickford there's a dragon in a council house. Before the Health Inspectors set on the trail, it should be explained that this dragon is a paper one adorning the stairway of No. 2, Barrie Pavement. Five feet long and in 16 different colours, the dragon was the inspiration of school-teacher Mrs. Isabel Herson and made by her class of six-year-old children at Stevenage. It came with her when she moved to Wickford recently, and it now makes a colourful mural on the stairway of her new home. Of the dragon, she says: "The children were quite proud of it. Every scale was stuck on separately and they took quite a time to make it." Mrs. Herson and husband Conrad returned this week to teach at Wickford Junior School after a year away in new jobs at Stevenage. "We are happy to be back in the Basilston area," they say.

Torchbearers Carnival Baby Show

ALTHOUGH he is the leader of Wickford Torchbearers' Youth Club, Roy Anstead could fairly be described as hiding his own light under a bushel. For Roy, who lights a torch at every Torchbearers' meeting, must be one of Wickford's most modest community leaders and one of the youngest.

Now 25, Roy has been actively concerned in the Salvation Army Youth Club for eight years and finds plenty of time for what he describes as his "odd hobbies."

"I collect lots of things," he told the "Standard Recorder," "although I don't specialise in anything."

Besides his hobbies a lot of his time is taken up with his four-months-old son, Steven, an obvious candidate for the Torchbearer Club when he is old enough.

Both Roy and his wife of four years, Ann, would like to see Steven in the Torchbearers one day.

Roy works in his father's hairdressing salon. IT WAS babies at Wickford Community Centre on Wednesday. Occasion was the Carnival baby show and the hall was packed to overflowing with Wickford mums and their tiny charges. Organisers were the ladies on Wickford Carnival Committee and even the flood of entries failed to overwhelm them.

Prizes, which were the don and cow and Gate Cups, plus gifts, were presented by Carnival Queen Ann Camp, who spent the afternoon chatting to mums and toddlers.

Judges were Mrs. Bestend, Hospital and a doctor from St. Andrew's Hospital.

Result: Class "A" (birth to six months)—1. Jason Hill, of Runwell Road. He is five months; 2. Joanne Toner, of Chelton Road. She is five months; 3. Stephen Jeldrum, of Belmont Avenue. He is 11 weeks.

Class "B" (6-12 months)—1. Janice Golding, Burne Avenue (eight months); 2. Paul Whalley, Barrie Pavement (eight months); 3. John Indri, Friars Avenue (six months).

Class "C" (one-two years)—1. Sarah Nuttall, of Rubicon Avenue (23 months); 2. Mark Currick, Canewdon Gardens (18 months); 3. Sherie Knight, of Westfield Close (13 months).

HE IS GOING BACK TO BONNIE SCOTLAND



BASILSTON NEW Town has special problems of child welfare not normally associated with towns having generations of families.

This is the opinion of 41-years-old Area Children's Officer for Basilston Mr. George Strang (seen above), who is leaving the district this month to take up promotion.

He says New Towns have special problems in dealing with children who come under the care of local authorities because parents are usually "on their own."

He explained: "The people in towns like Basilston are special because they have no grannies or parents to help out with children as they do in older places."

"This raises special questions when parents are involved in their own troubles."

Mr. Strang said it was not that people were living too close together in flats—this was good in some cases because it gave rise to G. neighbourhoods. And people lived close together even in old towns.

It was a case of people trying to make roots in a new place where they missed the kinship of the East End of London.

Mr. Strang, a Scotsman from Glasgow, is leaving Basilston 2nd for six roses. Three to take the job of Children's Officer in Dumfriesshire.

He has been with Essex County Council for 10 years and plants, 1st G. Groves (Basilston) and 2nd for six years ago.

Orsett Show winners

AMONG the local winners at Orsett Show on Saturday were, G. Groves (Basilston), 3rd for onions; G. Clarke (Basilston), 3rd for beetroot; G. S. Scott (Basilston), 1st for tomatoes.

Cut flowers, 1st for H. S. Ward (Billesley), also 2nd for African margulids; cut ship of the East End of London.

London. (Basilston) 2nd, also 1st for one rose in vase and 3rd for six roses.

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The 66 Club, a section of the Basildon Community Association, held a social and dance in the Fryerns Community Centre on Saturday evening.

YOUTHS CHARGED AFTER MOB SCENE OUTSIDE POLICE STATION

OFFICERS WERE ASSAULTED, PROSECUTION ALLEGES

TWELVE YOUNG men from Basildon, Billericay and Wickford appeared at Rochford Magistrates' Court on Wednesday facing various charges arising out of an alleged affray outside the Tarpot public house, Benfleet.

The charges varied from threatening behaviour and rioting to malicious damage, assaults on Police and possession of offensive weapons.

They were Colin Frank Abrahams (19), a cable layer, of Woolshots Road, Wickford; Colin John Brown (21), a driver, of Bathurst, Billericay; Michael Clark (20), a fitter, of The Upway, Basildon; Christopher George Day (24), a labourer, of Neville Shaw, Basildon; Alan Richard Foster (18), apprentice, of The Fold, Basildon; Christopher Edward Harris (19), engineer, of Neville Shaw, Basildon; Victor Charles Mansell (23), unemployed, of Horsley Cross, Basildon; Kenneth Charles Mead (21), welder, of Fulkenham Road, Basildon; Terence Robert Oliver (18), unemployed, of Basildon Road, Laindon; Peter Richard Scarlett (18), chemist, of Elsenham Crescent, Basildon; Kenneth David Slaughter (23), driver, of Horsley Cross, Basildon; and David Mowatt (17), welder, of Fulkenham End, Basildon.

Not all youths face the assault charges and only Foster was charged with having an offensive weapon.

Prosecuting, Mr. Tom Lavelle alleged that youths gathered in large numbers outside the Tarpot Hotel, in the car park forecourt of the public house.

By about 10.30 p.m., he said, about 30 youths and girls had congregated there and by

Sergt. Whalley tried to drive away, but was obstructed by a youth sitting on the bonnet.

Abrahams was standing by the car with a strip of metal from the car in his hand, and, while this was happening, said Mr. Lavelle, Brown put his arms round Sergt. Whalley's throat and tried to escape.

Brown was released by Sergt. Whalley, but was recaptured. During the recapture, Police officers were assaulted by Slaughter who was also arrested.

Mead tried to release the youths in the Police car. In the process he hit a Policeman, Slaughter escaped and Mansell grabbed hold of a Policeman. The mob later followed to Benfleet Police Station, allegedly to try and release the youths again.

"Although it is impossible to bring witnesses to show what the youths were doing all the time it is certain that these 12 were all involved," said Mr. Lavelle.

"This was more than just the usual Saturday night incident involving four or five boys."

"At one stage there were 100 of these youths extremely violent and it could have resulted in someone getting very, very hurt indeed."

Mr. William George Baker, of Honley Road, Catford, S.E.6, late of London Road,

South Benfleet, said he saw the youths round Sergt. Whalley's car.

He said he and his wife, who was pregnant, were very scared and he drove down the road to dial 999 because he could see the Police were in trouble.

Sergt. Whalley said he could identify the defendants as being in the group round the car after he had arrested Brown except Mansell and Slaughter who he had doubts about.

He described the whole incident in detail from the time he arrived at Tarpot Hotel and Brown obstructed him until the time the matter ended at Benfleet Police Station.

The proceedings were adjourned until Monday.

Arthritis talk

Billericay Young Liberals were given a talk on arthritis sufferers by Miss Robbins, of the Horder Centres, at their meeting last week. She said that her centres, scattered over the country, relied on charity and could only cope with a minority of the great many sufferers in Britain. People at these centres are aged from six to 86.

At the end of the talk, Young Liberals Treasurer Margaret Woodward gave Miss Robbins a cheque to help the work of the centres.

Music for 18-plus

Billericay 18-Plus Group club room was filled to capacity at their last meeting when folk group The Talismen and the Jug of Colour entertained.

The Talismen gave their usual polished performance, and, after a short interval the audience were entertained by the new Jug of Colour group, who dress up to their name.

URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF BASILDON COMMITTEE FOR EDUCATION

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There is a New Department at Mayflower School, Billericay.

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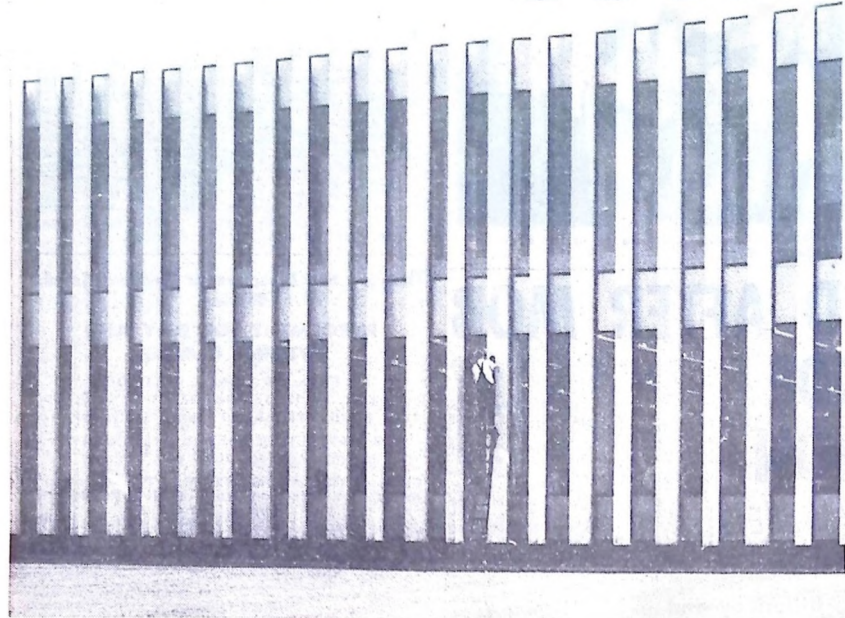
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FACTORY GOSSIP



IF YOU THINK YOU ARE HARD DONE BY CLEANING THE WINDOWS OF YOUR TWO-UP AND TWO-DOWN, CONSIDER THE CASE OF MR. ALBERT SEGUST, OF THUNDERLEY.

AS A WINDOW CLEANER FOR THE VICTORIA CLEANING COMPANY, HE IS CALLED UPON TO WORK ON FACTORIES IN THE NEW TOWN.

AND WHEN IT'S A FACTORY LIKE YARDLEYS, IT MEANS A LOT OF WINDOWS TO BE WASHED (SEE PICTURE ABOVE HE MUST BE ONE OF THE CHIEF "LEATHER MEN" IN THE BUSINESS.

SAYS ALBERT: "IT'S NOT AS HEARTBREAKING AS IT LOOKS—THIS FACTORY TAKES FOUR MEN ABOUT TWO DAYS TO COMPLETE, AND WE DO THE JOB ONCE A MONTH."



Mr. Albert Segust facing his big task.

They want ideas

CARRERAS Social and Athletic Club have asked the Basildon Civic Arts Society to submit ideas for programmes of drama, art and music in the firm's new social centre. Officers of the Society who have already visited the Centre were pleased with the idea. They said the stage and its facilities were excellent, acoustics good and other facilities including refreshments, exceptional.

In the Society's newsletter, "Fount," an editorial points out that the Centre would provide more comfort than has ever been provided for their functions before.

Negotiations are still going on.

Process that preserves your pub wine

THANKS TO a process developed by a Billericay firm, table wines from the wood are now available in many pubs up and down the country. For their process prevents air from reaching the wine and spoiling it.

The firm concerned are Universal Containers (U.K.), Ltd., jointly managed by brothers Ian and Tony Forest. They developed their process some eight years ago, but have only recently been marketing it. It consists of a plastic bag which is filled with wine and put inside a wooden barrel. As the wine flows the bag collapses, and no air comes in.

Ian Forest denied with a smile that the process was a cheat. For customers are likely to think that wine is actually coming from the wooden barrel.

"It is the only way to do

it," he explained. "Without the process wines spoil very quickly."

Universal Containers know all about wines. They can trace their ancestry back to coopers making barrels in 1910, and still do, in fact, make conventional barrels. However, they believe in adopting modern methods to stay on top of the market.

And on top of the market they are. Apart from one exception, they are the biggest whiskey barrel manufacturers in the country, and also make barrels for wines and other spirits.



Mr. and Mrs. Forest, of Universal Containers, show some of the containers their company produces. The container Mr. Forest is holding contains 12 bottles of sherry.

Rotary Hoes

Rotary Hoes, Ltd., announce that the office of managing director has ceased to exist, this function being replaced by a Committee of Management. Mr. E. N. Griffith continues as Chairman of the Board and Mr. P. Coleclough is appointed Deputy Chairman. Mr. J. A. Howard has been appointed Managing Director of their main operating subsidiary, Howard Rotavator Co., Ltd.

More mail order work

S. A. JEVES, Ltd., the Wickford central heating firm, are diversifying. In October they intend to market a wide range of household goods, which they will sell by mail order all over the country.

The company's success has been built on mail order, but has been limited to central heating systems.

"We felt that moving into household equipment was the next thing to do," said

Director Mr. Tony Arthurs.

We thought of it about nine months ago, but it is only in the past four months that we have been able to get things moving. People are beginning to trust mail order, and we feel that it is going to come into its own."

Mr. Arthurs hopes, by giving customers a reliable service, to win repeat orders and, by fair dealing, to enhance the reputation of mail order companies.

When he spoke to the "Standard Recorder" he was considering tenders for a showroom the company intend to have built at their Wickford factory. This means that customers will be able to buy direct, besides ordering from advertisements.

These advertisements are in national magazines and will appear in October. "We are also considering television advertising," said Tony, at 25 one of the youngest company directors in Wickford. A new division of the company is being formed to handle the new side of the business, which will probably be called S. A. JEVES Household Division.

Tony considers the mail order business to be a better prospect than a store since: "The whole country can be your market."

UNDER-SEA LINKS
The Basildon factory of Standard Telephones and Cables, Ltd., will be taking part in the completion of a recently acquired contract

RECOVERING FROM BIG DEPOT FIRE



Rydgeway Plastics, Ltd., of Howard Chase, Basildon, are busy reconstructing their fire-ravaged storage depot at the back of their premises.

But fire, which earlier this year destroyed thousands of pounds' worth of finished plastic goods, should never happen again. The original wooden-slatted store is being replaced by a solid brick building with no windows.

Works manager Mr. Christopher Krimmel (seen above) said this week the new building was as fireproof as possible.

Mr. Krimmel said: "The big thing about the fire was that it was in the finished goods shed. This set back our production schedules a great deal, but we have caught up again."

The factory deals mainly with plastic vehicle bodies.

to build under-sea cables in the Baltic and Mediterranean Seas worth £5M.

The cable orders follow others announced earlier this year for £20M. These cables will link South Africa with Portugal and the United Kingdom. The new orders involve the manufacture of 1,000 miles of cable with specialised under-sea equipment and land-based installations.

BOILER PLANT

Council permission has been given for Darham Industries to build a boiler plant at their factory in Paycocke Road, Basildon. Approval is necessary under the Clean Air Act.

Plain Jane? —No fear!

"HALLO girl!" at the Carreras reception desk these days is 21-years-old Mrs. Barbara Norman, who lives at Wickford.

Barbara, brown eyes and brown hair, and a charming personality, has worked at Carreras for six years, going to the factory straight from school.

During that time she has

worked in several departments, including filing, data processing and the switchboard.

An ex-Fryerns schoolgirl, she does credit to the old school, but she says: "I am a real plain Jane."

Plain? We'll leave the boys to form their own opinions from our picture of her in the Carreras main entrance foyer.

She is pictured with a sculpture called Totem by Barbara Hepworth.



Barbara Norman, of Carreras.



Four more of the S. A. JEVES, Ltd., team—Christine White (19), receptionist; Valerie Macey (16), typist; Susan Miller (21), estimating clerk; and Sandra Hamlin (20), accounts clerk. And Tibbi, the guard dog.

POSTBOX

OAK TREE CONTROVERSY * PRAISE FOR
POST OFFICE * GOLF TOURNAMENT
QUESTIONS * YOUNG VANDALS

More about that Billericay tree

I WAS ASTONISHED to read the unjustified attack on the C.P.R.E. in your article in the "Standard Recorder" of September 2nd headed "One Paragraph and They're Up In Arms," and shall be very interested to learn on what it was based, as the only comment published by the Billericay Group, C.P.R.E., on the tree in the High Street car park is a paragraph in our current Bulletin (No. 28). A copy of this Bulletin was sent to you in accordance with our normal practice, but in case this has been mislaid the paragraph reads as follows:—

"Members will no doubt have read in the Press that this tree is to be felled. The Group had been in contact with the B.U.D.C. who, at our request, obtained a specialist's report, and it is feared that nothing can be done to save this fine old tree, probably the finest specimen of its kind in the district.

"We are horrified that the Council should have allowed tarmac to cover the ground in this way, more especially as there was a preservation order on the tree and trust that action of this sort will not occur again. However, on our request for replanting, we have been assured that a sum will be included in the draft estimates for the next financial year."

The Billericay Group have on no occasion used the words "This England, this blessed plot," or any other quotation, in connection with this matter.

In your article you ask: "Have the C.P.R.E. investigated the situation? ... I certainly seems they have not. ..."

We certainly have investigated the situation. In fact, we wrote to the Basildon Urban District Council in February of this year commenting on the manner in which one of these two trees had been lopped and seeking assurance that it was not to be felled. Incidentally, it is not pointed out in your article that the trees are not ordinary oak trees, but Holm oaks or Hox trees, and are very fine specimens of that uncommon variety. It was for this reason that the U.D.C. themselves decided that they should be preserved when the car park was first laid down.

In reply, the Town Manager informed us that the Parks Manager's report stated that the tree was deteriorating and was affected by a fungus disease which would eventually kill it. It was agreed to obtain the advice of an independent tree specialist, the result of whose survey unfortunately confirmed the report of the Parks Manager and made it clear that the tree would have to be felled.

One of the reasons given for its condition was that the entire root system had been starved of oxygen because of soil compaction and the tarmac which had been carried up to the trunk, thus retarding the percolation of water.

The Billericay Group does not always see eye to eye with the Urban District Council, but in this case, although we still deprecate the lack of foresight which

permitted conditions that were almost certain to ensure the tree's accelerated death, we are grateful for the co-operation received from the Town Manager in obtaining expert opinion in the hope of saving its life.

Furthermore, we are assured that provision is being made to replace the tree and that note will be taken of the dangers of laying tarmac right up to the trunk.—K. G. F. CATHCRAFT, Chairman, Billericay Group, C.P.R.E.

BUTTSBURY SCHOOL

BUTTSBURY PARENTS have reason to be aggrieved at the latest example of shortage of school accommodation.

During the last few years the primary school was a fantastic size for a school of this type, bigger than the majority of secondary schools. A score of temporary classrooms spilled out over the playing field. Teachers have been faced with quite unfair obstacles to efficient organisation and supervision. Admission of infants had to be postponed on one occasion, and some older pupils have been farmed out to the Mayflower Secondary School if this had been ready when it should have been.

Now the new junior school, planned for the 1963-64 building programme, but delayed by difficulties in acquiring the site, is full right from the start and some 120 of its pupils will be part of the infants' (formerly the primary) school.

Parents have lodged sporadic protests in the past, but all too often they only hear of a decision after it has been made. How much better informed and more effective their protests would be if they had a representative among the school's managers!

This is an arrangement advocated by the recent official Plowden Report on primary education. The report also deprecates the practice, in our district and elsewhere, of appointing managers and governors on a political party basis. Our Association for the Advancement of State Education suggest that a parents' representative could be nominated by the parents' association or, where such a thing does not exist, by a specially convened meeting of the school's parents.—JOHN JONES, 17, Jacksons Lane, Billericay.

WHY MONDAY?

I WOULD BE GRATEFUL if you would allow me space in your excellent journal to congratulate the Basildon Council on their decision to hold a professional golf tournament on their new course.

I must, however, deplore

their decision to hold it on Monday September 11th, which being a normal working day will render it impossible for the bulk of the ratepayers (who after all have provided the course) to attend as spectators.

Furthermore, the fact that the bulk of the prize money has been put up by local industrialists makes the choice of date at the very least unfortunate.

Are we to assume that once again the Town Council have snubbed the working population of Basildon in favour of their professional and business associates to whom a working day means little or nothing?—STAN KIRBY, 116, Church Road, Basildon.

She wants railings

THE CONTRACTORS made a wonderful job of the road driving from the Crown Lane to the Crown Hotel, but why spoil the ship for a barrel of staves?

They made steps leading to the Crown Hotel, but have not finished the job, there are no rails, and at the top of the steps they put a wooden fence, no pedestrians have to walk in the road to get to the hotel.

Although there is space for railings all round the car park, no railings have been provided.

I spoke to the landlord about it, he said they had run out of iron railings, I can give them the name of a firm who would do the job right away.

I am thinking about the winter, when I go up for my winter, my wife and I. I always say it takes a newspaper to get things done, please don't break the spell, I shall be looking forward to that rail beside the steps, and see the finishing touches round the hotel.

Hotel, MAUD CATHERINE HENBEST, Westley Road, Langdon Hills.

Thanks!

I HAVE noticed that the "Thanks" column in your paper is used mainly by people who have been bereaved.

I would have thought that another popular reason to use it would be to thank doctors and nurses of hospitals by ex-patients who have received treatment and operations.—M. H. DISTILL, St. John's, Pound Lane, Bowers Gifford.

(Thanks notices to hospitals, etc., may be placed in the Personal column, but doctors may not be named.—Ed.)

Praise, this time

THE LAST time I wrote to your newspaper was to have a grumble to the Post Office because we had no telephones in this street.

This time I would like to say a "thank you" to them. We opened a Post Office account for our six-years-old son. It was just a small amount, but with the book came a letter addressed to "Dear Graham" with some good advice and wishing him good luck in the future.

We thought that was very nice of them and so did Graham.—ROS-ETTA B. SMITH (Mrs.), 31, Brunwin's Close, Wickford.

Saw marquees damaged by children

YOUR HEADING "Carnival hit by Hooligans" should have read "Carnival hit by young delinquents," for this is what they were, ages ranging from seven to 12 years of age.

My house overlooks the ground used for the Carnival, and it was on Sunday morning not night that the destruction of the marquees began.

I went personally several times to chase off the kids who were climbing the marquees and tearing them and, like most of the kids, who frequent the back fields, as I call them, they just use abusive language and take not a bit of notice.

It was Sunday afternoon I went to the Police Station in

Great Oaks and informed the desk sergeant of what was happening and said they would send someone.

Whether they did I do not know, I went out for the rest of the day.

I again went over on Tuesday morning and witnessed the smaller marquees being attacked by the kids again. I again chased them off, but I finally gave up.

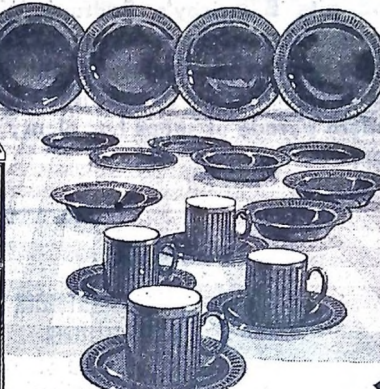
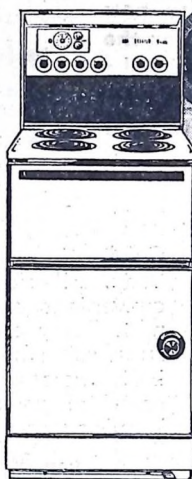
On Wednesday I noticed the marquees was in shreds; it was disgusting to know that children of this Frigoris area could be like this. Their behaviour and language is

something that should be checked now otherwise in a few years time we will see some of them in worse trouble.

I blame the people in charge of the show, they should have pulled down these marquees as soon as the show was over; many people would volunteer to help, I'm sure.

I would like to add, and this is to all parents in this area, if you are aware your child was included in this destruction a good hiding would do them good.—R. E. BUDE, Whitmore Way, Basildon.

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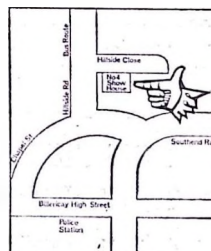
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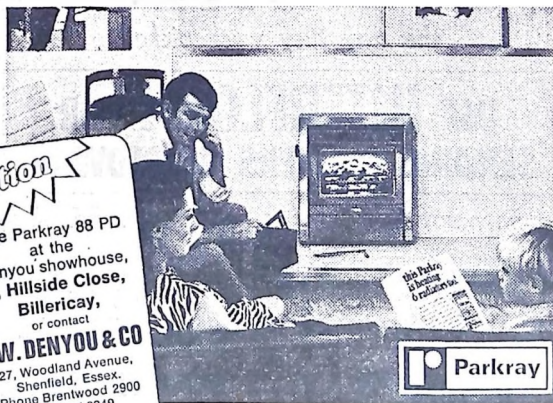
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THE HOME
FIRST in the block of shops is The Billericay Tile Centre, with Mrs. J. Coventry in charge. This centre specialises in the supply of tiles of every description, from squares of mosaic pattern to wall and floor tiles, glazed, unglazed, plain, fancy, small or large. In fact, you would have difficulty in naming a variety they have not got or which they could not obtain.

Fireplaces
In addition to tiles they make fireplaces in a range of attractive designs and materials. Anyone contemplating home improvements would be wise to consult this firm

for new ideas, for they will gladly help.

THE MOTORIST
Next door is the "Mecca of the Motorist", Rallysport, owned by two brothers, David and Bernard Clayton. Here one can buy almost every kind of motoring accessory for every make of car or type of vehicle. The name of the firm suggests they cater only for the racing or sports car, but this is not so, as they have the family car needs very much in mind. They proved very popular this summer with their roof rack hire scheme and also that for hiring temporary windscreens for motoring abroad, where often it is impossible to get a replacement should damage occur. This firm's offers can mean considerable saving to the car-owner and a visit could prove an investment. At Rallysport you are attended by one of the partners.

THE HOUSEWIFE
The housewife is catered for by The Spinning Wheel, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Redmond, who also have a similar business at Hutton Road, Shenfield. The Spinning Wheel offers a wide variety of dressmaking needs, soft furnishings, curtains, loose covers, blinds and fittings and numerous accessories.

Dressmaking
They also employ skilled staff for dress-

making, and this service is invaluable to the housewife wanting a dress or ensemble to her own particular pattern. Their range of materials all come from manufacturers renowned in the trade and upon which one can place complete reliance.

LEISURE TIME

The Billericay Bookshop is already firmly established as part of the Billericay scene. "Let's go to the Bookshop" is now a weekly event for many people. With the stimulating experience of the past year behind them the owners, Diane and Ian Hymans, have tried to concentrate on

those departments which fulfil a real need in the Billericay area.

Apart from books and over 3,000 paperbacks there is a good range of Christmas annuals, pictures for the home, boxed games, artists' materials, quality greeting cards, social stationery, stamp albums and stamps and "Music for Pleasure" records.

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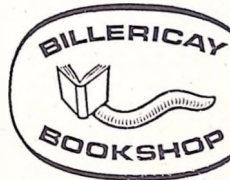
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MANY HAPPY RETURNS



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mers are strongly advised to place their book orders for Christmas gifts in good time to avoid postal delays. A book token is a good idea

if one is not sure of the book to buy.

THE SPORTSMAN
Whether one finds recreation on the football field or the cricket pitch,

on the bowls green, by the river for fishing or tossing about at sea for deepsea fishing or has ambitions of becoming a William Tell of archery, ones needs are looked after by Mr. Ken Stubbs at his shop, Ken Stubbs.

first in the row, has established itself as a housewife's favourite where such needs are in mind.

THE DINER
Ever since Radford Way was built there has

- It's so easy to shop and dine out in Radford Way for there is plenty of free parking space.
- Visitors will find that the rail and bus routes are close at hand.
- Lake Meadows provides a pleasant setting for a post prandial stroll on warm evenings.

been speculation as to what the large double premises on the end of the row were going to be. All kinds of suggestions have been made from time-to-time, but now we learn that within a short time Billericay is to have its first waiter silver service restaurant.

The company responsible for this development is Restaurant Europa Ltd., and a spokesman for the company told me it is their ambition to give a tip-top service for the executive class, offering the finest of dishes prepared in expert style by a French chef of many

years' experience, with the premises under the management of a well-known Essex hotel manager.

The Company intend applying for a full licence for their patrons, and once opened it will offer catering service for celebrations, wedding receptions, social functions, as well as an evening dinner service. They also intend offering a business man's luncheon during the week. It is expected Restaurant Europa will open early in October, so watch for announcements of the date.

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CHILDREN'S PAGE



SENIOR PUPILS PUT ON A SHOW FOR HANDICAPPED FOLK

I WONDER how many of you attend dancing lessons? Quite a lot of the girls—and a few boys, too—I expect! It is such a nice hobby, with lots of excitement when you enter for competitions and examinations, and the shows and pantomimes must be really great fun.

On Thursday I went along to the Basildon Congregational Church Hall, where some of the children from the Dorothy Conn School of Dancing were entertaining members of the Basildon Physically Handicapped Society.

As all these people are disabled in some way, and quite a few of them were in wheelchairs, you may be sure that the little girls in their gorgeous costumes, and the gay music were a real treat to them.

Miss Conn herself was away on holiday so two of her senior pupils were in charge of the troupe and most efficient they were about it all, too. Every thing appeared to be going very smoothly, although there was the usual hustle and bustle behind the scenes with what appeared to be dozens of children

all over the dressing room, making up, pinning on bows, climbing into leotards—and even snatching a crafty snack.

The elder of the two girls is Lesley Constable. Lesley is 16 and lives at Mapestead, Basildon; she has been dancing since she was two-and-a-half and obviously loves it. She attends Craylands School.

Equally dedicated to dancing is Michele Kimpton (13), who lives at Church Road, Basildon, and attends Fryers Grammar - Technical School. She has been dancing for six years.

The children of this dancing school have entertained the Physically Handicapped Society now for a number of years and they are always most welcome.

I did enjoy seeing you all slon.

dancing children. I know your teacher would have been very proud of you if she could have seen how well you all worked together in her absence. She must have taught you very well, indeed, and I know, too, how much the old folk appreciated your efforts, especially as their own dancing days are sadly over.

Love, from AUNTIE LIZ.

It's easy!

Can you describe a hungry horse in four initial letters? It's easy, really. Just say or write MTGG!

Special British stamps are to be issued soon to commemorate four aspects of British discovery which have changed the course of modern living. They feature radar, penicillin, television and jet propulsion.

Birthday greetings

A VERY happy birthday this week to the following Happy Pals:

Anita Hawes, of St. Mary's Crescent, Pitsea (10) and Edwina Tunnicliffe, of Dencourt Crescent, Basildon (9), both on September 8th; Steven Martin Nesbit, of Curling Walk, Basildon (9) and Cheryl Cansdale, of Victoria Road, Laindon (8), both on September 9th; Roy Hamlin, of Cromwell Gardens, Pitsea (9) on September 10th.

Deirdre Wells, of Crays Hill, Billericay, 13 on the 11th; Hazel Cecile Mitchell, of Little Bentley, Basildon (8); Glenn Poynter, of Long Riding, Basildon (4); Mark Remington, of New Avenue, Langdon Hills (10), and Kevin John Wood, of Kent View Road, Vange (12), all on September 12th.

Janet Anne Hughes, of Mistley Side, Basildon (13); Ruth Phillips, of Rokells, Basildon (13), and Robert William Sach, of Kathleen Forrier Crescent, Laindon (8), all on September 13th; Micaela Clary, of Threshelford, Basildon (13); John Clark, of Tyelands, Tye Common Road, Billericay (8); Valerie Muriel and Jenny Elizabeth Cordery (hallo, twins!), of Primrose Field, Harlow (4); Mark Collier, of Southview Road, South Benfleet (6), and Robert Blake, of Quilters Straight, Basildon (11), all on September 14th.

Many happy returns of the day to you all.

AUNTIE LIZ.

HOW MANY DIFFERENT ARTICLES CAN YOU GET INTO AN ORDINARY MATCHBOX? IN THE STORY UNDER THE HEADING "TWO UNHAPPY HAPPY PALS" YOU WILL FIND DETAILS OF THIS INTERESTING NEW COMPETITION. SEE HOW MANY THINGS YOU CAN PACK INTO A MATCH BOX AND LET US KNOW THE NUMBER. PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED TO THOSE WHO GET MOST.

TWO UNHAPPY HAPPY PALS



I NEVER thought we'd ever see the day when we had UNHAPPY Happy Pals—but two came to see me the other day!

They are Andrew and Neil Murray (seen above) and they were unhappy because they said they had been members of our Happy Pals Club for some time—and so far they had not done anything!

They thought they would like a competition, but they are not all that keen on painting, so I had to have a really good "think" to see what I could find to interest everyone who is not keen on colouring.

Well, boys, I have had a good think, as I promised you, and I do hope you will enjoy the following competition (I'll be looking out for your entries!).

The competition is to see how many objects of different kinds you can get into a matchbox. I remember doing this when I was a girl and it's surprising how many you

GET HUNTING

The three longest lists will be the winners and I shall come to see them to check the contents of their boxes and to get our photographer to take a picture of them for the paper.

So get hunting—and see what you can find! The closing date will be last post on Friday, September 22nd, and I'll announce the winners the following week.

Love AUNTIE LIZ



"Granny Grunt" was one of the winners of the fancy dress competition held at the Ramsden Heath Red Triangle Club's fete on Saturday. She is Sharon Delamora, aged five.

SECRET MESSAGE

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can find when you really think about it; a pin, a tiny piece of paper, a little bead, a button, a grain of rice and so on.

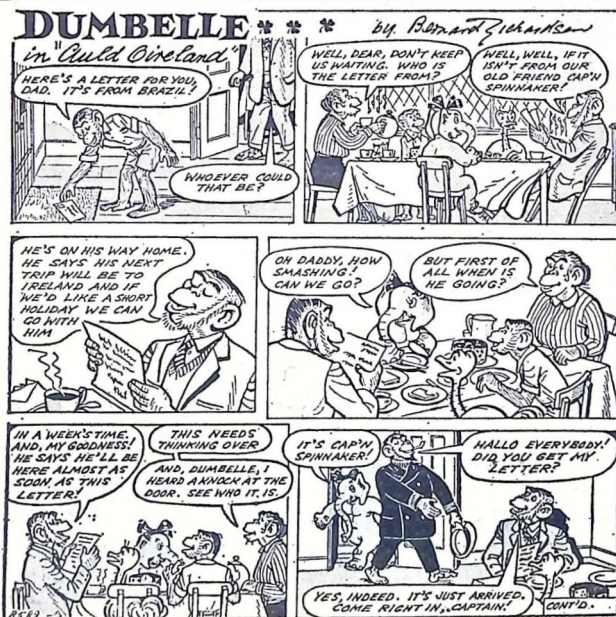
To start with I just want a list of all the different things you have managed to put into your box—which, by the way, must be a standard matchbox and not the Jumbo family size!

Don't forget to send me your name and address and your date of birth with your list, then, if you are not already a member I can enrol you at the same time.

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Church spending too much time on maintaining archaic systems

RURAL DEAN'S CHALLENGE

CALLING FOR a "radical reappraisal of the role of clergy and laity in the Church" is Basildon Rural Dean Rev. Arthur Dunlop. He says in his parish magazine: "We are spending too much time maintaining archaic systems."

REARRANGE parish boundaries so that urban parishes number about 6,000 people and country parishes half that number, he suggests.

BRING women into the ministry and encourage group ministries, he feels. FREE the clergy "from service on many committees and from being choked with secretarial work."

Mr. Dunlop starts his article with the question posed in a recent report to the Bishop of Chelmsford: "Will the Church as an organisation on earth survive the close of this century?"

He agrees with the report's recommendations for reappraisal made by laymen in a survey on the Church's work in Essex.

"We must look realistically at priorities," writes the Rural Dean. "We are spending too much time maintaining archaic systems. We must break out of them and organise ourselves for mission."

"The Church at every level is hamstrung by administrative duties and it is here that the lay people of the Church could exercise a useful ministry." Clergy should be freed from much secretarial work, he adds.

Mr. Dunlop continues to suggest rearrangement of parish boundaries to take population into account. Group ministries are to be encouraged and "the ministry of women and their ordination is also commended."

Churches not needed are also dealt with in the front

page article printed in this month's magazine for Laindon-cum-Basildon parish. "We should not be afraid of making some churches redundant as places of worship in the cause of the Church's mission," Mr. Dunlop says. "New buildings should also be kept to a minimum and housing of a priest—in a new area for example—is much more important than providing a church building initially."

He adds that the real work of the Church must always be done out where the people are. There is a need for the Church to be involved in all spheres, like the industrial situation and the educational scene.

"None of this will be achieved without realistic giving on behalf of members of the Church," he goes on. "Church finance is a closed book to most people. The average giving, putting the matter at its most generous, is 3s. 3d. per week per member."

"This is totally inadequate to run the church," he stresses.

Mr. Dunlop concludes with a hope that his congregation will read the report to the Bishop as "one hundred per cent participation of dedicated people is needed if the recommendations of the Commissions are ever to see the light of day."

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Sixty volunteers are running the "phone for help" service, which is based on an office at St. Andrew's Church, Basildon. The telephone will be manned through the clock.

Most of the volunteers are members of New Town churches, but stresses a statement issued by the Samaritans this week: "The Samaritans are not a church organisation nor even an exclusively Christian one."

No attempt is made to impose religion on those who want help, says the statement.

"All communications received are dealt with in the strictest confidence," the statement continues, "and are not revealed to any person outside the organisation. Those being helped remain, at all times, in charge of their own destiny, and are free to reject the help that is offered and to break contact without fear of being sought out against their will."

Overriding concern of the Samaritans is for those in immediate danger of taking their own lives, but they are willing to give help to those who are in a crisis, even though they are unlikely to commit suicide.

"What the volunteers offer is the personal concern of a compassionate fellow human being who seeks simply to help him as a friend," the statement points out.

Chief director of Basildon Samaritans is Roman Catholic priest Father Kenneth Green.

Their first fete in 20 years

THE BERRY Boys' Amateur Boxing Club, of Laindon, held their first fete at the old Laindon Fire Club have been operating in Laindon for 20 years, but have never held a fete before.

But with the help of Laindon Conservative Association, and plenty of backing, they managed to draw afternoon shoppers into the Fire Station yard to spend a few shillings.

Chairman of the Club Mr. James Bradshaw told a reporter: "This is the first time we have held a fete of this kind. In the past we just

have not thought of it. But now we are in need of money and this is an excellent way of getting it. We will probably hold more."

The money raised at the fete will provide equipment for the Club, which expects to have new headquarters soon.

The fete was opened by Coun. Des Savory, who urged the public to spend lavishly.

"We could do with many more clubs like the Berry Boys in this district," he said.

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THE LAINDON BRANCH OF THE ROYAL ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION SPENT A BUSY SUNDAY LAYING CONCRETE FOR THE LAINDON COMMUNITY CENTRE EXTENSIONS. BEFORE COMMENCING, THEY TOASTED THE WORK IN CHAMPAGNE, AND THE BOTTLE WAS THEN INTERRED IN THE FOUNDATIONS BY MR. S. W. SALT, THEIR CHAIRMAN.

Rail services disrupted

RAIL SERVICES WERE DISRUPTED DURING MONDAY EVENING'S RUSH HOUR BY A CRACKED LINE NEAR BASILDON TOWN CENTRE. THE DOWN LINE WAS CLOSED FOR 2 HOURS AS WORKMEN REPLACED THE RAIL. Trains from Fenchurch Street to Southend were diverted via the Tilbury loop. But up line services were little used at that time of day — were not badly affected.

Said a railway official: "The crack came on the wrong line at just the wrong time. All the commuters leaving London were delayed."

"Had it been on the up line instead, far fewer people would have been held up."

They slogged on in torrential rain

TORRENTIAL RAIN hampered walkers on Sunday as they slogged round Hanningfield Reservoir on a charity walk in aid of Outwood Common Church and Community Association Joint Building Fund.

At one time the organisers were contemplating calling the whole thing off, but the 111 walkers refused to give up.

They were given a spectacular send-off at 10.45 a.m. from Outwood Common Green by Basildon Council Leader Coun. Anthony Stockley, and members of the Outwood Bounders Concert Party, who were all in fancy dress.

Ninety-nine completed the whole course, and the walk is expected to have raised about £250.

First home at 2.30 p.m. were Martin Wensley (17), of Morris Avenue, and Martin Burgess (17), of Outwood Farm Road, and the first girl was Anne King, of Prince Edward Road.

Youngest entrant was eight-years-old Martin Stoker, of Salesbury Drive, who walked three miles, and the youngest finisher was Andrew Cullers, of Salesbury Drive, who arrived at 6 p.m.

Two unusual feats were those of Mr. Ray Stotter, of Darrel Way, who pushed his four-years-old son

round the course in a pram, and Lorraine Underwood (12), of Days Lane, Pilgrims Hatch, who walked the whole course in bare feet.

Also hard at it during the day were the Red Cross, who treated countless blisters; Mrs. Tina Webster, assisted by Ladies' Club members, who dished out 600 hot dogs and 20 gallons of orange juice, and the Outwood Common Film Unit, who made a film of the walk which will be shown locally at a later date.

Commented walk chairman Mr. George Galloway afterwards: "We were extremely pleased at the response we got from everybody in the area."

"We didn't get quite as many starters as we expected, but, apart from the rain, everything went off according to plan, and we are extremely pleased with the result."

Car alight

A Ford Consul belonging to Mr. Brands, of Byllets, Basildon, caught fire outside his home on Saturday as Basildon Fire Brigade attended. The car was only slightly damaged.



The marriage took place on Friday at Southend Register Office between Mr. Henry James Herring, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Herring, of The Greensted, Basildon, and Miss Kay Louisa Shadbolt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Shadbolt, of Picketts Avenue, Leigh. (Picture: Highroads Studios).



The first meeting of the Pitsea and Bowers Gifford Golf Club was held at Bowers Gifford Community Centre on Friday. Officers elected were: President, Mr. Ron Redhead; Chairman, Mr. F. Mercer; Vice-Chairman, Mr. S. Wood; Secretary, Miss Elise Wood; Treasurer, Mrs. Elise Mercer.

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SOUP



tion and conversation and the enjoyment of food. You don't need to use chopsticks, but if you're going to eat Chinese food why not learn to eat the Chinese way? You'll find that most Chinese restaurant keepers will be only too delighted to show you the correct way to hold

your chopsticks. Persevere and success will be yours.

What do you drink with Chinese food? You can drink Western

CHICKEN



wines, Chinese wine, Shao Hsing, or Japanese sake. Fruit juice, of course, goes well and Chinese tea can be served all through a

FISH



meal or after the dessert, according to taste. When ordering a Chinese meal, remember that portions are usually big enough to serve four, so four people can eat

Chinese-style almost as cheaply as two.

Chinese food is usually braised, deep fried, sautéed, smoked or steamed and many different seasonings are used—soy (as important as salt is to Western cookery), Sesame seeds, tabasco, red pepper and leek is used more often than onion.

VEGETABLES



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The Eastern Electricity Board have fixed the following new Tariffs for the supply of electricity to come into force on 1st October, 1967:

Domestic Tariff	Block Tariff
Combined Premises Tariff	Off-Peak Tariff
Farm Tariff	Maximum Demand Tariff

As regards existing consumers, these new Tariffs will apply as from the first routine meter reading taken at each consumer's premises after the 30th September, 1967 except that they will apply (a) in the case of consumers then taking supplies under the present Maximum Demand Tariff, as from the routine meter reading taken at each consumer's premises nearest to the 1st October, 1967 and (b) in the case of consumers then taking supplies under special agreement with the Board, as from the routine meter reading taken at each consumer's premises next following the termination of his agreement for the supply of electricity.

From these dates the new Tariffs will replace the Domestic Tariff, Combined Premises Tariff, Farm Tariff, Block Tariff, Off-Peak Tariff and Maximum Demand Tariff now in force.

Copies of all the new Tariffs, showing the price to be charged for the supply of electricity and the methods by which and the principles on which the charges are to be made, will be supplied on demand at the Board's Showrooms and Offices.

The principal alterations brought about by the new Tariffs are referred to in the Schedule below—for full details of the new terms and charges, however, reference should be made to the copies of the new Tariffs obtainable as mentioned above.

SCHEDULE OF PRINCIPAL ALTERATIONS

1. Domestic, Combined Premises and Farm Tariffs

Unit charges The charge of 1.7d. in all the Two-Part Rates is increased to 1.9d. The charge of 1.8d. in all the Night and Day Rates for each unit supplied at other times than the specified "off-peak" hours is increased to 2.1d.

The charge of 0.3d. in the Farm Night and Day rate for each unit supplied during the specified "off-peak" hours is increased to 0.85d.

Fixed charges The fixed charge in the Domestic Two-Part Rate is increased from 2s. 4d. to 2s. 8d. per week. The increases in the fixed charge in the Domestic Night and Day and Two-Part Prepayment Rates are 4d. and 5d. per week respectively.

In the Two-Part and Night and Day Rates of both the Combined Premises and Farm Tariffs the part of the fixed charge in respect of the residence is increased by 4s. 4d. a quarter and the part in respect of commercial or farm assessed demand by 11s. 11d. per 5kVA (or part) per quarter.

Maximum charges The maximum rate of charge in the Domestic, Combined Premises and Farm Two-Part Rates is increased to 8d. per unit and in the Domestic Two-Part Prepayment Rate to 9d. per unit.

Change of Tariff A consumer may not elect to be charged according to the Block or Maximum Demand Tariff instead of according to one of these Tariffs until he has been charged for not less than three quarters.

2. Block Tariff

The charges in the Block Rate for units supplied in each quarter are altered so that for each 5kVA (or part) of maximum power required 192 units are charged at 9d. per unit (instead of 8d. per unit), the next 1920 units are charged at 2jd. (instead of 2jd.) per unit, the charge for the remainder being unchanged at 1jd. per unit.

The same alterations, but in respect of each 5kVA (or part) of day assessed demand apply to the charges in the Block Night and Day and Block Weekend Rates for units supplied at other times than the specified "off-peak" hours.

The charge of 0.8d. for each unit supplied during the specified "off-peak" hours is increased to 0.85d. in the Block Night and Day Rate and to 0.9d. in the Block Weekend Rate.

3. Off-Peak Tariff

The charge for each unit supplied in Rate B (where the supply is made available between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. and between 10 p.m. and 7.30 a.m. G.M.T.) is increased from 0.8d. to 0.9d.

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4. Maximum Demand Tariff

The rates of charge for each kW or kVA of maximum demand made in a month mainly within the period 1st November to 31st March are increased in the case of the months of December, January, February and March and are reduced in the case of the month of November.

The rates of charge for all units supplied up to 450 units for each kW or kVA of maximum demand made in a month are increased by 0.04d. per unit and for all remaining units by 0.02d. per unit.

The provision for the variation of the charge for units supplied in any month according to variation in fuel cost per ton as defined in the Tariff is altered, so that in the case of any months mainly in the period ending 30th April, 1968 it applies to each penny by which the fuel cost per ton is more or less than 50s. 10d.

Dated this First day of September, 1967

L. A. Jackson,
Deputy Secretary,
Eastern Electricity Board

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Billy pays homage



Television star Billy Dainty pays homage to Carnival Queen Ann Camp after her coronation. With her is Princess Sonia Martin, Junior Princess Gabrielle Mickelbrough and Princess Jennifer Worth.

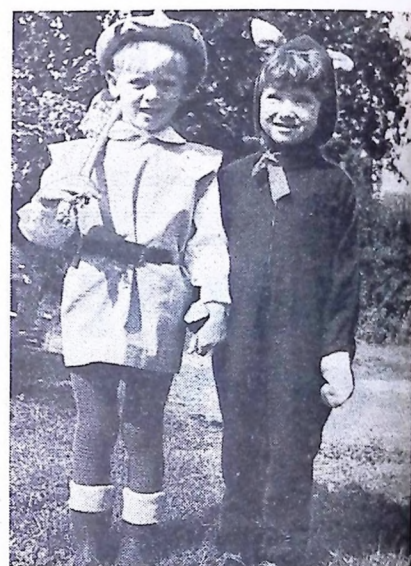
THE FIRST WICKFORD WEEK (Pictures)



The television and stage queen (Ann Camp) at the opening of the Wickford Week. It was a day of events mainly in the evening there was an excellent Centre, and our picture above.



Glen and Terry Rogers appeared as Jack and Jill.



Dick Whittington and his Cat were Helen Connor and Martin Ashfield.



Some of the spectators at the fancy dress competition.

EVENTS OF S GREAT CARNIVAL (Bob Wall)



Twenty crowned Wickford's Carnival Week festivities on Saturday. —as our pictures show—but in the spirit of Variety at the Community Centre. See more pictures and story



Simon Bull (2) won first prize in his class as a Pinta Man in the fancy dress competition. He also won first prize for the best-dressed boy—Billy Dainty decided this—and Sharon Still was the best-dressed girl.

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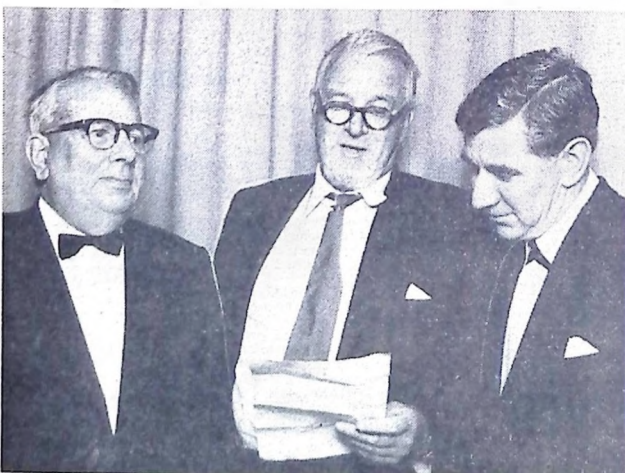


Making up is April Playle (10) to take part in the fancy dress competition as "Miss World." She won a second prize.



Winners of the pram race were: Pusher, Colin Stevens (15), and passenger Brian Hall (10).

Producers and compere



Left to right: Mr. Jack Carter and Mr. Wally Assheton Taylor (producers) and compere Mr. Frank Bensted, who were responsible for putting on the "Pot Pourri of Variety," a very successful show.



BASILDON'S WELL-KNOWN O.A.P. ENTERTAINERS, MR. AND MRS. FRANK WHITE, GOT THE AUDIENCE TO JOIN IN WHILE THEY PLAYED OLD-TIME SONGS AT THE "POT POURRI OF VARIETY."

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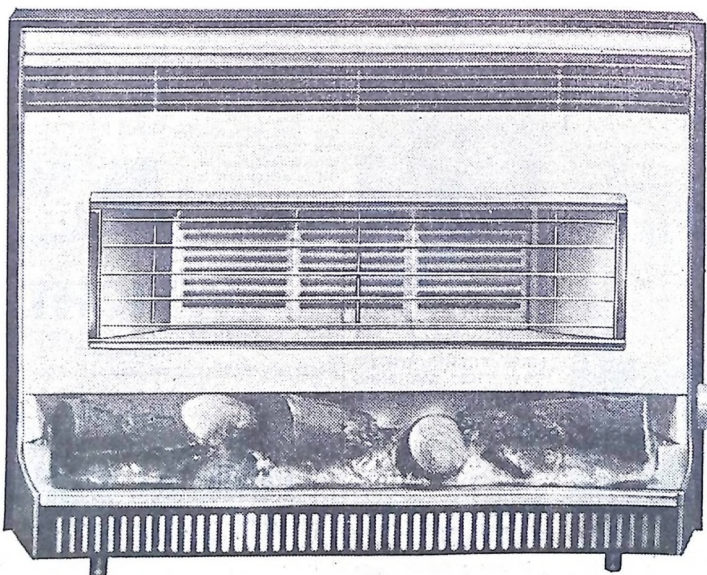
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Fete at Ramsden Heath raised £200

SUMMER EVENT on the Ramsden Heath social calendar, the annual fete, took place on Saturday when almost £200 was raised by the Ramsden Heath Y.M.C.A. This money will subsidise lettings of the Y.M.C.A. hall.

The afternoon got off to a good start when a net-ball match between Ramsdale Women's Institute and Ramsden Heath Football Club was turned into a comedy game by referees Gwyn Bevan and Al Burns.

Eventual winners were the ladies, with four goals to the men's two.

Guests then turned their attention to the various side shows, many of them rural and exclusive to Ramsden Heath.

There were straw bale tossing, bowling for a pig, and football kicking for a chicken.

Some of the teams failed to turn up for the tug-of-war, but the event was still a great success.

The White Horse team met a team from the De Beauvoir Arms in the final—and won.

There were numerous ingenious entries for the fancy dress contest.

Winners were: Over-7—

1. Susan Haddock (super jolly); 2. Sally Hodge (Mary Poppins); and Gillian Grant (scarerow). 3. Jane Wright (blackbird). Under-7—1. Annette Jordan (Sandie Shaw); 2. Sharon Delamare (Granny Grant); 3. Joanne Cochran (Indian Squaw). Judges were Mrs. Dawkins, Mrs. Hargreaves.

During the afternoon Billericay Town Silver Band played on the field, and in the evening the Eric Campen Trio played at a dance to conclude the day's activities.

Fined after head-on collision

MOTORIST Michael Halls-worth misinterpreted a sign from the driver of a car he was following and overtook it at a blind corner. He had a head-on crash with a mini driving in the opposite direction.

On Tuesday at Billericay Court Halls-worth, of West Park Crescent, Billericay, pleaded guilty to careless driving and was fined £15. His licence was endorsed.

The accident occurred in Rectory Road, Little Bursstead, and resulted in two drivers being taken to hospital.

Second curate and parochial boundary changes at Wickford

THE ANGLICAN staff in the parish of Wickford is to be increased. A second curate, Rev. Timothy Gilling (24), will be welcomed informally on September 28th.

Mr. Gilling has just finished his theological training at St. Aidan's College, Birkenhead. He will mainly serve St. Catherine's and will live near the Parish Church.

Announcing the news in the current parish magazine, Rev. Frederick France says: "Please help him to settle in the parish as this will be his first curacy. The first curacy is of great importance to anyone commencing their ministry. I valued my first curacy at St. Chad's, Chadwell Heath."

At the same time, it is announced that the parish has been enlarged, and a number of roads previously in Downham Parish have been transferred to Wickford.

These are Victoria Avenue, Avenue, Elizabeth Drive, Marguerite Way, Kingley Close, Kingley Drive, Castleton Road to the rail line, London Road to past Castleton Road, Friern Gardens, Belmont Avenue, Lensway, Burne Avenue and Trinder Way.

The new Barn Hall Estate will also come under Wickford Parish.

DUTY CHEMISTS

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Timothy Whites and Tapers Ltd., 21, Town Square, Basildon, and David Smith (Whitmore) Ltd., 10, more Way, Basildon, will be duty chemists for week commencing Monday (September 11th). They will be open every weeknight (except Wednesday) from 6 to 7 p.m. On Sunday (September 10th) David Smith (Whitmore) Ltd. will be open from 11 a.m. to 12 noon and on Wednesday from 6 to 7 p.m.

BILLERICAY

M. W. Shadforth, 48, High Street, Billericay, will be duty chemist for week commencing Monday (September 11th). They will be open from 6.30 p.m. every (except Thursday) when open from 7 to 8 p.m. On Sunday they will be open from 11 a.m. to 12 noon.

WICKFORD

L. A. Garbutt, 23, High Street, Wickford, and M. W. Shadforth, 53, High Street, Wickford, are open alternately from 6 to 7 p.m. on Sunday from 11 a.m. to 12 noon (name of duty chemist on doors of both shops).

THEY ARE TO BRING TOP NEW TOWN IN WORLD OF SPORT

IVOR WILL LEAD THE LAWN BOWLERS



THE LAWN bowls team will have 16 members, six from Basildon, six from S.T.C. and four from Carreras.

Captain of the team will be Ivor Smith (pictured above), who has been with the Basildon Club for three years and previously a Kent County player.

Only the names of the Basildon players were available as we went to press: F. Phillips, W. Perry, A. Munns, I. Ramsay and J. Prickett.

A 326-STRONG TEAM WILL REPRESENT BASILDON IN TOMORROW'S (SATURDAY) NEW TOWN FESTIVAL OF SPORT AT BRACKNELL. AND THEY WILL BE ALL OUT TO IMPROVE ON LAST YEAR'S PERFORMANCE, WHEN THEY FINISHED SECOND, AND WIN THE EVENT FOR THE FIRST TIME.

FOR THE PAST FEW WEEKS THESE DEDICATED SPORTS ENTHUSIASTS HAVE BEEN TRAINING HARD FOR THIS TOP EVENT IN THE SPORTING CALENDAR.

ENTHUSIASM IS HIGHER THAN IT HAS EVER BEEN IN THE PAST AND HOPES ARE HIGH THAT THIS YEAR BASILDON WILL EARN THE "TOP NEW TOWN" TAG IN THE WORLD OF SPORT.

THE STRONGEST OPPOSITION IS EXPECTED TO COME FROM HOST TOWN BRACKNELL, WHO HAVE THE ADVANTAGE OF SELECTING THE VARIOUS GAMES FOR THE BIG OCCASION.

BUT BASILDON'S PRE-FESTIVAL PREPARATION HAS BEEN MUCH BETTER THAN BEFORE AND THEY WILL CARRY WITH THEM THE BEST WISHES OF ALL SPORTS FANS IN THE DISTRICT IN THEIR BID FOR VICTORY.

ATHLETICS TEAM IS A STRONG ONE

THE ATHLETICS team is undoubtedly the strongest ever sent to a Festival of Sport by Basildon. Largely composed of members of Basildon A.C., it is strengthened by other athletes living in the town but attached to other clubs.

They include Chris Surety and his wife, both athletes of international standard, and others from Ilford, Hadleigh, Thurrock and Hornchurch.

Some measure of success in this fixture will round off a brilliant season for the team.

The season has not been without difficulties, but thought of a new cinder track in the near future has given everyone in the club tremendous determination.

The young athletes have been training hard four days a week for the meeting and are determined to erase the memory of weak efforts in the past.

The Basildon team is as follows:—

SENIOR MEN: 100 yards and 220 yards: R. Miller and T. Bailey; 400 yards: C. Surety (Ilford); 800 yards: C. Knibb, J. Drake, A. Neeeson (Thurrock); 1 mile: C. Knibb, R. Palmer; Three miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester; 5 miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester; 10 miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester; 15 miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester; 20 miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester; 25 miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester; 30 miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester; 35 miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester; 40 miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester; 45 miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester; 50 miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester; 55 miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester; 60 miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester; 65 miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester; 70 miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester; 75 miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester; 80 miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester; 85 miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester; 90 miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester; 95 miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester; 100 miles: J. Drake, A. Neeeson, B. Lester.

Men's hockey

MEN'S HOCKEY has always been a successful section for Basildon and this year they are hoping for another such success.

The team selected is as follows:—

G.K.: Derek Hall — Wickford man who has played in both previous festivals.

F.B.: Ken Simpson — Lives in Basildon, plays Hockey in Wickford, another regular.

L.B.: Charles Reed — Sales representative who lives in Wickford and plays for them.

R.H.: Richard Burkin — Fryers schoolboy, lives at Basildon and plays for Westcliff.

C.H.: Steve Jasser — Basildon boy who plays for Wickford and works at S.T.C.

F.H.: M. Littlewood — Lives in Vange, plays for Thurrock and has taken part in previous festivals.

O.R.: Charles Reed — Works for W.C. and lives and plays for Wickford.

I.N.: Not yet decided.

C.F.: Peter Woodward — Lives in Bitterley, plays for Brentwood and has previous Festival experience.

L.L.: Alan Lewis — Lives in and plays for Wickford, and has played in previous Festivals.

O.L.: Brian Potter — Lives in Wickford, works and plays for S.T.C.

All the stars in tenpin bowls team

BASILDON'S TENPIN bowlers will be represented in tomorrow's (Saturday) New Town Festival of Sport by the Ambassadors—top team at the bowl at the moment.

This season they are unbeaten in twelve league and seven challenge matches, with an average of 800-plus points.

In the Ambassadors line-up will be Colin Tucker and Don Wood, who rolled the highest doubles game and series in Britain last season, and who both hold the present league average of 189.

Barry Prince, the South-east area singles champion, and Dave Buckley, bowler of Basildon's three highest ever games, will also bowl.

Buckley rolled Basildon's three highest ever games—all with eleven strikes—and holds the bowl series record of 684.

Roger Bright turned the total of 948, 148 pins ahead of the Flowers Five. It gave them victory on aggregate by 2625 pins to 2540 pins.

Bright rolled the high series of 553. Coulson bowled 519 and Barry Prince 555.

Atlas League

Springfields won the Atlas League (summer) with the Minute Men runners-up.

Presentations will be made at the Bowl next week.

The Winter League starts on September 18th, and new teams will be welcome.

CYCLE SPEEDWAY

Guest rider Dave is top scorer

TOP BASILDON Orkans rider Dave Tulloch and his young team-mate Dave Symonds joined the Broad Oak Aces team (Eastbourne) over the weekend, guesting at Norwich in two matches.

Saturday's match was at Spieworth's "wall of death" track. The Aces lost, 33-40, but Dave Tulloch finished top scorer for his side with 13 points.

Symonds got four.

The visiting team camped on a local football pitch and travelled to the other side of Norwich for a match against local champions Tuckswood Stars on the Sunday. The Aces lost again, but Dave, after finishing third in his first race, won the next four on the trot.

Symonds found it hard going and could only manage two points.

Cyclists all out to repeat last year's victory

BASILDON HAVE a very good chance of repeating last year's victory in the 70-mile road cycle race, despite facing some good-class opposition, particularly from the home team.

The eight-man Basildon squad is led by the individual winner at Stevenage, Roger Barton, who should again be first over the line, having produced some excellent rides this season.

In 1965 and 1966 he was Essex Road Race Champion and was also tenth in the National Championships last year.

Kelvin Clay, Dennis Wharf, Ken Norris and Ian Metcalfe have also recently struck form.

Three prominent roadmen working in Basildon are included — Norman Sycamore (Romford), Norman Gower (Ilavinger) and Barry Gaunt (Chelmer C.C.)—and they should provide strong support for Roger.

Angling

FOUR NEW Town anglers clubs have submitted members for the Festival, which will be fished on the River Kennet in Brinkshire.

From the Noreusian Club come J. Sheriff, D. Day, D. Yates, E. Anderson and E. Hurden. Fryers Area Club also supply five members — B. Ashenden, R. North, K. Varney, A. Ford, W. Townsend.

Ilford's Factory Club have three men in the team — S. Hibbert, R. Harris and R. Cavan — and Basildon and District Club supply the rest — B. Little, H. Stevenson, R. Noble, J. Stanley, J. Atkinson, S. Driscoll and R. Cooper.

Darts

THE BASILDON Central League is supplying the team to represent Basildon and the best available players in the league have been selected for the four teams of four.

Among those selected are Mike Davis, rated one of the best players in Basildon, and Bignall and Frank Hilditch, also leaders of the Best Performance Trophy last season. Eddie White, Charlie Wallace, who has done well in the London League, and Dave Peck and Bill Boden, both with fine records over the past year.

Football

EIGHT PLAYERS and one reserve have been chosen for the Basildon five-a-side football team.

They are a representative bunch and should give a good account of themselves in the Festival.

The players are: Brian Barrow (Pegasus), George Day (Sorrento), Steve Heek (Basildon), Reginald Medd (Bowers United), Fred Hucker (Pegasus), Roger Short (Basildon), West End and Jeff Barham (Basildon United). Reserve: John Hucker.

Ladies' hockey

BASILDON LADIES' Hockey Club will field the following side at Bracknell:—

Eileen Wilson; Val Merriman; Susan Simpson (captain); Ruth Carter; Judy Boothman; Marion Love; Margaret South; Sylvia Long; Sharon Munro; Honor Bushell; Sue Hayward.

Reserves are Maureen Ames and Sue Hayward.

Judo

BASILDON'S JUDO team, which has done well in past years, will be as follows:—

Senior team: S. Ross (Red Belt); V. Butler (White Belt); R. Kyal; R. Chapman (Yellow Belt); J. Douglas (Orange Belt); 4th Kyu; G. Palmer (Green Belt); 3rd Kyu; S. Bakhouse (Green Belt); 3rd Kyu; T. Parker (Brown Belt); 2nd Kyu; D. Morris (Black Belt); 1st Dan; Reserves: A. Killick; J. A. Mackie and R. B. Jones.

Junior team: Under 10 stone — J. Clare; nine stone — P. Russell; eight stone — L. Clare; seven stone — P. W. Jones; six stone — K. E. E. Reserves: S. Ivey; P. Dunn; E. Clare; P. Smith and L. Killick.

Clubs supplying members are Basildon, Carreras and the George Stubbings Judo Club.

EARLY START

The first contingent of Basildon representatives in the Festival will leave the Town Centre at 7.30 a.m. on Saturday. Remainder of the team will depart at 10 a.m.

Jump: R. Fester. Long jump and triple jump: A. Cockell and D. Head. Discus and shot: R. Knock. Javelin: R. Boune and R. Knock.

SENIOR LADIES: 100 yards: M. Giles (Hadleigh) and V. Surety (Ilford); 220 yards: M. Giles; 400 yards: M. Giles; 800 yards: L. Motton; 1 mile: M. Keck; 1.5 miles: R. Burdges and V. Surety; High jump and long jump: R. Burdges; Discus and shot: V. He Javelin: V. Dixon.

JUNIOR LADIES: 100 and 220 yards: L. Walters; G. Clarke; S. Chapman; V. Waters; C. Murphy; G. Symms; J. Saunders; 80 yards hurdles: S. Chapman; High jump: T. Goff and V. Turberville; Long jump: V. Turberville; G. Clarke; Discus and shot: L. Walters and J. Saunders; Javelin: L. Mitchell.

Rifle shooting

BASILDON RIFLE Club have one really outstanding marksman in their six-man team — Dave Brinkles.

He is one of the best in the country and can, in fact, hold his own with anyone in the country. For a man who has been shooting only three years seriously this is an outstanding feat. Also in the team is Brian Colbeck, secretary of the Southend League.

Bob Bunce, Secretary of the Basildon Club; Cyril King, in his first year of serious shooting; Terry Wash, a reliable shot from Rotary House; and John Pitt.

Badminton

BASILDON'S BADMINTON team is almost a replica of last year's and is drawn exclusively from Grayland Saints.

Team organiser, Malcolm Green reports that all other teams turned down his invitation for one reason or another, so the only change is Julie Lovett in the ladies' doubles.

Mixed doubles: Ted and Pat Simpson; ladies' doubles: Julie Lovett and Carol Davis; men's doubles — Don Southern and Malcolm Green.

TWO NETBALL TEAMS

BASILDON NETBALL LEAGUE are sending two teams to the Festival of Sport. The "A" team will be Blitney's Youth Centre, mostly untried and untried, who recently won the Gaywood Cup. Members are Jill Smith, Janet Mack, Joan Buck, Elaine, Heidi, Wendy Morris, Daphne, Steve, Veronica, Howard, Vally, Barbara, Susan, Kay.

The "B" team will be selected from various outstanding players in the league: Carol Hes, Sharon Dutch, Jean Jones, Brenda Earle, Gillian Porter, Susan Green, Rosalind Brown, Lorraine McGilchrist.

Two officials, Mrs. Susan Evans and Mrs. Linda Hill, will be travelling with the teams.

Archery

TWO CLUBS, Basildon Archers and Telex Archery Club are combining to represent Basildon at Bracknell.

From the Telex Club come Fred Everett, Eric Walklett, Edwin Thomas, Dennis Rivers, John Brown and Roy Graves. From Basildon come Ivor Glino, Frank Wright and Bob Line.

Trampoline

BASILDON HAS a young team of trampoline gymnasts, averaging 17, and people who have learned their skills while at school.

There are eight in the team, four men, four women, and although they have not done much training together they have done a lot of work separately.

Volleyball

THE MAJORITY of boys in the volleyball team took up the sport while attending Thurrock Technical College from S.T.C. and Marcon's.

They played the game during the lunch-break and at A. Bridges formed the team which approached by Sports Council Chairman Cyril Moore.



ABOVE: Mr. W. H. Bradfield, manager of James Walker, Ltd., presents the Basildon Golf Club with a trophy for the men's 24 handicap competition. Receiving the trophy is committee member Mr. D. Kingham.

BELOW: Prize for the lowest score (72 net) on the Captain's Open Sunday was handed over at the Basildon Golf Club on Monday evening. Left to right: Mr. H. Schwartz (Captain), Mr. W. Povey (Secretary), Mr. Peter Lucas (the winner) and Mr. Chick Henbest.



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SOCCER LEAGUE SECRETARY'S PLEA:

"Give the referees a chance"

THE FOOTBALL season in Basildon officially got under way on Monday with the first meeting of the Basildon League at Ilford's. And the theme that all officials stressed at the meeting was—
"Give the referees a chance."

The League has an impressive list of new referees this season, and with their help every game should be covered, so "treat them like human beings," pleaded League Secretary Joe Hearn.
"One or two referees last season were heavily abused," he told the meeting, "and there was a lot of swearing, etc. If you give these new boys a rough ride, they will not be officiating next season."

Referees' Appointment Secretary John Thain reported Joe's plea. "I am very hopeful that every

game will be covered," he said, "but we can very easily lose our referees. These first two or three games are the hardest. When you have been officiating for several years you get used to it, but please be fair to them first of all."

Other main topic of discussion at the meeting was the League Representative team. Manager George Strik is away on holiday at the moment, but Joe Hearn gave several reports and said several players who had shown no interest at all in the new season had been replaced.

"George was rather disappointed," he said, "that four or five of them did not even

bother to reply to his letters. He had no more than six or seven turn up to the five-a-side competition."

Nevertheless the League side has been bought a new all white strip and will be playing in the Essex Inter-League competition this week.

"The players who have not bothered will regret it," added Joe.

The Management Committee, he added, had revised their opinion of the age of the team. They had raised the age limit and intended to concentrate on the 20 to 24 year-olds.

Other news for the clubs is that the substitute rule now applies in the Saturday League and the four step rule for 'keepers.

K.O. CRICKET FINAL AT CARRERAS ON SUNDAY

THE LAST big date in the Basildon cricket diary—the final of Basildon Sports Council's Knock-Out Competition—takes place at Carreras sports ground on Sunday afternoon.

Finalists in the battle for the Cup are Basildon C.C. and S.T.C. Umpires will be Mick Willis, of the Umpires' Association and K. Evans, of the Youth League.

Cup and medals will be presented by Mrs. J. Mathewson, wife of the Sports Council Cricket Secretary. The teams are as follows:—

S.T.C.: P. Baker (capt.), S. Peter, E. Caballero, K. Holmer, J. Oldfield, P. Brereton, R. Milson, S. Dowling, W. Champion, M. Storey, T. Allen, P. Copeland; one of these to act as 12th man.
Basildon: R. Ayres (capt.), A. Burch, L. Davis, S. Crooks, S. Evin, B. Harris, D. Langmead, W. Perryman, M. Thomas, F. Lockwood, R. Sheppard, Cuderton; one of these to act as 12th man.

NEW CAR IS PRIZE FOR HOLE-IN-ONE AT THE FOURTH

Charity Cup draw

THE DRAW for the Basildon Saturday League Charity Cup was made at the League meeting on Monday, and it brings Basildon and Pitsea and Yerville together in a first-round clash.

Full draw (referees in brackets) is as follows:—
Irish Club v. Bellus Park (P. Simpson); Cottingham v. Manor United (R. Lee); Outwood Common v. Woodlands (R. Saver); Nicholas v. Basildon Athletic (H. Cooper); L.A.C. v. Scotia (W. Davey); York St. v. Pyens O.B. (P. Simmons); Moore United v. Ilford Sports (P. Taylor); Basildon and Pitsea v. Yerville (H. R. Hill).

Volleyball club soon?

TERRY HADERT, better known for his Play Leadership activities around the town, intends to start a volleyball club in Basildon. He hopes to run the Club at Nicholas Youth Centre and is looking for keen members. Commenting on the game he stated:—
"It's a game that both sexes can play. It's good fun, keeps you fit, can be both very interesting and skilful. Volleyball is one of my favourites. I think it is a fine sport."
He wants anyone interested in forming a club to contact him at 53, Railway Approach, Laindon (phone Laindon 4396).

SOME OF the best golfers in the world come to Basildon on Monday for the first Basildon professional golf tournament.

Among the galaxy of stars Basildon golf enthusiasts will be able to see battling for a total of £1,000 prize money are Ken Bousfield, Tony Grubb, Bernard Hunt, Brian Huggitt, Fred Boobyer, Gordon Will, Harry Weetman, Brian Hitchcock, Dai Rees, Neil Coles, Peter Butler, Max Faulkner and Graham Henning from South Africa.

In all 42 golfers will fight their way round the Basildon Council course and the way in which they handle the 18 holes will prove an education to members of Basildon Golf Club.

First prize will be £275 but there are other prizes awaiting the competitors around the course. The most glittering is at the par three, fourth where a hole-in-one will win a new Ford Zodiac.

There are also separate prizes of £50 for a birdie at the par-four hole, and another £50 for the greatest number of birdies all round.

Basildonians, providing they can get Monday off, will be free of charge, but the tournament is relying on them to be sensible if they attend.

There is very little fencing around the course, and there so spectators will have to take care not to interfere with play.

Programmes, at 2s. 6d. each, will be on sale before the tournament, which begins at 9.30 a.m. and ends when Count Baron Burn, Chairman of the Council, presents the prizes in the evening.

STARTING TIMES

D.R. Davenport (North Hants.) and A.W. Davenport (North Hants.) 9.30 a.m.—12.30 p.m.; P. Carew, 12.30 p.m.—3.30 p.m.; J. Law (Stamford), 3.30 p.m.—6.30 p.m.; K. Bousfield, 6.30 p.m.—9.30 p.m.; M. Ingham (Burton), 9.30 p.m.—12.30 p.m.; H. McAlister (Kew), 12.30 p.m.—3.30 p.m.; A. Grubb (Combe Hill), 3.30 p.m.—6.30 p.m.; S. Hunt (Chilwell), 6.30 p.m.—9.30 p.m.; G. Huggitt (Castle Inn), 9.30 p.m.—12.30 p.m.; A. Fisher (Sudbury) and R. P. Mills (High Post), 12.30 p.m.—3.30 p.m.; P. Boobyer (Whitfield) and G. Will (Surrey Park), 3.30 a.m.—

TALKING SPORT with Peter Allen

1.35 p.m.: K. A. McDonald (Hankley) and A. Stickle (Reading), 9.40 a.m.—1.30 p.m.; H. Muscott (Moor Allerton) and H. Weetman (Selston Park), 1.40 p.m.—4.40 p.m.; J. Hitchcock (Craydon Driving Club) and J. (Australia), 4.45 a.m.—1.54 p.m.; D. C. Thomas (Burnham and Berrow), 1.54 a.m.—2.01 p.m.; D. Rees (South Herts.) and D. Rees (South Herts.), 2.01 p.m.—2.08 p.m.; N. Coles (Combe Hill) and E. Cruden (Bay), 2.08 p.m.—2.15 p.m.; P. Butler (Hartford) and D. Martin (Rush), 2.15 p.m.—2.22 p.m.; S. Peach (Ashford) and D. Small (Worksop), 2.22 p.m.—2.29 p.m.; M. Bembidge (Little Aston), 2.29 p.m.—2.36 p.m.; G. Henning (South Africa), 2.36 p.m.—2.43 p.m.; M. Faulkner (unattached) and M. Lewis (Aldersham), 2.43 p.m.—2.50 p.m.; M. Lewis (Aldersham), 2.50 a.m.—2.57 p.m.; Irish star Chris O'Connor, from the Royal Club, who has withdrawn from the competition, is Mar Faulkner will hold his "spit clinic" at the course during the morning.

Dave is star marksman

DAVE BRICKLES, Basildon's star marksman, is only one shot behind the leader, Frank Reeve, in the individual score competition of the Southend and District Small-bore Rifle League.

He has scored 695 out of a possible 700 points.

Last week in the league, Basildon "B" lost to Eastwood "B" 324-357, and Basildon "C" lost to Southend 331-352.

There were 31 home wins, 19 away wins and 39 draws in Saturday's soccer matches.

A chance for badminton enthusiasts

WHEN HE moved into Basildon a few days ago, Mr. W. W. of Whitmore Way, tried to join a badminton club, but he could not find one to suit him. So he decided to start his own club.

Other clubs were all closed shops, so I got together with some other people to form our own.

The Club has at present 24 members, many of them beginners, and meets twice a week, once at the Greenfield Junior School on Friday, and at Bardfield School on Monday.

This year the Club will be entering the Basildon League, but they need a few more experienced members before taking this step.

To build up the strength of the team Mr. W. W. wants to see his own words, some enthusiasts.

Anyone interested should contact him at 533, Whitmore Way.

Heavy track took its toll

BASILDON CYCLES' speedy star Len Adams finished fifth in the Riders' Championship Final on Sunday.

Len set up with the leaders in the competition for most of the afternoon and at the end of the day was only one point behind the leader, with the crowd behind him, everything to gain in the last heat.

But the heavy wet track had taken its toll of form and he finished a weary fourth in this last heat to take fifth place overall.

Eventual winner, after a run-off, was Grant Warwick (Leicester).

Athletes shatter two club records

RAY KNOCK and Paul Bishop, selected to represent Essex at next Sunday's inter-counties match, recorded performance at Chelmsford during the Wicks Trophy meeting last Sunday.

Ray won his youth shot event with a tremendous put of 45ft. 3 1/2 in., a club record. He also came second in the junior shot and third in the senior shot, and to complete a successful afternoon, came second in the youths' discus.

Paul Bishop ran with the seniors in a mile race and finished sixth in 4 mins. 29.4 secs., another club record. Team-mate Brian Lester also ran well

to finish in 4 mins 39.8 secs., four places down on Paul.

The boys' 4 x 110 yards relay team of Bayley, Cockell, Dimmock and Long won their event in 49.3 secs., and the same team came second in the 4 x 220 relay.

The youths' 4 x 220 yards relay team—Bayley, Foster, Long and Priest—looked really impressive, winning their event with 80 yards to spare.

Cockell is approaching his best in long jumping, where he won the event with 17ft. 10in.

Not surprisingly the home club won the trophy and the much depleted Basildon team came fifth.

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George hits unbeaten 60, bags 8-41

LAINDON 120-0 DEC. GASCOIGNE OLD BOYS 88
WHAT A day for Laindon all-rounder George Buck. First he batted almost throughout the Laindon innings to score a fine unbeaten 60. Then he blasted out the first six Gascoigne batsmen in a row and finished with 8-41 to give his side victory by 32 runs.
George's tally for the season is now 82 wickets and he bowls, in the main, only once a weekend.
Laindon batted first, and they lost two wickets cheaply. Then Dave Wilson and George Buck came together to add 66, with Wilson (35) doing most of the scoring.

When Wilson was out, however, Buck took over, and he scored 33 of the next 40 runs. Laindon declared at 120-0, with Heady having taken 2-25. Cone 2-43 and Walker 2-15.
Buck, bowing with his usual fire, had the first three men out with only six on the board. Collard (27) and Elmore (30) staged a recovery, but Buck broke this partnership too, and began to look as if he could bag all ten wickets.
Theobald came on to pick up a couple, however, and Gascoigne Old Boys were all out for 88 (Theobald 2-57).

LAINDON: Farmer b. Heady 0, Wilson c. Walker 35, 30, 60, Diment c. b. Walker 0, Williams c. b. Cone 0, Theobald c. b. Cone 0, Teather n.o. 0; extras 120. Total (for 6 wks. dec.) 120.
GASCOIGNE OLD BOYS: Buck 0, Richardson b. Buck 0, Collard c. Williams b. Buck 27, Walker c. Farmer b. Buck 3, Elmore c. Williams b. Theobald 30, Bignold b. Buck 0, D. Bone b. Buck 15, Olive c. Williams b. Theobald 2, Phillips b. Buck 1, Heady b. Buck 0, Araf n.o. 0; extras 11. Total 88.

CLINCHED VICTORY WITH ONLY TWO BALLS TO SPARE

BASILDON 153-8 DEC. HORNDON 57
BASILDON FORCED a win with just two balls to spare at Mopsies on Saturday, but they made things difficult for themselves. They dropped several difficult but vital catches earlier on which would have assured them of an easier win.

Basilidon batted first and lost opener Bell for 13, but Wood (33) and Jackson (28) took the score to 65, and Tyler (25) carried on the good work.
The latter batsmen all got runs with Groves (14 n.o.), the best of them, and Basilidon were able to declare at 153-8.
Bell was the best of the Horndon bowlers, taking 5-37. Humphries got 1-42 and Norton 1-14.
Horndon were soon in trouble when they batted, and three wickets went with only 11 runs on the board, and the fourth at 14.
From then on Horndon played for a draw with Vereker (17) and Lucas (13) fighting a rearguard action. Only 10 runs came from Horndon's last 20 overs, and it looked as if they might earn their draw before Strelitz

(2-0 in 4.4 overs) got Walker out.
Bollon finished with the fine figures of 5-20, while Jackson took 3-25.
Basilidon: Wood c. Hayes b. Bell 33, Bell c. Perry b. Bell 13, Jackson b. Norton 28, Tyler b. Bell 25, Essex run out b. Burch b. Bell 0, Groves n.o. 14, Bignold c. H. b. Jackson 0, Strelitz b. Humphries 2, Turnham n.o. 2; extras 0. Total (for 6 wks. dec.) 153.
Horndon: Norton c. Tyler b. Jackson 0, Humphries b. Bollon 1, Bell c. Norton 0, Vereker c. Turnham b. Bollon 17, Hayes b. Bollon 2, Lucas b. Bollon 13, Bignold c. H. b. Jackson 0, 1, Harris lbw b. Strelitz 8, Anderson n.o. 1, Walker lbw b. Strelitz 5, Stevens c. Strelitz b. Jackson 4; extras 3. Total 57.

Bowlers on top

WESTLEY 70
HADLEIGH AND THUNDERSLEY 111-77-9

HADLEIGH edged their way to a one-wicket win in the lower-scoring match at the Town Sports Ground on Saturday.
Not one batsman topped 20 runs, with bowlers dominating generally, and Westley's A. Lloyd turned in the best bowling figures of the day with 6-20. Westley in fact lost 17 on extras. They gave away 6-20, while Hadleigh conceded four.
Westley batted first and openers MacDonald and Trudgell went fairly quickly, but B. Rider (16) and Riches (12) pushed the score up into the 40s.

A. Lloyd added 11, but the remainder of the batsmen collapsed under the bowling of Burville, who finished with 4-19 and the innings closed at 46.
Hadleigh started confidently in reply. Smith (20) and Mounickrun (17) putting on 37 for the first wicket. When they departed little resistance was offered to Lloyd (6-20), Rider (2-18) and Riches (11-12), but they managed to scrape up enough runs to win with a wicket to spare.
Westley: MacDonald c. Sheavill b. Abbott 2, Trudgell b. Abbott 2, Riches run out 12, A. Lloyd b. Sheavill b. R. Burville 11, Harris c. Birkin b. Collins 11, Archer b. R. Burville 2, V. Jones b. A. Lloyd 7, P. Burville b. A. Lloyd 4, Murray not out 5, Collins n.o. 0; extras 17. Total (for 9 wks.) 77.

Hadleigh III: Smith c. Trudgell b. A. Lloyd 20, Mounickrun b. Rider 17, Bromley c. A. Lloyd b. Rider 0, Sheavill b. A. Lloyd 3, Birkin c. Abbott c. A. Lloyd 0, Riches 11, R. Burville c. Doo 1, V. Jones b. A. Lloyd 7, P. Burville b. A. Lloyd 4, Murray not out 5, Collins n.o. 0; extras 17. Total (for 9 wks.) 77.

HADLEIGH AND THUNDERSLEY 111-77-9
BILLERICAY 89

HADLEIGH batted first on a greenish wicket, not off to a good start when they lost their wickets for 14 runs against Billericay at South Benfleet on Saturday.
The slump was checked by 11. Ballard, who batted consistently for his 68 before being caught behind the stumps off Terry Mills. T. Bromley (10) was the only other Hadleigh batsman to reach double figures.
The Hadleigh wickets fell to John Moore (3-35), Roger Elson (2-21) and Terry Mills (2-21).
Billericay started well and put on 21 before Geoff Wright was lbw to Sanderson for six. Robert Stickland looked quite comfortable at the other end, but only Edson (8), Barnett (11) and Anall; Mills (6 not out) could stay with him very long.
When the score stood at 87, Stickland was yanked by Read for 45 and he took Read (15-13) only another two overs to finish the innings.

Hadleigh: Bromley b. Moore 10, Jones c. Elson 3, Ballard c. Stickland b. Mills 68, Smith c. Wright c. Elson 0, Read b. Moore 2, Collins c. Mills b. Norman 4, Sanderson c. Norman 5, Burville c. Stickland b. Edson 6, Elson b. Edson 1, Moore 3, Whipple b. Mills 0, Simmons not out 4; extras 1. Total 109.
Billericay: Wright lbw b. Sanderson 8, Stickland b. Read 45, Norman b. Sanderson 0, 4, Bromley b. Collins 8, Barrett c. Allum b. Read 1, Moore b. Collins 4, Mills n.o. 0, Doo c. Allum b. Read 0, Cole b. Read 0, Stanley c. Read 2, Smith absent ill; extras 3. Total 89.

Division One: Green and S. Weir v. Hford Ltd.; P.L.A. v. Kelvin Hughes; C.W.S. v. T.B. Mills; Green and S. Weir v. Stork; P.L.A. v. Romford Brew.; Kelvin Hughes v. Marconi.

Division Two: Dagenite 3, Pegasus 0; Ford (Bas.) 2, Dagenite 2; Hoffmann 0, Dagenite 1.

Division Three: Shell 8, Kelvin Hughes 1; C.W.S. 4, Warrnes 1.

Division Four: Green and S. Weir v. Hford Ltd.; P.L.A. v. Kelvin Hughes; C.W.S. v. T.B. Mills; Green and S. Weir v. Stork; P.L.A. v. Romford Brew.; Kelvin Hughes v. Marconi.

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WICKFORD COAST TO EASY WIN

OLD BANCROFTIANS 89, WICKFORD 69-2

WICKFORD COASTED to an easy eight wicket win against Old Bancroftians on Saturday. The Old Boys, not off to a flow, but ready to start and put on 23 for the first wicket.

Four wickets then tumbled for only five runs, and the rest of the batting crumbled against the bowling of Mick Chastney (3-21), John Hughes (4-23) and Terry Green (13-12). The last four wickets all fell at 68.
With plenty of time to get the necessary runs, Wickford openers Scoble and Goodwin took the score to 77 before being parted, and the line runs were hit off for the loss of only one more wicket.
Old Bancroftians: Neil c. Crook b. Debenham 22, M. dith b. Chastney 17, Smith c. Finch b. Chastney 0, Hart c. Debenham b. Chastney 0, Greaves b. Debenham 10, Green c. Martin c. Green 0, Lew c. Green 0, Reardon b. Debenham 0, Goodall not out 0, extras 2. Total 68.
Wickford: Scoble c. Goodwin 77, Far 28, Goodwin not out 27, Crook lbw b. Chastney 0, B. not out 1; extras 2. Total (for 2 wks.) 63.

Business Houses League

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Premier League: Lathol 1, E.S.S.A. 2, Warrnes 2, 3; P.L.A. 4, Warrnes 2.

Division One: Beta 5, P.L.A. 1, English Exc. 2, Green and S. Weir 2; Dagenite 3, Green and S. Weir 1; Romford Brew. 2, C.W.S. 1, Hford Ltd. 3; Fondus 0, Telen 4.

Division Two: Dagenite 3, Pegasus 0; Ford (Bas.) 2, Dagenite 2; Hoffmann 0, Dagenite 1.

Division Three: Shell 8, Kelvin Hughes 1; C.W.S. 4, Warrnes 1.

Division Four: Green and S. Weir v. Hford Ltd.; P.L.A. v. Kelvin Hughes; C.W.S. v. T.B. Mills; Green and S. Weir v. Stork; P.L.A. v. Romford Brew.; Kelvin Hughes v. Marconi.

Division Five: English Exc. Ltd.; P.L.A. v. Crompton Park; Stork v. Kelvin Hughes; T.B. v. Warrnes; Ford (Bas.) v. Hford Mills v. Green and S. Weir.

Spinner Norton was the matchwinner

MARCONI (BASILDON) 130, LEIGH ST. CLEMENT'S 109

LEIGH PUT Marconi in to bat on a lively-looking wicket and got them all out for 130. But the Saints found conditions even more difficult later in the day and they were never able to deal with the threat of spinner Les Norton, who took 6-43 to give Marconi victory.

A cautious but useful first-wicket partnership between C. King (34) and Stibbs (32) laid the foundation of Marconi's matchwinning total of 130.
Then Beale and Norton both went for "ducks," but Warner (30) and Stroud (21) boosted the score.
Marconi: King c. b. Gear 34, Stibbs c. Middleton b. Norton 32, Beale run out b. Norton b. Gear 0, Warner c. b. Beale 30, Stroud c. b. Warner 21, Haywood lbw b. Wooder 14, Whitehead n.o. 8, Smith run out 0, Hill b. Gear 0, Cross n.o. 1; extras 3. Total 130.
Leigh St. Clement's: Brown b. Norton 31, Wooder c. Beale b. Hill 13, Middleton b. Warner 7, Iyer c. b. Norton 1, B. n.o. 40, Holford b. Norton 1, Holt run out 0, Clarke b. Norton 0, Gray run out 4, G. c. Croft b. Norton 3, pander c. Beale 0, extras 1. Total 109.



• Players who took part in the match between Wickford C.C. and the Chairman's XI last Friday.

GOAL-HUNGRY BLUES GIVE THEIR FANS

GREENWOOD TROPHY

Takings a record—and more to come

THIS YEAR'S Greenwood Trophy competition, organised each year to raise funds for the new Basildon Hospital, has raised a record total of £115. And there is still cash to come from the replay of the drawn cup final.

A date for the replay has not yet been arranged, but it will take place at Bowers United's ground, on a Sunday morning.

The final on Sunday raised £40 3s. 5d.

Last season the competition raised £79.

CORRINGHAM SHOULD SEND A DONATION

HAVING READ your report last week's "Standard Recorder" of the withdrawal of Corringham Social F.C. from the Greenwood Trophy competition, I feel I must write on behalf of all soccer supporters, players and officials in Basildon and outside competitions deploring the conduct of Corringham Social F.C. for not honouring their commitments.

Do they think this was fair on Laindon A.C. who they defeated in the first round? I am sure they would not have withdrawn if they had won.

Do they think it is fair to the clubs who are not elected to the committee and the promoters of the competition who give so much time to these events and to supporters?

If there is no rule to cover such a withdrawal by a firm may I suggest that officials of Corringham Social F.C. that they send a £5 donation to the competition. A LAMB, Chaucer Walk, Wickford.

Solved fungus problem

FUNGUS SHOULD not interfere with Basildon's first professional golf tournament on Monday. Burslem Golf Club has four greens, but they have been grassed over again.

"We have had trouble with fungus," said a Council spokesman, "but we are now on top of it. This is a common difficulty with warm conditions at this time of year."

"Any area of grass which is under intensive use is liable to suffer attacks from disease during the summer. We spray the greens to minimise this."

No punch in the Southend attack at Barnsley

ALTHOUGH UNITED at Barnsley on Saturday became the last team in the Fourth Division to lose its 100 per cent record, they managed a share of the points to retain their unbeaten tag and stay in the promotion race as one of five joint leaders. And, although it could not be rated as one of their best performances, considering their depleted strength owing to injuries, under the circumstances half a loaf was better than none, writes ALF SMIRK.

With skipper Andy Smillie failing a late fitness test and right-winger Jackie Ferguson still out of the reckoning with a knee injury, Manager Ernie Shepherd retained Mr. Slack in his front line, moved Mike Beesley up to centre-forward and named Ray Walsh, triallist from Ipswich, as substitute.

And it will be no surprise to regular Blues supporters to learn that, although proving adequate in most departments, the enforced changes made no difference at all to the forward punch lacking up front when in and around the opponents' penalty area.

Let there be no doubt about it, United fully deserved their point. But stronger finishing could well have given them two. In the first half alone they had eight build-up, at least which presented opportunities for scoring and against every one I have marked "weak effort to finish."

Shots and headers either ended feebly in the keeper's arms, or went whistling past the posts.

The Barnsley forwards were really in the game during the first half, and apart from one bit of quick thinking when Trevor Roberts hit to drop on a neat header from

A SOCCER TREAT

SOUTHEND UNITED 3, LUTON TOWN 0
DISPLAYING SOME of the finest attacking football seen at Roots Hall for a good many years and finding their shooting boots at the same time, Blues' fine win on Monday night will not only keep them in line for promotion, but will also encourage the 11,083 spectators to pay a return visit, writes ALF SMIRK.

And it should bring back a number of fans who have stopped attending following two years of unattractive soccer "brainwashing" which has kept United in the doldrums.

There was no comparison between the two teams' approach to Monday's game. United kept the ball moving smoothly, fluently, and more important, quickly, as they built up from strength in the rear. Luton preferred closer physical contact and use of the long ball deep into United's defence.

Blues were strengthened by the return of Andy Smillie and Jackie Ferguson, both recovered from injury, while Luton had to make several changes owing to injuries in their own camp.

Visiting keeper Colin Tinsley was playing his first game after re-signing last week following two years in non-league football and 17-years' old outside-right Alan Bevan was making his first appearance in League football since signing as an apprentice professional.

But all the visiting changes were not weakening as both full-backs were first choices, returning after missing a couple of games.

Once again United started off like a house on fire then disappeared for a spell in the middle of the game. They carried the luck during this middle period then took over again to become twice as effective.

United had been so much on top that it was no surprise when Smillie gave them the lead in the 20th minute with a sweet goal as could be seen. John Baber did the mid-field craft before setting Ferguson away. The winger cut in for a couple of paces before his time was not just the win or its margin which gave satisfaction—United have the lead in the division.

It was the way that at last they were shaking off their goal as though they really meant it. This is what thrills the crowd and also the results. Here's to more fire-power in the future. Teams: Southend: Roberts; Baber and Birks; Ashworth, May and Stevenson; Ferguson, Chisnall, Smillie, Baber and McKinnon.

Luton: Tinsley; Hare and Roberts; Brierley, Bevan, Brown and Moore; Bevan, Allen, Green (Slough), Riach and Brown.

Luton's best chances were wasted in the first five minutes when the interval. Right-back Tom Hare made a great run, beat off two tackles to finish on the penalty spot, then

booted over with only Roberts to beat.

Then the biggest miss as Bruce Riach went rolling over following a Jimmy Stevenson tackle in the area and Luton were awarded a penalty.

Outside-left, Mick Brown took the kick and put it yards wide of the left-hand post.

But the United defence gone begging, Luton United mid-field machine took over once more.

Paul Chisnall's precision passes opened up the way to goal and the running of John Baber and Smillie in particular were a joy to watch.

Baber had one of his best games since joining United and Smillie never shirked a tackle from defenders much bigger than himself scything in from behind.

Blues two up

No sooner had one chance gone begging than United went further ahead in the 56th minute. Again it was a Chisnall pass sent John McKinnon clear and this time Baber was on the spot close to crack it into the net.

Luton got back into the game and could consider themselves unfortunate when right-half Bill McDermott dipped a shot which slid off the top of the bar and over.

Five minutes later substitute Slough cracked a narrow shot in from the right only for it to hit under the bar then bounce down and out.

And this was the last Luton fling. Fifteen minutes from the end Smillie rounded off a good night's work by completing the scoring.

Baber again had a big hand in it in the initial stages before putting McKinnon through and Smillie in to crack the centre in after missing his first attempt by not connecting.

Chisnall, Baber and McKinnon all went close with grand shots before the end as the drama ended on a note of tragedy-comedy.

Roberts put the ball down for the six-yard box then had to dash like mad to reach it before the six-yard players got there first as no whistle had gone for any infringement.

It was not just the win or its margin which gave satisfaction—United have the lead in the division.

It was the way that at last they were shaking off their goal as though they really meant it. This is what thrills the crowd and also the results. Here's to more fire-power in the future. Teams:

Southend: Roberts; Baber and Birks; Ashworth, May and Stevenson; Ferguson, Chisnall, Smillie, Baber and McKinnon.

Luton: Tinsley; Hare and Roberts; Brierley, Bevan, Brown and Moore; Bevan, Allen, Green (Slough), Riach and Brown.



ABOVE: Andy Smillie (on ground, right) nets United's third goal against Luton at Roots Hall on Monday. BELOW: John Baber's shot beats the diving Colin Tinsley for the second goal of the match.



Record-breaking week for Roger

IN THE past week Roger Barton, of Basildon Cycling Club, has produced two really excellent rides, both of which were done in top-class company and have gained national recognition.

He broke his own Basildon Club record by coming third in the classic Bath Road 100" and fifth in the Southend 100" which were both established stars at these distances.

Without a doubt his 4h 7m 34s. for the "100" was considered his most outstanding time for a century ride. In the classic Bath Road 100" and fifth in the Southend 100" which were both established stars at these distances.

He finished only 21 minutes behind the winner, John Greentwood (Dulwich).

Ken Norris found the journey worthwhile, returning a best of 4h 31m.

Superb ride

Roger also smashed the "60" record which stood at just outside two hours by cycling through the 25 m.p.h. barrier with 1h 57m. 42s.

This superb ride was done on a "home" course—the Colchester Road—and

on a fixed wheel track machine, although Roger prefers years for middle-distance time-trials.

With the time under his belt he has a great chance of finishing well up the British Best All-Rounder competition if he decides to enter the necessary 12-hour time-trial.

After his "50" Roger went on to compete the same day at Herne Hill in the Essex Club Track Championships, where, although the results were on a team basis, he took two third places and led Ian Metcalfe, Ken Norris and Pete Stevens to third place in the team pursuit event.

The National 12-hour Championship was held in Essex over the weekend and two Basildon men took part.

Tim Turner and Tony Adams braved some extremely violent weather to record the very creditable distances of 223 miles and 219 miles respectively.

In his first-ever attempt, Tim's mileage fell only five miles short of one of the oldest records on Basildon's books.

RIFLE SHOOTING

Dave takes the cup

DAVE BRICKLES established himself as one of the top shots in Essex on Sunday at Colchester, when he won the Class A overall aggregate cup in the Essex County Rifle Meeting.

From 25 yards range Dave got a 286 out of a 300 possible; from 50 yards a 284 out of 300, and from 100 yards a 283 out of 300. His 883 aggregate gave him the cup.

In the Basildon team, Dave and Bob Wynn Ken Whitley, same slugs, got 23 and 21, while entered the Three's event.

Over 100 people attended the competition, but had weather made shooting very difficult.

Basildon: Roberts; Baber and Birks; Ashworth, May and Stevenson; Ferguson, Chisnall, Smillie, Baber and McKinnon.

Retired: Mr. W. S. Castle (Sedgely). Attendance: 6,787.

Best start

Southend have made the best start of the four clubs promoted from Division IV. They won 4-1 at Gillingham on Saturday.

HARRIS HITS CENTURY AND TAKES FIVE WICKETS

BASILDON 203-3 DEC.

MARCONI 108
BRYN HARRIS had a field day for Basildon on a Saturday, slamming an unbeaten 128 out of a total of 203-3 and then basing 5-21 to send Marconi slithering to defeat.

Bob Ayres won the toss and Basildon decided to bat. Cuedon and Harris faced some hostile bumpers from Adams and Cuedon was soon out, caught at forward short-leg.

Perrymann came in next and had scored six when he was hit on the head by another flir from Adams and retired, but recovered to keep wicket later in the day.

Dennis Silver then joined Harris and these two took the score to 100 before Silver was run out going for a second run. Harris went rapidly on, however, to top his century and Basildon declared at 203-4 (Adams 2-53).

Marconi scored quickly in reply, but lost two bats at a corresponding rate, and after a good opening stand between Sleet (26) and Audsley (13) they slumped.

C. Denney and Roy Sleet (20 each) took the score into the eighties, but then Bryn Harris broke through to bag five wickets, and Marconi were all out for 108, losing by 96 runs.

M. Thomas took 1-25, P. Lockwood 1-17 and J. Cuedon 1-19.

Basildon: Harris a.c. 128, Cuedon c Allen b Adams 3, Perrymann retired hurt b Silver run out 30, Lockwood b Adams 14, Langmead b.c. 11, extras 13. Total (for 3 wks. dec.) 203.

Marconi: R. Sleet b Thomas 26, Audsley b Harris b Sleet 13, Morgan run out 6, Denney b Harris 20, Roy Sleet c Perrymann b Harris 30, Adams b Harris 0, Wilson c Harris 4, Allen c-b Cuedon 5, Cuedon b Harris 0, Van Tromp a.c. 0, extras 11. Total 108.

HOME DRAW, A WAY WIN

PLAYING THEIR old friends, Hockley and Hawkwell, both home and away, provided useful exercise for the Runwell Hospital teams on Saturday.

In their home match, fielding some new and young players, Runwell held the Hockley first team to a 4-4 draw, after being 2-1 down at half-time. Scorers were Hartley (2), Bone and Baker.

In the away game Runwell were 3-2 up at half-time, when some changes were made, and they finished 7-2 winners. Scorers were I. Burrell (3), A. De'Ath (3) and A. Burrell.

of the Blues, he failed to rather it properly and Evans was left with an easy task to push home the rebound.

It took United only nine minutes to level the scores but the move itself which led to the goal seemed to take that length of time as a reluctance to shoot made itself apparent.

John McKinnon was between the angle of the six-yard box and penalty area when he shot a short pass inside to Phil Chisnall; Chisnall pushed it wide to Beesley on the left and his centre was cracked into the roof of the net by John Baber from close in.

But it was Barnsley who were on the attack as the second half began with Roberts again coming to the rescue by tipping a long dropping shot from Brooks over the bar.

Sound defence

Most of United's troubles were brought about by their own shortcomings. Even when a goal down, they never looked like finishing on the losing edge.

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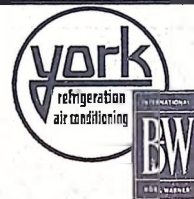
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Broken leg, but he was in the walk



"Beat out that rhythm on a drum"—even if you have a broken leg! Stephen Stotter (4) couldn't walk—but rode in a push-chair and beat out the time on his drum while his father, Mr. R. Stotter, pushed him in the sponsored walk in torrential rain on Sunday for the Outwood Common Church and Community Association Fund. The walkers expect to raise £250 as a result of their efforts. The walk was round Hanningfield Reservoir, and of 111 walkers 99 completed the whole course. First home were Martin Wensley (17), of Morris Avenue, and Martin Burgess (17), of Outwood Farm Road.

"HATS OFF FOR MR. SPEAKER"



BILLERICAY YOUNG CONSERVATIVES HELD A MOCK PARLIAMENT AT THE CONSTITUTIONAL CLUB, BILLERICAY, ON MONDAY EVENING. COUN. A. BARON BURN (CHAIRMAN OF BASILDON URBAN COUNCIL) ACTED AS "SPEAKER"; "PRIME MINISTER" WAS MR. CHRISTOPHER CANNON; "HOME SECRETARY" WAS MR. MICHAEL NICHOLLS; "OPPOSITION SPEAKERS" WERE MR. JOHN GOODWIN AND MR. KEVIN BOWEN. "LACK ROD" WAS MISS E. HOLBEN.

All dressed up at Ramsden Heath



Nearly £200 was raised at Ramsden Heath's annual fete on Saturday, organised by Ramsden Heath Y.M.C.A. A fancy dress parade was one of the events, and prizewinners are seen above.

Could Billericay's railway bridge tumble down?

IS BILLERICAY'S Stock Road railway bridge in danger of falling down? asks GREGORY BARNES, "Standard Recorder" reporter.

If it is not, then it ought to be if an old cast iron notice bolted to one side of the bridge is to be believed.

It reads: "To drivers and owners of locomotives in pursuance of the locomotive act, 1861, notice is hereby given that this bridge is insufficient to carry any weight beyond the ordinary traffic of the district, and owners or persons having charge of locomotives and other unusually heavy traffic are hereby warned that it is unlawful to attempt to drive the same over this bridge, and they will be held responsible for any damage."

Built in 1886, the bridge has not been altered or strengthened since, and it is

the bit that says "this bridge is insufficient to carry any weight beyond the ordinary traffic of the day" that sets you thinking.

In 1886 the "ordinary traffic of the day" could not have amounted to much, but nowadays hundreds of cars, buses and lorries pass over it every hour.

Many people think, in fact, that there is a lot that could be done to improve the bridge. Main complaint is that it is too narrow, and suggestions for improving it include slinging the footpath on the outside of the bridge and

utilising the whole width for the road.

To clarify the issue, the "Standard" contacted British Rail's press office in London and a spokesman replied: "It will take normal traffic."

"No, I don't know what weight it would take. It wouldn't take an abnormal weight, lummy, no bridge would, would it? So far as I understand it, if there is an abnormal weight, then they have to get a special report from the Ministry of Transport."

"We at British Rail have to meet certain statutory requirements, you know, and this bridge meets them. Yes, today's statutory require-

In national autocross finals

SEVEN local drivers are through to the national finals of an autocross contest. Five belong to Billericay Motor Club and the other two are members of Basildon New Town Motor Club.

They will be among 120 drivers taking part in the final of Players No. 6 National Autocross contest at Egh Wycombe, Bucks., on Sunday, 24th September.

Basildon club members are Ian Thomson and Mick Bolton. Representing Billericay will be Jim Green, Gordon Woodhill, Barry Walter, Glyn Swift and Cliff Carroll.

Jim Green, who lives at Gladwyns, Lee Chapel North, won the Cooper S Class on Sunday with a time of 1min. 48.2 secs. over two laps of the 1,000 yards course.



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BONNY BABES (AND MUMS) OF WICKFORD



Above are winning babies and their mums at Wickford Carnival baby show on Wednesday. They are (from the left) Mrs. M. Bull and Jason (five months), Mrs. B. Golding and Janine (eight months), Mrs. P. Butterworth and Sarah (23 months). They all won their section awards.



Sharon Wellingham, as a Bunny Girl, took third prize in the Wickford Carnival fancy dress competition on Saturday. She is seen offering an ice to the Council Chairman (Coun. A. Baron Burn) and Mrs. Burn.

GOOD START TO CARNIVAL



Wickford Carnival got off to a good start last Saturday, and above are some of the children who took part in the fancy dress parade. More pictures on the centre pages.

CARNIVAL PROCESSION

Tomorrow (Saturday) Wickford's stop-go Carnival procession and Town Show will become a reality, and Carnival organisation officials will be able to forget their worries and misgivings as the Carnival spirit takes hold of the town.

The procession will leave Bruce Grove, Shotgate, at 2 p.m. and proceed via Southend Road and the High Street to Elder Avenue for dispersal.

Also starting at 2 p.m. will be the Town Show on Nevendon Road Recreation Ground and a Carnival Night dance, featuring a Princess of the Year contest, at the Community Centre at 8 p.m. will round off the day's events.

THEY'RE NOT TOO YOUNG TO HELP



Here are more mothers and babies who took part in the Carnival baby show at the Community Centre on Wednesday. With them are judges and the Carnival Queen.



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WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP —WITHOUT PUBLICITY



WITHOUT THE blaze of publicity which surrounds most world championship sporting events, hundreds of model aircraft enthusiasts from a record 32 countries gathered recently in Czechoslovakia.

Against this top competition Great Britain's three-man team, including George French of Wash Road, Laindon, finished top of the world in the motor models section.

George (seen above) crowned a memorable trip by finishing second in the individual duration competition, being beaten by 20 seconds by Hans Seelig, of West Germany.

In his three previous world championships, which are held every two years, George finished ninth and sixth (twice).

"A lot of luck is involved in it," said George this week. "I went out hoping for the best and believing that if everything went well I could finish in the top ten in the world. It only needs one little thing to go wrong and you can slip 20 places."

For the championships George took out a brand new model, the latest development of a long line which was started in 1960.

"It's performance surprised me and I was naturally very pleased," he said.

George was full of praise for the organisation of the championships, which started off with a full jet plane fly-past at the opening ceremony.

During the championships a squad of helicopters was engaged in retrieving the models and motor cyclists were on hand to rush the owners to the scene.

George first started his model aeroplane hobby as a

schoolboy and now has 30 or more years' experience.

In the last 13 years he has been one of Britain's top men in competitions and whenever he has represented his country has always finished ahead of his teammates.

"Twice I have set a Great Britain place because someone has dropped out and on each occasion I beat the others," he said.

George says model flying is the cinderella sport in England. "We get no money and can exert no authority to get sites for flying from local authorities."

"The trouble is we are not a spectator sport; people who come to watch cannot tell who is winning without consulting a scoreboard. If there is one, it is we did appeal more to the public and had them coming in flocks to see the flying."

Additional money would be made available for the sport and we would be away," he said.

George's next big event will be the 1968 English trials for the world championships the following year, probably in Spain.

His ambition? To go one better next time and finish champion of the world.

ENJOYED OUTING

Mr. Cole was the caller for the Bingo session at the weekly meeting of Basildon Senior Citizens' Club No. 1 on Wednesday week. Mrs. S. Thurston, Chairman, presided, and 75 members were present. Everyone said how much they had enjoyed their outing to Felixstowe, and a vote of thanks was passed to Mrs. Thurston for arranging the trip. Members were glad to hear that there are at present no sick colleagues. Mr. Chatting and his helpers served the tea.

Their new honorary member



Mr. Billy Dainty became an honorary member of the Basildon Drum and Trumpet Corps Junior Band when he used their drum for signing autographs at Wickford Carnival's first events on Saturday.

Estate chaos

(Cont. from Front Page) especially while the children were on holiday from school.

Basildon Development Corporation's Clerk of Works on the site said the contractor was doing the work, which involves a number of men, in good faith.

But he said nobody could be held to blame for the mess other than the children who filled the drains and manholes with rubble.

Mr. Denis Davies, of 48 Oldwyk, said some people had been told they must not do their washing on the same day. "It has only happened to me once, but this foul smelling water has seeped through other people's floors more often. I feel sorry for my neighbours who have had two or three doses of it."

At No. 64 Mrs. Gay Thompson, who moved into her new home in July, has had her front garden dug up twice. The second time was on Bank Holiday Monday, when next door's toilet flushings came up through the kitchen floors.

Then, when neighbours had their baths, the water did not drain away, but came up again through her floors. There were inches of it in her dining room.

From Basildon Corporation: "There have been troubles at Vange which concern the drainage. It is being put right."

Lorry struck bridge, fell on car, killing two people

A SAND lorry belonging to J. C. Brain struck the railway bridge in High Road, Pitsea, on Thursday afternoon.

The vehicle toppled sideways on to a Ford Anglia car, killing the driver and a young girl and injuring two others.

The names of the killed and injured are not being disclosed by the Police until the relatives have been informed.

"BRIGADE" WERE THERE



When Basildon Fire Brigade rushed to a call in Long Riding last week they found a "fire brigade" had already arrived. And heading the makeshift brigade was six-year-old William Fell, of 44, Long Riding. William and his pals didn't put out the fire, but they enjoyed watching, and he decided to join the real fire brigade when he gets older. Pictured beside the engine with William is Fireman B. U. Beckwith.

They had their tickling sticks



Friends and neighbours of Great Gregorie, Basildon, are seen above before going to the Palladium to see Ken Dodd. Some of the ladies took tickling sticks with them!



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