

# BASILDON Standard RECORDER

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## JUST WHO WAS GUY FAWKES?



FIZZ, POP, bang, and shades of Dr. Who! It is all part of the modern thing.

The 1605 plot is old stuff these days and in the place of Guy Fawkes—rapidly becoming a respectable historical character—Daleks go to the top of the bonfire list.

That, at least, is the idea of Basildon Round Table this year as they plan for their Firework Fiesta to take place on the Laindon Link. The 7ft. tall Dalek, sworn enemy of Dr. Who and other earthlings—will sizzle at 6.45 p.m. on Saturday, November 4th, when the Chairman of Basildon Council (Coun. A. Baron Burn, J.P.) ceremonially lights the bonfire.

A big firework display will follow at 7.15 p.m. The Round Table will place all proceeds in their fund for a holiday home for educationally sub-normal children to be built at Wickford. To date, they have raised £1,800 towards their aim of £2,500. On Saturday they hope to raise the remaining £700.

## BEATING THE RETREAT



Shoppers paused to watch, despite the heavy rain, when the Sutherland Pipes and Drums "Beat the Retreat" in the Town Centre, Basildon, on Saturday morning.

### PITSEA'S GREAT ROAD SCHEME

# £1,602,364 estimate goes up to £2,922,918

**COST OF the mammoth Pitsea Road Scheme — the largest ever engineering project in South-East Essex—has nearly doubled to a £2,922,918 estimate.**

Previously a £1,602,364 figure was discussed.

Changes of plan mean the Scheme now includes a giant flyover on stilts to carry six lanes of cars over both a roundabout and the Fenchurch Street-Southend railway line.

Adding this viaduct, a sophisticated dual-carriageway with three lanes in each direction, accounts for about £1M. rise in costs.

Originally, the flyover was to have been more modest, but the authorities decided that eventually it would need widening. This would be impracticable in the future.

The vote for a viaduct now means big retaining walls will be needed to stop Pitsea Parish Church from subsiding into a nearby deep cutting.

Under the new estimate Basildon Development Corporation are to pay £1,687,992. The Ministry of Transport will pay £884,057 and Essex County Council's share is £350,869.

The Pitsea Road Scheme has its hub at a vast roundabout, flyover and slip roads at the foot of St. Michael's Church. From this the A13 diversion project takes the main road along the north side of the Tibbury loop railway line for 2½ miles to link up with the existing road at Five Bells Roundabout.

Also covered by the Scheme is the proposed road to link Pitsea with the Town Centre and factory estates. It will run from the new roundabout through Livingstone Road, to the present roundabout where Broadmayne meets East Mayne at the back of Barstable School.

The Scheme will transform the face of Pitsea between the Broadway and Pitsea Station and a new Station Lane is planned.

Earth from Basildon Hospital site has been dumped alongside the Lane. It will be used for the raised carriageways

when work starts on the Scheme. Basildon Development Corporation are expected to ask for tenders shortly.

In the first plan the flyover was over the roundabout and a separate bridge was intended over the railway. But traffic forecasts show this would become obsolete in a few years.

So the authorities decided to have a viaduct over both the roundabout and railway to carry three lanes of cars in each direction.

### COUNCILLOR BOYCOTTS TOUR

**BASILDON Council Labour leader Coun. Joe Morgan boycotted a Corporation tour of the New Town yesterday (Thursday) in protest at conditions in Redgrave Road, Vange.**

"The Corporation route avoids the danger which is shockingly filthy," he told a reporter.

"This day is my day at work and I have better things to do than go pussy-footing round the town with officials and taking lunch in pubs."

"Two issues I am involved in are the dangerous plan for a lorry pound at Barstable, and the tenant who has a huge lull of flats."

"I was really fuming when, on top of all this, the Corporation invited me on a tour to see the town."

Said a Corporation spokesman: "The tour is to see building work in progress and to give members of the Council-Corporation Liaison Committee detailed information on the current contracts."

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### ORIENT F.C. — SECRET NEGOTIATIONS

**THIRD Division Orient Football Club's move to Basildon is still a very distinct possibility.**

Following an "exploratory" meeting recently between the Development Corporation and Director Mr. Reg Briggs, Club Chairman Mr. Arthur Page came to Basildon on Wednesday for a three-hour long meeting at Gifford House.

The meeting was kept a closely guarded secret, but afterwards the Corporation's General Manager, Mr. R. C. C. Boniface said: "We made great progress."

"A feasible and quick solution has been offered to them if they decide to move to Basildon."

He added: "The decision rests entirely with the club. If they come they could have in Basildon one of the most modern grounds in the country."

Mr. Boniface refused to elaborate on the offer which had been made to Orient, but he added: "We feel they may find our proposal attractive."



This couple, Mr. Peter Senior and Mr. Reginald Clacy, helped to serve refreshments at the Conservatives' autumn leaves bazaar at the Women's Institute Hall on Saturday.

**"MONARCHY OUTMODED"**

THE MOTION that "This House believes that the Monarchy is an outmoded institution" was passed by a two-thirds majority at a meeting of Billericay Young Liberals last week.

Mr. L. Cunningham spoke in favour of the motion, saying that there was no reason why the nation should subsidise an administrator and a monarch when a legislator and administrator was quite sufficient for other leading nations.

Mr. John Tinsley seconded the motion. He defined the meaning of "Democracy" and said there could be no evidence of a democratic state if there continued to be a presiding monarch.

Ray Holland opposed their argument by saying that monarchical rule in Britain was a well-instituted custom and it should be regarded as such. Miss Gill Robins backed him up by stating that the country had benefited more from monarchs' benevolent acts than those of Parliament.

The bazaar was opened by Billericay's prospective Conservative parliamentary candidate, Mr. Robert McGrindle.

He had been in Italy, and the flight he originally booked would have made him too late for the bazaar. Fortunately he was able to get a seat on an earlier plane.

Story on Page 24.

**YOUTH SERVICE**

A special youth service was held at St. Mary's Church, Ramsden Crays, on Sunday. Rev. Keith Figgler, from Basildon, was guest preacher.



AMONG THE GUESTS AT THE OXFAM DANCE AT ARCHER MEMORIAL HALL, BILLERICAY, ON SATURDAY WERE COUN. A. BARON BURN, J.P. (CHAIRMAN OF BASILDON COUNCIL), AND HIS WIFE.

**Strange disappearance of dogs at Billericay**

**FOLLOWING THE STRANGE DISAPPEARANCE OF THREE PEDIGREE DOGS IN NORSEY VIEW DRIVE, BILLERICAY, RESIDENTS WERE THIS WEEK ASKING THEMSELVES: HAVE THEY BEEN TAKEN BY VIVISECTIONISTS?**

The missing dogs have been reported to the Police and the owners are appealing to members of the public to contact them if the dogs are seen.

The dogs have all disappeared within the past six weeks. The owners have walked the streets and advertised to get their pets back.

Mrs. Sylvia Watkins (32), of Norsey View Drive, who has missed her chocolate-coloured miniature poodle for over a week, said: "Penny just disappeared into thin air. She was in the garden when my husband was cutting the lawn — then we couldn't find her.

We walked the streets and the fields, but she wasn't anywhere." Mrs. Watkins, a mother of two, added: "Occasionally for about two or three hours — but never any longer. She had a blue collar with an identification

disc and bell on it. The disc has got her address and telephone number on it. "My young daughter has been away from school because she's so upset. I do hope she hasn't been taken for vivisection."

**Man and wife shoplifters were fined £5 each**

A STORE detective at Marks and Spencers, High Street, Southend, saw Leonard Speller pick up confectionery from a display stand and put it into his wife's shopping bag. Then the couple left the store without paying for it.

At Southend on Tuesday Speller and his wife Margaret, of High Street, Billericay, were each fined £5 after pleading guilty to larceny.

Speller told the Court that they meant to pay for the articles.

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They could be straight! from San Francisco—but they are actually from the Billericay Mothers' Club, who held a hippy flower-power party at the Recreation Rooms, Billericay. They are Mrs. Shirley Gilbert, Mrs. Marie Lee and Mrs. Irene Freestone.

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## Children drank weed killer — but with no ill effects

THREE YOUNG Wickford children were rushed to St. Andrew's Hospital, Billericay, on Tuesday by their parents after they were found drinking from a can of weedkiller, writes GREGORY BARNES.

They were treated with stomach pumps at St. Andrew's and then sent on to Orsett Hospital where they spent the night under observation.

Sharon (3) and John (2) Eastall, of Highcliffe Road, and Wendy Abbott (3), of Alfred Gardens, suffered no ill effects, however. "In fact they all treated it as an exciting night out," said Mrs. Yvonne Abbott.

The children got hold of the weedkiller while they were playing in a greenhouse at the home of Mr. Raymond Eastall, a foreman car mechanic, and his wife, Betty (27).

"I was looking after all three children while Mrs. Abbott was having a driving lesson," Mrs. Eastall told the "Standard Recorder."

"I don't know what made me get up to see what they were doing when I did, but thank heavens I did. They must have climbed up to reach the can off the shelf and one of them had her lips to it."

"If I hadn't found them they might just have faked out during the evening and we would not have known what it was or what to do."

Mrs. Eastall immediately rang for her husband and they rushed the children to hospital. Mrs. Abbott's husband, Peter (30), a

bank clerk, was also informed.

"It was worrying at the time, but they are all right now," said Mrs. Abbott. "The trouble with young children is that you can't explain the danger of touching things like weed-killer. They just don't understand."

### Boys on parade

WICKFORD Boys' Brigade, with their band, marched down Bruce Grove, Wickford, on Sunday evening, to celebrate Founder's Day, at their annual service at the Baptist church. About 60 Boys' Brigade personnel attended the service, there being a total congregation of 150. "It was as full a church as we have ever had," said Rev. Malcolm Soames, who took the service. The first lesson was read by junior member, Martin Hughes, and the second by senior, Robert Treavett.

AS WORKMEN started this week demolishing and rebuilding a new bridge over the River Crouch at Barleylands Road, Grays Hill, Basildon Council confessed: "The bridge was in a state of partial collapse and was considered dangerous."

The admission had no relation to a comment made by Essex County Council's Bridge Engineer, published in last week's "Standard Recorder," that the neighbouring antiquated bridges Tinkettle Bridge and White's Bridge — which are in similar condition, were completely safe.

But the Engineer told us this week: "Both Tinkettle and White's bridges are to be rebuilt as soon as possible. A new White's Bridge has already been designed. Designing doesn't take long anyway, and we want to start as soon as we can. There are complications — the acquisition of land and Ministry approvals — which might hold things up for a time."

He insisted that the bridges were safe. They were only dangerous because they were on thin winding roads. The work on Barleylands Bridge is being carried out by Basildon Council on behalf of Essex County Council (see picture below).

Barleylands Road — it is used regularly by "short-cut" motorists from Wash Road to Southend Road — is used by heavy factors and refuse lorries which use the nearby Council Depot. The road will be closed for another four to five weeks.

None of the authorities know how old Barleylands Bridge is. "It dates back to the last century," said a Basildon Council spokesman, "and some work has been done on it since the war."

The Council statement read: "The bridge was in a state of partial collapse and was considered dangerous. The use of twin 6ft-diameter tubes which the road will be relayed on."

## HIPPY MUMS OF WICKFORD



Wickford Clinic Mothers' Club, who were guests at the Billericay Mothers' Club's hippy flower-power party, held at the Recreation Rooms, Billericay.

## River stay away from our doors!

### BIG SCHEME HAS STARTED

QUIETLY FLOWS the Crouch. That is how the residents of Newhouse Farm Estate, Wickford, hope the river will be this coming winter now that the Essex River Authority have started work on an improvement scheme.

The commencement of work came as a surprise to the residents, for they did not expect anything to be done until 1970.

The scheme, which is costing about £39,000, involves taking the bends out of the river from Castledon Road to the Garden Beauty Products weir and also replacing the present antiquated bridge in Sugden Avenue with a 30ft. wide concrete and steel structure with two footpaths.

It will be sited some 50ft south of the existing bridge, nearer the London Road.

Residents on the Estate have faced, winter after winter, living in fear of the river bursting its banks, for when it does, and it generally happens once or twice during the rainy season, the Estate is completely cut off from the main road.

#### MAIN ARTERY

Sugden Avenue is its main artery to Wickford and Billericay and the need for improvement of the river has constantly been pressed home by the local Residents' Association.

Said the Association Treasurer, Mr. Roy Hayward, this week: "We were not informed as an Association that the work was starting. The news came through a resident. It came as a surprise that the work was starting so early, we had not expected it for several years."

Mr. Eric Moonman, M.P. for Billericay, who took up the need for improvement on behalf of the Association,

heard last week from the River Authority that work had started. The Clerk (Mr. C. L. Sturgess) informed him that the Ministry had approved the work for grant purposes "so quickly that I omitted to inform you."

Said Mr. Moonman: "On behalf of the residents of Sugden Avenue, for whom I took up the matter in the first place, I would like to take this opportunity of saying that we are grateful for the Minister's prompt action. We all complain when the Civil Service machine doesn't move fast enough — let's be appreciative when it does."

One man who was pleased work had started was Mr. Thomas Okell, whose bunga-

low lies close to the river banks and has been flooded many times.

"I think they are going to make a good job of it. It will be so much better," said 71-years-old Mr. Okell surveying his large garden, a lot of which is uncultivated because of previous floods.

#### TO BE REVOKED

Work to make Holmwood, Oak Avenue, Shotgate, fit for human habitation was almost complete. Basildon Council's Public Health Committee were told at their last meeting. They authorised their Chairman to revoke a demolition order made on the property following the completion of the work.

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Last Saturday Orient's gate at their home Third Division tie was a little over 3,000. It was the second lowest in the whole of the Football League.  
It is obvious the Club cannot continue with so little support and the directors will have to decide soon how to stop the slide. The move to Basildon could be a way out.  
Should they decide to come Orient will want to start operations in 1969. This leaves the Development Corporation little time to make a ground available.  
For this very important reason Orient's directors must make up their minds quickly, otherwise the Basildon move will start off on the wrong foot with a fight against time.

**SMART WORK ON THE TROUBLESOME RIVER**

THE RESIDENTS of Newhouse Farm Estate should be jubilant this week. Work has commenced on their big problem—the River Crouch—which for years has been a source of trouble to them by its winter-time flooding.  
The Essex River Authority were smartly off the mark when they got Ministerial approval of a grant for the work. And this came so quickly that even the Authority were taken by surprise and forgot to notify local M.P. Mr. Eric Moonman, who had taken up the matter on behalf of residents.  
When the work is completed the Estate property owners need no longer fear the coming of winter, bringing with it days and nights of worry in case the floods creep through their houses and bungalows, leaving chaos in their wake.  
Completion of the work should bring a new sense of security to the community and added esteem to their Residents' Association, who have been in the battle for river improvements since their inception.  
The improvement scheme is just one more success which has followed agitation by the general public.

**WHY NOT CUT DOWN COUNCIL CACKLE?**

BILLERICAY PEOPLE were last week denied the opportunity of probing Basildon Council to find out the latest details regarding the Billericay High Street redevelopment scheme and the inner relief road. The Council—by a slim majority—decided that the controversial subject should be "taken as read."  
"Undemocratic," the Labour councillors protested. The Tories, however, said it was up to the councillors to keep their speeches and criticisms as short as possible.  
Who was right? The sudden winding up of the meeting certainly left a bad taste in the mouths of many members of the public—and, of course, the Labour councillors.  
Did the Tories have something to hide or didn't they?  
The guillotine might be regarded as an instrument to persuade some of the councillors to keep to the point when debating. A lot of unnecessary wind blows through the Council Chamber at times.  
For instance, immediately preceding the Billericay and Wickford items on the agenda there was a debate on whether or not councillors and public should be allowed to smoke during Council meetings. It took 48 councillors 20 minutes to decide that everybody could smoke after two hours.  
Perhaps the Tories were wrong, but the Opposition should restrict drawn-out debates to the more vital problems affecting the urban district.

**Dancing time for Labour Party**



The picture above shows some of the people who attended the dance organised by the Fryerns Ward Labour Party in Fryerns Community Centre on Saturday.

**DRIVER SENT FOR TRIAL**

LEWELYN Bailey (36), of The Chase, Billericay, was committed for trial to Essex Assizes on Thursday accused of causing death by dangerous driving.  
He reserved his defence.  
Fourteen witnesses gave evidence for the Police at Brentwood Magistrates' Court and Mr. P. K. Watkins, prosecuting, said it was Bailey's fast driving which resulted in the death of Mr. Michael John Butler (34), a transport manager, of Abbotts Drive, Billericay.  
The accident happened at 11.10 pm on July 21st near the Plough public house at Hutton.  
"Mr. Bailey was driving his Cortina along Rayleigh Road towards Billericay, and when he neared the Plough public house he had to negotiate a shallow bend. But he was travelling too fast and lost control," said Mr. Watkins.  
His car careered on to the wrong side of the road, he alleged, caught a car coming in the opposite direction with a glancing blow and collided with two other cars on the forecourt of a garage.  
Mr. Butler, a passenger in Bailey's car, died from chest injuries, said Dr. John Whitehead, pathologist at St. Andrew's Hospital, Billericay.

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**  
**Bowers Gifford churchyard**

IN your issue of the 27th I instate you publish a photo of St. Margaret's Churchyard, Bowers Gifford, showing the "distasteful and disgraceful" mentioned by Mrs. Hazelton whose parents rest there.  
My family and I are also deeply concerned with this matter. My father, the late G. Howard of Blue House Farm, Pitsea, was laid to rest there six years ago. The real deterioration of the churchyard has taken place this year and I have had correspondence with the Chelmsford Diocesan Board of Finance in a vain endeavour to get something done, as it would appear that St. Margaret's possesses what must be one of the most neglected churchyards in the County. However, I have recently heard from the Rev. Eric G. Ford that the Church Council have purchased a rotary mower which I trust will be put to good use next spring.  
Older residents of the Parish will remember the days when the Rev. Eric was incumbent and the churchyard was a picture of beauty — St. HOWARD, Old School, London Road, Pitsea.

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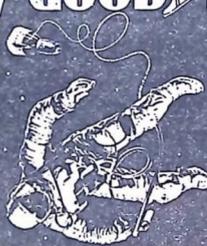
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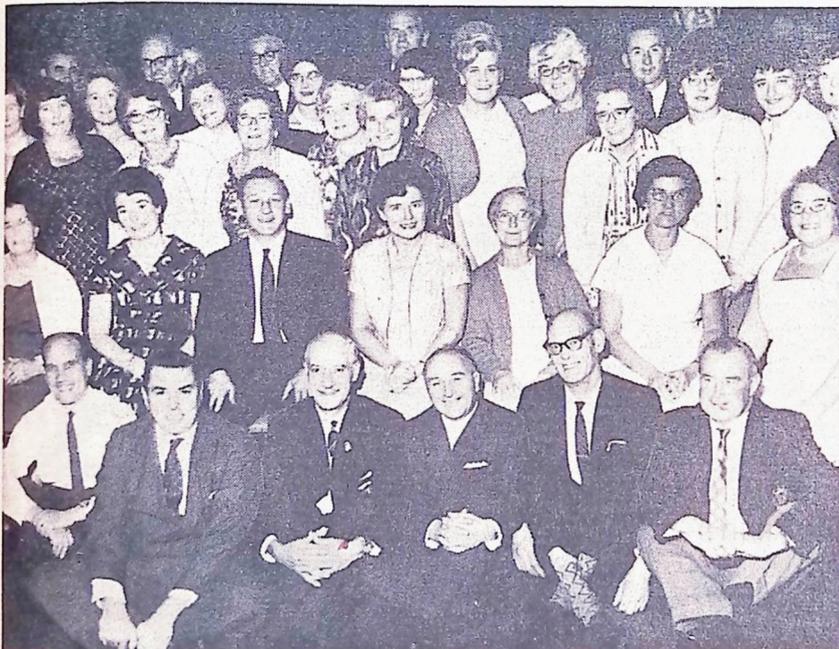
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# VETERAN READERS' PAGE



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## Aged widow who is marooned in a desolate area

**PRESSING BASILDON Council to be rehoused is Mrs. Ada Palmer, 76-years-old widow, who lives at present in Victoria Avenue, Pitsea.**

Victoria Avenue is still an unmade road, and the parts of it that have not turned into a quagmire with recent rains are overgrown with weeds. This, however, is not her main complaint—her little bungalow is the only one left standing in a desolate waste of rough ground.

Until two weeks ago there was another bungalow beside her, but it has now been demolished.

Mrs. Palmer used to live in Broadway Chambers, Pitsea, but she was forced to move from there because of the stairs.

There were 68 of them, before we got to our flat, and my husband had asthma," she told us. "We applied for rehousing, but the Council could do nothing for us."

In the end, because of Mr. Palmer's health, they moved to Westcliff, to live with their daughter. The same day that they moved, Mr. Palmer was taken ill, and he died later that night. It was their 40th wedding anniversary.

When Mrs. Palmer was offered the bungalow in Victoria Avenue, she was happy to take it — but in those days she had no neighbours.

"Now, as you can see, they've all gone!" she says. An official of Basildon Council came to see her about her application, but had nothing to offer her except at Landon. Mrs. Palmer refused the offer.

"I've been in Pitsea for 14 years; all my friends and interests are here," she says. She is Vice-Chairman of Pitsea Branch O.A.P. and has been a member of the British Legion for nearly 30 years.

Mrs. Palmer was born into an Army family, and carried on the tradition when she grew up. She married a sergeant-major in the Essex Regiment, and in the second world war she and her two daughters were all in the A.T.S.

My grandsons thought otherwise though, four of them are in the Navy," she said, pointing with pride to their photographs.

Mrs. Palmer hopes very much that the Council will be able to rehouse her before winter comes. "Otherwise I shall be marooned here," she says.

## Four had birthdays

BINGO provided entertainment for the Lang-

don Hills Over-60's Club at their weekly meeting at the W.I. Hall, Langdon Hills.

Chairman Mr. W. J. Holland presided and welcomed Mrs. Wood and Mrs. Whitford back to the Club after illness. Mrs. Holway was still away sick and reported to be much the same as last week.

Four members celebrated their birthdays and Mrs. Newman provided cakes for tea. Tea hostesses were Mrs. Newman and Mrs. Bonham.

## Concert party

**TERRY SLADE and his concert party entertained members of the Wickford No. 2 branch at their weekly meeting on Friday.**

The programme included songs and duets from musical shows. Taking part were Terry Slade at the piano and vocalists Mike Walker and Ada. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the show and afterwards Chairman Mr. P. Perkins proposed a vote of thanks for a most pleasant afternoon.

Mrs. Keeling celebrated her birthday with musical honours, accompanied by Mr. Fanner at the piano. Mrs. Oliver and Mrs. Read conducted the sales.

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Their own concert party entertained members of Basildon No. 2 Senior Citizens at their weekly meeting on Thursday week. Everyone joined in the choruses, and quite a few took the floor when old-time dances were played. Chairman Mrs. N. L. Baker, thanked them for a splendid afternoon's entertainment. Vice-Chairman Mrs. E. Cartwright conducted sales of clothing and raffles, in aid of Club funds. Tea and sick fund money was collected by "Maude." Tea hostesses were Mrs. Le Brun, Mrs. Holt and Mr. Appleton.

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Delegates were discussing the problem of the branches, whose officers were growing older and less able to cope with running things than they were when they accepted office. They felt that it would be a good thing to accept members from the age of 50, so that the burden of administration fell on younger shoulders.

Some branches draw the line at members under 65, which the Council felt was a bit high. It also discussed the increased electricity charges, and the general feeling was that this has now become a matter for the Federation itself. They are, however, expressing indignation regarding increased television licence in a letter to the Federation, as this new increase will drastically affect lonely old folk whose only company is their TV set.

Delegates who attended the recent Federation rally in Southend expressed dissatisfaction with the size of the hall chosen, especially as many would-be visitors were turned away. Four coachloads of pensioners from Maidstone were among those unable to get in, and the Council felt that this was greatly to be deplored. Chairman Mr. J. Wilkinson felt, however, that to estimate numbers at such a function was virtually impossible.

The Council had also received a letter from Regional Officer Mrs. E. Carter, in which she stated that she would be unable to seek re-election owing to her husband's ill-health. She was, therefore, asking the Area Council to nominate someone else.

Delegates felt that this would be far from easy as the region was far too large to be comfortably covered by one officer. They thought that it should be considerably condensed, which would enable each officer to visit all branches in turn.

## Bingo—songs Busy month

**BINGO AND a sing-song** provided entertainment for members of the Shogate No. 1 branch at their meeting on Wednesday week. Pianist was Mrs. Boulter.

Musical birthday honours went to Mrs. Hawkins; hearty congratulations went to Mr. and Mrs. Steadman, celebrating their wedding anniversary. Welcome back after illness, were Mesdames Pool, Warner, Hubbard and Byford, Mr. Cable and Mr. Shepherd. Chairman Mr. H. Bunce presided.

Secretary Mr. A. Wilkinson reported progress on arrangements for the branch's Christmas dinner.

## WELCOME BACK

A hearty welcome back was given to Mrs. L. Harrington, Chairman of Billerica branch O.A.P., when she returned once again to the meeting at Rose Hall last week. Owing to her husband's ill-health she has not been able to attend for many weeks. Mrs. Plumridge, Mr. Potter and Mr. Carter entertained with songs and community singing rounded off the afternoon's entertainment. Mrs. Peice was the pianist. Mrs. E. Carter and Mrs. Clark were reported sick and they and other sick members received the usual messages of sympathy for their recovery. Mr. Potter received musical birthday honours.

**RUNWELL O.A.P. branch** reported a busy month during October. Highlight of the month was the annual bazaar, which raised a total of £81. Chairman Mr. R. Croft thanked all stallholders and friends for the hard work they put in to make it such a success.

The branch received two visits from concert parties—Terry Slade and Friends, with songs from musical comedies, and a welcome return of the Belairs Concert Party, who provided a fine afternoon's entertainment.

## NEW MEMBERS

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Some of the audience at the Tuesday meeting of the Wickford Silver Threads Club, held at the Salvation Army Hall.



SOME OF THE OLD FOLK WHO USE THE GEORGE HURD CENTRE ENJOY A CHAT AFTER LUNCH.

# "People at work and play"



Basildon Photographic Society held their monthly print competition, "People at Work and Play," at Trinity Church Hall, Vange, on Thursday week. Our picture shows (left to right) Mr. L. Harris (winner of the Advanced Section), Mr. S. Harding (Beginners) and Mr. W. Stanton (Intermediate). In the background is Dr. R. Smith, who took second and third place, Intermediate.



Receiving the congratulations of Rev. A. Dunlop after their wedding at Holy Cross Church, Basildon, on Saturday, are Mr. William Frederick Hardy, of Blenheim Gardens, Aveling, and the former Miss Diane Carole Capon, of Curling Tye, Basildon.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a white satin dress with lace bodice and train, a head-dress of white nylon roses with diamante trimmings.

The bridesmaids were Misses Pauline and Valerie Capon (sisters of the bride) and Miss Jacqueline Brown (niece of the bridegroom). The first two had apricot satin dresses and the other an apple green satin dress.

Mr. Max Southby was best man.

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# Clergy encourage youngsters to train for the ministry

**CLERGYMEN MANNED** a stand at Basildon Careers Convention on Tuesday to encourage school-leavers to consider joining the ministry.

ORGANISED BY BASILDON CHRISTIAN COUNCIL, THE STAND WAS RUN BY THREE ANGLICAN CLERGY AND DEACONESS PAT COTTON. THE RURAL DEAN (REV. ARTHUR DUNLOP) TOOK THE MORNING SESSION, REV. KEITH PLAISTER WAS THERE DURING THE AFTERNOON, AND REV. BRIAN BUXTON WAS IN CHARGE THROUGHOUT THE EVENING.

Said Mr. Plaister: "The object is to advertise the opportunities open to youth for service in all forms of the Christian ministry. This includes everything, from the Church Army and missionaries to the ordained ministry."

As the stand was run by the Christian Council, no particular religious line was plugged. Most interest came from girls, and several talked with Deaconess Cotton, who was on duty all day.

Asked why the Church had taken the stand, Mr. Dunlop said: "There is a great deal of scope in the range of full-time jobs in the Church."

"The ministry itself is one part of the work. And overseas there is a lot of the missionary work. It is not a white man in a pith hat, holding a Bible and preaching to black people under a palm tree. Now we go out to work, to help the countries."

"Missionaries can be doctors, nurses, farmers and administrative officers. They deal with the whole of

life and not just good boys on a Sunday.

"As well as this," Mr. Dunlop continued, "there are increasing opportunities for women, both home and abroad. One part of this work is with people who have social problems, like unmarried mothers."

About the Careers Convention in general, the Rural Dean commented: "It is one of the best things in the life of Basildon, because everyone joins together to tell young people what is available. There is no need for them to drop into a job which is a rut."

In a room behind the clergy stand, two lonely building trade men sat forlorn. For they were the most concealed stand in the otherwise crowded Timberlog Secondary School.

Up to 3 o'clock in the afternoon only four boys had talked to the representative from Sir Lindsay Parkinson.

Over 150 company and careers officers took part in the day-long convention. For the first time City of London Youth Employment Officer Mrs. F. L. Chamberlain had a stand in the commerce section.

"So many young people from Basildon go to London to work," Basildon Youth Officer Mr. J. T. Edmondson pointed out.

"This year we have more representatives from the professions," said Senior Youth Employment Officer Mrs. A. Hine. "It is the fourth convention at Basildon and the range of jobs covered is far wider than before."

An estimate of over 2,500 visitors to the exhibitions, films and stands was made by employment officers. Half-term was chosen for the Convention.

See centre pages for pictures of the Convention.



Girls of Mayflower County Secondary School, Billericay, turned to fashion modelling when they showed some of the latest fashions which can be made up from patterns. The show took place in the school hall on Thursday week.

The Wickford Ladies' Circle held a fashion show in the Wickford Community Centre on Wednesday week. Model Jean Pemperton poses for our camera-man.



A Festival of Music was held at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Ramsden Bellhouse, on Saturday evening. Our picture shows the choir.

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# COUNCIL HOUSING DEFICIT OF £76,000 ANTICIPATED

## MOTOR CYCLE DEATH

MR. CHRISTOPHER Stephen Brown, 23-years-old labourer, of Warren Road, Rettendon, was killed on his motor cycle at Little Eadlow on Friday night.

His machine hit a tree at North Hill and he was thrown on to a heap of bricks just off the road.

Rushed to hospital at Chelmsford he was found to be dead on arrival, having sustained severe head injuries.

### Garages

A report on garage facilities in the Fryers area will be considered by Basildon Development Corporation this month. It was revealed on Thursday.

Speaking at last week's Council meeting, Leader of the Council, Mr. Anthony Stockley said a survey had been carried out and a report prepared. As an interim measure, some off-street parking was already being provided in the district.

AN ANTICIPATED deficit in the Housing Revenue Account of £76,000 for next year would not all be passed on to tenants of council houses, Chairman of the Housing Committee Coun. Reg Brown said this week.

He said that something would definitely be done so that rents would not be raised to the extent that was indicated by the deficit expected.

He was answering criticisms from Labour Group Leader Coun. Joe Morgan, who asked for assurance that the deficit would not be passed on to council house tenants.

He also wanted assurances that the Committee would investigate other ways of wiping out the deficit.

Releasing details later this week, Council Leader Anthony Stockley said the deficit would be soaked up by their plan to put a brake on council house building.

Said Coun. Stockley: "The original estimates by the previous Council concerning how many council houses would be needed were much too big.

"If we were to carry on as we are going it would involve spending more money on building and, at the same time, subsidising empty council houses.

"This is where the anticipated deficit comes from. By rephasing the building we can wipe out some of the deficit—thus reducing the amount to be made up by increasing rents."

Coun. Stockley said the Council were already up against problems of homelessness. They had virtually eliminated the waiting list.

On the question of rent rises, he claimed: "The days when council houses were occupied only by the needy are over. Many Council tenants are better off than other people buying their own homes. This is why the Housing Revenue Account is not subsidised by the rates, except in the case of old people's homes, and why deficits in that account must be made up by rents."

Next Thursday the Council's Housing Liaison Committee will meet Basildon Development Corporation. Their first task will be to discuss the possibility of common rent and rent rebate schemes. At present both authorities are running independent rebate schemes. At the same time, two quite different rent structures are in force.

The rebate scheme will be the first to be thrashed out. This will be comparatively easy.

Common rents are quite a different kettle of fish since, in some cases, Corporation rents are twice that of Council rents.

Whether a common policy would involve raising Council rents to Corporation standards or lowering Corporation rents to Council standards is not clear. But, initially, dis-

ussion would centre around feasibility.

Coun. Stockley explained: "When the Council takes over Corporation houses—and this could be in the near future if the expansion plan is not approved—it would be intolerable to have such differing rents for virtually identical houses.

"Any changeover, of course, would have to be phased, but, generally speaking, our aim is a common system for the whole community."

## Credit due?

A PAT on the back for themselves has come from Wickford Park Residents' Association. In their current Newsletter they note that they suggested to Basildon Council that in view of the rapid development of Wickford, maps should be placed at central points to help residents and visitors find their way around.

The Association received only a postcard acknowledgement from the Council, but Council minutes now show a proposal to put street indicators in the town.

"We suspect our approach is responsible for this move, but apparently the Council are keen to keep all the credit to themselves," said an Association member.

### NO HEAT

Bolters for Greensted Primary School, which were expected to arrive at the beginning of August, have not yet been delivered. It was announced at Basildon Council on Thursday. Heating cannot go on at the school until they do.

## CAN DRIVE AGAIN

ERIC STEVENS, of Kimberley Road, Laindon, successfully applied at Billericay on Tuesday for the removal of a three years' driving disqualification imposed in February, 1965, for driving without insurance.

Stevens said he needed a licence so that he could drive in a business capacity.

His disqualification was causing inconvenience to the building firm for which he worked.

## Can you help?

HAVE YOU just a little time to spare for someone less fortunate than yourself? Would you employ it in visiting a sick person with little or no contact with the outside world?

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If you feel that you can help, whatever your age group, please get into touch with Mr. A. Neales, 22, Falstones, Basildon, telephone Basildon 4514. He and the Basildon Multiple Sclerosis Society will be extremely grateful. Members of youth clubs would be especially welcome.

### POMPOTISY ?

Labour Group Leader of Basildon Council Coun. Joe Morgan criticised the provision of name plates for councillors' front doors at last week's meeting. "The pompotisy of some councillors is awful," he said. "If councillors who need name plates did their jobs properly, they would not need name plates to show where they live. At my home the phone is ringing all night. People certainly know where I live."

## Children help to build church

SIXTY CHILDREN paid £1 each to lay a brick at the new St. Paul's Methodist Church, Lee Chapel North, on Monday morning.

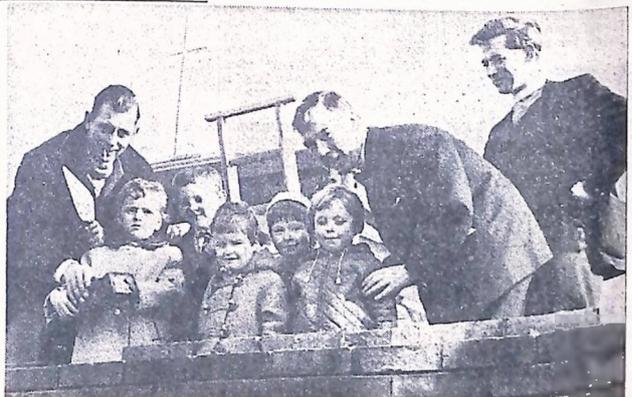
Barbara Bolton (5), of Long Lynderswood, Basildon, helped by foreman bricklayer Mr. Ronald Jones was the first child to lay a brick on a wall. "Work on the church is on schedule and we expect the building to be completed in June," said Laindon Methodist Minister Rev. Joseph Rooney.

Lee Chapel North is an experimental area for co-operation between the Metho-

dists and Anglicans. Rev. Keith Plaister, curate for Laindon-cum-Basildon parish, helped at the ceremony.

The bricklaying started and ended with a prayer. The church will be faced with an attractive burnt blue-brown colour called brown brindle.

Monday was chosen for the ceremony because it is half-term for local schoolchildren.



Under the cross of the half-built St. Paul's Methodist Church on Monday, foreman bricklayer Mr. Ronald Jones helps children lay the bricks they paid for. Rev. Keith Plaister and Rev. Joseph Rooney watch.

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# Still growing, Billericay A.T.C. want more accommodation

SO QUICK has been the growth of Billericay 2393 Air Training Corps Squadron since the opening of their new headquarters in Laindon Road last March that entry has had to be restricted and there is a waiting list of new entrants.

"The difficulty of accommodation has again reared its ugly head, the need for a further building becoming more of a reality daily," said Squadron Administration Officer Pilot Officer Sydney Roberts.

There was a solution to the problem, he said. It would be possible to ease the immediate situation and enable more young men to join by the formation of two nights, meeting on different nights.

But there again was a snag. "This is unlikely to take place until the instructor situation improves. Most badly needed are civilian instructors willing to come along one or two nights a week to assist in the training programme," said Pilot Officer Roberts.

The Commanding Officer (Flt.-Lieut. Reg Ferriss) would, he added, welcome any man with air crew, radio, navigation, weather or any other experience to meet him at the headquarters for a chat any Tuesday or Thursday evenings.

Speaking of the growth of the Squadron, the Pilot Officer said this had been in prestige as well as size. It was a first-class example of what could be achieved by hard work, enterprise and enthusiasm.

The Squadron strength was in the region of 50, and Cadets were now taking part in outside sporting activities, four, C.W.O. Barowski, Cadet Sergt. Palmer and Cadets Kearn and Deady, having been chosen for the East Essex Wing rugby team.

They now had their own football team and swimming representative in Cadet Ward. In addition, four Cadets took part recently in an aircraft recognition competition and were well placed, with C.P. Sergt. Burley successfully representing the Wing against West Essex.

On the social side the Squadron are now holding a social and modelling evening

on Fridays (see picture above), as well as their normal parades each Tuesday and Thursday.

## Biggest B.B. rally

THE biggest-ever Boys' Brigade rally in Basildon was held at the Congregational Church on Sunday. Over 150 boys were enrolled at a service.

Conducting the service was Rev. Cyril Rusbridge and Rev. Reg Williams gave a talk on the work and origins of the Boys' Brigade.

"The church was packed and many people had to stand," said Mr. Williams. About 120 boys were enrolled from 4th Basildon Company and 30 joined 3rd Basildon group.

## Bedroom and toilet are still banned

LITHUANIAN MR. Vytautas Jouzas Pilopa has been told by the Minister of Housing he cannot add bedroom and toilet to his Crays Hill home.

The official reason is that this improvement would be "the equivalent of creating a new dwelling."

A Ministry Inspector who held a public inquiry after Mr. Pilopa appealed against Basildon Council's refusal to give planning permission—decided there were no circumstances to justify making an exception to the general policy.

Mr. Pilopa's bungalow is in the countryside between Billericay and Wickford which is to become part of London's Green Belt.

Says the Inspector, Miss J. M. Alton, in her report: "Under normal conditions it might seem unnecessarily harsh to refuse to allow such facilities as a kitchen and bathroom to be added to

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Dictatorial pomposity

ONCE again the true nature of the Labour Group of Councillors has shown itself in your columns. It can be summed-up quite briefly — dictatorial pomposity!

Dictatorial because one notes that in the eventuality of the Labour Group gaining control of the Council, they do not intend to allow any opposition members to have seats on committees, only on panels. Pompous because they have already given themselves high-sounding titles.

The group leader now styles himself "Director of the Group Organisation." The title of "Director of Recreational Research" also takes a lot of beating for a lay councillor. I have no doubt that given the powers they would all like to confer on themselves research doctorates or even the title "Professor."

However, let no one be deceived. The Director of Group Organisation makes it quite plain that under a Socialist Council there will be a reversal to the utterly discredited three-man committees, but this time with no representatives from the opposition.

May I assure your readers that the Conservative Group has always guarded the rights of the opposition as keenly as it has asserted its right, as the majority party, to govern. It would appear that the Labour group of councillors does not subscribe to these principles — ANTHONY STOCKLEY, Leader, Basildon Urban District Council.

an existing dwelling even in a Green Belt, but that type of development to which the bungalow belonged was not normal.

"It was a type of substandard development which was widespread in the area and which presented special problems," she points out.

At the inquiry Mr. Pilopa, whose home is Eastcote in Southlands Road, said: "I am embarrassed to tell my relatives behind the Iron Curtain that I am living in a democratic country which won't let me put a bedroom and toilet in my own home."

The extension was for 155 sq. ft. of space which he said was needed to give the bungalow minimum living standards. Aged 40, Mr. Pilopa has war record on both sides. He deserted the German army at age 16 to fight with the Italian underground movement. He now runs a substantial ice-cream business from the Crays Hill bungalow.

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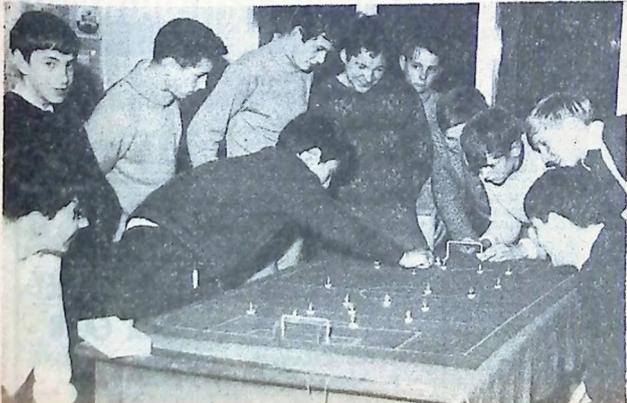
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"Double Trouble" (Thursday for three days) stars Elvis Presley as a discotheque singer. On a visit to London he meets up with an attractive blonde and sophisticated brunette, but they both spell "trouble" for Elvis.

#### Ritz, Billericay

Showing Sunday and Monday, "Tobruk" — an adventure drama set in Libya during the North African campaign of the last war. It opens with the kidnapping of a Canadian demolition expert by a party who appear to be Germans. Actually they are German Jews working for the Allies. Their job is to get into German-held Tobruk and stop Rommel's advance force.

"The Gnome — Mobile" (Tuesday for five days) is a fairy story about a millionaire who creates gnomes to preserve. A typical fairy tale in which virtue, true love and the faith of children triumph, and the villain gets his proper deserts.

#### Century, Pitsea

"The Great Escape" (one week, except Thursday) is based on Paul Brickhill's book. Thrilling, amusing and moving, its light-hearted approach sets the scene for the grim concluding moments, in which a group of American and British flyers pay heavily for their persistent plucky attempts at mass escape.

#### ABC, Southend

Retained for a further week "The Dirty Dozen" is a wartime adventure which tells how a U.S. Army major with a record of bravery and insubordination is detailed for a special and very dangerous job in occupied France. He is given command of 12 soldiers who are either awaiting the death sentence or long terms of imprisonment. They have been promised an amnesty for volunteering.

#### Ritz, Southend

"The Sound of Music" (Sunday for an indefinite period) is a spacious beautiful screen for the successful stage musical of the same name starring Julie Andrews and Christopher Plummer. The story tells of Maria, a postulant at the Abbey, a trial to all because of her harum-scarum ways, who is sent back into the world as governess to the seven children of Captain Von Trapp, a widowed and wealthy naval officer. She quickly wins their affection by teaching them to sing and dance, and the Captain also falls a victim to her charms.



A SCENE FROM BASILDON PLAYERS' PRODUCTION OF "THE NOBLE SPANIARD" AT BARSTABLE SCHOOL LAST WEEK. LEFT TO RIGHT: SALLY WELTON AS MARION NAIRNE, MIKE RATCLIFFE AS CAPTAIN CHALFORD AND JEAN BANKS AS LUCY. THE SETTINGS WERE EXCELLENT AND SOME OF THE PICTURES USED WERE BY BASILDON'S OWN ARTIST, MRS. MARY GORDING.

## ANOTHER BIG SUCCESS FOR BASILDON PLAYERS

"The Noble Spaniard", which they staged last week at Barstable Grammar School, chalks up yet another success for this talented group of actors, writes ELIZABETH WALL.

This light-hearted romp of a play by W. Somerset Maugham was thoroughly enjoyed by cast and audience alike. Set in the mid-19th Century, it captured the Victorian scene beautifully, greatly assisted by an excellent set. A quantity of paintings covered the walls, loaned by Basil's own artist, Mrs. Mary Gording — and whoever found the ormolu clock and the gorgeous embroidered bellpull must have been justly proud of the effect they made.

One of the Basildon Players' most experienced actors, Leslie Lang, was splendid in the role of Mr. Justice Proudfoot, whose attitude to his vain and silly wife ranged from mild exasperation to infuriated astonishment at finding her, seemingly, courted by a Spanish nobleman. Gwen Harwood was a convincing Lady Proudfoot, resplendent in a highly improbable wig.

Mike Ratcliffe as Captain Chalford made the best of a small part, although his performance was strongly reminiscent of Derek Nimmo's dithery curate of television fame. His innamorata, Lucy, was engagingly played by pert and pretty Jean Banks. Sally Welton, as the heroine, Marion, was convincingly annoyed yet secretly flattered by the attentions of the Noble Spaniard, Raymond Banks, who kept up the Spanish accent very well through out his performance. The play has its decidedly amusing moments, which the entire cast made the most of.

Producer Sybil Richardson, who coached the Players to victory earlier this year with "Woman In A Dressing Gown" must be delighted to find herself with another success to her credit. The full cast was as follows: — Lady Proudfoot, Gwen Harwood; Mr. Justice Proudfoot, her husband, Leslie Lang; Marjion Nairne, a young widow, Sally Welton; Lucy, her sister, Jean Banks; Mary

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### Officers and politics

THE DECISION to warn Council officers against accepting invitations to address political organisations brought protests from the Labour Group.

Coun. Alf Dove, who is running a course for potential Labour councillors, brought the matter up because the directive had stopped officers giving any help at his meetings.

Coun. Bill Archibald called the warning "a veiled threat, made to officers in no position to answer back."

Coun. Bill Chalk said he could see no reason why officers should not be allowed to address anybody on matters of general information.

"If the Conservatives met and asked an officer to attend we would not consider they were trying to seduce him from impartiality," he said.

"A similar request from this side should not be met with a rebuff as sinister as this."

"This does not apply to meetings held in public," replied Coun. A. Stockley, "and this is not a veiled threat. No action would be taken against an officer if he went to such a meeting."

His only fear, said Coun. Stockley, was that the Labour Group would provoke any officer, then twist his remarks for political advantage.

# Legion success must not lead to apathy

## Billericay in a happy mood

A GOOD YEAR, ONE OF THE BEST OF THE PAST DECADE. THAT WAS HOW BILLERICAY BRITISH LEGION CHAIRMAN MR. BOB JEFFERIES DESCRIBED THE PAST 12 MONTHS AT THE BRANCH'S ANNUAL MEETING ON WEDNESDAY WEEK.

He said that membership had been consolidated, Committee meetings well attended and a lot of work done. Although our membership is small compared with the size of the town, we are in a better position than many other branches in comparable or bigger towns," Mr. Jefferies added.

The branch should not, however, be complacent. The committee wanted more members, especially from the younger residents. It could offer a warm welcome, friendship and something to do—snooker, darts and other similar games—on Wednesday evenings at branch meetings. The greatest event of the year had been the provision of a new floor for the headquarters. It was laid by members and the old-time dance section, and it was the dancers who had raised the money—nearly £200—to purchase the flooring.

He went on to speak of the help given by the women's section, whose latest donation was of £30.

Treasurer Mr. Bill Richardson reported a balance of £110 18s. 4d., almost twice last year's figure.

Mr. Stan Forder (Secretary) said members were now going ahead with repair and re-decoration of the kitchen. He appealed for help distributing the poppies and wreaths and in house-to-house collecting.

Mr. Percy Munn, reporting on the Service Committee, said there had not been one fresh case to deal with during the year, and he thought this was mainly due to the Welfare State.

The branch were still looking after five old age pensioners, four receiving Legion pension, and he hoped it would be possible again this year to provide them with coal or other fuel.

Reporting on the Ways and Means Committee, Mr. Norman Alston said that proceeds of about £125 had been handed to the branch, and £17 8s. 10d. had been raised for last year's Poppy Day Appeal.

Officers elected were: President, Mr. Munn; Chairman, Mr. Jefferies; Vice-Chairman, Miss M. Woods; Secretary, Mr. Forder; Assistant, Mr. L. Wood; Treasurer, Mr. Richardson; Standard-bearer and Service Secretary, Mr. Munn; Standard Bearer, Mr. K. Fearn; Mr. Wood and Mr. A. Boughtwood; and Committee, Messrs. Boughtwood, Gardiner, Spencer, Alston, Wood, Johnson, Jewell and Fearn and Miss E. de Ros.

### FIRE STATION

A scheme for building a new fire station at Billericay has been deferred for a year by Essex County Council. Estimated to cost £40,500, it has been placed in the 1969/70 capital programme.

## HOTELIER CAME TO THEIR ASSISTANCE

AN UNFORTUNATE mistake in the booking of Laindon Community Centre threatened the annual dinner of Laindon Darby and Joan Club last Friday. Members had to vacate the hall by 7 p.m., but were able to continue their social evening in a private room at Laindon Hotel, by kind permission of Mr. Williams.

Nevertheless, a most enjoyable time was had by everyone. Among the special guests were Mrs. G. Card, Mrs. I. Carr and Mrs. S. Chowdhary; Dr. Rubie's mother, who comes from India, also attended, and enjoyed the dinner very much. It was the first time there had been to this kind of function.

Following after-dinner speeches, Mrs. Henwood, Club Secretary, and Mrs. Webb, Treasurer, were presented with a pot plant, and the ladies of the committee received boxes of chocolates. All other ladies received a bouquet. Special thanks go to members of the Laindon St. John's Ambulance Brigade, who took old folk home after the event.

## Boy dies 11 weeks after crash

ELEVEN weeks after sustaining severe head injury in a road crash 11-years-old Peter Jones, of Atholstan Gardens, Wickford, died in the London Hospital, Whitechapel, on Sunday.

On August 10th Peter was a passenger in a car driven by his father, Mr. Douglas Jones, when it was involved in a head-on collision with another car outside Woodham Mortimer Parish Church.

Also in Mr. Jones' car were his wife, Margaret, their daughter, Shirley (14), another son, Andrew (seven), and a friend, Miss Linda Simpson (15), of Church End Lane, Runwell.

All were detained in hospital with severe injuries, as also were the two occupants of the other car, Mr. Brian Clark (21), of Willow Crescent, Hatfield Peverel (the driver), and Mr. Douglas Carter (20), of Mill Lane, Cressing. Miss Simpson was less seriously hurt.

The inquest on Peter was opened at St. Pancras on Wednesday.

After taking formal evidence of identification the Deputy Coroner, Mr. W. Olanek, adjourned the case until November 29th.

### NEW LIBRARIES

Approval was given by Essex County Council on Tuesday to a scheme to build a £33,500 branch library at Vange next year and a £44,600 branch library at Billericay in the following year.

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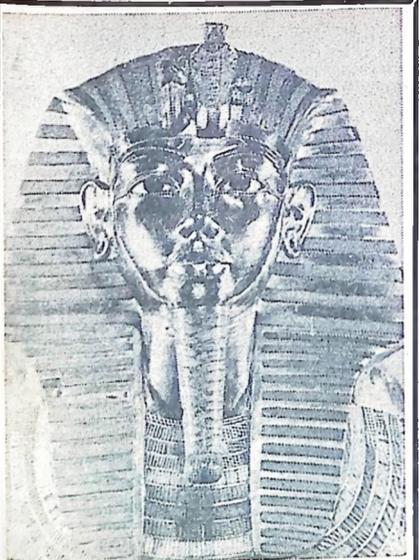


The wedding took place on Saturday at the Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel of Mr. Roger Bernard Marshall, of Linden Road, Wickford, and Miss Gillian Elizabeth Christie, of Church End Lane, Runwell. Father J. Gallagher performed the ceremony. The bride was given away by her brother, Mr. Patrick H. Christie, and wore a full-length gown of white slipper satin with a broderie anglaise bodice and train. A floral head-dress held her short, bouffant veil, and she carried a bouquet of orchids and freesia. The bridesmaids were the Misses Irene Richley, Eleanor Nemilio, Wendy Anderson and Debbie Angelo, who wore dresses of slipper satin in turquoise and peach, and carried freesia and carnations. Best man was Mr. Peter Todd. The couple are spending their honeymoon in Devon. (Photo by Stan Caldwell)



Miss Marian Lesley Thorne, of Station Road, Wickford, was married to Mr. David Hurley, of Lantons, Kingswood, on Saturday, at St. Catherine's Church, Wickford, by Rev. F. C. France. The bride was given away by her father, Mr. D. E. Thorne. The bridesmaid were Miss Marilyn Thorne and Miss Maurcan Hurley. The best man was Mr. Andy Hurley, the bridegroom's brother. (Photo by J. Hargreave)

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# HOUSEWIFE'S PROTEST TO COUNCIL

**BILLERICAY HOUSEWIFE** Mrs. Margaret Rayner, of Hillhouse Drive, is protesting to Basildon Council against proposed plans to convert the pedestrian path from her road to Lake Meadows into an access road for cars.

Mrs. Rayner, a mother of two—Paul, aged six, and Colin (three)—whose house backs on to an undeveloped piece of land at the side of Lake Meadows, has been in Keay House and learned that detailed plans are going before the Planning Committee which involve the pedestrian path being converted to an access road.

"The developer wants to build three bungalows at the back of my house and use the path as a drive," she retorted.

"I'm not complaining about him wanting to build the bungalows—but I don't want heavy vehicles thundering by the side of my house."

Mrs. Rayner saw a Council official recently who told her that the developer had submitted detailed planning.

"The Parks Committee have evidently told the developer that he can use the land. The Parks Committee have been a bit high-handed about it."

"I think the people living nearby ought to be told about the plans so they can register objections," she declared.

"I've got two small children. It would be ludicrous to have heavy bulldozers going backwards and forwards all day."

"We heard that the developer had previously submitted outlined planning which detailed an entrance further along Hillhouse Road. But the new plans give a different picture," she said.

## "Guillotine" at 10 p.m.

THE MEETING ended in confusion and argument when the "guillotine" was applied and business cut short at 10 p.m.

This left several contentious minutes undiscussed, and Labour councillors bitterly complained for over half-an-hour before the "guillotine" was finally enforced.

In protest Coun. Joe Buckley left the Council Chamber when the public and Press were excluded, and Coun. Joe Morgan, leader of the Opposition, threatened to complain to the Minister of Housing.

"This is a successful attempt to prevent any discussion on the Executive report," claimed Coun. Bill Chalk, "which is, after all, the most important of all the minutes."

Main item which the Labour councillors wanted to discuss was the Study Group Report on the Billericay High Street plan.

"I gave two hours' notice of this 'guillotine'," Leader of Council Coun. A. Stockley told members, "personally, I would like to make a statement on the High Street report."

Coun. Joe Buckley first tried to rule the "guillotine" out of order, then put forward a suggestion that no Council meeting should be held in private.

"The public at large should know what the Council is doing," he said, "they shouldn't just be told at a later date. I have no intention of taking part in secret discussion."



The picture above shows 3rd Billericay Cub Scouts at their Halloween party at Christ Church, Perry Street, on Monday.



On the right a scene at the 5th Basildon Brownies' bazaar in the Congregational Church Hall in Honey Pot Lane, Basildon.

### TRAFFIC BAN

A section of Nethermayne between Cherrydown and The Knures will be closed to traffic on November 8th between 9.30 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. It will be made traffic free to enable workmen to erect the £10,000 footbridge across the road.

### HURT IN MARKET

Eight-years-old Kevin Morgan, of Long Riding, Basildon, sustained a fractured wrist and concussion when he fell while playing among the market stalls in Basildon Town Centre on Monday.

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## Cakes sold out first

THERE WAS no lack of eager customers at the Christmas bazaar held on Saturday by the Langdon Hills Women's Institute at their hall in Samuel Road (see picture above). A wide range of most attractive goods was offered for sale, and business was very brisk. The branch's president, Mrs. Audrey Walker, opened the proceedings, and was afterwards presented with a bouquet by Karen Reed. First to sell out was the cake stall, which offered a wonderful array of cakes, plain and fancy. The Christmas stall was well patronised, too, offering as it did Christmas cards, seasonal wrapping paper and tinsel string, and decorations. Stallholders were as follows: Mrs. Watson; Mrs. Cobb; Mrs. Carter; Mrs. Povey; Mrs. Saville; Nightdresses; Mrs. Potts; Mrs. Markham; Tombola; Mrs. Bratley; Mrs. Barnett; Mrs. Bedford; Bottle stall; Mrs. Fowler; Mrs. Robinson; Plants; Mrs. Rowe; Mrs. D Smith; Mrs. Southgate; Stationery; Mrs. Davis; Mrs. Hay; Beauty stall; Mrs. M. Reed; Mrs. W. Reed; Raffles; Mrs. Miller; Treasure Hunt; Mrs. Ratcliffe; Handkerchiefs; Nurse Broome; Mrs. Hodges; Treasure Trail; Mrs. Mudd; Mrs. Bailey. Refreshments were served by Messdames Holland, Newell, Wheaton, Jones and Roddam.

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## Guides' autumn fayre

BETWEEN £45 and £50 was raised for District funds at Basildon Girl Guides' District Autumn Fayre last Saturday. The fayre, which was held at St. Martin's Church Hall, Basildon, was opened by Commissioner Mrs. H. Keford and was a great success. Afterwards District Commissioner Mrs. Shelton said how pleased she was with the results. Stalls were manned as follows: White elephant—1st Basildon Brownies; slideshows—Guides; lotteries—2nd Basildon Brownies and Guides; soft toys and books—3rd Basildon Brownies; haberdashery—Guides; groceries—5th Basildon Brownies; "baby work"—Guides; stationery—7th Basildon Brownies; "bakes and sweeten"—Basildon Brownies; bran tub and toys—Guides; raffles and refreshments—8th Basildon Brownies and Guides; potted plants and ornaments—Basildon Local Association.

## Stole cosmetics from factory

TWO WOMEN, both from Byfleet, Vango, pleaded guilty at Billericay on Tuesday to stealing cosmetics from Yardley's factory, Basildon. Their cases were tried separately. For stealing cosmetics worth more than £21, including 30 lipsticks, while she was working at Yardley's, Gwendoline Sugenat, 42, was put on probation for 12 months. She had no previous convictions and pleaded guilty, telling the Court: "It was a bit of a temptation. I am very sorry I did it. I wish I hadn't gone there now." She was ordered to repay the money to Yardley's. Gwendoline Heyvey, also of Byfleet, took £2 7a. worth of cosmetics, including 13 lipsticks. She pleaded guilty and was given a conditional discharge with seven guineas costs and ordered to pay £2 7a. Said the Chairman Mr. H. A. Rolton: "We know these things are very often done and people overlook the fact that it is stealing—but it is."

## Remembrance Day service

TO MARK Remembrance Day, Basildon Congregational Church are holding an open air drumhead service on the grass outside the church. The Boys' Brigade band are providing the music and the preacher will be Rev. Reg Williams. It is to be held at the usual eleven hour.

## Library decision deferred

A DECISION on Basildon Council's application to become a library authority has been deferred by the Secretary of State for Education until the report of the Royal Commission on Local Government is published — probably next autumn. minute fogged Coun. Alf Dove on Thursday, so he asked Chairman of the Housing Committee Coun. Reg Brown to explain what it meant. It turned out that Coun. Brown could not make much sense of it either, but he has agreed to make his own investigations into the minute, which comes with smoke control, and give a personal answer to Coun. Dove.

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# "Murder at the Vicarage"



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## Collectors confuse

A TOTAL of £695 7s. 9d. was forwarded to Christian Aid Headquarters as a result of the collection earlier this year.

This was announced at the annual meeting of the Basildon Christian Council, held at Basildon Congregational Church on Wednesday week, by Treasurer for 1966/67 Mr. F. Dorward.

This year's collection has been allocated to the large-scale scheme of soil conservation and irrigation in Botswana (formerly Bechuanaland).

Reporting on Christian Aid Week, Rev. Cyril Rusbridge said that some confusion, and even abuse for collectors, had arisen when they called at houses and found that they had been beaten to it by a party of schoolchildren.

He and his helpers were at a loss to know how the children

came by collecting material. Christian Aid Headquarters stress that this is never issued to children under 16 since this is against the law.

There followed a discussion on the relative merits of house-to-house collections versus the now popular sponsored walk. Most members voted to keep the usual house collection.

## Car thieves

Car thieves hit twice in Basildon on Monday. A Hillman Rascal utility owned by Mr. Michael Thomas, of Cressotis, Basildon, was stolen from the Van Gogh car park, and a Ford Anglia owned by Mr. Brian Pilcher, of Turpin, Basildon, disappeared from Clay Hill Road.

# WOMEN FIGHT TO SAFETY AS HOUSE BLAZES

CHOKED BY dense black smoke, three occupants of a Vange council house groped their way to safety when fire swept through their home just before midnight on Friday.

Eventually 37-years-old Susan Roberts clawed at the front door lock to let two sisters, Linda and Freda Roberts, free to raise the alarm.

By the time the blaze was brought under control the Roberts' home in Merricks Lane was so badly damaged, mainly by smoke, that it is uninhabitable.

Neighbours, including Mr. Ronald Sexton (next door) and Mr. Peter Sims, attempted to tackle the fire until Basildon Fire Brigade arrived.

The first sign of a fire came half-an-hour after the family went to bed.

"I was awakened by a bang and found the room thick with smoke," said Miss Linda Roberts. "It was so dense I could not find the light switch."

The blaze started in the lounge of the 18-months-old house. The heat was so intense that glass was shattered and lampshades and aluminium door hinges melted.

Basildon Council worked quickly on Saturday morning to offer temporary accommodation to the Roberts. One offer was a new house in Pitsea.

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## They'll help with gardens

FOLLOWING A report in last week's "Standard Recorder," Basildon Councilor Fred Mercer has received 50 replies from people interested in helping elderly people with their gardens.

The idea, which came from a Councilors' Clinic at Pitsea, is to help elderly people unable to tend their gardens through some incapacity.

Coun. Mercer told a reporter this week: "The response to this article has been fantastic."

"I have had replies from many elderly people who could do with a hand in their gardens, and I have heard from many young people willing to give a hand."

"I see this scheme being run on a voluntary basis with a committee to coordinate work. Those people who have offered help are young and it is a splendid chance for them to show what they will do for the old folk."

Coun. Mercer said it was surprising how many old people in the district were unable to tend their gardens.

The next step will be to approach firms in the district for the loan or donation of tools. Coun.

Mercer also hopes to receive help from local nurseries.

## MAN ON RAPE CHARGE

A BASILDON woman received severe injuries in an assault on Friday night.

Det.-Insp. Eric Smith told Billericay Court on Monday the woman was still in hospital and could not see. Alan Dixon (21), serving in the R.A.F. at Wattisham, was charged with rape. He was remanded in custody for eight days. Det.-Insp. Smith saying the report had to go to the Director of Public Prosecutions.

He said that just after midnight on Friday, Dixon was standing at a bus stop in Pitsea when the woman walked by. She was not feeling well and Dixon offered to escort her home. The woman felt sick, tripped and fell to the ground. Dixon, Det.-Insp. Smith alleged, then committed the offence.

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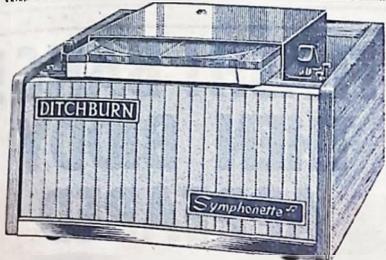
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**DRAINCHILD** of Rex Guppy, the Kingswood Squash Club at Basildon has got off to a very successful start. With five hundred members already enrolled, the squash courts and club are fulfilling a very definite need in South-East Essex for somewhere to spend a pleasant evening combined with a game which is becoming more and more popular for fun and for health.

Squash has become universally popular because it can be played by both men and women of all ages and it provides good exercise for all the muscles of the body in a very short time.

Equipment is not expensive — a hollow rubber ball and a racket with a wooden hoop 1 1/2 in. in diameter and an overall length which must not exceed 27 in., white shorts, sweater and non-skid plimsolls — and good courts, of course. It can be played all the year round, during the day or in the evening. The game is not difficult to learn, yet it does call for skill and a certain amount of cunning.

Enthusiasm for this project seemed to run through everything and everybody connected with it. To start with, the Basildon Corporation offered a site which was



The pleasant atmosphere of the club lounge is enhanced by the natural wood finishes and the wide, double-glazed windows. The building is basically constructed in two sections, one being the six courts and the other the club and administrative offices. The courts, changing rooms and club lounge are built to a very high standard indeed.

just about perfect. The architect, Mr. Ronald Cox, A.R.I.B.A., fired by so much enthusiasm, set out to make the club the finest yet built, with particular emphasis on the quality of the courts and changing rooms. He succeeded beyond all hopes.

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In May the membership list was opened with no advertising, yet from all parts of the County people joined the club as founder-members and by mid-September the

list exceeded 350. During the period of building, the club was fortunate in obtaining the services as club professional of Mr. Ron Reynolds, former coach at Eton, Hurstpierpoint, Gresham, and latterly at the Northwood Squash Centre. In July Mr. W. A. McDonnell (former Chief Constable of Southend) was appointed manager of the club.

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# CHILDREN'S PAGE



Mark Clemence (8) played the cello and sister Annemarie the violin at a Festival of Music held at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Ramsden Bellhouse, on Saturday.

## MORE GIFTS FOR THE OLD PEOPLE

GRATEFUL thanks are due this week to two more trading firms for their generous donations to our Christmas Appeal for the old folk.

They are Messrs. Finetare, Ltd., and the London Co-operative Society, both of whom have sent vouchers which can be cashed for groceries.

I am hoping to have the Christmas tree very shortly; as soon as the nurseries can get one, in fact. Keep an eye on our window and when you see the tree, bring in your gift!

This year, we are hoping to pack our parcels on December 8th; and because I am determined that we are going to beat last year's total of 200 parcels, I have booked a hall for the packing.

Last year we had them in the office, and there was literally no room for anything but parcels!

Don't forget—any discarded toys, in good working order, would be most welcome for children who would not otherwise get a present this Christmas; and the old people will be more than grateful for a packet of tea or a pound of sugar.

Our first gift of toys has come in, and my sincere thanks go to David Holdsworth, of Cattawade Link, Basildon. David is 8, and attends Manor Junior School, and he brought a big bag full of lovely toys that will delight every child's heart this Christmas.

You will remember that last year we made a great many people, old and young, happy at Christmas time and there are indications that this year our appeal will be even more successful.

I know I can rely on my generous Happy Pals!

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## FLASH! BANG! THEN BIDDY APPEARED



THE LONG-SUFFERING rabbit in the picture is Biddy Flynn. She is of no particular breed (her master says darkly, "Heinz!") and she belongs to Stuart Kingham, who is 13, and who is a Scout with 1st Runwell Troop.

Stuart has had Biddy Flynn now for some little time. He bought her from a little girl who did not want her. To tell the truth, Stuart's parents were not all that anxious to have her, but Stuart pleaded and now Biddy is one of the family. She has the run of the house, and is as tame and house-trained as a cat or dog.

When Stuart was invited, along with other members of 1st Runwell Cubs and Scouts, to the Halloween party given by 1st Wickford Scout Group, he thought of a wonderful party trick. He arranged a cauldron, and some flash powder; everyone had to sit and chant magic words, and at the Margaret Westwood, of Leighton moment, the flash went am Court Drive, Leish, 11, all and be produced Biddy on November 4th. Stuart Flynn from the cauldron with a flourish.

All the boys were delighted, but as you can see, Biddy looks a bit disgusted with the whole affair.

Stuart has two very interesting hobbies, as well as Scout-ing, and would like one day to be a draughtsman. He also has his own go-kart, and gets a lot of fun from that, as you can imagine. His mother says that he is so very fond of animals that he thinks he ought to be a veterinarian. Well, Stuart, it will be interesting to see which you really do become, won't you, Biddy? Good luck to you either way—and both be friends!

## BIRTHDAYS

VERY MANY nappy returns of the day go this week to the following Happy Pals:

White, of Fairstons, Basildon, 12; Karen Phillips, of Hoxells, Basildon, 12; Karen Prince, of Church Road, Basildon, six; and Nigel Stearn, of Swanage Road, Southend, 11, all on Friday, November 3rd.

Richard John Burton, of Fitcham Rise, 11; Graham Loring, of Clay Hill Road, Basildon, 12; Ann Searle, of Perry Street, Billericay, 11; Irene Cummins, of Brook Drive, Wickford, and Anne chant magic words, and at the Margaret Westwood, of Leighton moment, the flash went am Court Drive, Leish, 11, all and be produced Biddy on November 4th. Stuart Flynn from the cauldron with a flourish.

Teresa Skinner, of Matching Green, Basildon, 14; Stephen Chesterman, of Long Acre, Basildon, seven; Christine Ellis, of Pattiswick Square, Basildon, 14; and Les Duttall, of Little Doding, Two Llewellyn, of Caywood, Linstead, 10 on November 7th. Mark Kimpton, of Church Road, Basildon, 13 on November 8th. A very happy birthday to you all.

## TWO MORE HAPPY PALS

JOIN ME THIS WEEK IN SAYING A BIG HELLO TO TWO NEW HAPPY PALS WHO HAVE WRITTEN TO ME ASKING TO JOIN OUR LEAGUE.

They are Julie and Sharon Helkin, they live at Ballards Walk, Basildon, and go to Nicholas' Second-ary School and Sharon to Janet Duke Junior School, respectively.

and they are 12 and nine respectively. Welcome to the Happy Pals' League, girls; I'm delighted to have you as members.

I feel sure that you will soon make lots of new friends; and, as you write such lovely neat letters, Julie, I expect your old friends will be very pleased to hear from you, from time to time.

## DUMBELLE

IF ONLY THE FOG WOULD GO WE MIGHT FIND POOR CHIMP

LET'S ALL SHOUT

CHIMP WHERE ARE YOU!

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NOW I'LL CREEP OUT OF HERE AND BACK TO THE CAR!

HANG IT, THE DOOR'S LOCKED! I'LL HAVE TO CLIMB BACK!

HELP! MY ROPE'S GOING!

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## Goldy from Billericay

DO YOU like watching television? And if so, did you see the Blackpool Circus programme last week?

If you did, you will of course have seen the wonderful horse, with his mistress, Jean Hoaire. Did you know that the Hoaire family live very near—actually in the Basildon urban district, in Billericay?

They are, of course, all extremely proud of Joan and Goldy, and have big photographs of her on display. Especially proud of her is her grandmother who has been in the circus business all her life, and is affectionately known to everyone as The Countess. Goldy is the most remarkable horse, and is obviously intended to perform both in the circus ring and out of it. He and Joan are quite inseparable, and together in a specially-constructed caravan performance includes dancing the cha-cha, helping Joan off with her coat, stretching out his feet, fore and aft, and rocking like a rocking horse, next answering questions with nods and shakes of his head. When the performance comes to an end, the Countess makes sure he doesn't leave her alone.

Perhaps you will be lucky enough to visit the circus this Christmas—and who knows you might even see Goldy and Joan for yourselves.

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## CIGARETTE COUPONS BAN

THE Government's intention to ban cigarette coupons was described by Mr. Robert McGrindle, Billericay Conservative Prospective Parliamentary Candidate, this week as a "complete disregard for individual liberty."

Speaking at a Conservative meeting in Basildon on Monday he said that many people, non-smokers included, must be surprised at the proposed ban.

"Seldom has there been a move more likely to be ineffective or so gully of hitting the wrong nail on the head. I simply do not believe that coupons attract people to smoke, though they may induce a change to the brands which supply them," he said.

Good sales managers would soon find another way, perhaps by reducing the price, of retaining customers.

Mr. McGrindle went on: "Surely of vital importance is the complete disregard for individual liberty. This is supposed to be a free country and a manufacturer should be free to advertise his product as he wishes. The Government's function should be to point to the dangers of smoking and, by legitimate propaganda, encourage the young not to start."

Just making a law about it seldom stopped anything, especially something as deep-rooted as cigarette smoking. It was far more effective to teach them to restrict and punish, he added.

Mr. McGrindle referred to motoring and said it was now almost impossible to drive a car without breaking the law in some way.

"The British people must be vigilant, less all sorts of restrictions spread to other walks of life. What worries me is that this is a further step along the road to a society in which the gentlemen in Whitehall always know what is good for us," he said.

## Not fit to eat in?

CONDEMNING Chantry Cottage, the Billericay W.R.V.S. centre, as "a place unfit for old people to eat in," Coun. Joe Morgan said the Council had "blindly" taken on a suggestion from Essex County Council to spend a small sum on repairs.

Coun. Eric Brown said the Council had accepted the offer because there was no other accommodation in Billericay.

"There isn't another place for old people to have their meals," he said.

Coun. Percy Saunders replied: "Somebody hasn't been reading their minutes. Three church halls were looked at in Billericay some time ago. Why haven't you taken any of the old people to those decent accommodation?"

### SHED CUTTED

A shed at Providence Cottage, Dry street, Langford Hills, was gutted by fire on Tuesday afternoon. Basildon firemen dealt with the blaze. The cottage is a private house and the cause of the fire unknown.

## "ARE YOU AS FORWARD AS I AM?..."

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For in 1930 Mrs. G. P. Cooper (73), of Elmtree Road, and Mrs. May Elizabeth Thorogood (65), of Bardfield, helped raise £210 to buy the land. They ran a Recreation Ground Appeal and gave the land to the then Pitsea Parish Council. Mrs. Cooper (left) and Mrs. Thorogood are seen looking at Press cuttings of 1930. The deeds are now with Basildon Council and shades of 1930 were revived for Mrs. Cooper and Mrs. Thorogood, both organisers of Vange and Pitsea Co-operative Women's Guild, when they read of official plans for a large-scale family recreation centre on the marshes. "We were offered the whole estate of 6,025 acres of Pitsea Marshes in 1929 by Mr. Behington, agent for the owner," Mrs. Cooper told a reporter. "Many local people and tradesmen gave donations and we bought as much land as we could. "At the time we thought this could be a second Maldon. We are disappointed that nothing has been done with the land since." Mrs. Thorogood added: "It could have been an asset to the town."

### Blind pigeon breeder

WHEN MR. Alfred Hurley, of Ramsden View Road, Wickford, and his daughter, Mrs. Rosina Robinson, enter their pigeons for a show you can bet

they're hot favourites to win. One recent success by their latest show racer paid for Mr. Hurley's central heating.

Although he has been breeding pigeons for seven years, Mr. Hurley has only taken them to shows for the past four seasons. Yet in this time he has won 50 firsts, as well as 300 other prize cards. This is besides the 200 prize cards he has for racing.

Pretty good going for anyone, you may think, but Mr. Hurley was blinded while serving with the Eighth Army at El Alamein during the war, and so has to be able to care for his birds by touch alone.

Most successful pigeon fanciers have had to pay up to £50 for a possible champion pigeon, but Mr. Hurley's new champion was bred from one that was going to be killed, and one which Mr. Hurley's brother gave him.

Among Mr. Hurley and his daughter's bigger wins, a first in the "People" Show of Racing Pigeons deserves mention, as in this show the entries came from all over the British Isles and there were well over 500.

The most recent wins were at the Royal International Dairy Show, when out of 12 entries they won eight prize cards. These were a first, a second, a fourth, two fifths, a sixth and two very highly commended.

### Her way of beating Hitler

HILDA ("Connie") Juniper, of Langham Crescent, Billerica, could think of only one way to get her own back on Hitler during the war. She joined Brentwood City Coach Service as a conductress so that more men could go to the front lines and fight the war.

"I was fed up with taking Hitler's bombs so I decided to do something which would help beat him," she declared. "I was a conductress on the buses from 1941."



Pigeon showman Mr. Alfred Hurley and his wife with one of the champion birds.

## The birdman of Basildon



THE BIRDMAN of Basildon seen above is Mr. V. Wiseman, of Elmtree Road, Vange, who has ringed about 20,000 birds on the Essex marshes in ten years.

He has recently returned from a ringing trip to the Spanish Marismas — the largest uninhabited area in Europe — where, with two other Vange men, he ringed a thousand birds.

birdman. Two years ago they trapped and ringed 204 waxwings — the biggest invasion of Britain the colourful Swedish birds have made for some 55 years.

With 41-years-old ornithologist Mr. Wiseman were Mr. B. A. Sheppard (48), of Ravenscourt Drive, and Mr. Ken Randal (20), of Dencourt Crescent. Their scientific mission was sponsored by the Spanish Ministry of Education and Science.

These birds had absolutely no fear of man. "They had probably not even seen a man before," Mr. Wiseman said. "But one bird was shot at Vange. Police brought it to me and I had it stuffed."

The team of ringers lived on hard bread for a fortnight and on the return journey Mr. Wiseman suffered an encounter with a scorpion — and was bitten between the eyes.

His ringing is helping make a picture of bird movement over Britain. On the local scene the picture is being changed by New Town development. At one time Vange Hill was alive with bullfinches — but now the bulk have moved from the recent building to the scrub lands of Langdon Hills.

"For five days I had a head like a balloon," he says. "A scorpion bite is normally not fatal to a healthy adult."

Some years ago Mr. Wiseman found a snake on the marshes with a big bulge in its stomach. "I cut it open and found reed buntings I had ringed a week before."

Back home in Essex, Mr. Wiseman organises weekly teams of ringers. They leave an hour before dawn on a Sunday morning and stay on the marshes till midday. Basildon sometimes provides excitement for the

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Mrs. Juniper

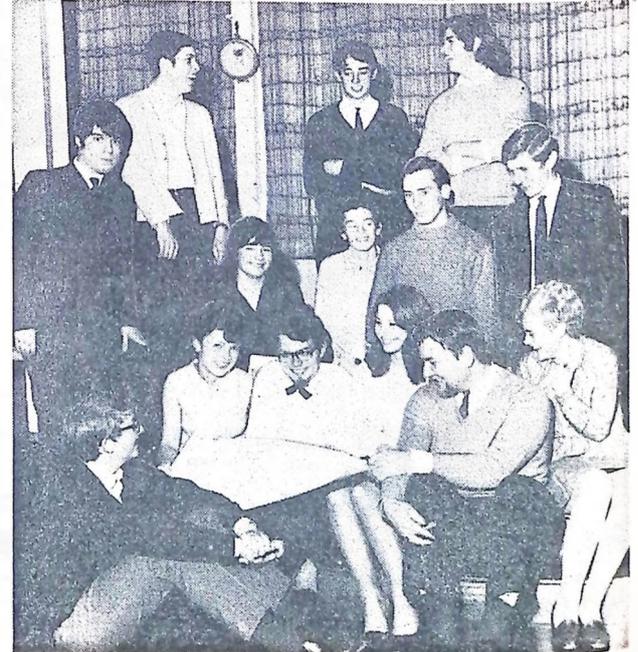
She said: "There was such a feeling of togetherness in those years. Now people's attitudes are very different." She is retiring for health reasons, but hopes to get a part-time job in the near future.

"My arthritis got so bad that I was sometimes getting stuck on the bus — and couldn't move throughout the journey. I would like to thank the management and officials at the depot for being so kind during the past few years. I couldn't have got on without them," she said.

Hilda's husband died five years ago, but she gets a lot of comfort from Bunty and Joey, her pet cats.

Of her retirement she says: "I'm going to have a rest and try to get my health better, and if I get well enough I'll try to get a little job here."

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## Bank opens new branch

THE Westminster Bank opened a new branch in Wickford High Street on Monday. The branch has moved to 65, High Street, from smaller premises at No. 37.

An unusual feature is that the public can approach the new banking hall from the car park behind the building as well as from the High Street.

The staff, too, are well catered for. The first floor is devoted entirely to staff amenities, which include a staff room, a ladies' rest room and a fully equipped kitchen.

The Westminster Bank first opened in Wickford as a sub-branch for Rayleigh, and it became independent in 1958.

Manager is Mr. F. L. Frow, who joined the Wickford branch as sub-manager in 1961. He was promoted to branch manager in 1964. He is seen in the picture doing the honours to some of the first customers.

Also present at the opening ceremony were Chelmsford District Manager Mr. B. D. Jacob, and the new branch's first customer, Mr. R. Cadvan-Jones, a local solicitor.



## Magistrates warn of childish driving

A MAN and his girl friend were driving up Bell Hill, Billericay, in a sports car when another car, in which children were laughing and jeering, overtook and slowed down. There was later an incident at Sun Street traffic lights, said Mr. Malcolm Simons, prosecuting at Billericay on Tuesday.

Before the Court was Kenneth Vaughan (37), of Clockhouse Lane, Collier Row, who denied assaulting sports car driver John Newberry causing him actual bodily harm.

The case was found proved and Vaughan, a self-employed haulage contractor, was fined £5 with £3 3s. costs.

Said the Chairman, Mr. F. R. Dumico, "We are going to make it quite clear that this Bench and many other Courts are getting sick and tired of childish behaviour by motorists who want to take the law in their own hands."

Mr. Simons said that by the time the cars reached the traffic lights, the sports car was again in front. Vaughan got out and went forward to speak to Mr. Newberry. He twice knocked Mr. Newberry's glasses off.

Vaughan told the Court that as he was approaching Billericay, Mr. Newberry's car came up behind with headlights blazing, and overtook on a bend, causing them to swing over and mount a bank.

Catching up at the lights, he got out to tell Mr. Newberry about his driving.

Mr. Newberry did not answer him and, as he drove off, swung an arm at him. "I went to grab him, I didn't mean to hit him," he said. "It was in self defence."

## High Street meeting

A DATE for the public meeting into the Billericay High Street redevelopment scheme is expected to be announced by Basildon Council within the next few days.

Coun. A. V. Stockley, Leader of the Council, told the "Standard" he hopes the meeting will be in about five weeks.

Information will be given about the High Street plans and the Inner Relief Road.

"I thought we would settle these two thorny questions at one meeting," said Coun. Stockley. "I might point out that we are only giving information - not seeking opinions."

## METER THEFT

For breaking open a gas meter and stealing a total of £14 15s, Elizabeth Fideimat, of 51, Edwards Avenue, Pitsea, was put on probation for three years at Billericay on Tuesday. She pleaded guilty to the offence.

## NO TREES, SO BIRDS TAKE TO LAMP STANDARDS

BASILDON'S FEATHERED population, whose trees are fast disappearing due to development, are taking centrally-heated homes in lamp standards!

Coun. Ken Tyson told last week's Council meeting he knew of two standards where birds had made nests. And the nests were still there.

Councillors were discussing the number of lamps in the district which are in need of repair. "I hope something is done before the next nesting season," said Coun. Tyson.

Discussion of the item followed a complaint from Coun. Bob Chaplin, who said that in The Fryth, since June this year, 22 lights out of 30 had been smashed. He asked why the lights had not been replaced.

Works Committee Chairman Coun. James Lyon said this was the responsibility of the Eastern Electricity Board.

"We are far from satisfied with public lighting in the district," he said. "The whole point of surveys on lighting that are being made are to get an improvement."

## Basildon's German twin

NO ALTERNATIVE names have been submitted to Basildon Council as possible candidates for twinning Basildon with a Continental town. They will now go ahead with plans to twin Basildon with Helligenshaus, in West Germany.

More details concerning Basildon's twin-town-to-be?

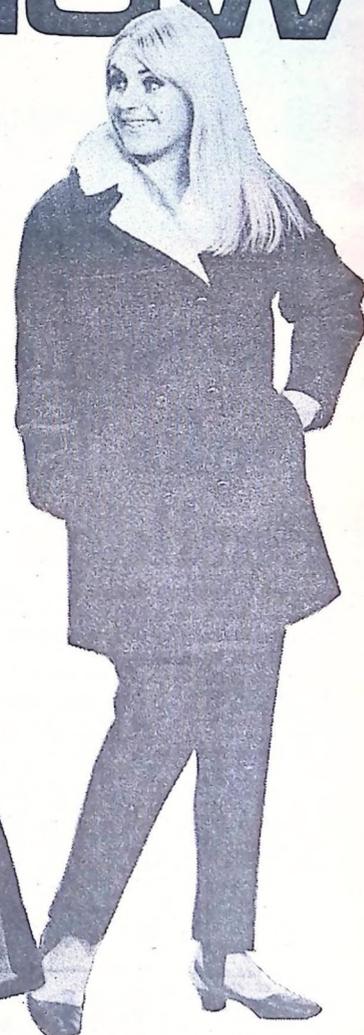
Population in 1850 was 500; current population, approaching 42,000. It is situated on the Rhine and Ruhr.

It has several modern sports arenas, one with sleeping accommodation for 50 athletes. It has 110 small industrial firms specialising in light engineering and electrical components.

Its first links with Basildon were made in 1964 and since then there have been sporting exchanges, visits and short holidays.

Basildon Caledonian Society have shown interest in the town and the Pitsea and Bowers Gifford Club have exchanged films.

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## Plenty of orders

MR. JOHN LEWIS (40) and his wife, Joyce, started up business as upholstery repairers in Chapel Street, Billerley, eight years ago. Two years later they opened their shop in Holly Court, Billerley, where they now deal in all types of soft furnishings. Main employee is Mr. Henry Radley (50), who has been with the firm for seven years and in the upholstery trade nearly all his life.

He and his wife, Doris, who is an upholsteress and sometimes assists in the shop, not while working at the same factory.

At present John Lewis, Furnishers and Upholsterers, have more orders than they can cope with, and could actually expand. "But," said Mr. Lewis, "we would lose the 'personal touch,' and it is difficult to get skilled upholsterers anyway."

The firm do a lot of renovating of furniture that is going to be taken abroad by emigrants, and can boast that their work goes all over the world.

Renovation of antique furniture is a speciality and they deal with Victorian and Edwardian, right through to the present day.

The shop, as well as selling goods, tends to serve as a furniture and decorating consultants. "People bring in bits of wallpaper, or material, and we advise them what would go with it," said Mrs. Lewis.

## Leaping ahead



TAKING THE big leap forward shortly are Ben Williams and Co. Ltd., wholesale clothing manufacturers, of Cranes Close, Basildon.

Work will soon start extending their storage premises, office accommodation and workshop space.

First stage of the work, expected to be complete by next September, is the warehouse for storage. The office accommodation may be built at the same time over existing premises.

This warehouse will supply storage space for extra work already being manufactured in the existing workshop.

Mainly concerned with blazer making, the firm have now extended their range introducing "style lines," ordinary jackets with linings.

This work has started in the last eight weeks, and 750 jackets are already being produced every week. By January next year this figure will have increased to 1,500. To do this, 50 more machinists will be required, and these people are already being recruited and trained.

The blazers, simpler to produce, are now coming off the lines at something like 2,500 a week.

The second stage of building extension is extra factory space where the firm expects to expand production even more. Completion of the entire plan will probably be in 1970.

The picture above shows ex-Woodlands School boy Stephen Bixby (15), who has worked with the material fusing machine for nine weeks.

Ben Williams have three factories, including that at Basildon. The others are in London and Cheshire. Basildon will soon outstrip them.

Works manager Mr. A. Smith said this week: "We are expanding our premises merely by meeting orders. The other factories cannot expand and Basildon is the natural choice."

## Now Scandinavia looks to Basildon

Marconi radar in Russia

BRITISH radar equipment is now in operation for the first time at the principal Soviet air traffic control centre for the Moscow area, situated at Vnukovo Airport, near the Russian capital.

Mr. Bill McKenzie, leader of the Marconi team, speaking on the telephone from Moscow after the initial demonstration, said: "The whole exercise has been a complete success. We have been able to demonstrate all the performance characteristics of the SECAR, secondary radar equipment, to our complete satisfaction, and also, I think, to the satisfaction of the very high level Soviet delegation, many of whom are experts in secondary radar."

"We are now starting an evaluation programme, which is expected to last about two months," said Mr. McKenzie.

### CONCESSIONS

Basildon Council are collecting valuable concessions from brewers who run bars in Council premises. Discussions are taking place with firms of brewers in the hope that furniture, fittings and bar facilities might be provided by them. Chairman of the Recreation Committee Coun. Derrick Pope said last week: "The Council have already approved a similar arrangement for the Murrayfield Sports Pavilion."

## BILL STANDS IN FOR JIM

PULLING THE "punchy pintas" behind the bar at Ilford's Social Club these days is Mr. Bill Livesey, of Nether Priors

He is standing in for Jim Leavey, the official barman, who has had a run of ill-health and is again in hospital.

Mr. Livesey, who works in the training department at the factory, starts his job at 5.30 in the evenings and serves until 10.30 p.m.

A family man, he has no secret aspirations to become a publican, he said this week.

But he explained: "I get around the factory quite a bit during the course of my work and naturally I have got to know all the boys."

"I like the job and, since I know everybody, I suppose I am a natural choice."

## "Periwinkle Bouffant"

THE LONDON Hilton was the scene this month for a display of a new range of swim caps by Kleinerts, Ltd., who have their factory at Robert Way, Wickford.

The new range of hats has also been produced in a variety of new shades with names as "Hot Mango," "Demon Green" and "Scandal Pink." The new range consists of 29 colourful top-knots for every taste, mood and occasion," said a spokesman for Kleinerts.

To stop pretty curls ending up as bedraggled "rats' tails," water-skiers and high divers (female, of course) can wear a special cap, which will guard against such a tragedy.

The special needs of swimmers with long hair have also been catered for with specially designed high-hat styles for elaborate hair-do's and long tresses.

One of these, "Periwinkle Bouffant," has spirals of dual coloured blossoms "creating a sophisticated style suitable for smart beach dates," said the spokesman.

## Store goes up in smoke

EXPLOSIONS rocked the new Brides housing estate, Potash Road, Billerley, when a builders' paint and machinery store blazed fiercely on Tuesday night.

Firemen from Billerley and Basildon were hampered in their efforts to extinguish the flames as cans of paint exploded and sprayed burning liquid over the wooden building.

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# Did three see flying saucer?

A DAZZLING white cross-shaped flying object similar to that spotted by two Police car patrolmen in Somerset was sighted in Billericay on Thursday.

A Billericay Police Sergeant's wife saw the object at about 6.15 a.m. from her house in Burghstead Close.

"In 40 years I have never seen anything like it," said Mrs. Rose Woodley. "If it had been much closer it would have been blinding. It was definitely not a star because it moved across the sky. It was something very unusual."



Mrs. Woodley was called to the window by her son, Alan (13), and his friend, Stephen Moore (13), who were the first to see the U.F.O. as they left the house on their way to a paper round.

"It came from the direction of the High Street and floated over the Police station," said Stephen. "It was very bright and there were sparks coming off it just like a sparkler."

"I watched it for about one-and-a-half minutes. It was high, but it was within our atmosphere. It was blurred at the edges by the haze of

light, but it was definitely cross-shaped." Said Stephen's father, Mr. Robert Moore: "I have no doubt that my son saw something. Whether it was a spaceship or what I don't know, but far be it for me to dismiss something we don't understand."

## CHURCHES DISCUSS UNITED COMMUNION

MEMBERS OF the Basildon Christian Council discussed the pros and cons of having a united Communion service for people in the Laindon, Basildon and Pitsea districts.

One point that arose during the discussion included a possible date for holding this, some people favouring Easter Sunday and others feeling that Palm Sunday would be a better choice.

An alternative to such a service was suggested by Rev. William Holden, who thought that an "Agape," or love-feast, might be arranged. This would consist of the congregation being arranged in a circle or half-circle; general prayers would be offered and a chance of water—or even a cup of tea—would be circulated during the proceedings.

No decision was reached, and it was decided to leave the question to the Christian Council's Executive Committee for further discussion.

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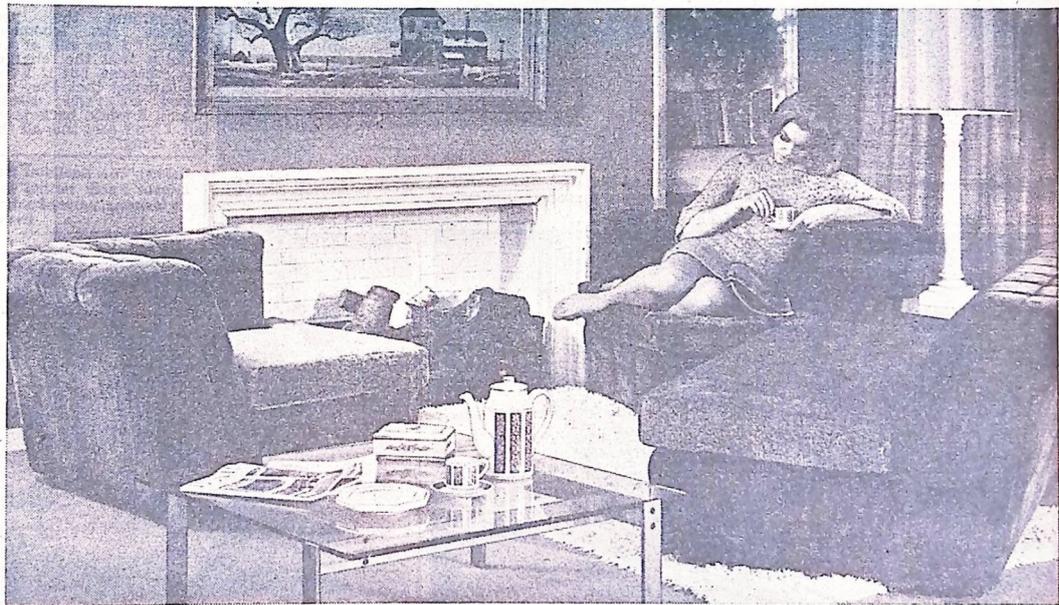
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A native of Watford, Mr. Spencer was educated at Watford Central School and Pupil Teacher Centre before joining the National Provincial at Bushey, in 1940.

He moved on to the Colindale branch before his war service in the Royal Naval Air Service in the U.K., Atlantic and Canada. He was demobbed with the rank of Petty Officer.



On his return to banking Mr. Spencer served for a while at Watford, Radlett and Reading, before promotion took him to Luton and Stevenage where he was at the time of his present appointment.

Mr. Spencer's outside interests include photography and the Spanish guitar. Both he and his wife are keen avids and study the breeding and care of foreign birds.

Mr. Spencer is also a member of a local arrangement society. Mr. Spencer says that he joined the bank in 1940 because the piste beside the door advertised the hours as 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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# M.P. calls for apology from councillor

BILLERICAY M.P. MR. ERIC MOONMAN THIS WEEK DEMANDED A PUBLIC APOLOGY FROM BASILDON COUNCIL'S RECREATION COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, COUN. DERRICK POPE.

The demand follows an attack on the M.P. in the Press by the councillor while Mr. Moonman was on holiday.

The row is over the proposed charges for Basildon's new swimming pool which Mr. Moonman wanted the Council to explain.

In his published letter Coun. Pope, who lives at Pound Lane, Laidon, alleged the M.P. had not bothered to go to the Council offices to hear an explanation of the charges.

Said Mr. Moonman this week: "I never at any time said I would go to the Council offices. In fact, I asked for an explanation in writing from the Town Manager."

"While I was on holiday Coun. Pope chose to make this attack on me. On my return I wrote to him twice inviting him to withdraw his statement and offer me an apology. This has not been forthcoming."

"Now I feel duty bound to ask him to apologise publicly," said Mr. Moonman.

Regarding the pool charges Mr. Moonman added: "I am still of the opinion that the charges are excessive, but if I can be satisfied that they are based on valid assessments I would back them up. I have said this all the way along."

## BACK IN THE PAST

BILLERICAY Business and Professional Women's Club met at the Friends' Meeting House, Billericay, on Thursday.

Vice-President Mrs. Eckersley was in the chair, and Mrs. Spurre deputised for Secretary Miss Perry as a number of officials were away at a conference at Bournemouth.

Speaker was Mr. G. S. Amos, who gave an interesting survey of Billericay—past, present and future. He began with evidence of early Roman settlers and described the development of the community up to modern times. He urged club members to do all possible to preserve the attractive nature of the town by demanding proper planning.

Mrs. Wilson proposed a vote of thanks. During the business session a report of the International Federation's Seminar held at Copenhagen, written by National Federation representative Miss G. Mott, was read by international representative Mrs. Rowlands.

The report concerned the role and functioning of National Committees on the status of women.

### CANDLE EPILOGUE

Wickford Methodists held their Overseas Missions anniversary meeting on Wednesday when Rev. Roy Stone spoke about his work in Nigeria. The meeting ended with a "Candle Epilogue" produced and presented by leaders and members of Inter-Club. A collection and proceeds from a stall raised £5 3s. 6d.

Below: The Basildon East Women's Section of the Labour Party visited the Town Centre Post Office on Monday, where Postmaster Mr. Ron Reid showed them round.



The Basildon branch of the Post Office Engineers' Union made a presentation to their first member to retire on Monday. The presentation was made by the Southend Area Telephone Manager, Mr. R. M. Watson (right), to Mr. G. F. Rossi (second left). The others (from the left) are Mr. M. Cane (Welfare Secretary), Mr. W. H. Price (Branch Secretary) and Mrs. I. Rossi.



## THE START OF RAG WEEK



Nicholas' Youth Centre, Basildon, started their "Gunpowder" Rag Week on Saturday with "top tenner" Cliff Bennett and The Rebel Rousers. Cliff is pictured centre adjusting his tie.



Nalso held a Hallow-e'en party on Friday at the Council Offices, Fedderwick, Basildon. Our picture shows the organiser, Mr. V. A. Scott, serving punch to some of the ladies.

# EIGHT YEARS FOR WAGES-SNATCH PLANNER

## Police informer gets 18 months

REFERRED TO BY the Judge as "a very dangerous and violent criminal from whom the public need protection for a long time," Alan Clifford Thame (23), of Collingwood Walk, Basildon, was jailed for a total of 8½ years at Essex Assizes at Chelmsford on Friday.

He was one of three men involved in an attempted wages snatch which ended in the coshing and near death of a Basildon company secretary last July.

After a trial lasting just over four days Thame was found guilty of assault with intent to rob while armed with offensive weapons—a chisel and a spanner.

For this offence he was sentenced to eight years imprisonment and received an additional six months for an offence of office breaking and theft at Ipswich, an offence for which he was put on probation last year.

The two other men in the wages snatch plot were also jailed. One was a Police Informer, Phillip Ernest Bridges MacGregor (46), of Theydon Crescent, Basildon, who was sentenced to 18 months imprisonment after being found guilty of assault with intent to rob.

The other Raymond Christopher Charles Irons (37), of The Upway, Basildon, was jailed for four years on the previous Monday, when he pleaded guilty to assault with intent to rob while armed with offensive weapons.

### On his record

Det. Supt. George Brown reported three previous convictions against Thame, a married man with a six-month-old child. At Billericay in 1966 he was given 12 months conditional discharge and bound over for a year for assault occasioning bodily harm. In May, 1966, he was fined £25 for assault on Police. In September last year he was convicted at Ipswich for office breaking and stealing £288. His six months' prison sentence was altered to three years' probation when he appealed, he was ordered to pay £15 compensation.

Witness added that Thame was last employed as a scaffolder, but at the time of his arrest was unemployed and in receipt of National Assistance.

Mr. Eric Myers, Q.C., who defended Thame, said that since his arrest he had been in Brixton Prison and treated as a special risk, subject to restriction including solitary confinement.

Giving MacGregor's antecedents, Supt. Brown said he had two previous convictions—for larceny in 1940 and office breaking and theft in 1941. He was married and had two children aged 19 and 11.

### "Lying defence"

Passing sentence on Thame, Mr. Justice Willis told him, "I disregard the fact that you have put forward a lying defence which has involved a most monstrous attack on the Police and others, whose obviously truthful evidence has resulted in you being brought to justice. You planned this robbery and you tempted or terrorised the other two to join you. You armed your-

self with a terrible weapon and used it with nearly fatal effect.

"A robber who is prepared to risk the death of his victim deserves no mercy."

As Thame was led away his wife broke into loud sobbing and was assisted from the Court by a Police officer.

The Judge told MacGregor he accepted he had lived down his two previous Court appearances, had rendered useful services to the Police and had a first-class war record.

He took into account that he made a clean breast of the crime and was in some sort of fear which induced him to depart from the role he had previously played.

His Lordship said he assumed that Thame and MacGregor would not be confined in the same prison, saying it was his strongly held opinion that they should be in separate jails. The earlier proceedings were reported in our last issue.

## Janet Duke School pond

## M.P. warns of risk

THE WHOLE vexed question of the Janet Duke Junior School pond, already much argued in the Council Chamber, came up again at Basildon Council last week.

The Council have decided to keep the pond and to clear all rubbish out.

"This is nowhere near a satisfactory answer," said Coun. R. H. Buckley. "If we decide to retain the pond we must accept responsibility to maintain it in reasonable condition. This has always been a sore point for people living in the area."

He asked that a water circulation system be installed, and the pond treated as necessary for mosquito infestation. The second part of his suggestion was finally adopted, but not the first.

AN APPEAL to parents and teachers to explain to their children the "terrible hazards" which can arise with fireworks was issued this week by Mr. Eric Moonman, Billericay's M.P.

"Before schools close in this area this Friday evening I would be grateful if teachers would reinforce this warning," he said. "Last year, in this country there were 797 eye injuries alone arising from thrown or carelessly placed fireworks. The whole idea of bonfire night can be fun—but not at the expense of a child's eyesight or hand."

### FIREWORKS

## "Modern form of social cannibalism"

"THIS LOOKS like a modern form of social cannibalism—breaking into neighbours' houses and other houses like their own."

The Chairman of Essex Quarter Sessions, Mr. J. Roland Adams, Q.C. said this on Wednesday in commenting on the housebreaking activities of two 16-years-old Basildon boys.

The boys had been committed by Billericay Juvenile Court for sentence for breaking into and stealing from two Basildon houses and one also for stealing a moped and driving while uninsured.

Mr. Duncan Macrae, prosecuting, said 10s. was stolen from one house and two watches, a radio set and 12s. from the other. The moped was stolen from a car park. One boy asked for 15 other cases of housebreaking and larceny to be taken into consideration and the other 11 similar offences.

One boy was sent to an approved school and disqualified from driving for two years, and the other was put on probation for three years and ordered to pay half the prosecution's costs.

### IN THE CHAIR

REV. WILLIAM Holden is new Chairman of the Basildon Christian Council.

## School's future is questioned

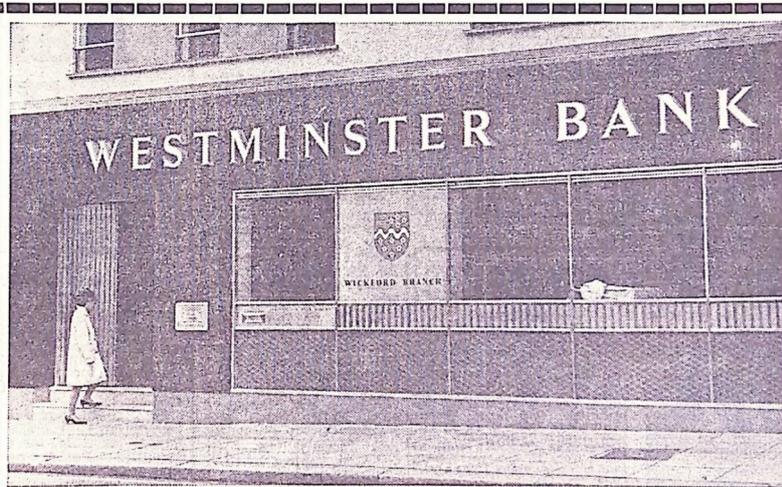
WILL WICKFORD Junior School be split in two when the Nevendon Road by-pass and Wickford inner relief roads are built? Will a number of private houses have to be demolished to make way for the scheme?

These questions were left unanswered at Basildon Council's meeting on Thursday when Coun. Ken Tyson challenged Chairman of Works Coun. James Lyon.

Until detailed planning is obtained it is impossible to say how many houses—if any—will be affected," said Coun. Lyon.

"As the Chairman aware that, according to the existing map, Wickford Junior School is cut in two? A line runs straight through the middle," asked Coun. Tyson.

"It is not possible to say where the road is going until the detailed plans are obtained," Coun. Lyon repeated. "We anticipate that the plans will be ready by 1970-71."



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Former Woodlands schoolgirl Valerie, who lives at Whitmore Way, Basildon, has been a Stationery Office worker in the Adrema section for about eight months.

When volunteers were called for to enter the "Personality Queen" contest she was told she was in!

"I never expected to win it," said Valerie, who rendered a huge gasp of disbelief when the result was announced at a dance on Saturday attended by over 200.

To win the title the seven finalists, Valerie, Susan Benson, Ruth Johnson, Janice Allum, Jennifer Luther, Jackie Nash and Amanda Webb, had to endure a personality grilling conducted by the judges.



**Personality plus!** H.M.S.O.'s 1967 Personality Queen, 15-years-old Valerie Button, of Whitmore Way, with her predecessor, Jill Hardy (right), at Saturday's "crowning" dance.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Sibley, Mr. Ralph Hebron and Assistant Director of H.M.S.O. Mr. G. Calver. The Queen is seen above in the centre of the finalists.

That over, they had to parade before the judges on the dance floor.

New Queen Valerie received her sash of office from retiring Queen Jill Hardy. Her first call of duty was to provide kisses for male winners of the raffle!

## DUTY CHEMISTS

### BASILDON

Boots The Chemists, Ltd., 27, Town Square, Basildon, and David James, Ltd., 10, The Broadway, Pitsea, will be duty chemists for week commencing Monday (November 6th). They will be open every weeknight (except Wednesday and Saturday) and David James, Thursday from 8 to 7 p.m. On Sunday (November 5th) Boots The Chemists will be open from 11 a.m. to 12 noon and on Wednesday from 6 to 7 p.m.

### WICKFORD

L. A. Garbett, 23, High Street, and M. W. Shadforth, 53, High Street, Wickford, are open alternate evenings from 6 to 7 p.m., also alternate on Sundays from 11 a.m. to 12 noon (name of duty chemist noted on the door of both shops).

### BILLERICAY

M. W. Shadforth, 49, High Street, Billericay, will be duty chemist for week commencing Monday (November 6th). They will be open to 6.30 p.m. every weeknight (except Thursday, when they will be open from 7.3 p.m.). On Sunday (November 12th) they will be open from 11 a.m. to 12 noon.

## CARNIVAL HELP LIMITED

**BASILDON** Carnival Association cannot expect secretarial assistance from Basildon Council, Leader Coun. Anthony Stockley said last week.

Speaking at Thursday's Council meeting, he said: "It is not the policy of Basildon Council to run the Carnival for the Association. We hope only to give more material help."

He takes over the office from Rev. Edward Telford.

Accepting the office, he said how pleased he was to be asked to take the chair, especially as he was a comparatively "new boy" in Basildon.

Pastor Walter Searle was re-elected as Secretary for another year. "But I don't propose to be Secretary ad infinitum!" he warned, laughing.

Mr. F. W. Porter was elected as Treasurer, replacing Mr. F. Dorward, and Miss Wilcox and Mr. McCormack were elected to the Executive Committee. The names of Rev. Keith Wood and Father Green were also put forward, in their absence, subject to their willingness to stand.

## Advice Bureau

**EXTENDED hours of opening for Billericay Citizens' Advice Bureau were announced this week by the organiser, Mr. C. T. Whyman.**

The full time of opening will be: Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursdays, 7 to 9 p.m.; Fridays, 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.; and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.



# Quick exit from Italy to open a Tory bazaar

**BILLERICAY'S PROSPECTIVE** Conservative parliamentary candidate, Mr. Robert McCrindle, had to fast-talk B.E.A. into allowing him an earlier flight out of Italy. The one originally booked would have left Italy at the time he should have been opening the Billericay branch of the Conservative Association's "Autumn Leaves" bazaar.

The bazaar, which was held in the Women's Institute Hall, Billericay, on Saturday, had stalls provided by Laindon and Pitsea branches and Billericay Women's branch.

Mr. McCrindle arrived for the opening on time, and in his speech thanked the local branch and the organisers for all their work in making the fair possible.

He mentioned Lord Carrington's recent appeal for £2M. for Conservative Party funds, and said that, "Every penny we can raise is providing the party with the sinews of war."

"We have the members and the organisation and now all we need is the finance," he added.

Our picture above shows folk trying to cover a shilling in a bucket of water.

## TV SETS STOLEN

Two television sets were stolen from a van parked at the Double Six public house, Fryerns, on Wednesday night. They belonged to the Save and View Club, Ltd., of Brentwood.

## Outstanding success

"ASTOUNDING," said Billericay Youth Centre Warden Ted Bailey about the response to his Centre's first-ever dance at the Mayflower School Annex on Saturday.

A decision on whether the Centre is to expand at the north side of the town is awaited, and the dance attended by over 350 young people was Mr. Bailey's way of testing likely response.

Miss Lilian Clarke won first prize for being the best dressed witch. "The staff were inundated with questions regarding the next dance to be held there. This in itself indicates the demand for better facilities," Mr. Bailey told a reporter.

"All were in agreement that better facilities make for increased enjoyment, and many more non-members were surprised to learn that they have been living very near to what in fact is a quickly expanding youth centre," he added.

The Youth Centre was open at the Mayflower School for social, recreational and educational activities on Thursdays and Fridays, and anyone over 14 was welcome. Membership entitled usage of the Billericay Secondary School every Tuesday evening, the highlight being the Friday dance, said Mr. Bailey.

## "WE'LL RUN ARTS CENTRE," SAY COUNCIL

**BASILDON** Council's new civic arts centre is expected to be completed by June, 1968, it was announced at Thursday's Council meeting.

But many hopes that the centre will be autonomous were dashed by Council Leader Anthony Stockley in a brief hard-hitting statement.

"Let there be no mis-take about it," he told members. "This arts centre is going to be managed by Basildon Council."

Earlier reference to the centre came from Chairman of the Council Coun. A. Baron Burn, who announced that a donation towards the centre had been made by Marconi's.

This brought from the total donations from local sources to £8,000. The Chairman said work would start shortly.

## £200 GALE DAMAGE TO A VANGE CHURCH

**FORTY PANES** of glass at St. Chad's Church, Vango, have been smashed by the strong October gales. The church is closed for four weeks while workmen repair and strengthen windows.

The cost of Friday's winds, and damage from gales earlier in the month, is over £200.

"The areas of glass were too large and weak," explained the Rector, Rev. H. Moorhouse. "Gale damage happened, to a lesser extent, after the church opened six years ago.

"We are having all the windows strengthened by straddle bars," he added. Replacing the glass will be met by an insurance company. Church services are being held as normal, either at the 12th Century parish church of All Saints or the church hall near the Barge.



Fryerns Play Leadership Scheme had a Hallow-e'en dance in their hall in The Fryth on Saturday.

# Keep the cauldron boiling!



OUR PICTURE ABOVE WAS TAKEN AT KINGSWOOD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION'S HALLOWEEN PARTY ON FRIDAY.

MESDAMES T. WILLIAMS, P. HULL, J. CHASE AND MARY HANCOCK ARE KEEPING THE CAULDRON BOILING.

## COUNCIL CREATING SPORTS FACILITIES FOR PRIVILEGED CLASSES?

BASILDON COUNCIL were accused on Thursday of creating sporting facilities for "the privileged classes."

Labour councillors chose high prices at the swimming pool as their main example where children will have to pay 1s. entrance and 1s. 6d. at weekends.

"The poor children must subsidise the rich," said Coun. George Elder. "They are creating a privileged class, where only those in the higher income bracket can enjoy amenities," said Coun. Ken Tyson.

"The Council have made a terrible blunder," summed up Coun. Joe Morgan. "The people of Basildon deplore these charges. This swimming pool has been put out of the reach of a family with two or three children."

Coun. Derrick Pope, Chairman of the Recreation Committee, replied: "To say that these charges are exorbitant is absolute nonsense, compare them with a cinema, and they can't go in there all day."

"I am thinking about the other people in the district, the widow and the pensioner who are going to pay 13s. 4d. already in subsidy to the swimming pool. If we charge the same entrance fees as Thurrock they will be paying £1 3s. 4d. on their rates instead. We have to consider the aged and fixed income groups in relation to these children. They will, anyway, be trained to swim free."

"If we put entrance down to 6d. the rates go

up by £10,000. They are already paying 5s. 4d. rate for the golf course and 6s. 8d. for the Civic Arts Centre."

Coun. Anthony Stockley, Leader of the Council, dismissed all the complaints as a "political stunt."

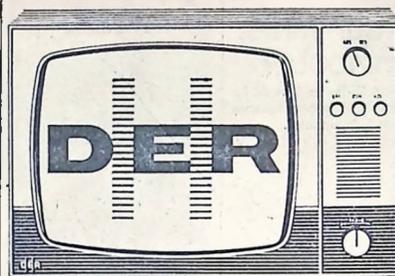
"We really are wasting a lot of time," he said, "there are people in the district who feel it is wrong to have a swimming pool at all. The Labour party really ought to know what their own Ministers say about this. The Minister of Sport said recently that it was quite wrong for ratepayers to pay for sports facilities. They ought to keep in touch with party policy."



Pictured after their wedding at the Maldon Register Office are the former Miss Jean Perry, of Swan Lane, Wickford, and Mr. Laurence Golding, of Gloucester Avenue, Maldon. Witnesses were the bride and bridegroom's fathers. (Photo by J. Henrue)



Married at St. Gabriel's Church, Pitsea, on Saturday, were Mr. Barry John Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Green, of Farm Road, Tibbury, and Miss Susanna Robina Frost, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Frost, of Broadway North, Pitsea. Matrons of honour were Mrs. Dianne Loveridge (sister-in-law) and Mrs. M. Neild (friend). Bridesmaids were Miss T. Smith, Miss N. Holmes (cousin) and the Misses L. and T. Docherty and C. McHugh (friends). Page boy was Andrew Hall. Best man was Mr. Paul Green (groom's brother). (Photo Kendam Photos)



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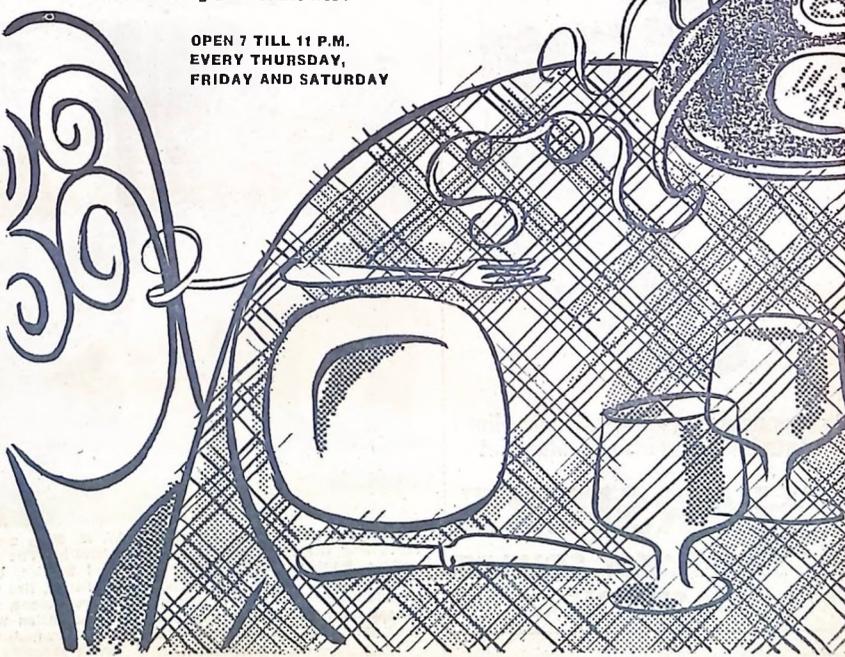
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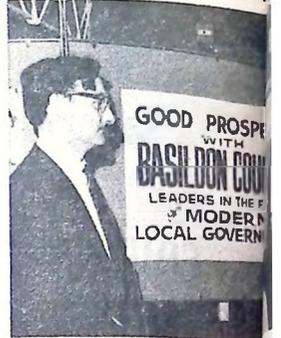
### WANT TO GET AHEAD? BE A HAIRDRESSER!



MISS P. SCUTCHINGS, SECOND-YEAR APPRENTICE HAIRDRESSER, DEMONSTRATES HER CRAFT. HAIRDRESSING SEEMS TO BE A FAVOURITE CAREER FOR MANY SCHOOL LEAVERS, AND THEY LEARNED A GOOD DEAL OF USEFUL INFORMATION AT THE CONVENTION.

## HELPING CHOOSE

A CAREERS CONVENTION WAS HELD AT SCHOOL ON TUESDAY. AMONG THE SPEAKERS WAS MR. J. EDMONDSON (CO MANAGER OF BASILDON COUNCIL) WITH MR. J. EDMONDSON (YOUTH ASSISTANT TOWN MANAGER). HE GAVE PLAYS AND ADVICE OF GREAT VALUE TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO WERE HELPING TO CHOOSE THEIR FUTURE.



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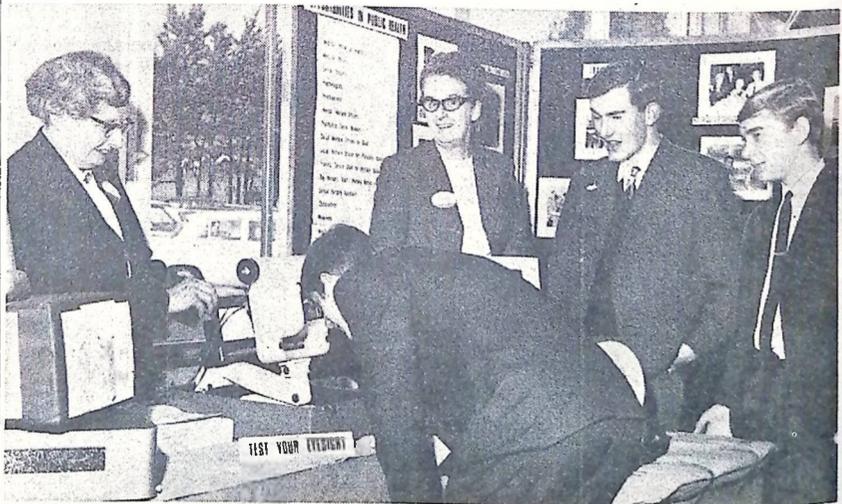
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# THEM TO CAREERS

EMBERLOG COUNTY SECONDARY VISITORS WAS THE CHAIRMAN (BARON BURN, J.P.), SEEN BELOW (LEFT) AND MR. ROY HOLMWOOD (RIGHT). THEY WERE HELPING YOUNG PEOPLE TO DECIDE ON CAREERS.



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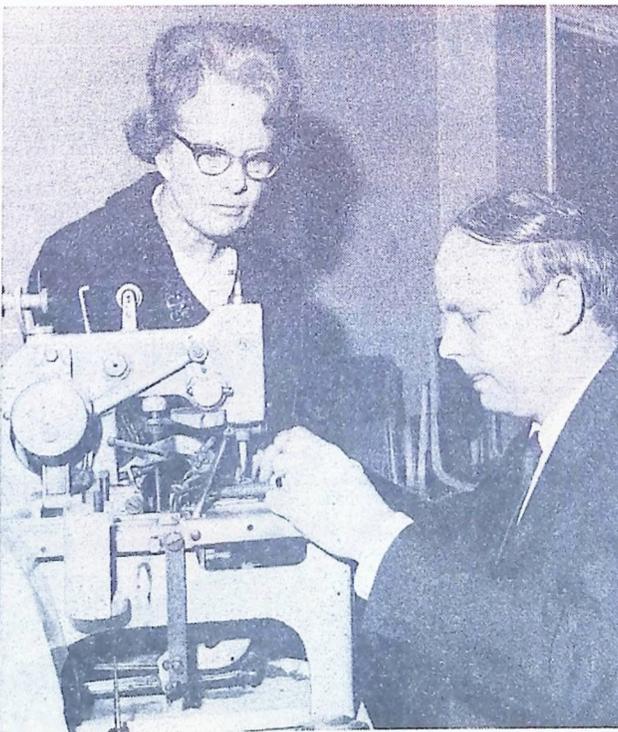
## A PROUD APPRENTICE



Basildon Council's Recreation and Parks Department had a colourful display of flowers in the foyer. On the extreme right of the picture is fourth-year apprentice gardener John Bowers, who is demonstrating a self-watering device. He is justly proud of this as he installed the apparatus in the Council's new nurseries.



THE RURAL DEAN (REV. A. DUNLOP) HAD A LARGE AND BUSY STAND. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT THE CHURCH HAS BEEN REPRESENTED AT A CAREERS CONVENTION IN BASILDON.



Willerby's chief engineer, Mr. G. Gilmore, demonstrates this fascinating sewing machine to Mrs. M. Vickery.

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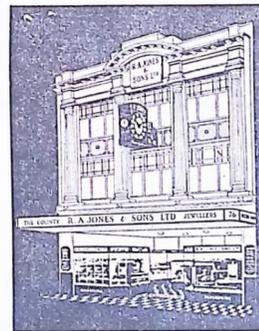


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A scene at the anniversary dinner of the Basildon Physically Handicapped Club, which took place at Trinity Hall, Vange. Below: Cutting the anniversary cake is Miss Violet Jackson, assisted by Rev. W. H. Holden.

## Handicapped folk thanked ambulance and coach drivers

THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY DINNER OF THE BASILDON PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED CLUB, WHICH TOOK PLACE ON THURSDAY WEEK AT TRINITY CHURCH HALL, VANGE, WAS A GREAT SUCCESS.

The meal consisted of roast turkey and all the trimmings, and ended with the ceremonial cutting of the birthday cake, by one of the Club's oldest members, Miss Violet Jackson, assisted by President Rev. W. H. Holden.

After dinner, members enjoyed a musical programme; soloists were Miss Allan, Mrs. Noble and Miss Willings; and the piano was played by Mr. E. Smart, Chairman.

Later on, there was a film entitled "African Twilight," shown by the President, and enjoyed by everyone.

Sick members were remembered, and sent good wishes for their recovery, and a hearty welcome back went to Mrs. Goughly, Mrs. Summerfield, Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Monk and Mr. Adams, returning after a spell of illness.

The President expressed the Club's gratitude to all helpers, who had prepared and served the meal, and also to the drivers of the coach and ambulance.

## Oxfam dance

ONLY 90 people went to Billericay Oxfam Group's annual dance at the Archer Hall on Saturday. Instead of the 150 hoped for. About £50 profit was made from the event.

Guests at the dance were Council Chairman Mrs. A. Baron Burn, and Mrs. Burn.

Music was provided by Bob Bean and his Band, and M.C. was Mr. Laurie Garrard.

Prizes for tombola numbered over a hundred and were given by local traders.

### LONG REHEARSAL

Basildon Choral Society have been rehearsing nearly five months for their concert at St. Martin's Hall, Basildon, on Saturday week. The 40-strong choir will be conducted by Mr. John Roper, who took over the role from Mr. John Simpson earlier this year.

### OFF TO DORSET

A group of fourth and fifth-year pupils from Exeters Grammar Technical School, Basildon, are spending their half-term holiday this week exploring the Dorset countryside. In charge of the party are Mr. Valentine and Miss Jones.



## Boy killed was a safety cyclist

A 15-YEARS-OLD Basildon boy who was killed while riding his bicycle to work was the holder of three certificates for cycling road safety, his father told the Coroner (Dr. Charles Clark) at the inquest at Brentwood on Friday on the boy, Terence Leonard Hackett, trainee motor mechanic, of Burnt Mills Road.

Terence died from contusion of the brain as the result of a fractured skull, said Dr. John Peter Whitehead, consultant pathologist at St. Andrew's Hospital, Billericay.

A verdict of accidental death was returned.

Witness to the accident was Mr. Leon Whitfield, programmer of Glenwood Avenue, Southend. He said he was a passenger in a car on the Southend Arterial Road at about 8.20 a.m. on September 25th. They were travelling towards London and he saw a cyclist on the central reservation and a car approaching from the left in the direction of Southend.

"I thought the cyclist would wait until the car had passed, but he appeared to go into the road in front of the car and it struck him. As he was struck I saw the car swerve to its left and at the time of the collision go to the grass verge, where it stopped," said witness.

Mr. Benjamin Hurren, sales representative of Princess Road, Buckhurst Hill, the driver of the car involved in the accident, said he was approaching the roundabout at Wickford, near Basildon Industrial Estate. Traffic was attempting to come from his left hand side from Gardiners Lane.

"I noticed a clip on a bicycle crossing the central reservation where previously there had been a crossing, but which was now closed and built up with earth. He was apparently waiting for a break in the traffic, and as I got close he suddenly came over the edge of the reservation straight in front of me. As

## Blind, but they played whist



MEMBERS OF Basildon Blind Club scooped up the prizes at the second annual "knock-out whist" competition held at Colchester last Saturday.

Clubs from Basildon, Wickford, Southend, Colchester and Buckhurst Hill took part in the event. All players used standard playing cards, embossed in Braille.

Winner of the competition was Mrs. Amy Fox (84), who received a silver cup and a special award for the highest overall score. Runner-up was Miss Maisie Waldon, who received a silver plaque. (They are seen above). On behalf of Basildon Blind Club their Secretary (Mrs. Churchward) was presented with a silver trophy.

After the competition guests joined in community singing and old-time dancing, with Mr. Alan Piper, a talented blind pianist, leading them.

Sponsoring the competition was the Society for the Promotion of Entertainment for the Blind. They have held two whist competitions and a dominoes contest, and hope to continue these annual events, which give much pleasure to blind and partially-sighted people in the area.

## WEDDING RECORDED FOR AUSTRALIA

THE WEDDING CEREMONY OF LIEUT. ALAN ROBERTS AND MISS SUSAN BECRIFT AT HOLY CROSS CHURCH ON SATURDAY WAS TAPE RECORDED AND WILL BE SENT TO AUSTRALIA.

The tape will be sent to Frankston, Australia, to Alan's parents. He is in England with the Royal Air Force.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Becrift, of Gay Bowers, Basildon. For her wedding she chose a gown of white nylon over silk with a full-length train. Her bouquet was of lilies of the valley with white freesias.

The bridesmaids were Janet Ward, her cousin, who wore an oyster silk dress and Beverley and Jackie Jackson (also cousins) who wore pink brocade dresses.

The bridegroom and his best man, Mike Overson, wore R.A.F. uniforms. The newly married

couple are seen below cutting the cake at the reception.

## HIGH TIDE AT SOUTHEND

Figures in parentheses indicate height of water above datum.

	3.0m.	6.0m.
Fri.	12.32 (18.1)	12.45 (18.1)
Sat.	1.17 (19.0)	1.31 (18.1)
Sun.	2.1 (18.8)	2.18 (17.7)
Mon.	2.45 (17.5)	3.6 (17.5)
Tue.	3.29 (16.3)	3.57 (16.3)
Wed.	4.16 (15.8)	4.55 (15.8)
Thu.	5.10 (14.3)	6.6 (14.3)
Fri.	6.17 (14.2)	7.30 (14.3)

(November 10th)

Tide predictions supplied by Liverpool Observatory, and Tide Institute (copyright reserved).



Rev. A. M. Paterson conducted the wedding service at Thundersley Congregational Church of Miss Janet Maureen Minnett, of Clifton Avenue, Benfleet, and Mr. Victor Jaques, of Nevedon Road, Basildon. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of crystal satin with a coronet of satin and pearls, and carried a bouquet of roses and lilies of the valley. Miss Julie Hazell attended, and Mr. Ron Jaques was best man.

(Photo by Highlands Studios)



# ATTEMPTED MURDER CHARGE DROPPED BY PROSECUTION

A CHARGE against Colin Deacon (28), of Spurriers, Laindon, of attempting to murder his four-year-old daughter, Elaine, was dropped at Billericay on Tuesday.

He was charged instead with causing her bodily harm by wilful misconduct while driving a car and reckless driving.

He was remanded in custody and sent for trial at Hertford Assizes on December 4th.

It was stated, on behalf of the Director of Public Prosecutions, that Deacon was discovered by Police wandering in the road carrying his daughter near his wrecked car at the railway bridge in Lower Dunton Road, Dunton.

There was blood on both of them and they were taken to St. Andrew's Hospital, Billericay.

Elaine was found to have lacerations of the scalp and a small chip of bone out of her skull. She required about four stitches in her head and she was kept in hospital for eight days for observation.

Deacon was treated for facial cuts and bruises and a leg injury and was allowed home the same day.

Questioned by Police Deacon could give no reason for the accident.

Later, a letter, written by Deacon, in which it was alleged he said he intended to commit suicide, came into the hands of the Police, stated the prosecution.

"Deacon admitted writing the letter," P.C. Edward Stanley, of Laindon Traffic Department, told the Court. "I said to him: 'This letter indicates that you intended to crash your car at the railway

bridge, killing yourself and your daughter.'

"He replied: 'No, I didn't want either of us to die,'" said P.C. Edwards.

In further statements to the Police Deacon said that his mind was confused at the time of the accident because he had a lot of domestic trouble, the Court were told. He was worried because his wife was having an affair with another man and about an incident in Hornchurch.

It was stated he told Police: "I went out with the idea of killing myself, but when I got out on to the road I knew I couldn't go through with it."

"I looked down at my daughter as I was driving and when I looked up the bridge was right in front of me. I put my arm down to stop Elaine going through the windscreen when we crashed."

## NO AWARDS

NO AWARDS were made this month for suggestions made by employees to the Council. The reason, Chairman of the Public Relations Committee Fred Mercer told a Council meeting on Thursday, was that:

"None of the suggestions were good. Our view is that most of the chaps were just trying to get in on it and make a bit on the side."

## COUNCILLOR MAKES AN OFFER

COUN. MRS. Elizabeth Forster offered to pay a £142 bill for replacing defective springs on doors at Chalvedon School, Pitsea, last week.

She told the Council she was perturbed that action on such an important subject should be deferred.

"This is a new school which has been open for only two years. There are 48 doors with springs and 26 of them are useless and dangerous."

"This Council should be reminded that these children are in our charge. When children go through these doors, somebody has to hold them open. If the Education Committee do not want to pay for these doors, I will pay for them myself."

Coun. Field said he would discuss the matter again at the next committee meeting, but he did not think the money could be found for the job.

## DIDN'T SEE HIM

"I just didn't see him coming," John Clarke (18), of Victoria Avenue, Laindon, Hills told Police after an accident involving his Mini and a Ford Cortina. He pleaded guilty to careless driving at Billericay on Tuesday and was fined £10 with two guinea costs.

## Queueing for lectures



Queueing up to enrol for St. John Ambulance Brigade first-aid lectures at Lee Chapel South School on Thursday evening.

## Surprise for Corporation Manager

THE Laindon Residents' Protection Association are certain that the new Basildon Master Plan has not been completely approved by the Ministry of Housing and Local Government.

If the Plan has been approved it has had major modifications made to it, they say.

This prophesy comes from Chairman Mr. Fred Clark, who says the delay over approval can mean only one thing.

He told a reporter: "The Plan has been with the Ministry for a long time now. If it had been a case of a simple go-ahead, we would have heard about it by now. We now believe that the Ministry are either going to turn it down completely or at the very least make major modifications to it."

"As we stated at the Inquiry at

the Association feel that expansion of the New Town must not be at the expense of the natural beauty around it. "We are sure the Minister agrees with us and we are eagerly looking forward to a decision which will stop the Plan as it was originally intended."

General Manager of Basildon Development Corporation Mr. R. C. C. Boniface commented: "I am surprised to hear that Laindon residents know more about this than we do."

The Association's general meeting—on November 30th at the Laindon Community

Centre—will no doubt sport a happy temperament in anticipation of their belief. Jubilation will be accentuated by their progress report, which is especially encouraging this year.

They have had a number of successes in recent months. These have been in their dealings with Basildon Development Corporation and residents of the district negotiating for their homes.

Said Mr. Clark: "We have been very satisfied with the treatment we have received from the Corporation. It's true to say that we have helped many people to get over difficulties in negotiating with the Corporation."

At their meeting on November 10th the Association hope to have a representative from the Corporation to speak.

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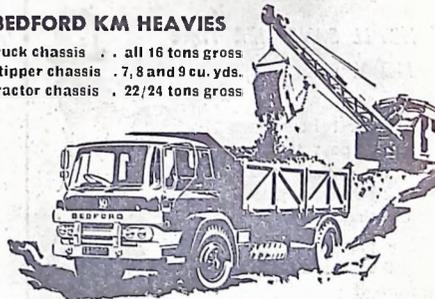
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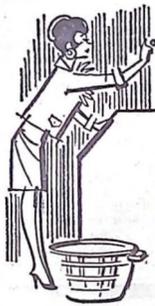
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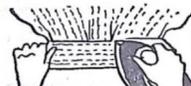


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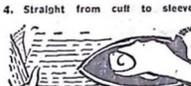
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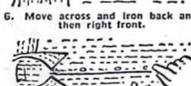
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# TOUGH NUT FOR PITSEA SIDE TO CRACK

**BIG MATCH OF THE WEEKEND AT BASILDON IS THE F.A. NATIONAL SUNDAY CUP GAME AT THE GUN MEADOW BETWEEN PITSEA UNITED AND MANOR FROM BARKINGSIDE.**

Although Pitsea have one of the strongest Sunday sides in the area this season, they will be hard pressed to make progress in what is the equivalent of the F.A. Amateur Cup for Sunday football.

## The first two home were disqualified

THE FIRST two teams home in the Chelmsford road relay on Saturday were both disqualified—a first in the event.

Cambridge Harriers were ruled out because one of their runners covered two laps—the first and the last—while Borough Road College, who were next in line, were excluded from the medals because most of their runners were new to other clubs.

This left the Athletic Club the winners with Hedges and Thurrock third.

Basildon fielded a weakened team and finished well down the list in 31st place despite good runs from Dave Moxon (20m. 30s.), Brian Lester (20m. 32s.) and Mike Thrussell (21m. 57s.).

On Saturday Basildon took part in the second Cross-Country League race at Southend, when the boys and girls will have a good opportunity to try out this year's County championship course.

## NETBALL PROGRESS

THERE WERE more teams in the Basildon Netball League this year than ever before, members were held in their annual meeting last week. In her report for the year, Secretary Mrs. J. Gunn said the number of teams and the quality of play was reflected in the results. The latter New Town's Festival where Basildon had come third.

They might have wished first in the competition but for one goal. Any other teams wishing to join the league should contact Mrs. S. Evans at 38, Plum-brow, Lee Chapel South.

Officers elected were: Chairman, Mr. E. Evans; Secretary, Mrs. S. Evans; Assistant Secretary, Mr. L. Hall; Umpires Secretary, Mrs. M. Forbes; Representative Teams Secretary, Mrs. J. Smith; Results Secretary, Mrs. L. Gordon; Treasurer, Mrs. J. Salmon.

## IMPORTANT DATE FOR SWIMMERS

BASILDON SWIMMING Club's most important annual meeting is due to take place on Saturday.

It is the most important because early next year Basildon's new swimming pool will be opened and the club will be using the facilities provided. The opening is sure to herald a boost in swimming interest in the town and lead to new prosperity for the Swimming Club.

At the meeting, to be held at the Bull's Eye, the new pool membership list will be discussed and settled. Present for the occasion will be representatives from Basildon Council, the Sports Council and the Amateur Swimming Association.

## METCALFE TENTH

AN UNFORTUNATE incident at the start of the Eastern Counties All Time Championship cost Basildon Club's Ian Metcalfe a possible place in the first three instead of tenth position.

After a fast time of 1m. 48s. in a club event the previous Sunday, Ian looked forward to the County Championship to prove an even better time. With warm weather everything looked in his favour when starting effort he pulled his foot out of a trap and took valuable seconds.

The winner, C. Kearley, of the Basildon C.C. recorded an even faster time, five seconds ahead of the second man, Ian, clocked the 49.8s.



Table tennis and darts award winners with Brigadier L. Nash (seated left) and Captain E. H. Durrant (seated right), who made the presentations at the Laindon Community Centre on Saturday, when the Laindon branch of the Royal Artillery Association held their 21st annual dinner-dance.

## Ambassadors win again

AMBASSADORS, BOWLING on Southend's newly-resurfaced lanes in the Pavilion League, rolled one of their lowest frames of the season over the weekend. Nevertheless, they defeated Apaches, one of the league's strongest teams, by three wickets to nil.

The Ambassadors' next match will be at Hoxleyheath on Sunday against Tolworth in the Inter-City Travels League.

The dancing club at the Basildon Bowl is still having keelback trouble. Big crowds attend on Fridays, but other days of the week things are very quiet.

The second leg of the S.T.C. Jets and Lathol Leagues took place on Sunday, with five four-man teams representing each league. Lathol League were again the victors, taking all three games on overall pinfall.

In the Atlas League, Linda Daynes had a very good series of 427, including two 159's. Linda plays for the Vikings, a new team playing well at the moment, but finding progress up the league table difficult.

## Problems

Goalkeeper Micky Flack and full-backs Bob Bromage and John Moseley picked themselves out for the half-back line took some sorting out.

The selected trio, Laver, Beech and Reed, means that Brian Crober after a 100 per cent turn out this season joins Tex Wiltshire and Johnny Bees, the sidelines for the important game.

The forward line could have consisted of many permutations, but the selectors have plumped for the line which did so well at Can-Holden. This includes Tony Laver, the hardest shooting forward in local football and wicket-keeper George Watson.

The match should provide a feast of football sufficient to attract a large crowd to the Gun Meadow. Pitsea's team is: Flack; Bromage, Moseley, Laver, Beech, Reed, Stuart, Watson, Holden, Thorogood.

## Another success

BASILDON'S WONDER walker John Webb won the Highgate Harriers' open seven-mile road walk on Saturday. To do it, he had a tough race with Arthur Jones (Brighton), who narrowly beat him recently in a one-hour walk.

After two miles Webb and Jones broke away from the pack and embarked on a personal tussle.

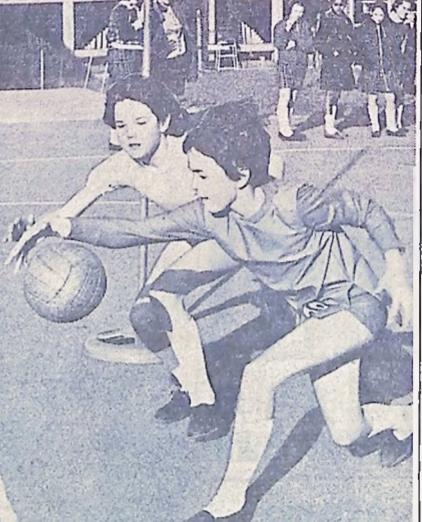
On the last uphill stretch from home Webb opened up a 50-yard lead, one which Jones could only halve before the end.

Webb's time on a hilly, rain-soaked course was a fast one of 51m. 4s. Jones was only five seconds behind, with Bob Hughes (Royal Sutton Cold-field) third in 51m. 58s.

Some really hot walking by Basildon's Jim McCormack produced his personal best time of 59m. 47s. He came first.

Unfortunately another Basildon walker, Oily Flynn, was pulled out, thus ruining Basildon's team chances. The team title went to Matronian.

Basildon's only other man in the race was Jim Janson. Although below peak fitness, he managed 71m. 16s. There were 156 finishers.



Ghyllgrove shooter Lynn Dowler (10) makes a grab for the ball in last week's netball match against Blue House. After four wins on the trot, Ghyllgrove Junior School's netball team lost 10-1 to Blue House, but their "B" team beat Blue House "B" 8-3.

## Orient probe New Towners' support

ORIENT FOOTBALL Club, currently considering a move to Basildon, have set down a man to sound out the feelings of New Towners on the subject. His comment on support discovered during his first few days' work was "fantastic."

The man, Brian Blower, is promoter and organiser of the club's football pool. He wants to know whether people of Basildon will support the club and whether they want to see Orient in Basildon.

During the next few weeks he will be travelling around the New Town talking to people, calling at factories and shops, contacting local sportsmen. He is acting on the instructions of the club directors.

First reactions from people in Basildon interviewed by Mr. Blower include a Policeman and two drivers who were in favour of the club coming, and a housewife who definitely was not. It would stop her husband shopping with her on Saturday afternoons!

On the factory estates the Orient man found a great deal of interest, particularly at Iford's and Ford's. Fractious at the latter plant he found a man who wants to start an Orient Supporters' Club.

Mr. Blower plans to spend two or three days a week in Basildon "to really cover the town." On Wednesday he was accompanied by two Orient "golden goal" girls.

After his initial investigation he reported his findings to Club Chairman Arthur Page.

Orient director Reg Briggs is to call a public meeting in Basildon to find what support the club would get in the New Town. At the meeting, if possible, he will find men interested enough to run a Basildon section of the Supporters' Club.

## Youth Centre 4-2 down

MANOR ATHLETIC 4, BILLERICAY Y.C. 2.

BILLERICAY YOUTH Centre, weakened by the absence of Ian Barrow, Richlings and skipper Brian Adams, were mainly on the defensive when they met Manor in a well-taken Manor Division I fixture at Brentwood on Saturday.

The visitors were in arrears in the 20th minute when Duffy handled a long free-kick which was heading well clear of goalkeeper Manning and Manor converted a penalty.

Ten minutes later the Billericay goal fell again when all the Manor forwards combined in an all-out attack which resulted in the centre-forward scoring.

The second half was played in torrential rain, but Billericay's Evans reduced the lead, erroring in a well-taken corner by Ron Addy. Five minutes later they levelled the score when Barry Shovel took a through pass from John Wheeler and beat the Manor keeper.

Manor pressed strongly after this and Manning made a series of great saves from five scoring efforts. One was saved when John Wilson kicked the ball off the line while Manning was grounded in a well-taken corner by Ron Addy. Two goals in the 80th and 85th minute settled the issue and Billericay lost their first points of the season.

## New Towners

NEWLY-FORMED New Town Football Club, a team of 15-16 year olds—play Clapton Rovers in a friendly at Marking Chase on Sunday afternoon.

## WICKFORD UNLUCKY TO LOSE

WICKFORD TOWN 2, THUNDERSLEY UNITED 3. WICKFORD TOWN were unlucky to lose this match against Thundersley United in the Southhampton District League Premier Division on Saturday.

The teams were evenly matched, and the defences were stretched. United took the lead, but Wickford equalised through Reed. Then the United regained the lead just before half-time.

After the interval there was little to choose between the teams. They each scored once—Wickford's being put in the back of the net by Penne.

Wickford Town III 7, Hockley III 2.

A half-time change of positions brought Wickford Town seven goals in their Southend and District League Division III game with Hockley on Saturday.

Wickford were weak in the first half and their opponents cracked home two good goals and led at half-time by 2-0. The Town captain made three positional changes after the interval and Wickford went on a goal rush. The ball was continually in the Hockley goal and their defence gradually fell to pieces.

## SUNDAY RESULTS

BASILDON SUNDAY League results: Premier Division — Ghyllgrove 2, Newcombe and Hasting 4. Division I — Outwood Common 0, Chertsey 0; Double Six "A" 2, B.N.O.C. 2; Gifford Rangers 1, Gibraltar 1; Cup — Corinthian "A" 8, Canvey "A" 0; Sorrento "A" 4, Stability 1. Division II — Outwood Common "A" 4, Ghyllgrove "A" 4; Sorrento "B" 2; Chertsey 1, W.B. 2; Bonniack 3; S.E.M. 3, Canvey "B" 1. Division III — Double Six "B" 0, Sorrento "B" 2; Ward 4, Craylands 0; Cuck-Norton 2, S.E.M. 0; John Mann 1, Gales 2; Essex C.C. 10, Muro 0.

## SPLENDID VICTORY

BASILDON'S NEWLY-FORMED ladies cross-country team had a splendid win in the inter-Club League race over 11 miles at Langdon Hills on Sunday.

First home for Basildon was Susan Chapman who came third in 10m. 14s. She is still only a junior yet beat all the club's intermediates in the race.

All the girls improved on their performances of the last league race and look forward to the next contest at Brentwood on Saturday.

Basildon ping-pong, J. Susan Chapman 10m. 14s.; J. Linda Motion 10m. 15s.; G. Linda Goulbourn 10m. 15s.; J. Vivienne Turburville 10m. 33s.; J. Linda Waters 10m. 48s. 15; J. Jane Saunders, 16; G. Gave Clark; 22; Christine Waters.

Girls interested in cross-country training are invited to attend training at Laindon Secondary School on Monday or Wednesday evenings.

## Four changes

AFTER SATURDAY'S defeat against Rye, the Basildon Youth League make four changes for their game against St. Martin's in Surrey on Saturday.

The team is: G. Cummings (Hendon Casuals); R. Vail (Basildon); R. Ford (Methodists); D. Head (Feyerns); D. Seaman (Timberlog); D. Thomas (Timberlog); Jarvis (Thorney Bay); Peterson (Methodists); Brown (Basildon); Marvin (Methodists); Barker (Methodists).

## BOWERS BEATEN IN 12-GOAL CUP-TIE

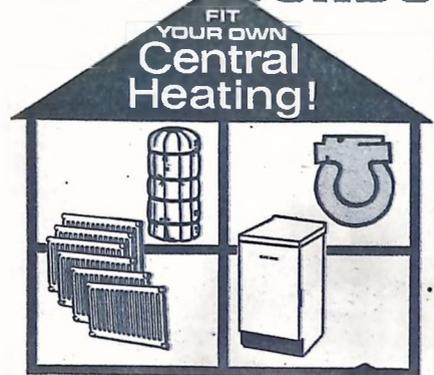
Manor Athletic 7, Bowers United 5. BOWERS UNITED full-back Dennis Bowley was sent off in the second half of a goal-packed Essex Intermediate Cup second round match at Brentwood on Saturday. At the time Bowers were 5-4 down.

Bowers made a terrible start, conceding a goal from a corner in the first five minutes and another two before 10 minutes had gone. Both sides had considerable trouble on the wet and slippery surface, but just when it seemed they would be untroubled by the one goal deficit when they started the second half, but were soon shocked when Manor were given a penalty which they converted.

The decision upset Bowers, but the changeover to a 12-goal second round made it 4-3. Shortly afterwards Bowley was sent off and while Bowers were sorting themselves out Manor scored twice more. Only some fine saves by Sims kept Bowers in the game at this point but they broke away to net again when the best goal of the match from Lepine did not rain hail, when the pitch was bogged down and the return and crashed it past the goalkeeper.

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## SPOTLIGHT ON BASILDON LEAGUE

# Good day for Laindon Athletic

**DUE TO THE** inter-league match against Harlow, which Basildon won resoundingly on Saturday, only one match was played in the Basildon League's Premier Division.

This resulted in a 10-1 win for Laindon Athletic against Basildon and Pitsea, which puts them two points in front in the table.

It was a good day all round for the Athletic, as their reserves beat Woodlands 2-1 to take them to the top of Division I.

Moving up the table are Ilford Reserves, whose win against Yardley's on Saturday was their best to date.

Moore's United are also producing some of last season's form and their win against the Irish Club Reserves moved them up in the table. Special word should go to Corringham, who recorded their first win of the season at the expense of Fryerns.

### Results

Basildon League 7. Harlow League 3; Basildon Youth League 1. Harlow Youth League 1. Division I, Laindon Athletic 10, Basildon and Pitsea 1. Division I, Ilford Reserves 4, Yardley Reserves 1; Irish Reserves 0, Moore's United 4; Corringham 3, Fryerns 1; Outwood Common 7, Manor 5; Woodlands Reserves 1, Laindon Athletic Reserves 2. Essex Junior Cup (Final): Belhus Park 2, P.T.C. Sports 3.

### Fixtures

With the Premier leaders Laindon Athletic and close

rivals Ilford Sports without a game on Saturday, the main interest centres round the Irish Club-York Shipley clash, writes **JOE HEARN**.

Even with new signing Alan Connolly in goal Shipley will be hard pressed to stop the fishermen taking the points and levelling with Laindon Athletic at the top.

The two Youth Centres, Woodlands and Nicholas, clash at Woodlands and a scale should result from the two young teams.

Basildon and Pitsea are having a rough time and after last week's heavy defeat will not start very confidently against Basildon Athletic.

In Division I all the five games are in the first round of the League Cup. Scovia, Ilford's Outwood Common, Belhus Park and Laindon Reserves are expected to join the teams with byes—Yardley, Manor and Nicholas—in the last eight.

Premier Division: Basildon Athletic v Basildon and Pitsea; Irish Club v York Shipley; Woodlands v Nicholas.

Division I League Cup (First Round): Fryerns v Scovia; Ilford Reserves v Corringham; Irish Reserves v Outwood Common; Moore's v Belhus Park; Woodlands Athletic Reserves v Woodlands Reserves.

## ILFORD'S ON TOP

**ILFORD SPORTS RESERVES 4, YARDLEY RESERVES 1** found themselves a goal down at Swan Moat in their match with Yardley Reserves on Saturday.

After this setback Ilford's settled down and mastered the difficult conditions to get back on terms with a great goal from Huet. The score stayed level until the interval but soon afterwards Huet got another good one to make it 2-1.

Both teams continued to play football in spite of a downpour of rain, and Ilford scored twice for Ilford's to make them convincing winners.

## Youth League results

**BASILDON YOUTH** League results: Under-18 Division — Billericay "B" 1, Basildon Boys 11.

Under-15 Division — Fryerns "B" 4, Canvey 1; Berry 3, Billericay 2.

**FIXTURES**  
Under-18 — Basildon Boys v Craylands; Billericay v Thevay Bay; Sutton Casuals v Billericay "B".  
Under-15 — Fryerns "A" v Basildon "B"; Outwood Common v Berry.

## CHAMPIONS BEATEN

**FRYERNS BOYS "B" 4, NEWLY-FORMED Fryerns "B" 1** completed the double over Canvey, last year's champions, in this Basildon and District Youth League match on Saturday.

Fryerns opened the scoring in the third minute through outside-left Paul Knowles, but Canvey came back to equalise in the 25th minute through Roberts. Before half-time Fryerns took the lead, again through Knowles.

After the interval heavy rain and a strong wind took their toll on Canvey. In the 50th minute Eberington made it 3-1 and when Canvey missed a penalty after taking it three times and finally hitting the bar, the match was virtually settled.

With five minutes to go Sullivan crossed the ball for Nicholas to score and establish Fryerns in top place in the league, with eight points from four games.

## First win for Berry Boys

**BERRY BOYS 3, BILLERICAY BOYS 2**

**BERRY BOYS** scored their first Basildon Youth League win at the season at the expense of Billericay on Saturday.

A goal down in the first three minutes through a misunderstanding Berry fought back to equalise through Oughton, and keeping up the pressure netted twice more through Strand and Woolven before half-time.

In the second-half Billericay pulled one back with a fine goal from their centre-half, who came up for a corner and headed home.

Afterwards Billericay tried hard to equalise, but Berry's defence kept them out until the end.

## Opportunity knocks

Determined to put Bendicut on the map in cricket circles, Bendicut Ecceterus Cricket Club are forming an Under-18 team for next season.

Juniors interested in being given a chance in the team should contact Secretary Mr. L. C. Forment at 31, Norwood Drive, Bendicut.

## SPORTS IN COMMAND

### CORRINGHAM SPORTS 3, FRYERNS

**CORRINGHAM SPORTS** had an impressive Basildon League win over Fryerns at Stanford on Saturday.

Taking the initiative from the kick-off, Corringham went ahead after five minutes through skipper M. Pickard, who picked up a through ball and drove it home after a good run.

Fryerns' first chance of equalising came when they were awarded a penalty after the keeper Pickard only for Parley made up for the offence by making a brilliant save from the spot.

Fryerns eventually equalised in the 30th minute with a header by Jeffs, only for Parley to restore Corringham's lead before a narrow angle. In the second half Fryerns were continually under pressure as Corringham made it 3-1 after 15 minutes.

## EASY FOR MOORES

### IRISH CLUB RESERVES 0, MOORES UNITED 4

**MOORES FOUND** their form again in this Saturday League Division I game, playing confident football which, but for poor finishing, would have produced more than five goals.

There was little to choose between the teams at the start, but Moore's gradually took command and in the fifth minute Brian Conlin took advantage of a poor clearance to score from 20 yards. Moore's kept up the pressure and it was no surprise when Ian Reay added a second from close in.

The Irish came back after the interval, then T. Proctor split the Irish defence with a cross to Mick Smith, who beat a couple of players, and slammed the ball in.

Ray Clark completed the scoring when he pounced on the bad mistake by the keeper and tapped the ball into an empty net. Seconds later the same player smashed a 20-yarder against the bar.

## PENALTY WINNER

### JOHN TANN'S 1, GATOR 0

**UNDERSTRENGTH** and having to field three reserves John Tann's were defeated in this First round Basildon League Cup match with Gator Gas on Saturday.

Tann's were unfortunate to lose — the winning goal coming from a penalty in the second half.

Tann's continually pressed Gator Gas in the first half, but the visitors scored after 15 minutes following a good move by the forwards.

In the 57th minute Gas converted a penalty when left-back Mackie handled the ball, but Tann's came back and the Gas defence conceded an own goal.

## Billericay "A" trounced

### BILLERICAY "A" 1, BASILDON BOYS 11

**BILLERICAY** were no match for the stronger, more aggressive and more experienced Basildon Boys Club on Saturday.

A goal in front after five minutes through Champkins. Basildon did most of the early pressing and scored twice up with another Champkins effort from Monk's cross.

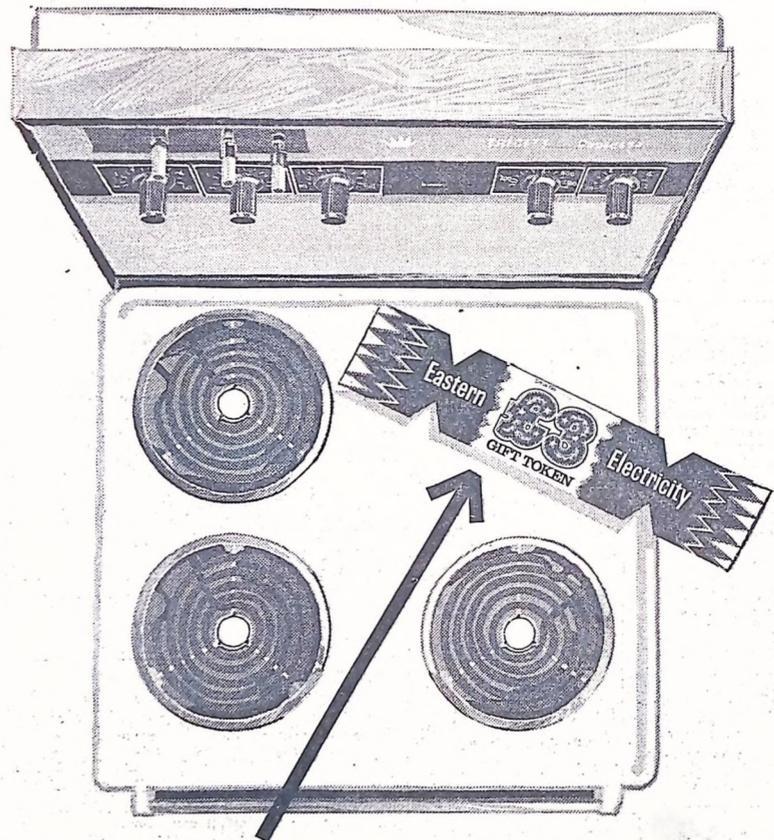
Monday Basildon's centre-forward, made it three after 20 minutes after beating two defenders.

There was no further scoring until just before half-time when Billericay netted from a penalty. New goalkeeper Teather diving the right way, but just failing to hold the slippery ball.

Basildon were soon on the offensive on the restart and from a perfectly placed corner by Clark Whyte nudged home the fourth. Then Clark made it five in a goalmouth scramble.

The next two goals went to Andy Brown whose play showed he has fully recovered from his broken leg of last season.

Cockerton followed up with the eighth and in the last 20 minutes the powerful Monday netted three more.



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Basildon League skipper Wilson goes down to knock the ball clear during a Harlow raid.



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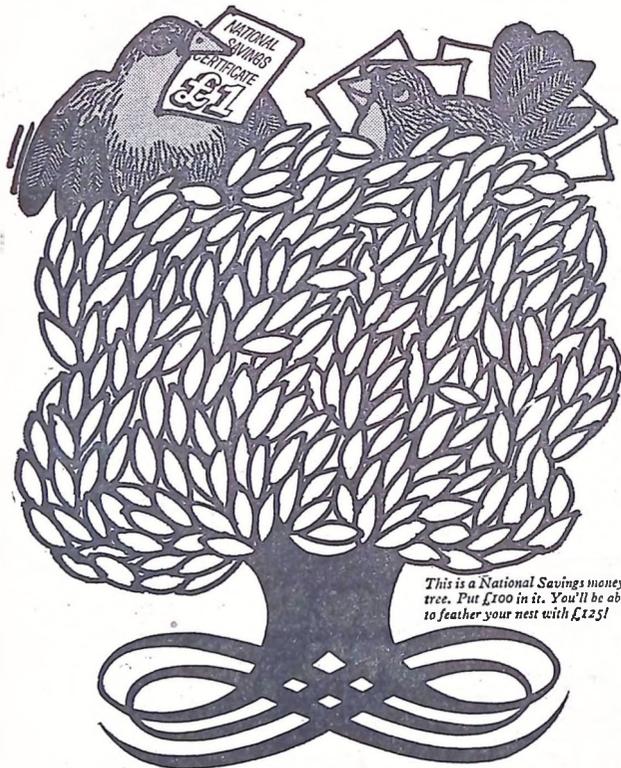
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# FOUR EXTRA - THREE GOALS PUT HOTEL THROUGH THREE penalties at Swan Mead

### LAINDON HOTEL 8, MARTELL ALBION 4

LEVEL AT four-all at the end of 90 minutes, Laindon Hotel stormed through to the second round of the Essex Sunday Junior Cup with four extra-time goals in this replay at Laindon.

Scoring was fast and furious from the start, Laindon going ahead in the third minute, Martelli equalising in the 13th, Laindon going ahead again in the 22nd and Martelli levelling for the second time in the 25th minute.

The second half was a hum-dinger with first one side and then the other doing the attacking.

Laindon went ahead again after 55 minutes, only for Martelli to score twice in three minutes to go ahead for the first time in the same.

They held on to this lead and should have increased it, but in the very last minute Laindon made a determined effort which produced a dramatic equaliser.

In extra time Laindon took command and by the end of the first period were 5-4 up. In the second half they lived in three more goals, including one from a penalty, to end up worthy winners of an amusing game.

## Costly slip

SCOTT HALE 2, BONALACK 3

SCOTT HALE'S goalkeeper was forced over his own line to give Bonalack a dramatic last-ditch winner in this Division II Cup match at Wickford on Sunday.

Bonalack led 1-0 at half-time through a goal scored by Dean in the 15th minute, the shot being deflected into the net by a defender.

Scott Hale replied with a penalty 10 minutes after the interval, but they soon fell behind again when the goalkeeper dropped a Rogers shot and Daley replied with a penalty. Scott Hale levelled it at 2-2 from a penalty with 10 minutes to go, but a conceding vital goal from a corner. The ball dropped down just underneath the bar and slide forced the goalkeeper into a mistake which proved costly.

## Fixtures

Premier Division — Ghyllgrove v Canvey, Double Six v Corringham, Laindon Hotel v Sorrento, Pegasus v Priors Athletic.  
Division I — Glibarco v Double Six "A", Chesterhall v Sorrento, Glibarco v Sturminster, Corringham "A", Stability v Canvey "A", B.E.N.O.C. v Outwood Common.  
Division II — Shell v Chesterhall "A", Sorrento v Scott Hale, Canvey "A", Outwood "A", Bonalack v Ghyllgrove "A", West Pritcharde v S.E.M., Division III — Solihull v Manor, Norton v John Tann, S.E.M. v Double Six "B", Craylands v Purco, Essex C.C. v Cator Gas.

## Hammered

ESSEX COUNTRY CLUB 10, MURGO 0  
SPORTING MURGO never gave up although they hammered 10-0 by an inspired Essex Country Club team at Landon on Sunday.

Playing fast open soccer they did the Country Club well, 5-0 in the first half, with goals from Smith, Evans, Pottinger and Hildsworth.

The second half followed much the same pattern, with further goals coming from Pottinger (2), Mulchinock, Struce and Mason.

# Outwood win game of 13 goals

Outwood Common 7, Chesterhall 6  
FOLLOWING THEIR defeat in last week's Junior Cup match, Outwood Common went on a goal spree in their Basildon Sunday League Division I fixture with Chesterhall.

Within eight minutes of the start Outwood hit the net twice, scores Gregory and T. Babb finishing off some excellent approach work. Chesterhall hit back and reduced the arrears, but Outwood retaliated with goals from G. Babb, who headed home a centre from T. Babb and Gregory.

The visitors, full of fight, got another goal just before half-time, when the score was 4-3.

Playing open attacking football, Outwood paid the price when Chesterhall netted two goals in less than 17 minutes.

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Priors Athletic 2, Sorrento 4  
TWICE IN front, Priors Athletic eventually had to admit defeat against injury-hit Sorrento in this Sunday League game at Swan Mead.

Helped by the wind and hit the woodwork in an early goal, then took the lead from a penalty taken by Duffin.

An injury to Cave, who had to move to the wing, handicapped Sorrento, but it indirectly helped them to equalise when Cave was pushed in the back and Page converted the resulting penalty.

Again Priors went in front following a bad Sorrento defensive mistake, only for Derby to equalise home another equaliser just before half-time from Upton's corner.

Bitterworth came on for Cave in the second half and Sorrento, now with the wind, got well on top.

They went ahead for the first time in the Derby chase a ball which looked hopeless to catch, but he did it and while the goalkeeper before shooting home.

This goal inspired Sorrento, who then replied with the end with another penalty by Page.

## 9-4 FOR CRAYLANDS

CARTER AND WARD 4  
THIRTEEN GOALS rattled into the net in the Sunday League clash between Carter and Ward and Craylands Youth Centre at Basildon.

The game was only a few minutes old when Craylands went ahead with a Whayman header, only for Carter to level to equalise straight from the kick-off.

An amazing start was a hint of things to come and by half-time Craylands were 2-2 up.

First blood went to Craylands when Freedman tore the net in and scored home a good shot. Carter Ward then equalised again only for Craylands to go ahead once more through Freedman.

Just before the break Craylands made it 4-2 when Yule hit and hit home a high ball.

Craylands started the second half in cracking style with three quick goals from Webster and Hucker (2).

Carter Ward refused to give in and they scored another two in reply. Sandwiched in between was Craylands' eighth from Alger.

With five minutes left Hucker converted a penalty for Craylands to notch his third and his team's ninth.

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## SIX DRAW TWO-ALL

DOUBLE SIX "A" 2, B.E.N.O.C. 2

DESPITE FIELDING four reserves and having only 90 minutes in the last half, Double Six "A" took first point of the season when they held B.E.N.O.C. to a draw at Gloucester Park on Sunday.

B.E.N.O.C. had 70 per cent of the play, but even so were fortunate to get a ball as almost on time, Bird nearly scored a winner from the R.C. Promoted by Strik.

Dunn, B.E.N.O.C.'s forwards, started and only got a goal from Welch, Cowman, Bearman, Fitzgibbon and after Bird and Six goal, tactician kept the

Then, as so often happens with one of the top teams, Double Six broke a 2-2 through Ellery and Batchelor and Bird, but was not half-stopped by the goalkeeper. Dallimore followed up to smash loose ball home.

B.E.N.O.C. swarmed back into attack in the second half and in one of the early minutes scrambled home the equaliser.

Just after this Dallimore in a sliding tackle dislocated a thumb and had to go to hospital.

The Blusmen saw their chance and went ahead when a long shot from Benham caught the Six defence unawares.

The writing looked on the wall for the Six at this time, but their defence, back furiously and after Bird and Ellery had split the B.E.N.O.C. defence, Cowman cracked home the equaliser.

## POINTS FOR SORRENTO

SORRENTO "A" 4, STABILITY 1

SORRENTO DESERVED their win over Stability in the Sunday League game at Swan Mead, but it was not until the second half that they turned their superiority into goals.

Batt, who had a very good name, opened the Sorrento account in the 25th minute with a shot which gave the goalkeeper no chance. Playings down and after Bird and Stability got more into the same and after 15 minutes equalised.

This setback made Sorrento more determined, but they failed to go ahead again when Finch scored a penalty.

Shortly afterwards Synnot made it 2-2 from a free-kick, and after 70 minutes Batt added another from a free-kick by Croon.

With five minutes left Batt notched his third and Sorrento's fourth to complete the scoring.

SHELL 0, SORRENTO "B" 2  
TWO SECOND-HALF goals were sufficient to see Sorrento to the Sunday League points in their clash with Shell at Basildon.

The first half saw Sorrento continually on the attack and they gave away two before a goal without being able to score.

Sorrento broke the ice quickly in the second half, with Trowers pushing a ball over the cross bar and after Bird and the man and sent a round shot into the net.

Johnstone crossed the ball for Barrett to hit home, and all the last 15 minutes of the game Sorrento's Shell goalkeeper making fine saves from shots from all angles.

## Unbeaten in six games

DOUBLE SIX "B" 7, SOLIHULL 4

DOUBLE SIX "B" extended their unbeaten run to six games when they came out on top when they beat Solihull 7-1 at Eversley Road.

The Six started at a fast pace and opened the scoring when Bean nodded the ball home as he lay on the ground in the area. Levey, in goal for Double Six, for the first time this season, made a good time of the ball, but he was saved soon afterwards, and immediately pointed the ball down to Eaton to bat it in and score.

Double Six were well on top, and Bannister hit it three times before a smart early goal minutes before the second goal. Bean scored his second goal with a first-time shot through a wall of defenders, but Scimitar reduced the arrears on the stroke of half-time.

Scimitar pressed for a while at the end of the first half, but in the second half, and Levey was then off a series of neat saves. Then Bean took the net to make it 5-1, and he was pulled down in the area minutes later, but Bannister missed the penalty kick.

Bean made amends by scoring twice more, and making his final tally five.



Basildon Sports Council held a presentation evening in the Council Chambers, Forderwick, on Saturday. Seated fourth left is world cycling champion Mrs. Beryl Burton, M.B.E., who presented awards.

# WORLD CHAMPION PRESENTS LOCAL SPORTS AWARDS

BRITAIN'S AMAZING world cycling champion Beryl Burton, who holds records at every distance from sprints to 12-hour road races, came to Basildon on Saturday. But it was no excuse for her to break her dedicated training and she cycled 80 of the miles from her North Country home.

In the New Town Beryl told a gathering of over 100 at the Sports Council's presentation evening how she combines world-class training with the everyday chores of a mother and a housewife. "Sometimes things get a bit hectic but I seem to manage to fit it all in," she said.

decided by a panel of judges on Tuesday week. Even Sports Council Chairman Mr. Cyril Moore admitted, "I have no idea what the verdict is."

The award, which was very warmly received, went to Barstable Grammar School teacher and Basildon Ladies' Hockey Club player, Miss Marion Love.

Marion was "going away for the weekend" before being quietly talked into coming along for the presentations. "I had no idea I had won the cup," she said. Other awards: Freedman Trophy for the outstanding athletics performance—John Webb; Outdoor Common Trophy for the outstanding football performance—Basildon; Wilbera Trophy—cricket single-wicket competition—Dennis King; Stewards' Trophy for the outstanding performance—Rex Clarke (Pitsea).

Sports Council bowler of the year—George Burdett (Hendon); Batsman of the Year—Bryn Harris (Basildon); Littlewoods Trophy for five cricketers coming along for the presentations. League winners—Lathol; Tennis League individual winner—Peter Sell (Widmore); Pembroke Memorial Trophy, lawn bowls—Standard; Telephone L.B. Club; Telford Trophy for outstanding club cyclist—Roger Barton.

## Hockey

### LADIES ON TOP AT WESTCLIFF

#### BASILDON LADIES 5, OLD WESTCLIFF 5

BASILDON LADIES came home with a 5-5 draw in a flowing and unspiriting match with Old Westcliff at Westcliff High School on Saturday. With newcomers Elizabeth Shaw in the team, the Basildon forwards, Basildon got off to a good start and were soon rewarded with a goal. The first was a short pass shot by Monica Munro and the second followed up shot by Liz Shaw.

Play was scrappy and rather poor in the circles at both ends but in mid-field Basildon were superior in tackling and anticipation. After half-time Basildon were constantly on the attack with their halves joining in the goal raids. Centre-half Ruth Carter managed to bring home the third from the side of the circle and this was quickly followed by others from Monica Munro and Diana Bowden. Basildon: Eileen Wilson; Val Merriman; Joan Simpson; Judy Boothman; Ruth Carter; Marion Love; Margaret Southcott; Liz Shaw; Monica Munro; Diana Bowden.

#### ON SATURDAY BASILDON ARE AWAY TO GANTER

### CUSTOMS AND EXCISE 1, BASILDON LADIES II 1

BASILDON LADIES II second team hammered Customs and Excise 1-1 in a hockey match at Mosses Park on Saturday. Basildon were in the lead for most of the game and were 7-0 up at half-time. Nina Donovan opened the scoring early on and other goals quickly followed from Emma Eccles, Muriel Aldis and Jenny Pateman. During the second half in torrential rain, Emma Davis, Jenny Pateman and Joy McKenzie were again successful with their scores. The water-logged pitch and the Customs team had no answer to the home side's repeated attacks. Basildon included in their team two new players, Val Knotte and Linda Thompsett (goal), and both played well. Basildon: Linda Thompsett, Sue Davis, Beryl Ford, Muriel Aldis, Jenny Pateman, Val Knotte, Chris Davies, Nina Donovan, Joy McKenzie, Linda Wright, Emma Davis.

#### THIS WEEK BASILDON II ENTERTAIN BURNHAM LADIES.

### Great start

#### WICKFORD TORCHBEARER

GRAYS TORCHBEARER V.C. 0 IN THEIR first match of the season, Wickford Torchbearer V.C. secured a 0-0 draw in a victory over Grays Torchbearer V.C. in a friendly Under-16 game at Wickford on Saturday. It was evident from the start that Wickford were the superior team. They continued the Grays defence in a matter of minutes and went one up through an own goal after 20 minutes they were leading 4-0. Grays attacked occasionally but the Wickford wall-like defence proved too tough to break. Outstanding in defence were left-back Roger Kemp, centre-half Alf Skiller and goalkeeper Bob Wallace. Goalkeepers were Geoff Wright (3), Peter Eima (2), Peter Warton and Alf Skiller, and an own goal.

## Brigands too hot for New Towners

Blackheath Brigands 6 pts., Basildon 3 pts. BASILDON LOST their second game of the rugby season on Saturday to a disciplined and well-trained Blackheath side, but it was a game they should have won.

Basildon started off with only 13 men and the home side went in front from a penalty awarded for offside at the base of a scrum. It was the only score in the first half. During the second period both packs of forwards enjoyed a robust game, Basildon's efforts being rewarded with a penalty which Comber converted with a superb kick to bring the scores level. From a rare attacking kick Blackheath were awarded their match-winning penalty after an obstruction almost in front of the posts. Basildon hit back with more do or die attacks, but failed to score again in a rather frustrating finish.

#### BASILDON BULLDOGS 25 PTS., FAIRLOP 3 PTS.

FAIRLOP CAME to Gloucester Park on Saturday with a run of nine rugby wins and 190 points in the bag so far this season. They were soundly defeated by a Basildon second team which extended its winning run to eight games. Their 25 points brought their tally to 716.

It took Basildon 10 minutes to settle down before they opened the scoring when from a loose scrum inside the Fairlop half Bullock fed Mett who coolly dropped a goal from 30 yards.

After this the Bulldogs started to exert great pressure on the Fairlop line and from a set piece on the right hand side the ball was slipped along the line to Walker, who dived over for an unconverted try. From another piece of good work by the forwards, Mett sliced his way down the middle and fed Jenkins, who rounded the remaining opposition to score behind the posts. Moore added the extra points. For the next 20 minutes the weather took a hand and in pouring rain the players struggled on with a spell of unimpaired play during which time the ball was more often off the field than on it.

Close on half-time the weather improved and so did Basildon's play. They were

rewarded when, from a set scrum inside the Fairlop half, Mett received the ball, checked himself and dropped his second goal.

In the second half Fairlop began to come more into the game with the full-back continually opening up from several good runs. But from a loose fly kick by a Fairlop player, Basildon broke away to score again. Mett picked it up and passed the middle to score down the posts. Moore again converted. Then from a line-out the ball was passed along the Basildon line in copybook fashion for Walker to kick wide out. The kick failed. A similar move a few minutes later saw Jones score another unconverted try. This completed Basildon's scoring, but far from being shattered, Fairlop came back with renewed vigour and scored a consolation try before the end.

#### Clacton 2nd XV nil, Basildon 3rd XV 6 pts.

A Basildon side containing a useful blend of youth and experience travelled along on Saturday and came away worthy winners by three tries to nil.

Notable performances were given by hooker John Kins and Graham Smith, Mal Hammond and D. Lockett. Outside-half G. Legassick, playing in his first game of the season, showed some fine touches and managed to get the three-quarters moving for the first score of the match—a try by Wilkinson. With the forwards going well and the sun on their backs, Basildon were soon to score in the second half when from another three-quarter movement Trevor Light made a good break and scored 30 yards to the line. Basildon's final try came when Legassick went over after chipping his own kick ahead and beating the Clacton full-back to the touch down.

#### Basildon 4th XV 6 pts., Saracens Extra "A" 8 pts.

A late penalty gave Saracens victory in a rain-swept match on Saturday.

Saracens took the lead with a penalty after an offside infringement and later they increased it with another penalty. Basildon resumed after the interval with plenty of fight and after some good work by the back row Conway followed through for a good try. Sullivan made it all square with a penalty, only for Saracens to take the game with their third penalty of the game.

## VICTORY BY TWO POINTS

### BILLERICAY SHOULD HAVE THURROCK 14 PTS.

BILLERICAY SHOULD have won this rugby match by a far greater margin than two points. The undoubtedly would have done so if they had played the second half the same way as they did the first.

Thurrock were soon handicapped by the drive of Billericay scored the best try from one of these forward rushes that Derek Kell, a second row man, went over for a good try. Mike Hingsley converted. A penalty was awarded when the Thurrock blind side wing-forward was caught well offside and Hingsley had no trouble in converting. Just before half-time Billericay scored the best try of the match through Blackburn.

In the first ten minutes of the second half Billericay carried on with their good all-round teamwork and went further ahead through Peter Fell. Richard Shipton converted. From then on Billericay seemed content to rest on their laurels. Thurrock took advantage and scored through Samson, Migliomini, Estance and Cobb. One try was converted by Cobb.

Tomorrow Billericay play Basildon in a new fixture. On Sunday a Billericay side will play Old Berrynwoods at Willobrook, Stock Road.

## Top crowd

Top crowd for a Football League match last Saturday was the 60,000 who saw Liverpool win at Anfield Wednesday 1-0 at Anfield.

## Track needed

Introducing Beryl to the audience, Mr. Alan Gayer (the editor of "Cycling") commented on the need for a top-class cycle track in Essex. There to hear his words were Basildon Council's Chairman, Coun. A. Baron Burn, the Recreation Committee Chairman, Coun. Derek Pope, and Town Manager Mr. David Taylor.

"You have the fastest road track in the country passing through your area yet no track here," he said. "There is only one international-class track in England and that is in Leicestershire. We desperately need one in this part of the country."

Mr. Gayer said the crowded conditions of Britain's roads made it imperative that circuits to be provided. "It is in towns like Basildon where we are more likely to get them," he said. Main purpose of the evening was to present Sports Council awards and during the summer of which had been presented by Beryl Burton.

## Main award

Great interest was centred around the main award, the Sports Council Personality of the Year Trophy, the name of the winner of which had been kept a secret since it was

# Basildon United get late winner

Riverside 3, Basildon United 4. A GREAT second half fight-back to 3-3 after being 3-1 down was not enough to stop the march of Basildon United in this Thames-side Premier Division match at Grays on Saturday. A late own goal gave the United the points.

The United scored first. Both sides came a low cross for Waite to aim home from the edge of the box. Shortly afterwards Johnny Ager scored his first goal for the club when his swerving free kick from the left corner flew into the net over the goalkeeper's head.

Riverside fought back and it was Basildon who were forward J. Guest collected a loose ball in the United penalty area to hit home his side's first goal.

The second half opened with Riverside taking the lead in the United defence, but once more it was the United who scored by a narrow margin the right wing to crash home an unstoppable shot from the edge of the box. The superbly fit Riverside team fought back and two points in two minutes put them level.

United's winning goal came at times when Riverside were doing all the pressing. G. Barham broke on the left and centred. The shot was covered by the goalkeeper, but was diverted past him into the net by a full-back.

## ROSEWELL ON TARGET

### BASILDON UNITED RESERVE VS. HORNDAUN UNITED RESERVE 1

AFTER a chapter of mixed fortunes United finally found their touch against Hornadun Sports on Saturday and ran out clear winners for this was a fine display of teamwork by Basildon United. The score by no means flattered them. Ian Smith in the United goal had an easy time.

Basildon's right-wing pair Steve Bean and Cliff Pitt were prominent from the start, but despite all the chances set up poor finishing and goalkeeping kept the first scorersheet blank. Ron Wynn and Richard Rosewell both had good efforts saved before

## Archers in tussle with Barstable

### BARSTABLE 5 CLUB 4

A VERY close match resulted when Barstable met the Archers in a mixed pairs badminton friendly at Vance on Friday.

The first game set the pattern for the whole match. Barstable pair John Tompsett and Diane Myers took the first leg, then lost the second to Mike Grayson and Pat Wager.

The third leg went to 17-17 before Tompsett put the shuttle just far enough away from Grayson to grab the valuable last point and the game.

The games were so evenly contested that after two hours only three had been played. The rest had to be shortened to one game of 15 points. Scores:

John Tompsett and Diane Myers (Barstable) beat Mike Grayson and Pat Wager 15-11, 6-15, 18-17; lost to Ken Davies and Sheila Webb 6-15; lost to Dave and Janet Intri 5-15.

Peter Hyde and Carolyn Moore (Barstable) beat Mike Grayson and Pat Wager 15-11, 15-10, 15-10, 15-10; lost to Dave and Janet Intri 5-15.

Eric Vile and Pat Hunt (Barstable) beat Mike Grayson and Pat Wager 15-11, 15-10, 15-10, 15-10; lost to Dave and Janet Intri 5-15.

## All square

Last three matches between Manchester United and Stoke at Old Trafford have ended all square. The clubs meet again, best Saturday.

## PRESENTATION DANCE

A DOUBLE-decker bus was hired by the Marconi (Basildon) Bowls Club to transport members to their annual presentation dance at the Marconi canteen on Saturday evening.

Reason for the bus was to avoid the new breathalysers. A spokesman said a spokesman for the dance, about 250 attended, members were transported home to all parts of

The New Town including Vance and Pitsea. The presentation of awards was carried out by Mrs. D. Partridge, wife of the Club President. Award winners were: Singles Cup—F. Langmead; Doubles Cup—J. Reid and S. Dudley; Pairs Cup—A. Bolt and C. Bolt; Winning Pairs—A. Duke, F. E. E. and W. H. Langmead and W. Hunt.



Marconi Bowls Club prizewinners pictured at Saturday's presentation dance at the works canteen.

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# Handicap table tennis at Billericay

## OUTWOOD COMMON LOSE 4-0

**ULTING VILLA 4-0**  
**OUTWOOD COMMON 0**

IN A HARD, fast match at Langford on Saturday, Outwood Common crashed to a 4-0 defeat in their fixture with Mid-Essex League Division 1 leaders Ulting Villa.

The match was not as one-sided as the result suggests. Outwood started well and pressed hard for the majority of the first half, using the ball quickly and intelligently. Outwood's weakest point was back finishing. Centre-forward George Baker and left-winger Peter Fletcher both missed open goals, and George Bibbs had a tremendous free-kick saved by the Ulting keeper.

Villa gave Outwood's defence some anxious moments and took a half-time lead when their left-winger sent a soft shot into an open goal.

The home team dominated play in the second half, pounding Outwood's goal area without mercy. Within two minutes they netted two more goals, one from the left-winger, who beat two men and gave keeper Jupp no chance, and the second from a goalmouth miscue which resulted in the centre-forward tapping the ball over the line.

Villa's final goal came from a disputed penalty. Outwood's left-back Tommy Newman being penalised for tripping a Villa player.

## BRENTWOOD YOUTH CENTRE

Although Hutton T.T.C. "A" gave away an 11 start they still managed to beat South Wood Y.C. 6-1, and St. John's "A" giving away nine, triumphed over St. Joseph's.

Crays Hill "A" giving away five, had some hard yards before defeating St. Joseph's "B" 7-3, and still beat Brentwood School "B" 0-1 to win their group. After giving away an 11 start, Billericay Recreation "A" beat St. John's "B" 7-3.

## Struggle for honours

**KINGSWOOD TOP THE "A" Division of the Basildon Primary Schools' Football League with five points from three games, but are closely challenged by Fairhouse with maximum points from two games.**

In the "B" Division, Whitmore (five points from three games) lead on goal average from Sunnymede, and in the "C" Division Fairhouse are top with four points from two games.

**Good shot**

D. Bruckles scored a maximum 100 points for Basildon "A" in their 382-180 victory over Searose "B" in the South End Small Bore Rifle League last week. Basildon "C" lost to Brentwood Police 355-341.

## OLYMPIAN RESULTS

**ESSEX OLYMPIAN Football League results last Sunday**

Old Chelmsfordians 1, Crayke 4 (Baintree) 4; Dunstall Press 0, Essex Police 0.

Fixtures for tomorrow: Billericay Town v. Essex Police; Old Chelmsfordians v. Dunstall Press; Collier Row v. E.C.C.; Dunmow v. B.C.M.; Baintree v. Manor Athletic; Baintree v. Writtle v. British Mathews.

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## One unbeaten side

**THE TOP-OF-THE-TABLE** club in the Wickford and District League 4, resulted in a win for Quart Pot who are unbeaten in their first four games.

Long Riding 6, Popalicks 3; Invacar 4, Spread Eagle 5; Norton 3, Bortop 6; Pights 3, Stow Bullocks 6; Kings' Hall 5, Swan 4; Butvi 1, P. 1; Quart Pot 5, Paul Fry 4; Castle 4, Shepherd 5.

Team K.O. Cup: Long Riding 2, Pitsa B.L. 0; Quart Pot 2, Stow Bullocks 0.

# Three late goals put Schools XI in next round

**BASILDON SCHOOLS (UNDER-15) 4, EAST SUFFOLK SCHOOLS (UNDER-15) 1**  
 A DRAMATIC burst of scoring late in the second half carried Basildon through to round three of the English Schools' Shield on Saturday.

Until that burst the sides had looked evenly balanced, with Basildon having the edge in finishing power.

The boy who gave Basildon the advantage was a substitute, Gordon Hulbert, right-half and the best player on the field. He dominated play in mid-field, and when the forwards failed to take advantage of the chances he laid on, he went up to score twice himself.

The game began in greasy conditions which became steadily more difficult under a drizzle of rain. Basildon, missing injured, took a little time to settle, but soon began to push East Suffolk back on to defence.

Suffolk looked quite capable of withstanding this pressure, however, and when they were away looked the more dangerous of the two sides. Keith Barry came nearest to Basildon, but the ball drop past the far post.

Then Hulbert pushed the ball forward, ran through to take the return and fired the ball into the net, only to have his goal disallowed for offside. A minute before the interval he put that right, only half putting his shot, but putting the ball wide of the keeper to make it 1-0.

The second half was only a minute old when East Suffolk got a shock answer. Basildon goal-keeper Wilson, picking the ball up, chose to try and kick it away instead. The ball went straight to the Suffolk inside-left, Burgess, who made no suspect to his rivals.

The grass went across the goalmouth with no one to touch it in, then another heaved around the goalmouth before cannoning off a defender's feet into the net. At that the Basildon forwards really began to click.

Minutes later Hulbert hit a fierce long shot which went over the bar, but the net, and then Oakley went through on the right to hit from a narrow angle.

That clinched it and Basildon comfortably played out the last few minutes in pouring rain.

Basildon: Barry Wilson; Alan Don; Philip Alderton; Gordon Hulbert; Paul Bartlett; Paul Vickery; Colin Walker; Keith Barry; Chris Leach; East Suffolk: Minor; Garth; G. Jones; Archer; Holmes; Osborne; Archer; Thompson; Clarke; Burgess; Brinkley.

## FRYERNS WIN AGAIN

**FRYERNS GRAYMAR TECHNICAL SCHOOL 5, CRAVLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL 1**

**TOP-OF-THE-TABLE** Fryern won their fourth match on the trot when they played Craylands on Thursday week. But Craylands managed to score their first goal against them this season.

Fryerns did most of the early pressing, but it was Craylands who scored first through Keeley.

Hecock soon equalised when his cross drifted into the net, and winger Gilmore rocketed home another to make it 2-1 on the break for Fryerns.

Play continued to be exciting in the second half and after 15 minutes, Moorhouse was giving well at centre-forward, turned and hit the ball home for number two. The first goal was almost four soon afterwards when Fryerns were given a split-kick, but Wilson saved Hecock's kick.

Craylands were certainly not out of it at this stage. Keeley hit the bar and Scott and Golding were playing themselves to a standstill, but it was Fryerns who scored the goal.

First a great shot from Moorcroft flew into the net, and just before the end Moorhouse made it five with a well-taken goal after some good work by Hecock. It was Fryerns' 17th goal in four games this season.

## Appleton just fail

**Laindon Secondary School 3, Appleton Secondary 2**

If hit goals and goals were won matches Appleton would have taken this Under-12 game by a large margin.

Laindon hit and on their side, appeared to have the game sewn up when they led 3-0 at half-time, but Appleton stormed back in the second half and in the last 10 minutes peppered the Laindon goal without being able to level the scores.

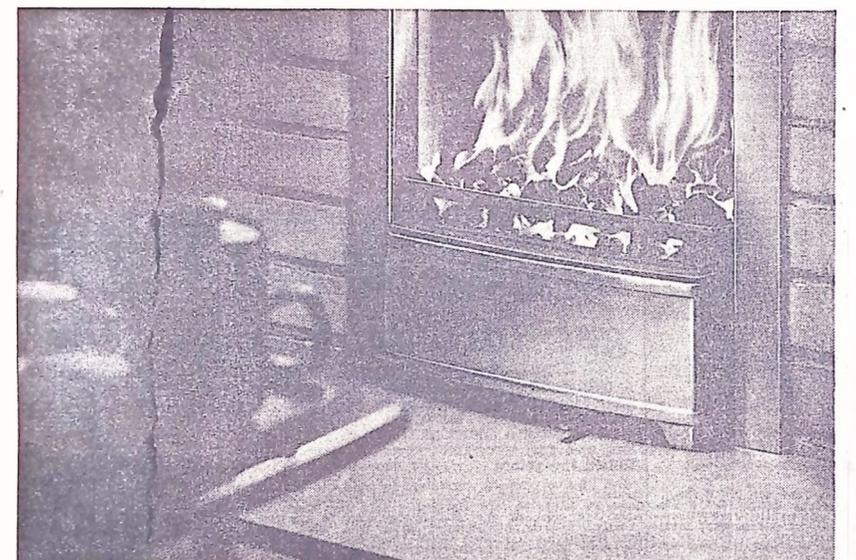
The left-half Brinkley was outstanding for Laindon.

**Laindon Secondary School 1, Appleton Secondary 2**

In this well-matched Under-14 game on Saturday, 14 sides ruined their chances of several goals and it was until Laindon's Easton brought down the goal of the second half that the match from a penalty.

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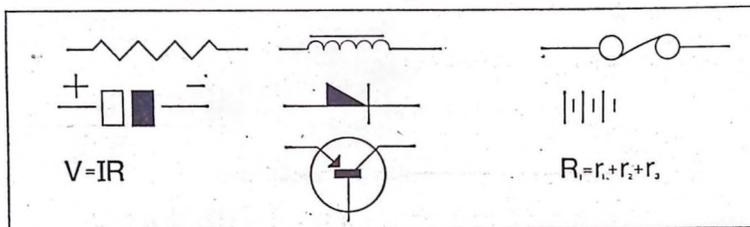
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Detached centrally heated BUNGALOW, only two minutes from BILLERICAY High Street, £4,700. Charming elevations of facing brick, with glazed lobby and 11ft. 6in. kitchen. Built in 1959 to include bright 16ft. lounge, large 11ft. 6in. kitchen, two double bedrooms, bathroom w.c. Own drive to garage. 50ft. frontage. Owner moved to new Property and forced to sell.

**PROPERTY URGENTLY WANTED**  
Local Director wants to buy a PROPERTY in the STOCK/BILLERICAY / DOWNHAM areas. Age immaterial, three or four bedrooms, good plot preferred. Offers between £9,500 and £12,500. Quick decision.  
Local Director is desirous of obtaining a Detached PROPERTY of character, sensible radius of BILLERICAY. Three bedrooms, minimum preference of two reception rooms. Double garage space

essential. Price range flexible depending on Property, but up to £14,000.  
Young executive with large family seeks plot of land, with minimum of 45ft. frontage of PROPERTY suitable for conversion or extension in and around BILLERICAY. Good price paid for right proposition.  
**OWN PROPERTY SOLD — THREE GENUINE APPLICANTS MUST PURCHASE PROPERTY IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS.**

A superb Detached CHALET in open countryside, near STOCK. Offers over £18,500 considered. Full central heating, fitted carpets throughout, 10ft. hall, L-shaped 24ft. x 10ft. 6in. through lounge (with central chimney and high level load grate), two double bedrooms (stainless sink, with double bowls), four double bedrooms, bathroom, two separate w.c., 50ft. x 200ft. plot, sweeping drive to garage, with integral store.  
Wanted cash applicant wishes to buy a Detached BUNGALOW in a secluded position, convenient for HIGH STREET. Two or three bedrooms, central heating preferred. £8,500 to £7,000. Basildon applicant must have PROPERTY on large frontage, 10-mile radius of BILLERICAY. Age immaterial, early inspection and decision. Reasonable offer. Immediate cash sale. PROPERTY in DOWNHAM area. Mature trees preferred. Consideration time up to £12,000. Urgent

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**£3,850 WICKFORD.** — Attractive 1962 first-floor Bungalow. Immaculate decorative condition. Two bedrooms, half-tiled bathroom, lounge 14ft. 10in. x 12ft. 9in., good size kitchen. Area of garden, with garden shed. Leasehold.

**£4,450 WICKFORD.** — 1956 Semi-Detached Bungalow, in excellent condition. Two bedrooms, half-tiled bathroom, lounge, conservatory, half-tiled kitchen. Detached garage. Long rear garden. Inspection recommended.

**£4,500 WICKFORD.** — Semi-Detached 1957-built Bungalow, with part central heating. Two bedrooms, bathroom, lounge 14ft. 6in. x 10ft., half-tiled fitted kitchen. Detached garage. Well-stocked unoverlooked garden, with mature trees.

**ESTABLISHED PROPERTIES FOR SALE**

**£4,560 BILLERICAY.** — Most attractive three-bedroomed Semi-Detached Bungalow, erected approximately 1958. Bathroom, separate w.c., kitchen 10ft. 6in., attractive lounge. Garage space. Laid garden.

**£4,850 SOUTH BENFLEET.** — Impressive 1964-built Detached House, in excellent decorative condition. Gas central heating, three bedrooms, bathroom, separate w.c., delightful through lounge 25ft. 6in. x 11ft. 9in., leading to Sit. Rm. (with gas fire and cocktail bar), fitted kitchen. Ample garage space. Good size garden. Offered for quick sale.

**£4,850 KINGSWOOD.** Basildon. 1961-built Semi-Detached House, in immaculate condition. Underfloor electric central heating, three bedrooms, bath, room, lounge 22ft. 6in. x 11ft. 6in., leading in dining area, fitted kitchen. Detached garage. Attractive garden.

**£4,995 BILLERICAY.** — 1966-built Town House, with night storage central heating. Three bedrooms, bathroom (with sink divider), fully-fitted kitchen, open-plan fitted kitchen. Integral garage. Easily maintained garden. Early inspection advised.

**£5,495 KINGSWOOD.** Basildon. Semi-Detached imposing 1960-built Bungalow, with part central heating, three bedrooms, bathroom (with blue suite), separate w.c., delightful lounge, good size fitted kitchen, part gas central heating. Integral garage, well-kept gardens, backing on to soil course.

**£6,175 KINGSWOOD.** Basildon. Very attractive 1961 built Detached House, with part central heating. Three good size bedrooms, bathroom, separate w.c., attractive lounge 18ft. x 12ft. 6in., dining room (with attached wall), open-plan kitchen (with fitted washing machine, refrigerator, gas stove). Detached garage. Park-like garden.

**£6,500 parary 1965 Detached House.** with full gas central heating, backing on to farmland. Three bedrooms, bathroom (with pink suite and shower), cloakroom/w.c., 20ft. lounge (with fireplace as room divider), fully-fitted kitchen, open-plan fitted kitchen, panoramic views. Attached garage. Recommended.

**£6,750 KINGSWOOD.** Basildon (Gas above). — Superior Detached 1964-built House, in immaculate decorative condition, on imposing corner plot. Three double bedrooms, luxury bathroom, separate w.c., delightful lounge 20ft. x 12ft. (with built-in range of storage cupboards). American-style kitchen (with extensive range of units), sun lounge of brick construction (with picture windows). Greenhouse and attached garage. Well-screened rear garden. Early inspection advised.

**PROPERTY WANTED**  
Local applicant Mrs. S. at present living in rented accommodation, requires three-bedroomed Semi-Detached house, on KINGSWOOD ESTATE. Up to £5,000. Immediate inspection/decision.  
Billericay applicant with own Property sold is seriously seeking a two- or three-bedroomed Bungalow, £4,700 to £5,500 on the TOWN FARM ESTATE, or ROMNEY, BOOTHAM ROAD vicinity. No financial problems.  
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**RAYLEIGH.** — Attractive Semi-Detached double-fronted BUNGALOW, built 1958. off Hockley Road. Hall, sitting cupboard, L-shaped lounge (feature fireplace), kitchen, two double bedrooms, bathroom, separate w.c. Garage. £5,500 freehold.

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Dated 6th October, 1967. HATTEN, ASPLIN, JEWERS AND GLENNY, Solicitors and Agents for and on behalf of the Applicants.

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PUBLIC NOTICES URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF BASILDON TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1967 APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION has been received for the following development: WICKFORD

Use of No. 75, Southend Road, as a private garage for disabled and elderly people. A copy of the application and accompanying plan may be inspected during office hours in the Engineer and Surveyors Department, 88 Town Square, Basildon, or by prior arrangement outside office hours, Mondays to Fridays.

Any representations, to be made in writing must reach me by 7th November, 1967. DAVID H. TAYLOR, Town Manager.

Council Offices, 88, Town Square, Basildon, Essex. BASILDON DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION ESTATES DEPARTMENT APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the post of Clerk (male or female) in the Estates Department, London, E.C.1, on a full-time basis (2015 to 2735 per annum) starting salary according to grade.

Candidates should preferably possess a G.C.E. at 'O' level at least three subjects. The post is one involving work in connection with the purchase and disposal of land and requires an aptitude for records and statistics. Good English is desirable. Good character and references are essential. Applications stating age, qualifications, experience and two referees and names of General Manager, Basildon Development Corporation, Gifford House, Basildon, by 6th November 1967.

URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF BASILDON ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT, 1967 - SECTION 12 (1) TEMPORARY CLOSURE TO VEHICLES OF PART OF NETHER MAYNE, BASILDON THE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF BASILDON being satisfied that the use by vehicles of a certain road on that length of Nether Mayne, Basildon from its junction with Cherrydown to its junction with The Knarres by reason of the carrying out of certain work proposed to be executed on or near thereto HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that they made an Order on the 1st day of November, 1967, prohibiting the use of the said part of the road by any class of vehicle from 8.30 a.m. to 5.0 p.m. on Wednesday, 8th November 1967.

The alternative route available for traffic during the period of the Order will be by way of Cherrydown, Clay Hill Road, Sparrows Herne and vice versa. Dated the 2nd day of November, 1967. DAVID H. TAYLOR, Town Manager, Clerk of the Council.

Council Offices, Foddewick, Basildon, Essex.

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This couple, Mr. Peter Senior and Mr. Reginald Clacy, helped to serve refreshments at the Conservatives' autumn leaves bazaar at the Women's Institute Hall on Saturday.

### "MONARCHY OUTMODED"

THE MOTION that "This House believes that the Monarchy is an outmoded institution" was passed by a two-thirds majority at a meeting of Billericay Young Liberals last week.

Mr. L. Cunningham spoke in favour of the motion, saying that there was no reason why the nation should subsidise an administrator and a monarch when a legislator and administrator was quite sufficient for other leading nations.

Mr. John Tinsley seconded the motion. He defined the meaning of "Democracy" and said there could be no evidence of a democratic state if there continued to be a presiding monarch.

Ray Holland opposed their argument by saying that monarchical rule in Britain was a well-instituted custom and it should be regarded as such. Miss Gill Robins backed him up by stating that the country had benefited more from monarchs' benevolent acts than those of Parliament.

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AMONG THE GUESTS AT THE OXFAM DANCE AT ARCHER MEMORIAL HALL, BILLERICAY, ON SATURDAY WERE COUN. A. BARON BURN, J.P. (CHAIRMAN OF BASILDON COUNCIL), AND HIS WIFE.

## Strange disappearance of dogs at Billericay

FOLLOWING THE STRANGE DISAPPEARANCE OF THREE PEDIGREE DOGS IN NORSEY VIEW DRIVE, BILLERICAY, RESIDENTS WERE THIS WEEK ASKING THEMSELVES: HAVE THEY BEEN TAKEN BY VIVISECTIONISTS?

The missing dogs have been reported to the Police and the owners are appealing to members of the public to contact them if the dogs are seen.

The dogs have all disappeared within the past six weeks. The owners have walked the streets and advertised to get their pets back.

Mrs. Sylvia Watkins (32), of Norsey View Drive, who has missed her chocolate-coloured miniature poodle for over a week, said: "Fenny just disappeared into thin air. She was in the garden when my husband was cutting the lawn — and then we couldn't find her.

We walked the streets and the fields, but she wasn't anywhere."

Mrs. Watkins, a mother of two, added: "Occasionally she used to wander off for about two or three hours — but never any longer. She had a blue collar with an identification

disc and bell on it. The disc has got her address and telephone number on it. "My young daughter has been away from school because she's so upset. I do hope she hasn't been taken for vivisection."

Thirty-seven-year-old Mrs. Lily Bensusan, a mother of three, has lost her seven-year-old boxer pedigree, Cindy.

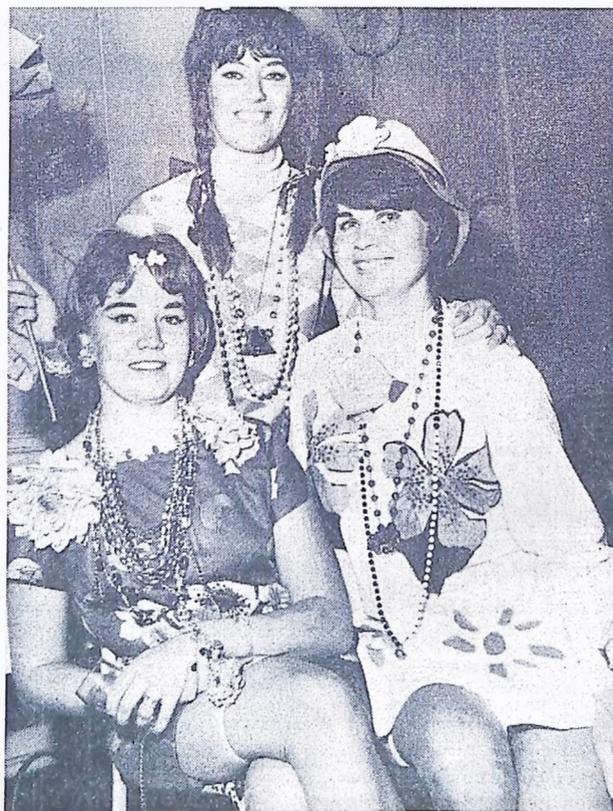
Mrs. Bensusan said: "Cindy never used to go any further than outside the front gate. I've inquired around locally and told the Police. But she's been gone a long while. It's very strange.

"I've even asked some local gipsies. I can't imagine what has happened to her. I hope she comes back — the children are terribly upset."

### Man and wife shoplifters were fined £5 each

A STORE detective at Marks and Spencers, High Street, Southend, saw Leonard Speller pick up confectionery from a display stand and put it into his wife's shopping bag. Then the couple left the store without paying for it.

At Southend on Tuesday Margaret, of High Street, Billericay, were each fined £5 after pleading guilty to larceny. Speller told the Court that they meant to pay for the articles.



They could be straight from San Francisco—but they are actually from the Billericay Mothers' Club who held a hippy flower-power party at the Recreation Rooms, Billericay. From left are Mrs. Shirley Gilbert, Mrs. Marie Lee and Mrs. Irene Freestone.

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# Children drank weed killer — but with no ill effects

THREE YOUNG Wickford children were rushed to St. Andrew's Hospital, Billericay, on Tuesday by their parents after they were found drinking from a can of weedkiller, writes GREGORY BARNES.

They were treated with stomach pumps at St. Andrew's and then sent on to Orsett Hospital where they spent the night under observation. Sharon (3) and John (2) Eastall, of Highlife Road, and Wendy Abbott (3), of Alfred Gardens, suffered no ill effects, however. "In fact they all treated it as an exciting night out," said Mrs. Yvonne Abbott.

The children got hold of the weedkiller while they were playing in a greenhouse at the home of Mr. Raymond Eastall, a foreman car mechanic, and his wife, Betty (27).

"I was looking after all three children while Mrs. Abbott was having a driving lesson," Mrs. Eastall told the "Standard Recorder."

"I don't know what made me get up to see what they were doing when I did, but thank heavens I did. They must have climbed up to reach the can off the shelf and one of them had her lips to it."

"If I hadn't found them they might just have flaked out during the evening and we wouldn't have known what it was or what to do."

Mrs. Eastall immediately rang for her husband and they rushed the children to hospital. Mrs. Abbott's husband, Peter (30), a

bank clerk, was also informed.

"It was worrying at the time, but they are all right now," said Mrs. Abbott. "The trouble with young children is that you can't explain the danger of touching things like weedkiller. They just don't understand."

## Boys on parade

WICKFORD Boys' Brigade, with their band, marched down Bruce Grove, Wickford, on Sunday evening, to celebrate Founder's Day, at their annual service at the Baptist church. About 60 Boys' Brigade personnel attended the service, there being a total congregation of 150. "It was as full a church as we have ever had," said Rev. Malcolm Soames, who took the service. The first lesson was read by junior member, Martin Hughes, and the second by senior, Robert Treavett.

AS WORKMEN started this week demolishing and rebuilding a new bridge over the River Grouch at Barleylands Road, Grays Hill, Basildon Council confessed: "The bridge was in a state of partial collapse and was considered dangerous."

The admission had no relation to a comment made by Essex County Council's Bridge Engineer, published in last week's "Standard Recorder," that the neighbouring antiquated bridges—Tinkettle Bridge and White's Bridge—which are in similar condition, were completely safe. But the Engineer told us this week: "Both Tinkettle and White's bridges are to be rebuilt as soon as possible. A new White's Bridge has already been designed. Designing doesn't take long anyway, and we want to start as soon as we can. There are complications—the acquisition of land and Ministry approvals—which might hold things up for a time."

He insisted that the bridges were safe. They were only dangerous because they were on thin winding roads. The work on Barleylands Bridge is being carried out by Basildon Council on behalf of Essex County Council (see picture below).

Barleylands Road—it is used regularly by "short-cut" motorists from Wash Road to Southend Road—is used by heavy tractors and refuse lorries which use the nearby Council Depot. The road will be closed for another four to five weeks.

None of the authorities know how old Barleylands Bridge is. "It dates back to the last century," said a Basildon Council spokesman, "and some work has been done on it since the war."

The Council statement read: "The bridge was in a state of partial collapse and was considered dangerous. The opportunity was taken to reconstruct the bridge by the use of twin, 6ft-diameter tubes which the road will be relaid on."

## HIPPY MUMS OF WICKFORD



Wickford Clinic Mothers' Club, who were guests at the Billericay Mothers' Club's hippy flower-power party, held at the Recreation Rooms, Billericay.

# River stay away from our doors!

## BIG SCHEME HAS STARTED

QUIETLY FLOWS the Grouch. That is how the residents of Newhouse Farm Estate, Wickford, hope the river will be this coming winter now that the Essex River Authority have started work on an improvement scheme.

The commencement of work came as a surprise to the residents, for they did not expect anything to be done until 1970.

The scheme, which is costing about £30,000, involves taking the bends out of the river from Castledon Road to the Garden Beauty Products' well and also replacing the present antiquated bridge in Sugden Avenue with a 30ft. wide concrete and steel structure with two footpaths.

It will be sited some 50ft. south of the existing bridge, nearer the London Road.

### MAIN ARTERY

Sugden Avenue is its main artery to Wickford and Billericay and the need for improvement of the river has constantly been pressed home by the local Residents' Association.

Said the Association Treasurer, Mr. Roy Hayward, this week: "We were not informed as an Association that the work was starting. The news came through a resident. It came as a surprise that the work was starting so early, we had not expected it for several years."

Mr. Eric Moonman, M.P. for Billericay, who took up the need for improvement on behalf of the Association,

heard last week from the River Authority that work had started. The Clerk (Mr. G. L. Sturgess) informed him that the Ministry had approved the work for grant purposes "so quickly that I omitted to inform you."

Said Mr. Moonman: "On behalf of the residents of Sugden Avenue, for whom I took up the matter in the first place, I would like to take this opportunity of saying that we are grateful for the Minister's prompt action. We all complain when the Civil Service machine doesn't move fast enough—let's be appreciative when it does."

One man who was pleased work had started was Mr. Thomas Okell, whose bunga-

low lies close to the river banks and has been flooded many times.

"I think they are going to make a good job of it. It will be so much better," said 74-years-old Mr. Okell surveying his large garden, a lot of which is uncultivated because of previous floods.

### TO BE REVOKED

Work to make Holmwood, Oak Avenue, Shotgate, St. for human habitation was almost complete. Basildon Council's Public Health Committee were told at their last meeting. They authorised their chairman to revoke a demolition order made on the property following the completion of the work.

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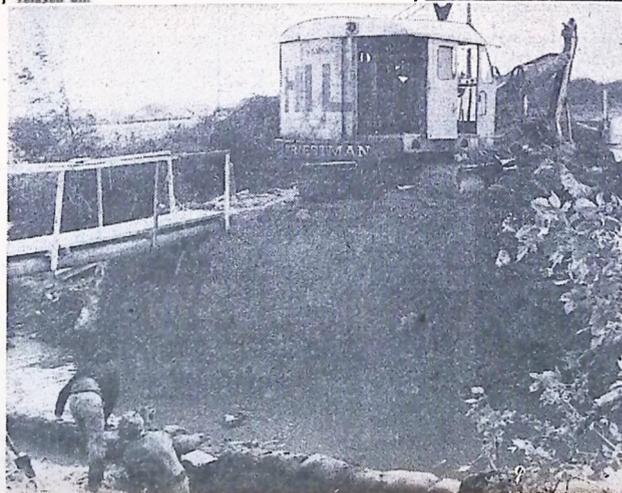
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## Nicholas Youth Centre Rag Week

### A BAD START, BUT SUCCESS FOLLOWED

NICHOLAS YOUTH Centre Rag Week, attempting to raise enough money to buy a mini-bus, got off to a disastrous start on Saturday, when the Centre lost about £100 on a dance.

Star attractions at the dance were Cliff Bennett and the Rebel Rousers, high on the hit parades when they were booked for £200 last year, but well out of favour now. Only 200 people turned up, and the Youth Centre simply had to stand the loss.

The rag walk, on Sunday morning, went much better. About 70 people came from Chelmsford back to Nicholas, and all were sponsored to raise money. First home were Terry Oliver and Stephen Taylor, who had run half the way, and also good finishers were Micky Day and his collie, which looked the freshest of all the finishers!

On Monday the Centre had a roller-hockey match, which was hockey played on mats, and also a Coca Cola contest to see who could drink a bottle in the shortest time.

On Tuesday night came another success—the Beat Group contest. A large crowd listened to seven different groups, some of them very good performers, and afterwards a panel of seven awarded a first prize of £15, a second prize of £5 and a third prize of a booking at the Nick Club.

After a lot of discussion first place went to The Soul Reason, mainly because of the excellence of their singer, second place to Jokers Wild and third place to Central Heating.

Other groups competing were the Sirens B.D., Cliff Set, New Blood and the Time Set.

On Wednesday evening came the cream of Basildon five-a-side football contest, followed on Thursday by a hair modelling show.

On Friday (tonight) the Centre launch another dance, more confident of success this time. It's the Lonely Hearts Rag Ball, with the Lloyd Alexandra Real Estate, a group which has only recently burst to the front of the scene.

Even then the Rag Week is by no means over. There follow a Saturday jumble sale, a midnight hike and two charity football matches.

"The whole idea was planned and carried out by the members' Committee," stressed Warden Mr. Geoff Munday. "I've had nothing to do with it." Main organisers are Ralph Haydon and Doug Merchant.

#### COLLISION SEQUEL

After colliding with a parked van in Long Riding, Basildon Francis Kelly, of Delhi Road, Pitsea, drove on without stopping. As a result he appeared at Billericay on Tuesday, where he pleaded guilty to careless driving and failure to stop after an accident. Kelly, a lorry driver for the past three years, had one previous conviction for drunken driving. He was fined £15 for careless driving, £10 for failure to stop with two guineas costs.

## WELL IN THE LIMELIGHT



Local model Annette Perry was a popular visitor to Pitsea and Bowers Gifford Cine Club at the Community Hall, Bowers Gifford, when lighting effects were demonstrated.

## The old black Ford looks brighter now

DAUGHTER SUSAN had a little old black Ford Popular—quite nice, but rather plain. So she asked mother, Mrs. Daisy Hodgson, to brighten it up for her. The result has amazed and intrigued the whole neighbourhood around their home in Walton Court, Laindon, writes PETER ALLEN.

For Mrs. Hodgson is a lifelong fan of Walt Disney, and she is also a very neat cartoonist. Now the rather plain Ford Popular is a very glamorous vehicle, covered from bonnet to boot with about 50 different Disney cartoon characters (See picture below).

The Scamp looks out on one side, Donald Duck on the other, and Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs walk across the bonnet.

Mrs. Hodgson took about two weeks to paint on all the characters, doing the entire job from memories of the films. In the process she turned the entire neighbour-

hood into Disney fans. Children came out each day to see what character she would paint next, and inquiries came in from people who wanted their cars given the same treatment.

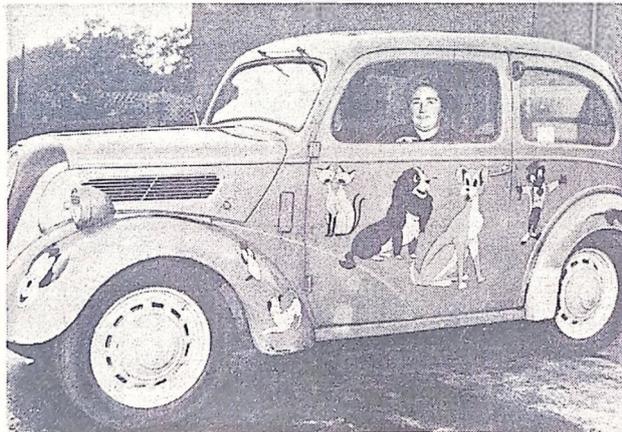
Cartooning is, in fact, only one of the hobbies of Mrs. Daisy Hodgson, who in her time has been a paint sprayer, wood machinist, plasterer's labourer and mechanic.

"I love painting," she said, "and I also love all mechanical things. I've owned three motor cycles in my time and still enjoy tinkering around with them. I don't like women's work."

## County will buy it

AT THE request of the owner - occupier, Essex County Council have agreed to buy his house in Runwell Road, Wickford, because it will be needed when the proposed Wickford relief road is constructed.

The Council were told on Tuesday that the man is emigrating and had asked them to buy the property because he was unable to sell it elsewhere having regard to the road proposal.



Laindon Young Conservatives held a "Spook-In" Hallow-e'en party at their H.Q. on Saturday—which was well attended by witches, warlocks and hobgoblins.

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