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COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

The British Council of Churches has just had before it a statement calling attention to the vital needs of the under-developed countries which it is within the power of Britain and other prosperous nations to meet. But if they are to be met the present trend of world trade must be altered. The present situation is this. 'The outflow of direct financial aid from the richer to the poorer countries has now become static at a figure of just under £3 billion a year. This not only means less assistance because of the fall in the value of money, but it also represents a decreasing proportion of the total wealth of developed countries which are becoming richer every year.

Moreover, the under-developed countries' share of world exports fell from 26% to 20% from 1955-64 and far from receiving significant numbers of highly qualified technicians and teachers, these countries are actually giving some of their most talented people to the richer nations of the west.

AFTERNOON WITH THE BIRDS

Yes! recently the members of the Friday Club of the Cores End Congregational Church spent a very pleasant afternoon with the Birds. (The feathered variety of course). This happened when we went to visit Birdland in the lovely Cotswold village of Bourton-on-the-Water.

The village itself is attractive enough with the river running along the main street, the houses of yellow Cotswold stone set back from the grassy banks. There are plenty of establishments to cater for an ever hungry Youth group, but the main attraction for our party was set in the secluded garden of the beautiful old rectory. A house that has stood there from before Cromwell.

Here the club met parrots, penguins, humming-birds, mynahs, toucans, flamingos and many other species, some in cages but many flying free, and much time was spent trying to persuade some of the parrots to sit on shoulders and hands.

What are we as a nation doing? Direct financial aid to under-developed countries from Britain amounts to only 1% of the national income and loans from Britain have been accompanied by higher than average interest charges. Furthermore, as a resolution of the British Council of Churches has pointed out, the British National Plan does not provide even for an increase in aid between 1965-70 proportionate to the planned increase of the national production. Seen in the light of the incalculable wealth which Britain has extracted from Africa and Asia during the past 150 years this indifference to the world's most urgent problem looks both foolish and shabby.

Politicians however cannot politically afford to be generous in advance of the electorate. That is why it is our concern, readers of 'Target' yours and mine. What does our own M.P. think about this? Perhaps he would like to tell us in the next issue of 'Target'? The Council of Churches would be glad to give him space.

We escaped with only two casualties, - one of our young men was rather wet after his trip to the penguin pool. I still think that the hot afternoon attracted him to have a swim, but he steadfastly maintains that a penguin splashed him. The other was a young lady to whom a rather nice gentleman parrot took a fancy, and indeed a peck. However, no lasting damage was done, and the journey home was taken up with plans for a further visit for the whole day next time.



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nounced it "Lunnon". Hedsor Mill was a flour or corn mill and had been in existence since 1492. On the other side of the stream a paper and millboard mill was established and up until 1945 the old wooden machinery for making paper was still in use. The gears and presses were about 300 years old. The mill was called Hedsor Mill because it was on a parcel of land belonging to Hedsor parish, which was handed over to Wooburn parish at a boundary revision 50 years ago.

With the London family connections with the city of London there was a source of raw materials (linen and cotton rags) for the paper making industry which thrived and expanded rapidly. It is believed that the Great Plague of London was spread into the valley by means of contaminated rags brought to the mills. When Messrs. Jackson Ltd. built their present mill the foundations were dug into the massed graves of the plague victims, for many human remains, bones and skulls were unearthed, together with many clay pipes of the type used at that period. The men in charge of burying the plague victims were given pipes and tobacco to smoke as an antiseptic or disinfectant against the disease. Where the present Abney Estate is situated was a small riverside hamlet consisting of about 20 cottages and an inn (The Barge-man's Arms). This did business with the many barges that used the river as a highway for heavy goods. The people of the hamlet were largely occupied as "bodgers" i. e. making the rails and legs of the chairs made in Wycombe.

When the surrounding land was obtained to build a large house on the riverside, the inhabitants of the hamlet were dispossessed, and the houses and the inn were demolished. To house the people dispossessed the cottages in Camden-lane and behind the Red Lion Inn were built.

There are the remains of two priories attached to the Benedictine Abbey at Bisham in the area, one at Hedsor above the church, which for many years was the residence of Lord Boston's agent, the other is known now as the "Abbey" in

the Abbotsbrook Estate. The visible remains are in the Hedsor priory a roofed wall of flint which surrounds the place, and part of the old refectory in the Abbey, and has been a charming residence for many years. The swamp which surrounded the Abbey was drained by a builder named Tebb, and in an attempt to prevent flooding he made a small weir and lock which are still to be seen and used by the people living in the Abbotsbrook Estate.

When the Great Western Railway opened the branch line from Maidenhead to Wycombe, the line was carried across the river by a wooden trestle bridge, designed and built by the famous engineer Brunel. Its situation was just below the present iron bridge, and the piles can still be seen in the water.

The station at Bourne End was then known as "Marlow-road Station", and the branch to Marlow was then built.

Flooding of the Thames was a very frequent happening, and on the Buck's bank only a few places were not effected by serious floods. 1894 was a very bad one, and the only houses not affected were Abney House, Jeffries and Mill House. It was after this flood that the iron bridge was built, and the old trestle bridge removed.

The last flood of the dimensions of the 1894 flood was in 1947, and the old houses not affected were the same as before. In July 1903 there was a flood of similar proportions, but it was only of shorter duration. It lasted about three weeks.

The height of this flood coincided with the race meeting at Ascot, and it was strange to see the horse-drawn coaches and vehicles going down Ferry-lane to Cookham bridge up to their axles in water. A ferry service by punt was established for local people to get to and from Cookham via the toll bridge.

This toll bridge was a very real barrier between the two parishes. It was freed at a very high cost to the two counties.

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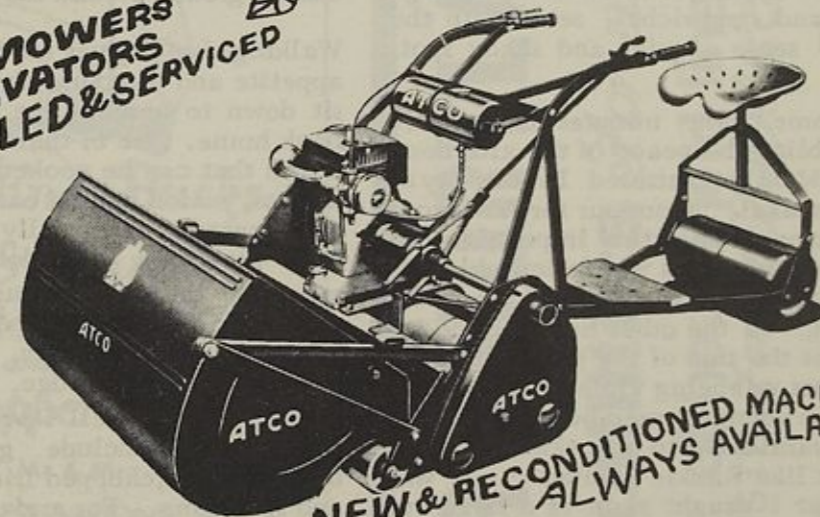
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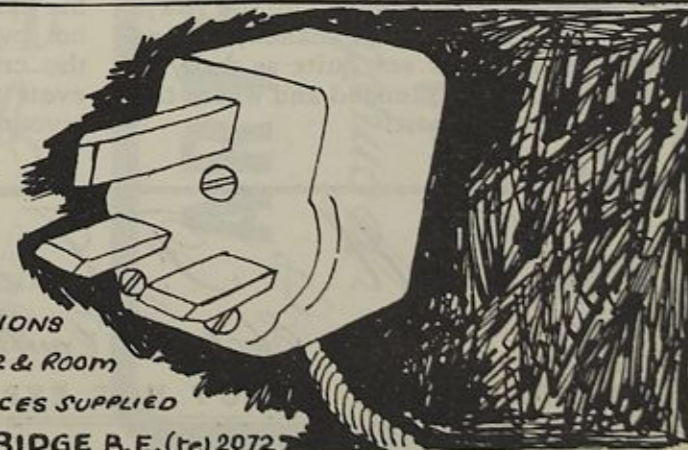
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JAN'S JOTTINGS

As a comparative newcomer to Bourne End, what attracts me most about the village is its picturesque setting, between the river and the hills, with marvellous views from the top of the latter both along the valley and across Berkshire. There are also so many pleasant walks in the locality. Often when the weather is warm and sunny I'm tempted to leave the housework and go off with the children for a picnic.

These little expeditions are often not without incident, however. Only a few weeks ago, one particularly hot afternoon, two small boys in oversized sun hats, one undisciplined mongrel straining at his lead and one mother laden with first-aid kit, sunburn cream, orange squash and sandwiches, set out up the lane to seek a quiet and shady spot.

After some twenty minutes of uneventful rambling the peace of the afternoon was suddenly shattered by the cry of "Rattlesnake!", from our forward scout in the form of my rather impressionable five year old. This was followed by his rapid departure in a homeward direction. The dog, on the other hand, made for a spot at the side of the path where the long grass was being violently disturbed; while the youngest member of the party clung frantically to my skirt, howling "I don't like Rakkle Shnikes!". It was then that I caught sight of a large but quite harmless grass snake disappearing into the undergrowth, no doubt as startled by the commotion we had made as we had been by its sudden appearance. After I had rounded up the strays we went on, just a little shaken, looking for a picnic spot not quite as shady as we had at first intended and where the grass was quite short!

A very popular pastime for children when out for walks is collecting wild variety of flowers there is in the area. I remember one afternoon last summer finding some thirty different kinds along the stretch of riverbank between Bourne End and Marlow. The showiest and most easily recognisable is the Meadowsweet, which is quite numerous near the Spade Oak. The tiny off-white flowers are in large dense clusters and can be seen standing head and shoulders above other wild plants. Why Meadowsweet? Well, you just smell the honeyed perfume of these flowers which are coming out about now. Wild Chicory, with its attractive bright blue petals is also one of my favourites and is found on the higher chalky ground around the village.

Walking always gives my family a keen appetite and of course they are ready to sit down to a meal the minute we get back home. One of their favourites and a dish that can be cooked beforehand is a Pizza, which can be eaten either cold or reheated. It is really just a savoury open pie but a yeast dough is used instead of the more usual short crust pastry. Spread the risen dough in a greased 7" sponge tin, leaving a $\frac{3}{4}$ " border around the edge, cover the flan thickly with a well flavoured mixture which might include grated cheese, tomato, onion, chopped fried bacon, herbs and seasoning. For a glamorous finish, decorate the top with anchovy strips and olives. Then brush the rim of the pie with a little olive oil, leave it in a warm place for twenty minutes to allow the dough to rise and bake in a fairly hot oven for about half an hour or until the crust is a nice golden brown. Its even tastier served with a suitable savoury sauce.

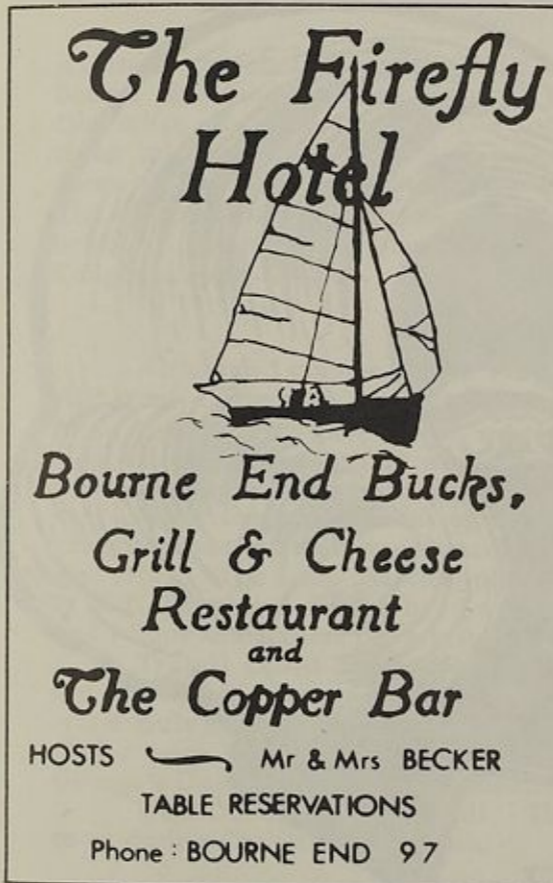
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COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

As new people are continually coming to live in the area some readers of 'Target' may like to know what churches there are.

- IN WOUBURN GREEN:** St. Mary's C. of E. A Strict Baptist Church. A Methodist Church.
- IN WOUBURN TOWN:** The Parish Church of St. Paul.
- IN HEDSOR:** The Parish Church of St. Nicholas.
- IN BOURNE END:** St. Mark's Church of England. The Methodist Church. St. Dunstan's Roman Catholic Church.
- AT CORES END:** The Congregational Church.
- IN LITTLE MARLOW:** The Parish Church of St. John Baptist.
- IN FLACKWELL HEATH:** Christ Church C. of E. The Methodist Church. A Roman Catholic congregation associated with St. Dunstan's.

All these churches except the Strict Baptist are associated together in The Wooburn, Bourne End and District Council of Churches either as members or as sending Observers, and a member of The Society of Friends also attends as an Observer. All those interested are invited to attend the meetings of the Council in addition to those attending as accredited representatives or Observers from the Churches.

The Chairman is Mr. Harry Martin of Christ Church, Flackwell Heath, The Treasurer is Mr. J. S. Sharp of St. Mary's Church, The Secretary is Rev. F. H. Brown of The Congregational Church.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

Although I cannot, in this edition of 'Target', give the results of the Christian Aid Week Collection I can and do take the opportunity to thank, most heartily, all those people who gave up so much time and energy to take part in the House to House collection, all those who gave so generously to the Collectors and the Schools, Staff and Pupils, for contributing much to the success of the Week.

From the initial meeting on March 17th, when we listened to an astonishing anecdote-packed talk by a dynamic Miss Rosamund Essex, and saw those two excellent films, "The Long March" and "Tibetan Story", right up to the gratifying harvest of Gift Envelopes I have been aware of a tide of warmth and goodwill everywhere and I hope that others have felt it too!

Trefoil Guild are to be congratulated on their venture into 'Big Business' in aid of OXFAM. As an ex-guide myself, I felt very proud of their efforts. Their's was a truly Ecumenical effort as, incidentally, the Scout and Guide Movements are. (I was very interested to read in the Maidenhead Advertiser that this years St. George's Day Parade at Maidenhead was held in St. Joseph's R. C. Church!)

Well Done, Trefoil Guild! Thank you also, for the help your members gave to us during Christian Aid Week.

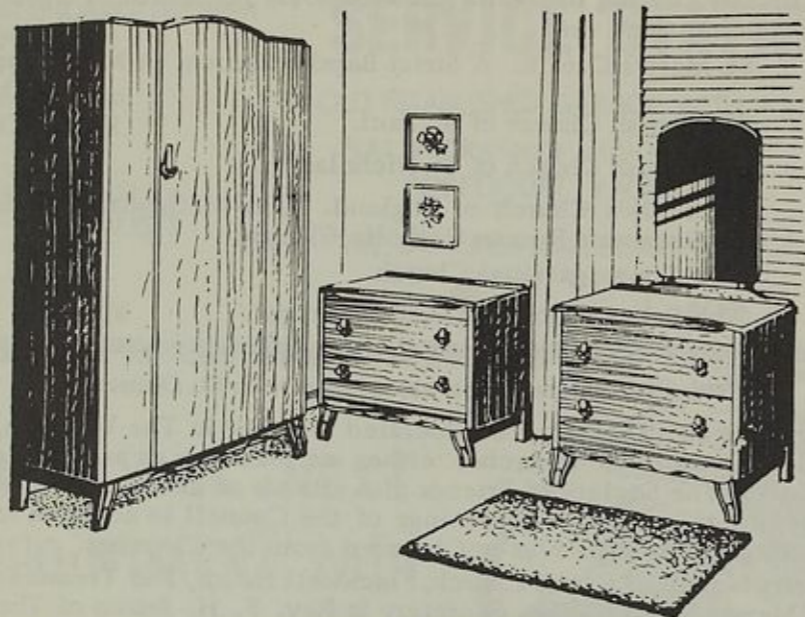
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ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BOURNE END
We are delighted to tell you that the Rev. Donald Rydings, M.A. has accepted the post of Priest Missioner to St. Mark's. He is a young man, very interested in the Youth and Community Organisations. He is married. His charming wife appears already to have made friends in Bourne End. He comes from the Parish of St. Mary the Virgin, Oxford and hopes to be with us by August.

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BOURNE END CIVIC SOCIETY

The Bourne End Civic Society is currently concerned with three major items: tree planting and maintenance, improvement of amenities at the children's playground in Blind Lane, and collaboration with the Spring Gardens Residents' Association in the preparation and publication of a report on conditions in the Parade.

We feel that there is ample scope and opportunity in Bourne End for a planned programme of tree planting and maintenance. The Area Highway Surveyor has agreed that the Society may prepare planting schemes for his consideration, and we are forming a small working party under the expert guidance of Mr. R. B. Giles to prepare these schemes, and carry out such maintenance as pruning, looping of damaged branches, and the elimination of ivy. It is hoped that we may be able to enlist the support of local schools to help gain the interest of the younger generation in this project.

The interest of the younger generation will also, we hope, be very much aroused by the need to make the Blind Lane playground a more fascinating and exciting environment for children to play in. Here we would like to create, by simple means such as landscaping and planting and the use of "as found" materials, an area in which a child's imagination can have full rein.

THE BOURNE END FLORAL ARRANGEMENT SOCIETY

This Society holds its Annual General Meeting this Spring and, after only two years, has a membership of over seventy-five. Indeed, it may soon be necessary to put latecomers on a waiting list as the accommodation at Cores End Congregational Church Hall is limited and the popular demonstrators engaged in the Club ensure that there is always a capacity audience.

Among the visitors have been Mrs. Sheila McQueen, prominent in the Constance Spry school and Mrs. Edna Johnson, Vice-Chairman of the Area Association of Flower Arrangers.

Future plans include a visit by one of the top men arrangers, Mr. George Foss, at Deyncourt School on Oct. 4th and the Club will also be staging a show at Bourne End Carnival once again. Last year their display was one of the high-

Both these projects need the support and co-operation of the public to be really successful. If any reader would like to give a tree or shrub, or any object with which children may safely play (large drain pipes, telegraph poles, and above all basic materials such as timber, sand, etc.) we would be most pleased to hear from them.

Conditions at the Parade for shoppers have caused much concern and we have been pressing the County Council to make improvements before fatal accidents occur. Some positive proposals for the area have been put forward in the form of a report by Mr. R. J. Harris, with the support of the Spring Gardens Residents' Association. The Civic Society feels that publication of this Report is important and worthy of the attention of all with an interest in Bourne End. Publication is expected shortly, and we hope to ensure that all interested people get a chance to read it.

In conclusion, we are still very short of members and would welcome any newcomers. The annual subscription is only ten shillings! Please contact the Hon. Secretary, J. D. Grainger, at Eastern Drive, Willows Road, Bourne End. Tel: B. E. 1811

lights and the marquee containing "Bourne End in Flowers" made thirty-eight pounds for the Community Centre.

Bronwen, Lady Astor, is Patron of the Club and Mrs. Marjorie Lunnon its President. Four of the members, Mrs. W. D. Morrison and the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, Mrs. Margaret Thorpe and Mrs. Muriel Hand, teach flower arranging at Deyncourt School evening classes and Mrs. Ody who teaches at Flackwell Heath and there are several talented arrangers who regularly win prizes, both locally and at neighbouring shows.

Much of the success of this organisation is due to the hard-working honorary secretary, Mrs. Lilian Lowe of Tall Trees, West Ridge and the Club brings together people from several neighbouring districts, Flackwell Heath, Wooburn Green and Marlow".

COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS

At a well attended meeting of the Community Association at Jackson's Sports Club on Thursday, 5th May 1966 members heard that if the Association was prepared to wait for at least another fifteen months, grants of £15,000 would be available towards building the Centre. Unanimously, however, members felt that the people of the village would sooner we got on with the job of building now as from bitter experience, we have suffered the disappointments of delay.

A local Contractor has been appointed to build the first stage of the Centre and the Youth Room at a cost of £23,000 and is 'raring' to get onto the site. Incidentally the same contractor will complete the Library building which has been left for so long to the mercy of the elements. The cost mentioned above is fortunately only a few hundred pounds more than the ill-fated negotiated tender of last July.

This decision not to accept delay, means that we shall have to work very hard in the next twelve months to raise every penny possible, so that when the building is complete we shall have some money available for equipment and furniture.

It is possible we can get a grant from the Department of Education for the second and final stage of the Centre and possibly for some equipment. This second stage comprises the Common Room and Small Hall. To get this grant, however, we shall have to raise at least a further £3,000 over and above the money we have already budgeted to raise in the next 12 months - ANY OFFERS?

Officers elected at the A.G.M. for the coming year were :-

President	Mrs. M. Woollerton
Secretary	Mr. S. Rich
Asst. Sec.	Mr. S. Deacon
Treasurer	Mr. H. Wakeman.

The Association wished goodbye to Mr. Baker, its Secretary, who is leaving the area to follow his work; also to Mrs. Horler, an original committee member, who has worked so hard in so many different ways and is also leaving the district. Our best wishes go with them and we hope they will be able to return for a fleeting visit when the Centre is opened.

A written report on the years activities was submitted by the Secretary, touching particularly on the reason why we were not able to go ahead with the building last August which was completely beyond the control of the Association.

The Treasurer reported verbally on the audited accounts which have been circulated to all members and stressed that although we have a healthy balance in hand of over £10,000 we must not relax our efforts to keep money pouring in to the Association's coffers. He particularly asked for volunteers to work in the Southbourne Drive, Well End and Cores End Areas. If anybody in these districts would like to help in fund raising activities would they please get in touch with the Treasurer at 37, Goddington Road, Bourne End. Tel: 3027.

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SUSAN WOODWARD	B 2ND	79		3RD CLASS
PAULA WHEALS	B 3RD	75		3RD CLASS
ANGELA EDMONDSON	C 3RD	80		2ND CLASS
ANGELA EDMONDSON	A 4TH	81	31	2ND CLASS
SUSAN SPICER	C 4TH	79		3RD CLASS
JOHN LYNCH	A 4TH	83	28	2ND CLASS
LESLEY WILSON	A 5TH	79	26	3RD CLASS
JOHN GREEN	A 6TH	78	20	3RD CLASS
ARETOULA TEW	C 5TH	76		3RD CLASS
WENDY HARRIS	A 7TH	76	26	3RD CLASS
LESLEY GREEN	A 8TH	75	26	3RD CLASS
DIANA SPARGO	A 10TH	75	28	3RD CLASS

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THE LITTLE LOST GIRL

Mrs. Gwen Eaton tells me that this and the "Play of Red Riding Hood" were the titles of two short plays performed by her junior pupils who also rendered excerpts from Shakesperian works and poems to parents and friends on the occasion of a Bring and Buy Sale at St. Mark's Hall on Thursday April 14th, which was arranged by Mrs. Thorne of the Methodist Church. This was in aid of the National Children's Homes, and despite a fall of snow there was a good attendance and £13 was raised. Mrs. Eaton would like to thank everyone who turned out on such a bleak afternoon.

CARNIVAL FILM IN COLOUR

I hear that Bourne End Cine Club have exposed the first reels of colour film in starting their major project for the summer. This is full film coverage of Carnival 1966, and Arthur Wherrell, their Chairman, tells me that this year they intend not only to cover all the various events that make up Carnival Week, but also to show the preparation work behind the scenes. Since their inaugural meeting last July, they have held fortnightly meetings and now have over 20 members who attend regularly, and their programme has included discussions, film shows and demonstrations. Anyone interested in cinematography as a hobby is sure of a warm welcome to the club. Just drop a line to secretary George Warner of 12, Isis Way, or give the Chairman a ring at Bourne End 2409. Your own equipment is not necessary.

TEA PARTY AT "COMMONS"

Miss Doreen Pitson, secretary of the Women's Section of the Bourne End Conservative Association writes to say that the Wycombe Division of the Women's Advisory Committee are arranging a tea party at the "House of Commons", on June 24th. Also in June the local branch will hold its Annual Garden Meeting at Mulberry Cottage, at 3 p.m. on the 30th by kind invitation of Mrs. Berk, Lady Turner will speak of life in Hongkong.

OUR GROUP MEMBERS KEEP IN TOUCH with John Davidson

198 YEARS OLD!

The big news from Cores End Congregational Church this quarter is their anniversary on June 19th. Dr. Stephen Mayer, fellow of Mansfield College, Oxford, will preach at both the morning (11 a.m.) and the evening (6.30 p.m.) services. Rev. Frank Brown tells me that by popular demand, the Junior Church Outing on the 25th June is once more a trip by coach to Chessington Zoo, and this is followed on Sunday 26th by Junior Church Festival at the 11 a.m. family service. In the evening there will be a Festival Service Lead by a youth orchestra conducted by Mr. Harold Toovey.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE SUPPER

This is the name given to the Trefoil Guild's next evening get together on the 29th June! It sounds very appetising and Mrs. J. Wilson their secretary, tells me that this is only part of an interesting social evening. On the 13th July they are arranging a Ramble but there will be no meeting in August as most of their members will be on holiday.

GUARD OF HONOUR TO QUEEN

On St. George's Day, the 1st Bourne End Scout's three Queen's Scouts attended the service at Windsor Castle and one was in the Guard of Honour. At the same time the local Group were host to the rest of Marlow District at a service at Deyncourt School at which about 400 Cubs, Scouts, Rovers, Guides and Parents were present. The service was conducted by Father Ash, making a brief but welcome return to Bourne End. Mr. Peter Osborn, the Group Scoutmaster, reports that on 30th April a party of Cubs were taken to London Zoo as part of their 50th Anniversary programme. On July 9th they are entering 'The Bourne End Banger' along with 'The Flackwell Flyers' from a neighbouring troop in the annual Scout Soap Box Derby at Cleethorpes. On July 23rd, they will be attending the Chief Scout's Rally at R. A. F. Halton and from 30th July to 6th August they will hold their Summer Camp at Buckmore Park, Chatham.

NEW BALLET SCHOOL!

I hear from Miss Greville, principal of the Jeannine Greville Dancing Academies of Marlow, Reading, Henley etc. that this coming September, she is opening a branch of her Ballet School in Bourne End in the Westfield Infants School Hall. It appears that she already has a considerable number of pupils from Bourne End, but until now they have had to travel into Marlow each week.



She is particularly proud of one of her Bourne End pupils, (pictured here)

Cathy Smith of Willow

Dene, Oakfield Road. After only a years training, Miss Greville entered Cathy last year, when she was six years old, for the All England Competitions, where she succeeded in winning her way through to the Grand Finals, and the title of All England Baby National Champion.

BOURNE END PREACHING GROUP

This is what a group of young people from Bourne End Methodist Church have called themselves, who go around to rural churches taking Services. Mrs. Eaton also reports that Mrs. Thorne, Misses Sue Johnson, Demetra Tew, Diana Eaton, Janice Gardiner and Mr. Michael Andrews together collected £25. 12. 0d. for the National Children's Home in a house to house collection.

JACKSON'S SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB

It has been noticed on more than one occasion and the question asked, "Why is Mr. playing Cricket or Bowls or using the Club House at Jackson's when he doesn't work there?" The reason for this may not be generally known but a limited number of outside members may join the Sports and Social Club of Jackson's for an annual subscription, entitling them to use the sports and social facilities available and also to play Cricket, Bowls, Football etc. Should any reader be interested in taking advantage of this opportunity then please contact either: - Mr. W. H. White - Gen. Sec. Jackson's Sports & Social Club. Mr. T. Hansford - Sec. Bowls Club. Mr. L. Thorne - Sec. Cricket Club. Tel: Bourne End 5.

AWAY FROM IT ALL

The St. Dunstan's Ladies Committee has arranged with the Sisters of St. Therese's Convent to hold a Half-day of Recollection for the women of the Parish, at the Convent in Blind Lane on Trinity Sunday, June 5th from 2 - 5 p.m. They hope that as many as possible will avail themselves of this opportunity of spending a few hours of peace "away from it all", to return, refreshed in spirit, to the hurly-burly of modern living. Father Oddy tells me that Father Charles J. Ward, who is now the resident Chaplain at the Convent will give the talks and lead the devotions. On the following Sunday, 12th June the Parish Corpus Christi Procession will be held in the Convent grounds at 4 p.m.

ANY OLD SATINS AND SILKS?

Mrs. Daphne Boyd, the Principal of the Bourne End School of Dancing tells me that feverish dressmaking sessions are now under way to get their wardrobe ready for their show on Wednesday 8th June during Carnival Week. Rehearsals are also going well, especially for their opening number which has 'TARGET' in mind. She asks that old evening dresses especially in silk, satin or net which could be used for cutting up to make dancing costumes could be sent to her at 2, Wellington Cottages, Cores End. This would help the School to keep costs to a minimum.



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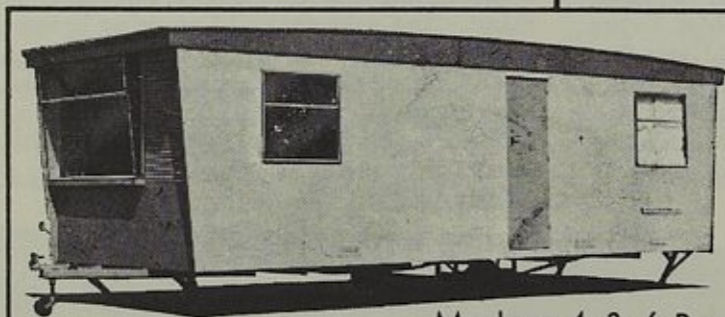
'FLOWERS AROUND THE HOME'

This is the title of the Summer Show arranged by the Bourne End Floral Arrangement Society for Carnival Day at Jackson's Sports Ground 11th June. There are Open Classes for people who are not members of the Club and schedules are available from the Secretary, Mrs. Lilian Lowe. On July 8th-9th some of their members will be entering the Floral Art Section of the Windsor Rose Show. Then on 12th July there will be a Club Outing to the gardens at Hidcote Manor, Chipping Camden. Mrs. Lowe writes that at the end of the year their Club Membership totalled 75 members.

'CHILDREN NEED A MUSIC MAN'

There can be no purer sound than the voices of young children raised in songs of praise, but when there is no accompaniment it is like Honey with no bread. Such appears to be the plight of the St. Marks Children's Church who would be pleased if an organist could be encouraged to play for them, it means only an hour on a Sunday morning, so little for so much pleasure. The Church Choir is building up with more youth, but there is still a need for the mature vocal chords especially from the bass and baritone section of the community. Once again support to the Carnival Week from the Mothers Union and Young Wives who give their best to take your money on the processional route, and also by their ability to entertain as part of Variety Night 66.

The Annual general meeting of the ladies section is in July, but prior to this they hope to visit Rev. C.G. Hester (once vicar of Wooburn) at Wallingford with a visit to the ancient and historical Church.



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The first public film show by the 'Cine Club' of films made by the club members will be held in September and will include the premiere of the Carnival Film

VOLUNTARY SERVICE OVERSEAS

And are there any young people, readers of 'Target', who have taken part in 'Voluntary Service Overseas'? If there are we would like to hear from them. Or in 'work-camps' abroad? Phone: Bourne End 102 and let us know.

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COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

Thanks all those who helped in the House-to-House Collection during Christian Aid Week and all who contributed. The result will be given in the next issue. We recognise that help is given also through other organisations - notably Oxfam and War on Want. The special contribution of Christian Aid is the approval and support of specific projects through The Department of Christian Aid of The World Council of Churches. These are supported directly by the churches as well as through the wider appeal during Christian Aid Week. We would repeat, lest there be any misunderstanding still, that though Christian Aid projects are initiated, approved and carried out by Christian agencies the help is given to ALL in need with no strings attached, and is designed both to give emergency help and also to raise the standard of living of the community concerned through the long-term projects.



Dr. G. ISAIAH - a Graduate of VELLORE at his up-country hospital.

THE VELLORE CONCERT

On April 27th, a coach load of people set out from Bourne End for the Albert Hall to hear The London Philharmonic Orchestra and Choir sing Elgar's 'Dream of Gerontius'. The Principals (Kathleen Joyce, Gerald English, Roger Stalman) and the Conductor (Frederick Jackson) all gave their services so that the proceeds of the concert might benefit The Christian Medical College and Hospital at Vellore in South India. This is now one of the greatest centres of medical training and healing in the East. It is supported by Christian Churches and organisations in many parts of the world. In the interval Dr. Jacob Chandy, the Principal, reminded the audience how the college and hospital brought together a great international team to fight disease. The hospital began in a very modest way as the first attempt to train Indian women as doctors. It sprang from the compassion of a young American girl visiting her parents in Vellore. She had no intention then of returning to India herself, but what she saw led to a complete change of her life-plans and to the beginning of what was to become this mighty work. The college now trains doctors and nurses and hospital technicians, both men and women, and pioneers in several branches of surgery and treatment, particularly in the rehabilitation of leprosy patients and of the partially paralysed.

The Concert is held every year (this was the 14th) and it is supported by 'Friends of Vellore' in many parts of the country who receive regular news of the work there. The branch in Amersham sent six coach loads to the concert! The party from Bourne End was arranged by The Cores End Congregational Church and The Bourne End Choral Society. There may be other readers of 'Target' who would like to hear of arrangements for next year. If there are will they please contact Rev. Frank Brown, B. E. 102

FOOT BRIDGE OVER THE WYE

We rejoiced to read in the Bucks. Free Press the other week that we are virtually promised the much needed Footbridge over the Wye at Cores End as requested by The Cores End Congregational Church Meeting and pressed upon the authorities through a petition signed by all those in the Cores End area. We had almost said, 'Hope deferred maketh the heart sick' but must now happily say instead that perseverance has at last prevailed.

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In 1965 the Band had the honour of attending Sir Winston Churchills funeral (Street Liners, Tower of London), the famous "Wheel Past" for the contestants of the International Paraplegic Games at Stoke Mandeville Hospital and a service of dedication commemorating the 25th Anniversary of the Battle of Britain held in the Ruins of Coventry Cathedral under the direction of their present Bandmaster, warrant Officer C. Jamieson L. R. A. M.



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Teens Page

Many people will soon be setting out on their summer holidays to the sea. However, more holiday-makers than ever before will be going abroad, mainly to France, Italy and Spain. Teenagers, who are now far more financially independent than they have ever been, will constitute a large section of those travelling abroad for they are generally more intrepid than many of their elders who prefer, or are forced by considerations of money and family, to limit their choice of holiday-resort.

Through lack of knowledge of the country they are visiting, most teenagers choose resorts which are usually packed to overflowing and where they will most probably pay exorbitant prices for what they want. Certainly, many teenagers consider it worthwhile because they are enjoying weather unknown at home except on rare occasions (and a sentence which is often heard is - 'The weather's all that counts.')

However, this statement is only valid so long as there are no places where one can enjoy the same splendid weather more cheaply. In the afore-cited countries are areas which are extremely beautiful and worth visiting although off the paths which normal holiday-makers follow. Moreover, the beauty of less well-known regions is still unspoiled.

A magnificent example of an 'undiscovered' holiday-resort (at least, as far as most British tourists are concerned) is the Aosta valley in north-western Italy, bordering upon France and Switzerland. On the valley's northern frontier rise three of the loftiest mountains in all Europe - Mont Blanc, Matterhorn and Monte Rosa.

This smallish, very mountainous region with an area of about 1,300 sq. ml. and a population of 100,000 consists of the major valley of the Dora Baltea to which thirteen smaller valleys are linked. An astounding feature of these valleys is that they are dominated by remains of the

past-of Romans and vassals of Savoyard Kings. In places the Roman road still survives, almost straight, whereas the modern road winds tortuously in the valley-bottom. At Aosta, the regional capital, stands a triumphal arch and remains of an amphitheatre.

The kings of Savoy, however, made the greatest impression. Their numerous castles were built for defence on elevations and dominate the villages. From castle to castle were transmitted messages, usually by torches, when danger threatened, from Chambéry in Savoy to Turin in Piedmont, thus safeguarding a kingdom divided by Europe's highest mountains. Some castles are still in excellent condition; Fenis, built c.1340, gives an impression of power from outside, while the interior contains galleries painted with frescoes and inscriptions of proverbs in Old French Issogne (c.1480), the valley's best preserved and most important feudal monument, is in impeccable order and a tribute to the Renaissance.

Nevertheless, this is not a valley for historians alone; Aosta is a lively town; St. Vincent boasts night-club and casino; Breuil and Courmayeur are winter-sports centres; the Gran Paradiso national park's pine-forests provide refuge for bears, chamois and all wild-life, and afford great pleasure to hikers and adventurers. In short, the Aosta region offers something for everybody.

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Barclays Bank very kindly let us have their future premises in the shopping centre at Bourne End, free of charge, and with a large band of voluntary helpers, the shop was transformed for the week.

All kinds of goods were brought to the shop, then priced by an Oxfam organiser. The windows and all the shelves were crammed full to overflowing by the opening day, Saturday 23rd April and a queue had formed before it was time to open the shop. By the time the shop had closed on that first day, there were many gaps on the shelves, and £84 in the till.

The shop remained open all of the next week and people still generously gave their gifts, and bought others displayed there, until we were able to close on the

following Saturday evening with a total of £201. 10. 9d. collected for Oxfam. The unsold stock was valued at £55, which was sent to the permanent gift shop in Oxford, so our final total for the week was £256. 10. 9d.

The Trefoil Guild would like to express their thanks to all who made the shop possible. To Barclays Bank for their premises, to the volunteers who helped to run the shop (27 in all), to the helpers who distributed leaflets throughout the village, and to all of you who bought gifts to the shop and came to buy.

The money given to Oxfam will be widely needed in helping to alleviate suffering, and hardship in some needy parts of the world. Whether your contribution was large or small, your help was most appreciated.

While the shop was open we collected oddments of knitting wool of any ply for knitting blanket squares. If anyone has more wool to give, would they please contact Mrs. J. Foster, 61, Goddington Road, Bourne End, who would be pleased to pass it on to Oxfam.

Miss Bourne End 1966



'Miss Bourne End 1966' (Linda Gardener) and her two attendants (Penny Bishop on the right and Pamela Ayres) who were selected by a panel of celebrity judges at Deyncourt School on Saturday May 7th. Miss Bourne End will also reign as Carnival Queen during the week of Community entertainment in Bourne End from Sunday June 5th to Saturday June 11th.

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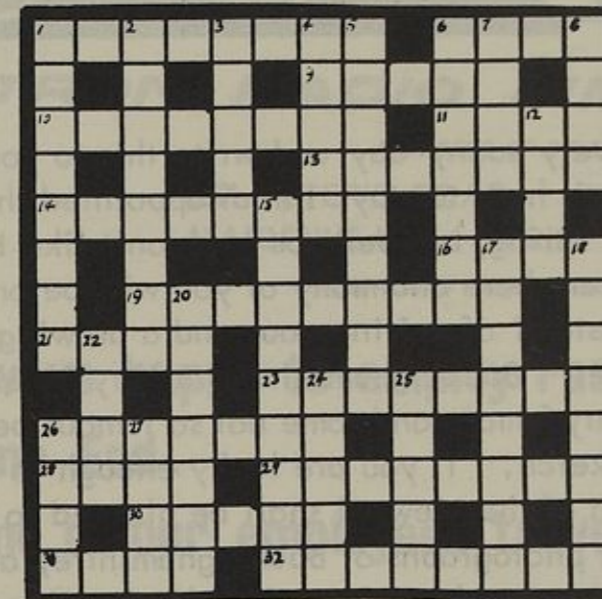
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ACROSS:

1. Part of the magic a tar activated (8).
6. We do it as we sow, it is said (4).
9. Lot of wives are in the centre (5).
10. Magnificence ranged, possibly, before the ancient city (8).
11. Poetic frost, by the sound of it (4).
13. Came to the point (7).
14. They count, mentally perhaps (8).
16. Before us is a brief operation for music (4).
19. Turned up, like a nose (9).
21. Formerly (4).
23. Humbling— or what a pugilist may get (8).
26. Not a productive feature of the headmaster I learned from (7).
28. And these times are not productive either (4).
29. Possibly a retrial for this kind of road (8).
30. Scot on the beach ? (5).
31. Skin for a hunter (4).
32. Essential parts (8).

DOWN:

1. Reflect (8).
2. They may be seen behind the cars (8).
3. Cockney's expletive has a healthy glow (5).
4. Sounds like an order to fire where the logs are sent down (5).
5. Venomous creature which may have a natural ending (9).
6. Church screen with a central colour (7).
7. Quite the reverse of 11 (4).
8. Spotted piper (4).
12. Dishes found in some nurseries (4).
15. Preserve (9).
17. Request which is a favourite with me; but it comes back, and so, finally, does the refusal (8).
18. Birds that the ocean deceives ? (8).
20. There is no ending to this kind of thing (7).
22. Assess the speed (4).
24. A gem of a girl (5).
25. Bob joins the side. Hot stuff ! (5).
26. Mistake on the cricket field (4).
27. It's not hard to do a job with this (4).

SOLUTION (Last Crossword)

ACROSS: 1. Phenobarbitone, 9. Solvent, 10. Trainee, 11. Penury, 12. Leap-Year, 14. Athletecism, 18. Presentable, 21. Headgear, 23. Bustle, 25. Tripoli, 26. Inflame, 27. Inclined Planes. DOWN: 1. Passport, 2. Ealing, 3. Overrates, 4. Rats, 5. Bitter Tear, 6. Tramp, 7. Nonsense, 8, 19 Pearl White, 13. Plantation, 15. Colourful, 16. Creation, 17. Gameness, 20. Strain, 22. Growl, 24. Hind.



Dear Children,

It's a lovely sunny day as I write this to you, and I really hope that summer is here to stay. I'm disappointed that no-one sent me a poem about Spring, but perhaps you don't like to write. Now the warmer days are here and many of you will be on holiday soon, I suggest that instead of writing you send a drawing to me, or just draw for pleasure. Buckinghamshire is a very lovely county, and there are some very famous and some not so famous beauty spots you could visit and sketch. If you are lucky enough to own a camera, take a photograph of the views. I shall be pleased to see any really good drawings or photographs of Buckinghamshire, and I shall give a prize for the best view I receive. I shall also give a prize to the best drawing or photograph from holidays in "foreign parts". By that I mean anywhere that is not in Buckinghamshire.

Perhaps someone is going to Italy, Germany, or Spain and could draw us a view of Venice, Heidelberg, or even the old part of Tossa de Mar. I wonder if you know where Tossa is? Maybe someone is visiting the Lake District and thinks that Ullswater would make a good picture. Castles too can be fun to draw, even the simple ones like Nottingham Castle on its rock. There's a statue of Robin Hood there too, but Windsor isn't so far away, and that's the Queen's Castle. It's just far enough away to qualify for "foreign parts". Don't forget I'd like to hear about your holiday, and see part of it from your drawings or photographs. I've heard of one young lady, Miss Louise Fenner, who has already had some success with her painting. I hope she will enter one of the competitions. Remember there's a prize for a view "Buckinghamshire", and another for a view of "foreign parts".

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"	Tuesday	7th	CARNIVAL DINNER & DANCE at Bellhouse Hotel, Beaconsfield. 30/- Each. 7.30 for 8.0 p. m.
"	Tuesday	7th	B. E. Floral Arrangements Soc. demonstrations by Mrs. Blake, subject 'June Arrangements' at Cores End Congregational Church Hall.
"	Wednesday	8th	VARIETY NIGHT 66 at Deyncourt School. 8.0 p. m. St. Mark's Womens' Fellowship & Young Wives Group meet 8.0 p. m. St. Mark's Hall - Speaker Mrs. A. Room.
"	Thursday	9th	YOUTH DANCE - Wooburn Church Hall - 7.30 p. m.
"	Thursday	9th	SIX - A - SIDE CRICKET FINAL Jackson's Sports Ground 7.30 p. m. for Senior Service Shield and the Cadets Trophy.
"	Friday	10th	GRAND CARNIVAL FANCY DRESS BALL at Deyncourt School 8.0 p. m. till 12.0 p. m. 7/6 & 12/6 double.
"	Saturday	12th	CARNIVAL DAY - PROCESSION. 2.0 p. m. GRAND FETE JACKSON'S SPORTS GROUND - BINGO 8.45 p. m.
"	Tuesday	14th	Council of Churches meet 8.0 p. m. Cores End Congregational Church.
"	Sunday	19th	Cores End Congregational Church 198th Anniversary.
"	Saturday	25th	Cores End Junior Church Outing to Chessington Zoo.
"	Saturday	25th	Methodist Women's Fellowship Outing to Southend Husbands and Friends welcome.
"	Saturday	25th	Little Marlow Church Festival at Cricket Pavilion and Manor House, Little Marlow.
July	Tuesday	5th	B. E. Floral Arrangements Soc. demonstration by Mrs. P. Lyon, on 'Enjoying Summer Flowers' at Cores End Church Hall.
Aug.	Tuesday	9th	Methodist Women's Fellowship meet. Address by Rev. F. Brown

REGULAR CLUB NIGHTS

- B. E. Girl Guides meet every Monday 6.45 p. m. at St. Mark's Hall.
- B. E. Senior Scouts meet every Monday 8.15 p. m. at St. Mark's Hall.
- B. E. Cine Club meet at Cores End Church Hall on alternate Mondays at 8. p. m. 14th and 28th March and so on.
- B. E. Floral Arrangement Society meet first Tuesday in month at 7.30 p. m. in Cores End Church Hall.
- B. E. Youth Club meet every Thursday for Games and Social Evening in St. Mark's Hall 7.30 - 9.30 p. m.
- B. E. Conservative Ladies Section meet at 3 p. m. on the last Thursday each month in Red Lion Hall.
- Cores End Congregational Church 'Women's Own' meet in Lower Church Hall every Tuesday at 3 p. m.
- 8th (Wooburn Grn.) Independant Cadet Battery R.A. meet in the Drill Hall, Wooburn Town, on Mondays & Fridays 7.30 - 9.30 p. m. Boys 14/17 yrs. of age most welcome.
- B. E. Women's Institute meet on first Wednesday of each month at Red Cross Hall, New Road, Bourne End at 2.30 p. m.
- B. E. Cub Pack meet on Wednesday evening at 6.30 p. m. in St. Mark's Hall.
- B. E. Choral Society meet in Cores End Church Hall at 8 p. m. on Fridays.
- B. E. Mother's Club meet on 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month in Red Cross Hall, New Road, at 8 p. m.
- St. Mark's Youth Fellowship meet on Sunday Evening at 7.30 p. m. Leader:- Mr. Norman Crowther, 16 Goddington Road, Bourne End.
- New Drama Club meet fourth Thursday each month at 8.15 p. m. in the Red Cross Hall, Bourne End.
- St. Mark's Mothers Union and Young Wives Group meet every second Wednesday Evening at 8.0 p. m. in St. Mark's Hall.
- St. Mark's Singers: Practice Fridays after Church Choir practice. Open to all who are interested.

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