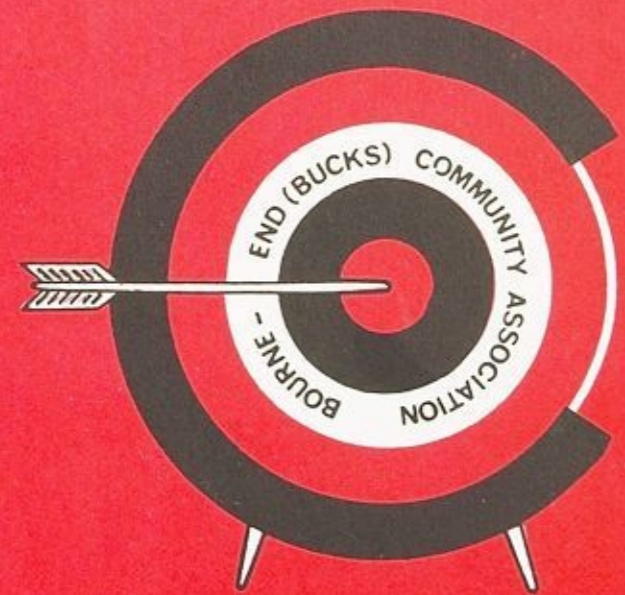


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EDITORIAL

The last three months have been eventful for the Community Association and the Village as a whole. September saw the first signs of activity on the site of the proposed Centre. The ground was cleared and although the Builders found more water than they wanted, now we are able to see from the foundations - the shape of things to come:

Early in October the sudden death of Bert Wakeman, the Association's Treasurer, stunned all who knew him. He was indefatigable in his efforts to help the community in every possible way, especially the youth of the Village. It was a privilege and inspiration knowing him and our hearts must go out to his wife and family whose great loss is shared by so many in Bourne End.



October was also the month when the decision was taken to organise another week of entertainment next June. A 'GALA WEEK' is planned and is to finish on Saturday 10th June with a 'FIESTA' instead of a Carnival Day. What this all adds up to by way of innovations - remains to be seen but the Village is getting used to something special at this time every year and we are sure 1967 will be no exception.

We notice that our friends in Flackwell Heath have succeeded in producing their own magazine called "Straight Bit". This is just what a 'spread out' village needs to help knit the whole together as a community. We wish this venture well!

The 'Survey of the Village' which is to take place early in the New Year, (see page 13) is a very important preparatory exercise in planning the way the Centre will be used. It has got to pay its way right from opening day and this means it must be in use morning, afternoon and evening throughout the week. The answer lies, of course, in the formation of healthy sections to cater for a really diversified range of pursuits. So please co-operate with those doing the Survey so that we really find out what is missing in our Village life.

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FEATURE PAGE

"FROM MAGIC LANTERN TO CINERAMA. By George Warner

It is a far cry over the years from the simple glass slide to the complex technicalities of the super wide screen and stereophonic sound. Yet they have one thing in common, the visual appeal to young and old alike irrespective of race, creed or colour, and perhaps above all the ability to surmount and overcome the language barrier, for a picture speaks for itself, in a universal tongue. Film is a magic ribbon of varying lengths and varying widths but its ultimate aim is to interest, entertain, and by no means least, educate.

Film, to a man with a movie camera, whether he be professional or amateur, is as the paint to an artist, the lathe to an engineer, the tool to do the job, to express his imagination, to create something of his own personal talent be it large or small. This attitude is very well personified in the Cinema of today, do we not expect a thriller from Hitchcock, a Western from John Ford, a spectacular from the late Cecil De Mille. There are many other Directors who film in particular fields and whose work can usually be identified by a student of the Cinema.

One of the advantages that the Cinema has over the Theatre is that the stage performance is in one sense a passing event, the film can record for all time, be passed down the years and still enjoyed. Films such as "Gone With The Wind", "Cleopatra" and a good many of the Disney films are timeless.

Earlier on I mentioned that one of the functions of film was to entertain and this to my mind is the most important, it is when we come to define entertainment that opinions become most diverse. "One mans meat etc." is never more true than when applied to films or T.V. How often does one hear the word 'rubbish' applied to some T.V. programme,

the same programme to which someone has already referred to as 'excellent'.

There is no ready made formula for producing films with a universal appeal, there have been a few but if there were too many we should have a very dull fare of unvarying diet, all following the same safe rules. Two directors given the same film to direct from identical scripts will almost certainly come up with two films of widely different interpretations and appealing to widely differing tastes, those liking film A could very well dislike film B and vice versa. It is all too easy to sit back and say "What a film, I could do better." If you really think that, what is it you lack, opportunity, equipment, ideas or technical know-how?

If we take those four items in order we can say that opportunities are usually made, equipment has never been cheaper, ideas are the hall mark of a good film maker as opposed to the snapshotter, and technical know-how is quite often found at local Cine Clubs which can be found all over the Country.

There is an immense satisfaction in seeing one's ideas and imagination come to life on the silver screen, furthermore, reasonably well done it also gives a great deal of pleasure to others. It is true of course that most people buy a cine camera with the idea of filming the baby at various stages, and why not, such records become invaluable later on. Their appeal however is limited to the family circle, and there is so much more to be obtained from a camera and a strip of film.

Why not venture forth into the fascinating world of film-making, after all that is what a cine camera is for. Who knows, your very first effort may be worthy of the Amateur film worlds' own competition. THE TEN BEST

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NEWS ITEMS

Mrs. Jean Soulsby, Girl Guide District Commissioner for Wooburn is happy to announce the formation of the 1st. Bourne End Brownie Pack under the leadership of Brownie Guider Mrs. P. Bailey. Meetings are held in the Infant School each Friday from 5 p. m. to 6.15 p. m.

The 1st. Bourne End Girl Guide Company have been meeting jointly with the 1st. Wooburn Girl Guides for the past few months but from 9th November their meetings will be resumed in Bourne End at a new time and place. Wednesday evenings 7p. m. to 8.30 p. m. in Deyncourt School Hall. Guide Guider Mrs. J. Copcutt will be pleased to welcome any girls over the age of 10½ years.

An appeal to the Ladies. Have you happy memories of Guiding? Are you interested in the future of the movement? More adult help is urgently required in this district. Training can be given, all that is needed is enthusiasm and willingness to help in this worthwhile work. Please help to put "Guiding on the Map" in Bourne End by ringing B.E. 1980.

Week of Prayer

The Local Council of Churches will hold two United Services in Bourne End during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The first will be held on 18th. January at Cores End Congregational Church, when the speaker will be Rev. Donald Ryding of St. Mark's Church. The second service will be held at St. Mark's Church on 23rd. January and the speaker will be Rev. Haldane Adams of the Methodist Church. Both Services will be from 8 p. m. to 8.45 p. m.

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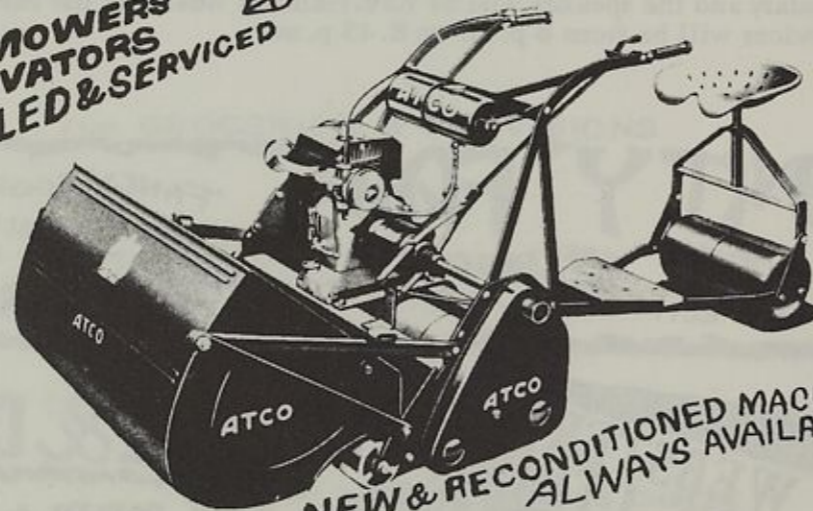
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JAN'S JOTTINGS 🎄 🎄 🎄

I'm growing old, - at least that's what my reassuring husband tells me. It's got nothing to do with grey hairs, double chins, or even preferring Andy Williams to Illya. It's just that I no longer look forward to the winter. Morning frosts mean icy cold blasts every time the outer doors are opened, snow means messy slush and fog and ice mean constant worry when my husband is out in the car. No, for me it can get progressively warmer as Xmas approaches. Goodness knows it seems to stay cool enough during the summer.

One small consolation during the next few months, apart from the Xmas festival of course, is the abundance of birds which visit the garden. The bird table in front of our lounge window helps to attract them of course. Well we call it a bird table but it's nothing more elaborate than a wooden platform on a post. We find "Swoop" very popular, there seems to be something for everybody here. And peanuts, well the blue-tits especially love these. We thread them like beads, on thin wire, and hang them from the table. Other popular delicacies for variety are sultanas and raisins, suet and fats, and as a special treat, half a potato baked in the oven. You might feel that this is overdoing it a bit, but we are rewarded tenfold by the bright colours and the behaviour of the robins, tits, finches, thrushes, and accentors (hedge sparrows), only a few feet away from our window.

Since we had the 'phone installed some time ago I have always impressed on my youngsters not to touch it; and so far they've both been very good. However, the other day, while my elder one was at school, and I was busy in the kitchen, I could hear my three-year old playing in the hall, apparently with his toy telephone. After a little while the little fellow came into the kitchen with a rather worried look on his face. "What is the matter, darling." I asked. "Well," he replied, "I did talk to my friend on the telephone, and my friend did keep saying "Number please".



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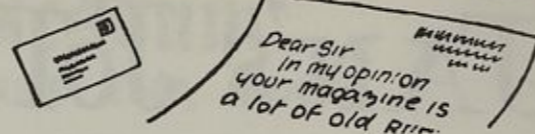
The St. John Ambulance Brigade is once again established in Bourne End in the form of a Cadet Division. Following its formation in the Spring of 1965, the Division has now been officially recognised by the Brigade and is now in a position to undertake public duties in this area.



In October this year, our Parents Association was formed and their aim is to organise fund raising events. Already, Councillor Mrs. M.G. Woollerton has generously promised the sum of £10 when the Division assets reach £25. Encouragement like this is greatly appreciated. As a Division, we would also like to take this opportunity to thank Messrs. Jackson's Ltd. for the free use of their Social Club Hall where we meet on Tuesday Evenings at 7.0 p.m. until 8.30 p.m. For further information, please come along or write to: - Mr. D. Haselgrove, 22, Slater Street, High Wycombe, Bucks.



POSTBAG



Dear Editor,

My thoughts and hopes go out to you in Bourne End, with a new Association, because the National Federation of Community Associations, of which I am a Travelling Officer, will in future years be in your keeping. Its strength and its weakness will rest with you. The strength of your own Association lies in its Sections and activities and in its interest in the Community it serves. You are now approaching maturity and your efforts are bearing fruit. The Centre for your activities is being built and it will be up to you to ensure that it is a building in which the community feels at home. It will be used for many pursuits and events which will give pleasure as well as knowledge and will open up new avenues of enjoyment, promote new ideas and enable all to refresh their thinking.

It is against this background that Community Associations grow and develop. To look outward beyond their own neighbourhood, to see themselves as part of a unified whole, forges and strengthens ties among associations, so becoming a way of life essential to communities everywhere. At this moment of time the National Federation is on the move. Whether or not the movement is to be a surge forward rests wholly and firmly on you. The part you play, both locally and nationally has a direct bearing on the affairs of us all. Help to form a chain of Associations to which you will be proud to belong. With the help of each and everyone of you, this will be done.

Every good wish for your continuing success,

Yours sincerely,

P. Arrandale. (Miss)

Dear Editor,

I have much pleasure in giving you the details and final total of our Christian Aid Week Collection. The sum realized was £350. May I reiterate my thanks to everyone who helped in the collection and to everyone who gave. Once again, we have asked for a £100 to go to the Chipembi Project in Zambia, £50 has been earmarked for immediate relief of famine in India and the rest, £200, is to be used in the General Fund. Even more splendid is the 1966 total for the Country as a whole, which is £706,830. That is £84,389 up on 1965. I have received a letter from the Director, Miss Janet Lacey, who asks me to convey to everyone her delight and her gratitude for this outstanding result and of course, her hope that we shall all join forces again next year, to "beat the target" once more.

There are Christmas cards available for sale in aid of Christian Aid's Special Christmas Appeal. I and members of the Churches of Bourne End, will be very glad if our friends and supporters would avail themselves of this opportunity to do two acts of kindness in one, by sending some of these cards to friends at Christmas.

Once again,

my thanks to everyone,

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The Aims of a Women's Institute are to bring countrywomen together to learn things which will be of help in their homes; to improve conditions in the village; to consider the needs of country people throughout the land and to develop a spirit of friendliness, co-operation and initiative, and to promote international understanding. A monthly meeting is held which has four main parts.

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4. Social Time.

Through the monthly meeting some members become interested in a subject and wish to know more about it. Courses of classes or discussions can be arranged. Many Institutes have their own choirs and drama groups.

BOURNE END CHORAL SOCIETY

The Bourne End Choral Society was formed in the early nineteen-fifties when a number of people - mainly members of the various church choirs - were invited to meet together at Cores End Church to perform a concert of Christmas music.

The Society has continued to meet and rehearse a wide variety of music including madrigals, part-songs, secular and sacred cantatas. On several occasions full scale works have been attempted such as Handel's "Messiah" and Edward German's "Merrie England". The Society has maintained its non-denominational character, drawing members from as far as Slough, Beaconsfield and High Wycombe. Concerts have been given in churches from Wooburn Green to Cookham and as far afield as Burnham, Hazlemere and Seer Green, and in Halls in Bourne End and elsewhere. The services of a number of soloists have been obtained, including both amateur and professional singers. Some of these coming as students have since made their name on the professional stage. Among these are Soo Bee Lee who has since sung parts in opera at Glyndebourne and Sadlers Wells, and Gloria Jennings who has been with the travelling company "Opera for All".

The Society has been equally fortunate in obtaining the services of professional musicians to form orchestras when required. Organists also have accompanied the choir including James Dawes - now Director of Music at the Royal Grammar School and Dr. Eric Thiman organist of the City Temple. The latter came in 1964 to a Service of Thanksgiving for the renovation of the organ at Cores End, when the main work was a Cantata "The Last Supper" by Dr. Thiman.

Recently the Society has become part of The Bourne End Evening Institute. It still maintains its autonomy and its character, a character of which it is rightly proud - that of a friendly gathering of people who meet to enjoy making music together. As with most choirs there is always room for more singers in one part or another - if not all. The qualification required of members is that they wish to make music together with others. No auditions are given, there is no age limit upper or lower. Rehearsals are on Friday evenings at 8.0 p. m. at Cores End Church Hall.

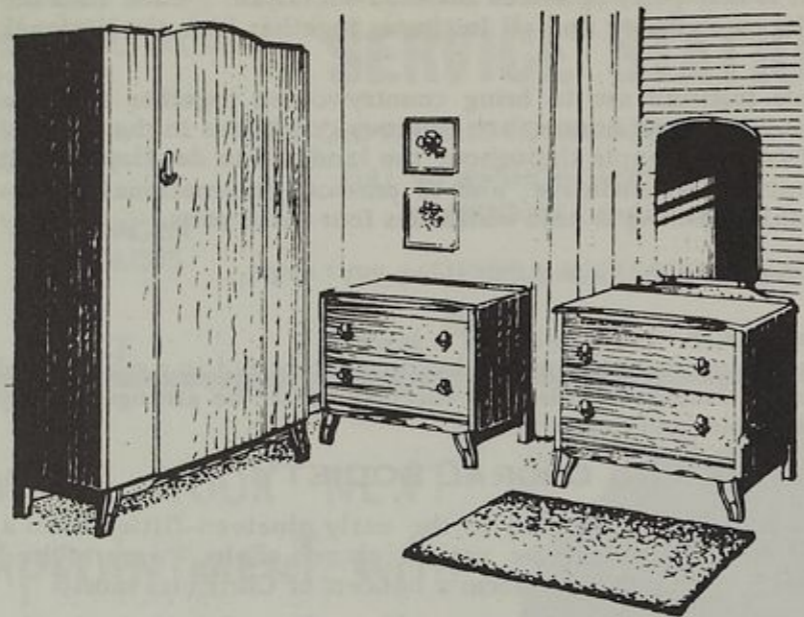
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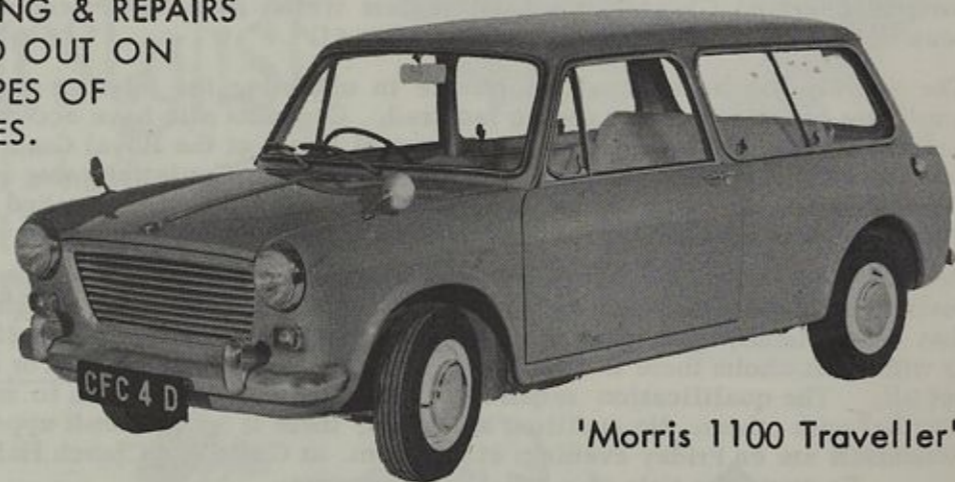
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Centre News



You will have learned of the tragic death of our Treasurer, Bert Wakeman, on 3rd. October, 1966. He was untiring in his efforts on behalf of the Community and will be tremendously missed by us all. He was gentle in his dealings with those around him, yet fierce in his insistence on the necessity to help provide for the needs of the community. One has great difficulty when writing a tribute to a man like Bert, for he was essentially self effacing. We believe that all he would have wanted, was simply to have us continue his good work and in this way together say "Thanks Bert".

At last the Centre is beginning to take shape and we have recently heard that the official completion date is the 31st. August 1967. Providing that we are able to sustain our present fund raising activities up to completion date, we shall be able to pay for the building and have a limited amount of essential equipment to furnish it. This, of course, is only the first phase of the building and we are busy investigating the possible extent of the second phase. We are considering extending the Youth Room to allow for a lounge and refreshment bar and providing an additional room for scenery painting and storage as well as the Common Room and Small Hall already planned. We will still need all the enthusiastic support that we have been enjoying for the past 3 - 4 years in all our fund raising efforts. We are hoping for a further grant from the Dept. of Education for this second and final phase of the Centre but to qualify we must have our portion available when building plans get the go-ahead. It is estimated that the cost will be about £10,000 of which our share will be £5,000 and as our approximate yearly income is in the region of £2,000 we shall have to strain every sinew to raise an additional £3,000.

Any offers?

Now that our Community Centre is no longer just a dream, but a practical reality, our attention as an Association must be focussed on you, the folk who make up our local community because you are the ones who will both be using it and running it. To help us with this task we shall be making a thorough survey of the whole district so that we can discover all the local needs which should be catered for. We shall also be mounting a drive to consolidate Community Association Membership and we hope that tremendous support will be forthcoming. There are something like 60 real enthusiasts working pretty well the whole of the time on our behalf, upon whom the main burden of these two projects will inevitably fall. Nothing will reward them more than you and your families bidding them welcome when they call and we hope, applying for membership and possibly indicating a willingness to help with the running of "Your Centre".

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THE FILM MAKERS

Mr. George Warner of the Bourne End Cine Club tells me that most of their meetings are well attended though there is always room for a few more. Activities of late have included several successful outings, as well as talks by professional film makers. The biggest job has been the film of the Carnival, 1966. This was shown on November 12th after much editing, script writing etc. and proved a very popular event. Both shows had capacity audiences.

SPARE TREE ANYONE?

If you have a spare tree, and you are willing to stand the cost of its removal, Bourne End Civic Society will be glad of it. Mr. Grainger writes to tell me that a small tree can be purchased for about £3, and these could be dedicated in memorium to someone. One of their first offers is from the Men of Trees - a society concerned with the welfare of trees. They have offered a rare Blenheim Oak, this is one of the oaks planted in memory of Winston Churchill. The other major scheme that they have in hand is the conversion of part of the Blind-lane Recreation ground into an adventure playground to make it more interesting. Offers of sand, cement, grass seed etc. would be very welcome. Any offers to Mr. Grainger at 9 Eastern Drive, Willows Road, Bourne End or phone B.E. 1811.

THIRTY-ONE AWARDS

Miss Jean Greville of the Jean Greville School of Dancing tells me that her pupils have done very well in dancing competitions recently. The photograph shows the Bourne End pupils with Miss Greville and Miss Burnette after they had been presented with their awards at Reading Town Hall. Between them they won 4 cups, 14 Bronze, Silver and Gold Medals, and 13 certificates - Miss Greville also tells me that her school held



OUR GROUP MEMBERS KEEP IN TOUCH with Martin Samson

in the Red Cross Hut, Bourne End is doing very well, and her pupils are looking forward to their solo performances in the festivals in February and March.

LIVELY AND INFORMATIVE

Party meetings are now held on the third Tuesday of the month writes Mr. D. Ginger of Bourne End Labour Party, and routine business will be speedily dealt with to allow time for discussions and debates, the object being to keep them lively and informative. The Round Wycombe Quiz is in full swing he reports and the Bourne End team hopes to reach the finals, which will be held at a social evening in Wycombe. Work is once more starting on articles for next year's Autumn Bazaar, and thought is being given to their contribution to "GALA WEEK" 1967.

CORES END CAROLS

Mr. G.F. Beseke writes to me that the next event on the calendar of Bourne End Choral Society is a programme of Carols and Christmas music to be held at Cores End Congregational Church on December 18th at 8 p.m. The soloist will be Charles Percy, with Richard Hickox at the organ. In January rehearsals will start on Somerville's "Passion" which is to be performed at Easter.

BICENTENARY IN 1968

With their 200th birthday only two years away in 1968 Rev. Frank Brown of Cores End Congregational Church tells me that they are hoping to collect souvenirs of the church in former times. Any old newspaper cuttings, photographs, etc. will be welcome. Please contact the Minister at B.E. 102, or get in touch with Mr. F.H. Martin of 17, Goddington Road. A TOY SERVICE will be held at 11 a.m. on Sunday 18th December. The toys brought by the children will be sent to the High Wycombe Central Aid Society for Distribution.

OPEN OBEDIENCE SHOW

Mrs. M. Wooten of the Thames Dog Training Club tells me that their Open Obedience Show held at Slough Community Centre on 8th October was a great success. There was a record entry of over 360 dogs! They hope one day to hold it at Bourne End Community Centre. On the 25th October they held their progress competitions, and she says

the standard of work was very good. The club still meets in the Territorial Drill Hall, St. Lukes Road, Maidenhead on a Tuesday evening, and all new members would be welcome. Apparently quite a large percentage of members come from Bourne End each week.

THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES

Daphne Boyd of the Bourne End School of Dancing says that she wishes to thank all the people who sent her evening dresses and other materials for costumes after an appeal in "Target". They have made many new costumes from them. Please keep them coming in she says. At the moment rehearsals are going on for the School's next production which is to be in Windsor on December 2nd. As well as the St. Marks Women's Fellowship, and the Chalkburn Singers a new addition to her show will be Mr. Paice from Well End who plays the electric guitar.

175 MEMBERS AND GUESTS

This was the number of people who turned up for a superb demonstration by Mr. George Foss of Autumn Flowers at Deyncourt School on 4th October. Mrs. Lilian Lowe, Secretary of the B.E. Floral Arrangement Society says it was nice to see so many men in the audience, she hopes they came voluntarily and enjoyed the evening. A coffee evening was held on 15th October at Mrs. Hand's home in Abbotsbrook, when members not only enjoyed excellent refreshments but also three films with sound and colour on Covent Garden, Roses and Gardening with Plastic.

BUSY DAY FOR METHODIST CHURCH

Saturday 1st October saw the wedding of Miss Diana Eaton and Mr. Terry Payne (both members of Christian Endeavour at the Church) at 11.45 a.m. and a Grand Concert by instrumentalists and Speen Choir in the evening. The Church, which had been beautifully decorated for the wedding by Mr. and Mrs. Ody and Mrs. Eaton was an especially fine setting for the Concert, both events were well attended. Mr. and Mrs. T.B. Payne after a Honeymoon in Ibiza, Spain, now live in Ash Vale, Sy.

THE 'BANGER' and the 'BULLET'

The Scout Group are busy during the winter months, building and repairing

canoes and preparing for next years entries in the Scout Car Races which are being held at Brighton in July. After reaching the Finals this year the boys are eagerly modifying 'The Banger' and are constructing a new car, 'The Bullet' Progress by the Senior Scouts in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme is being maintained reports Mr. Clare of the Parents Committee, and Gold Awards are not far away. The Parent's Committee still have as their main Target a new headquarters and at the time of going to press the funds stand at £400. All readers are thanked for their past support, with the hope that it will continue in the New Year.

HARVEST SUPPER CONCERT

I hear from Mrs. Gwen Eaton that her pupils gave a 50 minute entertainment at Cores End Congregational Church on the occasion of their Harvest Festival Supper. Extracts from Shakespeare's plays, humorous and serious poems and prose including two harvest poems, featured in the Concert. Mrs. Eaton herself gave two Child studies by special request of some of her male students. Rev. Frank Brown led an appreciative audience in thanking her pupils for a very enjoyable evening and Mrs. Eaton tells me her own thanks are due to both Cores End Church for the fine supper they were given and to the parents of 14 of her pupils who took part for their cooperation in bringing them from as far afield as Cookham, Marlow, Flackwell Heath, Bourne End, Wooburn Green and High Wycombe. Some "old girls" have recently been to see Mrs. Eaton, Sue Hatt, who married a Farmer and went to live in the north, brought her 17 month old lovely brown eyed daughter along and Patricia Holmes called with her parents just before leaving home to join the forces. Best wishes to them both. One of Mrs. Eaton's ex-pupils Jenny Counsell of Windsor has recently appeared in several B.B.C. Norman Vaughan Shows.



'GALA' WEEK 1967

Whilst the evening events throughout next years "Carnival" or "Gala" have not yet been fully planned there is one important difference. This is that the Entertainments' Committee of the Association which is active throughout the year organising Film Shows, Draws, Dances, etc., will be running the Indoor Events of Gala Week, and so continuity will be maintained.

It is heartening to see that this years Entertainments' Committee is composed of the majority of the volunteers of last year, plus a large proportion of the Carnival Indoor Events people. Thus we have a very good team who do a tremendous amount of hard work, and by the very fact that they keep volunteering show they must either be mad, or gluttons for punishment!!

Certain preliminary talking has been going on regarding Gala Week, and already the Committee have said that the Miss Bourne End Contest must be one of the weeks events to give the week a "grand send off".

Much hard work must now be done to organise what we hope will be a bigger and better week, and more important still - show a larger profit margin! Such details as "Menus for Dinners" - Bands for Dances - Pins and tickets for cloak-rooms - and a 1001 other items will have to be organised, but whatever we as a Committee "dream up" there is one big factor which will make it all worthwhile and an even greater success - YOUR SUPPORT!!!

FIESTA, Saturday 10th June 1967.

Cyril Witts - Chairman of Indoor events.

Following two public meetings which supported once again the idea of a Carnival Saturday, you now have a Committee who will do their best to make it a success. Please note Saturday 10th June will be known as 'FIESTA', and we all hope that this is the spirit which can be conjured up for the Day.

Your Committee has held its first meeting, and already the broad outline of the Day's programme is being worked upon by the willing and enthusiastic members. I will not at this stage dis-

close these plans, but if all goes well we should once again have a successful Day. Successful, I hope, in that we can promote both the spirit of Fiesta - and an addition to the Community Centre funds. The latter is after all a major concern since, with the building now started, money is needed to furnish and equip it so that it can be used to advantage.

Despite an initial reluctance on the part of some people to offer their help, I am now very pleased to report that your Committee has now heard from a number of volunteers who have offered to help on the Day. We have of course already been notified by many of the affiliate organisations that they will be pleased to give their support. It is to be hoped that others will come forward also with offers, but it is naturally understood that not all affiliates or individuals can give the same support. All offers of help, great or small, will be very welcome. It is particularly cheering that some volunteers will be enlisting the assistance of their friends and neighbours so that Fiesta should, among other things, promote the true community spirit.

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At the present time members of the Committee have undertaken to coordinate various of the Day's activities and organisation, and just how far we have managed to sew things up will be a major subject of the next Committee meeting on the 25th November. From the list of names you will recognise several of the previous years' stalwarts, and I am quite sure of one thing, if nothing else, that they will keep me (the 'new boy') and the other helpers working on the right lines.

John Inglefield - Chairman of Fiesta.



TOC H

BEING RE-ESTABLISHED IN BOURNE END

Toc H is a movement of Men who find it makes sense to spend some of their time in helping others, this is not just "Helping Others" in the vague sense, but an honest attempt to have a real friendship between men of all sorts.

Toc H draws its members from all political parties and all denominations. It is, in fact, a working body of men, which tries to think fairly about all the problems of today and to seek a practical Christian solution to these problems. To that end, members do acts of personal service for the benefit of other folk - and hope to enjoy themselves in the process. This works best through small teams; for Toc H believes that men give of their best when they are working together. Each team aims at the biggest possible variety of men; this is its strength in discussion and argument, in good times and in bad. Each Branch becomes a real family with each member bringing his own individual qualities to solve the problems. Toc H quite often, and rightly so - is described as a "MIXTURE OF MEN".

Although there are nearby Branches at Marlow, Maidenhead and Booker, the needs Toc H are likely to tackle are local and as the members of the above Branches have become more and more involved in problems in Bourne End it seems logical to start a local Unit, for Toc H believes, both in Groups and as individuals, in trying to demonstrate TRUE NEIGHBOURLINESS.

There are already several men around whom the new Unit will be built, and two members of the very live Maidenhead Branch are the prime movers; Mr. Stan Rich of 59, Chalklands and Mr. 'Bill' Williams, of 'Kelsey', 1, East Ridge.

Toc H being re-established in Bourne End

In Maidenhead recently there has been a great resurgence of Toc H activity, and their work with the handicapped, particularly Multiple Sclerosis sufferers, the deaf and dumb, the local news service for the blind, (which also covers a few in Bourne End), their odd job and firewood service for old and housebound, their work with the Children's Home and the severely mentally handicapped children's Home in Pinkneys Green together with visits to Ponds Spastics Home and the Epileptic colony could all be expanded. The work at Finnemore Camp could well be better taken on by more local people, and already several young people from Bourne End are active with the young people's Toc H Volunteer's 'Mobile Action' Group in Maidenhead who have tackled all sorts of community services, covering themselves with paint and a lot of glory in the process.

One could say that Toc H is summed up in the two words; Fellowship and Service; two aspects of a common way of life that cannot be separated. Service expresses the belief that everyone, young and old, handicapped and fit, has a part to play in the life of any place. Toc H believes that responsible human relationships are at the very heart of the purpose of the Christian Faith. People are intended to live together in friendship, caring for one another.

These then are some of the ways and ideals of Toc H, and all men from Bourne End will receive a very warm welcome at the initial meeting to re-establish a Group here on TUESDAY 14th MARCH next year. The Regional Staff member; Ray Fabes, who for nine years was a member of Maidenhead Branch has spent several weeks collating important information for the new Group from people who know Bourne End, live there and influence its life. All these and future plans will not be disclosed at this stage, but will be outlined in March by local members. Bourne End is just the sort of community where Toc H can flourish and where its full impact can best be discovered. It will give men who wish to serve an opportunity to do so personally, in a practical way.



CHILDREN'S CORNER

Hello Children!

As it is nearly Christmas time, I thought you might like to have a few ideas for making decorations which will not take too much of your pocket money. A lot of the things I mention you will probably be able to find around the house.

A Holly Ball is easy to make. Take a meat skewer (the sort with a little hook at the end) and push it well into a nice big ball of plasticine. Cover the plasticine all over with sprigs of holly. It is sometimes hard to find holly with berries on it so, if you want to, you can cheat a little bit and buy a packet of artificial holly berries to cheer up your green holly. Your holly ball is then ready to hang up by means of the loop at the end of the skewer. A piece of bright red shiny ribbon would make it really gay. Plasticine is very useful stuff and you can use it to fix a pretty candle in a wine glass or little dish and then you can cover up the plasticine with little trails of ivy or leaves and perhaps a few small plastic flowers. This would look very nice on a table or sideboard.

Another hanging decoration, which is more trouble to make but looks very effective, is made with two wire coat hangers (the sort that come from the Dry Cleaners). Ask your Daddy or big Brother to take the hook off one of the hangers and to bend each hanger into a star shape. Wind tinsel around each shape and then put the piece without the hook inside the other so that it forms a star and fasten the two together securely with some strong thread or a piece of fuse wire. Hang a fairly large glass decoration ball so that it comes in the centre of the star and hang smaller decorations on the outside edges. It is then ready to hang up by its hook and no one will ever guess that it started off as two wire coat hangers! (see page 19)

Everybody loves to have a brightly decorated Christmas Tree and although you can buy some lovely decorations in the shops they do cost rather a lot of money, especially if you have a big tree to cover, so I will give you a few ideas for some home made decorations. All you need to buy is some glue, a packet of glitter, some tinsel and perhaps some gold or silver cord (the sort you can use for tying up Christmas parcels).

Cover brass curtain rings lightly with glue and sprinkle with glitter. These can be hung on the tree individually or strung into garlands on gold or silver cord. Cut the foil tops from cream or yoghurt cartons into pretty shapes, (stars, crescents, diamonds) touch over with glue, sprinkle with glitter and thread with tinsel or cord. The foil tops off milk bottles can be moulded into bell shapes, by pressing them over the top of a lemon squeezer, lightly touched with glue, sprinkled with glitter and threaded onto a string of tinsel. Painted fir cones can be hung on the tree with a bright ribbon. Thread cord or tinsel through half an egg shell or one section of an egg carton then paint and cover with glue and glitter.

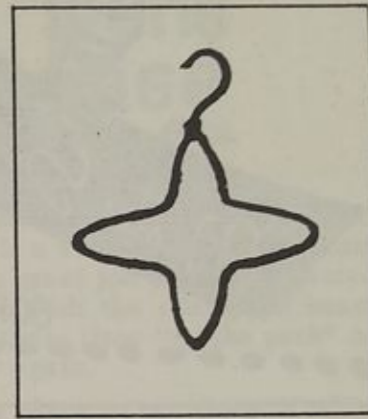
Just one word of advice. Before you do start to make any decorations, spread a sheet of newspaper over the table and then when you have finished you can fold up the newspaper with all the mess inside it and this makes your clearing up simple.

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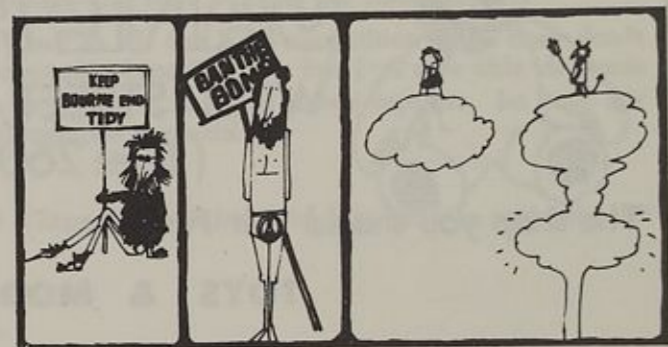
Jacqueline Williams sent in a poem about "Target" which we rather liked and we thought you might like it too:-

" I like "Target" very much,
 I read it as soon as it comes.
 I advise other people to read it too,
 But get it before your Mums do.
 For if your Mum gets hold of it,
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 Then suddenly "Target" might tear in half,
 What a Catastrophe ! "



Yours sincerely,
 AUNTIE BEE.

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Membership of Bourne End Youth Club is slowly increasing, probably because the early dusk and the cold weather has driven us in. This is a very good thing. Until recently, with no offence to Mick Wootten, who does a great job of work organising the place, the club seemed to be foundering. Now with the change of heart of many of the younger teenagers, who used to spend their time "up the park" or by the coffee machine, things can become more lively again.

The club has plenty to offer us. Besides a warm and dry place to go, there is table tennis, darts, badminton, and for the people who feel less energetic draughts, and cards. During the last few weeks, more and more people have been going down to the club, over 30 turned up one evening, the best number for some time.

At the time of going to press (as they say in all the best magazines when they don't know anything) Mick hadn't any Christmas plans fixed. But I'm sure this depends on us. If we can guarantee that he is going to get lots of our support, he and his committee will be more inclined to organise something.

"So if you've got nothing to do next Thursday evening, why not drop in and join us"

"You don't know where ?"

"St. Mark's Church Hall of course!"

"What time ?"

"Stone me, some people, about 7.30 !"

"O. K. see ya!"

Why do young people like you and I seem to need artificial stimulants to enjoy ourselves today? More and more youngsters are becoming addicted to drugs, and even if they manage to keep from the stronger drugs, it often leads to financial ruin, and perhaps crime. The main reason for young people taking drugs seems to be their total lack of self confidence. More often than not, a youngster will take something so that he appears to be 'big' in front of his friends, or his girl friend. If he has any confidence in himself he realises that his friends and his girl friend will take him for what he is, not what he is trying to be. A natural born leader is one by his personality rather than with outside help. It is also thought rather daring to take these drugs especially as everybody preaches, me included, against it. But this is only foolish bravado. Really all the person is doing is showing off and trying to attract attention to himself. Another good reason for not taking the drugs is the fact that they damage one's health, and makes a person unfit to drive. Is it worth it?

"Target" is the official magazine of the Bourne End Community Association. In a way you are the people who will reap the greatest benefit from the work now being done, that is if the scheme goes as planned. When the Community Centre is finished, it is hoped, in August of next year, there will be a youth room in it. That is, there will be a room about 25 by 30 feet. It sounds cold and impersonal, and that's what it will be. Just some 500 square feet of space between four walls, with a few doors and windows thrown in for good measure. To make the room alive, and something worth having, it needs people and furniture. This must suit the activities. O. K. what do you want to do in this hall?

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I'm interested to know what you want, and I want you to write c/o The Editor, and tell me! That doesn't mean saying "Yeah, I'll write him a letter", and then forgetting all about it. You get that? Let us know what you want to do in our community centre, especially in the part that is for us, the youngsters.

There are several ideas afoot for this room including one to extend it, and then build a coffee bar in the extension. Later the room will be used more for games and sport. This is to be the new home of Bourne End Youth Club. This is your chance to make your own views known to the people who are at present organising the centre. Well! what are you waiting for?!



The Festive Season

Have you ever wondered why we do certain traditional things at Christmas, like eating a huge dinner and decorating our houses? Most people celebrate Christmas today because they like to remember that it is the birthday of Jesus Christ but the 25th December was a festival long before most people in the world were converted to Christianity. The winter season was a time of pagan feasts. Many of the earth's inhabitants were sun worshippers. In southern Europe, Egypt and Persia, the Sun Gods were worshipped with great ceremony at the season of the winter solstice as a fitting time to give thanks to the god of plenty. In Northern lands, mid-December was a critical time for the days became shorter and the sun was weak and far away so the people held feasts and built great bonfires to give the Sun God strength. The Romans decorated their homes with green boughs and flowers for the Saturnalia, their season for merrymaking and giving presents. The Druids gathered mistletoe and the Saxons used holly and ivy.

The exact day and year of the birth of Christ has never really been settled but in A.D. 440 the Fathers of the Church decided to celebrate the event on the day of the Winter Solstice, 25th December. From the pagan custom of accent on light, today we still have candles to light the Christ child. It is thought that the first Christmas Tree was used in Germany when St. Boniface, an English missionary, put lights on a fir tree in tribute to the baby Jesus. (It is known that Prince Albert, the husband of Queen Victoria, introduced the Christmas Tree to England.)

* Music became very important and from
* the early hymns of the Church, the ordi-
* nary people began to sing carols which
* are songs in which a religious subject is
* treated in a festive style.
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* Between the 11th and 17th centuries in
* England, Christmas became a great festi-
* val and feudal lords gave hospitality
* in holly decked halls to friends, tenants
* and household. Feasting, singing,
* games, dancing and pantomimes took
* place with a Lord of Misrule and his
* Jester presiding, keeping all merry from
* the dragging in of the Yule Log to the
* end of the holiday, which sometimes
* lasted a very long time. However the
* Puritans did not approve of this merrim-
* ent and Parliament forbade such cele-
* brations in 1644. Gradually Christmas
* came back as a Church ceremonial and
* a home festival, with family reunions,
* gifts and decorations and one of the
* great traditions, Father Christmas, the
* English name for Santa Claus, was intro-
* duced. Santa Claus is a shortened name
* for St. Nicholas who was a Bishop, born
* in the 3rd century, who was famed for
* giving gifts especially at the end of the
* year. He is known as the patron saint
* of children all over the world although
* they call him by different names like
* Kris Kingle, La Befana, Yule Tomten
* and Christkindl.
*
* Christmas customs do seem to be focus-
* sed around the fact that it belongs to
* the season of frost and snow. Northern
* countries do much the same as us al-
* though in Holland and Belgium the Feast
* of St. Nicholas is the children's holiday
* when they have gifts. For them the 25th
* is a religious holiday with church ser-
* vices and family gatherings. In hot
* countries Christmas becomes a Summer
* festival with fireworks, picnics, fiestas
* and family suppers and many homes
* have an altar with a little crib to remind
* them of the Holy Family.

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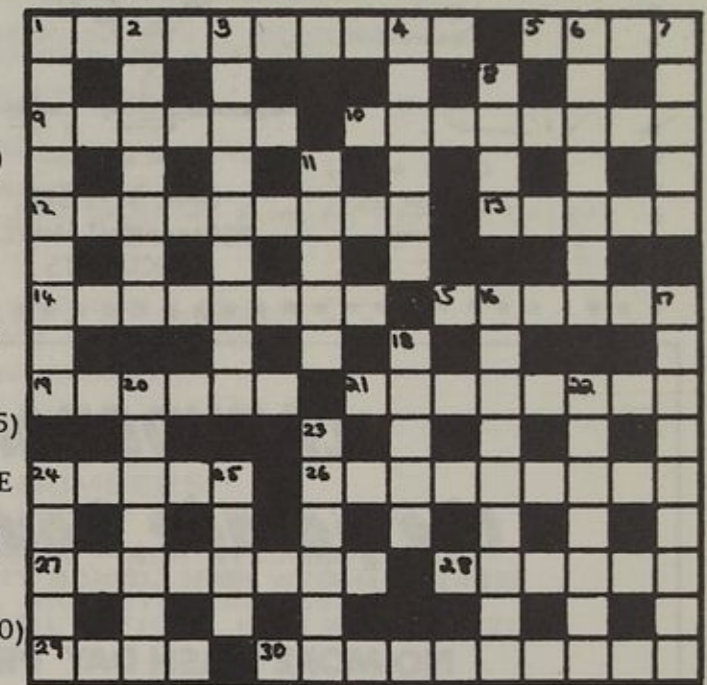
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CALENDAR OF VILLAGE EVENTS

- Dec. Tuesday 6th. Floral Arrangement Society demonstration of "Winter Arrangements" by Mrs. Guttridge at Cores End Hall 7.30 p.m.
- Dec. Sunday 18th. Cores End Congregational Church Toy Service at 11a.m. Toys brought will be sent to High Wycombe Central Aid Society.
- Dec. Sunday 18th Bourne End Choral Society with Hazelmere Choral Class will give a programme of Carols and Christmas Music at 8 p.m. Soloist Mr. Charles Percy with Richard Hickox at the organ.
- Dec. Tuesday 13th. Methodist Church women's Fellowship Christmas Tea Party. Mrs. Marjorie Pike of Little Marlow with an Xmas Message and Xmas Music.
- Dec. Friday 16th Methodist Church Concert of Carols with Westbourne Male Quartet 7.30 p.m. in the Church.
- Dec. Saturday 24th St. Mark's Church 5 p.m. Blessing of the Crib and Carols for children and their parents. and 11.30 p.m. Midnight Mass and Procession.
- Dec. Sunday 25th St. Mark's Church; 8 a.m. Holy Communion
9.30 a.m. Parish Communion
11.0 a.m. Children's Crib Service
Cores End Church: one service only at 10.0 a.m.
- Jan. Tuesday 3rd. Floral Arrangement Society Practice Night at 7.30 p.m. Cores End Church Hall.
- Jan. Tuesday 10th Methodist Women's Fellowship. Speaker Mrs. Theresa M. Barnet of Slough. 2.45 p.m.
- Jan Wednesday 11th St. Mark's Church 8 p.m. Film about "Women's World Day of Prayer."
- Jan. Tuesday 17th WHIST DRIVE Bourne End Conservative Association, Ladies Section. Red Lion 7.30 p.m.
- Jan. Thursday 26th NEW YEARS PARTY. B.E. Conservative Ladies Section, Red Lion. 3 p.m.
- Feb. Tuesday 7th Floral Arrangement Society. Demonstration by Mrs. Kathleen Smith, "From Winter to Spring" at Cores End Church Hall at 7.30 p.m.
- Feb. Tuesday 14th Methodist Women's Fellowship. 2.45 p.m. Speaker Mrs. Tyler of High Wycombe.
- Feb. Saturday 25th St. Mark's Church. WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER Service at 10.0 a.m. is one prepared by the late Queen Salote and will be observed all over the world.

REGULAR CLUB NIGHTS

- B.E. Girl Guides meet every Wednesday 7 p.m. - 8.30 p.m. at Deyncourt School.
- B.E. Brownies meet every Friday 5 p.m. to 6.15 p.m. at Westbourne Infants School.
- 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.
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