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A Community Newsletter for:

KINNERSLEY-SARNESFIELD-LETTON-NORTON CANON-BROBURY
STAUNTON-ON-WYE-MONNINGTON-ON-WYE-MOORHAMPTON

THANKS - AND DO KEEP WRITING

Your response to our request last month for more original material has been most satisfying and we have been delighted with the quality. Our main concern now is to assure those whose articles are not included in this issue that only shortage of space has compelled us to hold them over until October. Please therefore do not be deterred from continuing to send in material because we badly need to build up reserves and thus avoid unnecessary panics in the future. Again, all our thanks.

September in the Garden

Hello! Most of us at sometime in our lives, perhaps because we have a patch of ground round our home, have to be gardeners, or something with green fingers. A few "lucky" ones like me, even get paid for doing it!!

Having recently moved into the district, as a gardener, I have been asked to contribute to 'The Signal'. I hope the gardener's calendar and reminders will be of some help, or at the very least of some interest.

General Garden Work

Keep the garden tidy, remember that rubbish harbours pests and diseases. Collect it all for the compost heap. Dig any vacant ground as soon as possible, better to do it little at a time. Now is the best month for sowing new lawns.

Flower garden

Still time to take geranium cuttings, and if you can give them a little

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AT OWLS END, NORTON CANON, NOT LATER THAN MONDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER 1984

protection in the worst weather now is the time to sow Sweet Peas for next years Kington Show.

Vegetable garden

Keep the hoe going, its still important. Bend over necks of onions, if not already done, harvest those that are ripe. Lift potatoes and make sure they are dry before storage. Complete any planting, cabbages etc. for next Spring. Earth up celery carefully.

Fruit Garden

Not much to do this month. Just keep gathering the harvest on fine dry days. One final tip, remove runners and clean-up strawberry bed as soon as possible, ready for next year, it won't be long!! Oops, nearly forgot, make sure, if you haven't already done so, to get your top-sized prepared bulbs for Christmas, that's not far away either.

Mr Weed.



STAUNTON-ON-WYE NOTES

Staunton Forget-me-Not club

It was a beautifully clear morning for the club's outing on July 24th when the coach set off at 8.30 for a day in Rhyl. Calling first at Kinnersley we drove northward through Leominster to Llangollen where we stopped for coffee and a tour of the market. We then went on through the beautiful Horseshoe Pass with its fine views and arrived at Rhyl in time for lunch.

After making a few purchases at Marks & Spencers we spent the afternoon either sleeping on the beach or watching the world go by on the promenade.

The journey home was equally enjoyable, but several attempts to stop for a drink were complicated by the fact that so many other coach parties had the same idea, and we were not able to slake our thirsts until we reached Ludlow. We reached home about 10.30pm.

Everybody agreed that we had had a most enjoyable day, although we were grieved that three of our staunch men members were unable to be with us due to illness. Our next meeting will be in September. Details will be published later.

Harry Morgan and Ron Carr have recently returned home from hospital and are

making good progress. We send them our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

The Churchyard has recently been tidied up and this has involved the removal of several dumps of dead flowers deposited by visitors attending to graves. As it has been a big exercise getting everything cleared, visitors are kindly requested to help maintain a tidy churchyard by taking their dead floweres away with them after replacement by fresh ones.

The sum collected in Staunton for Alexandra Rose Day amounted to £27.33. Mrs Phyllis McCann thanks everyone concerned for their help and generosity.

Staunton-on-Wye Playgroup

held in
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A day in the life of

JOAN CLOSE

ex-National Trust
Custodian



AS I have been asked to write of a day in my life I thought I would go back about twelve years to the time when my husband and I worked for the National Trust.

We looked after a small historic house in the Midlands. On this particular day, after breakfast and having taken the dog for a run, I started a general cleaning programme of the house, while Jack was busy in the garden. Most of the furniture was seventeenth century; some of it was given or lent by various people, and polishing it and arranging the flowers was a very pleasant job. One precious possession was the actual bed in which Charles II slept when he was on the run after the Battle of Worcester.

Quite a few people would be interested in the furniture, china and pictures, but on this day, our first visitors were to be a school. I got out bottles of 'pop' because they always seemed to be thirsty afterwards! they also liked to buy quantities of postcards, biros, etc.

The school arrived (about fifty of them) and my heart sank as they all had pencils and paper. I knew this meant numerous questions (invariably out of context) along with two bored staff who didn't seem to have much control. We divided them into two parties, mine was the second one, so I had to keep them in the hall in order to give the others a good start. This was difficult because they were continually rushing off shouting "Where's the hiding place?", and opening doors marked "Private".

Having finally got them started, after two feeling sick, and one actually being so! which caused a further hold up-we arrived in the King's bedroom, where for some reason, great interest was shown in the warming pans, and I was asked "did Charles take his bed with him when he was fighting?" This would have been quite a feat considering it was a four poster. The top of the house looked over the farmyard next door where the children saw some pigs and this seemed to interest them more than anything else they had seen. I rather gave up after this.

My husband's party were older, and slightly better behaved, but were



not very interested either. He always like to tell them a bit of the history of the period, and was speaking of the Titus Oates Plot, when a voice from the back said "He is a good horse, did you put any money on him last week?"Thankfully we closed the door and had lunch.

In the afternoon we opened at two o' clock. Not many people, but some wanted tea which I had to provide. I kept our menu to tea and biscuits during weekdays. We had some Americans who were quite convinced that their ancestors had once owned the house. They took photos of themselves everywhere, even in our private garden. I had another small party who seemed very interested, except for one man who never said a word until the end, when he muttered "I'm for Cromwell myself". The others were furious, as apparently they all had Royalist sympathies and I had to be very tactful to avoid another Civil War!

We closed at six, and went round the house to see that everyone was out. There was always the feeling that someone might be lurking somewhere or had got shut in the hiding place.

I checked the tickets and things we had sold, guide books, tea cloths etc. and put the money in the safe. On the whole, we enjoyed our six years there, and were sorry when we had to leave.



Kinnersley Tea Party

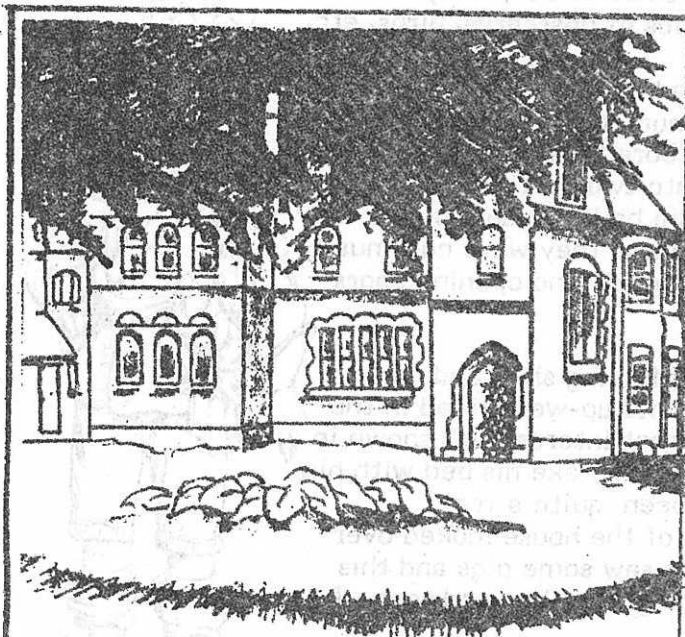
At a recent tea party arranged by Mrs F. J. Davies and held at her residence, The Gate Farm, £100 was raised for the funds for the Church Hall. Draw prizes were won by Mr K. Evans, Castle Farm, Mrs George and Mr M. Deem.

Mrs Davies wishes to thank everyone who helped to make the event successful and enjoyable.

Norton Canon

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Patrick Wrixon on the birth of a son August 1st. Alexander.

Pat Austin would like to thank everyone concerned for their kindness during her stay in Oswestry.



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Holiday memories of France

I can vividly remember pleading with my parents to be allowed to go on the school trip to Paris when I was 13 years old. What do I remember of the trip itself? Not a lot. An austere boarding school; being shepherded around the Louvre, Versailles the Eiffel Tower, and all the usual tourist attractions. We had very little opportunity to speak French, or to come into contact with ordinary French people.

How different then will be my memories of this year's family holiday spent camping. We were 2 miles from Pornic, a small fishing town of the Loire-Atlantique department of France, South of Brittany. Let me share some of the things that will be stored away in my memory:-

The harbour at Pornic with a multitude of fishing craft; the bustling town and twice weekly market; the air of festivity on Sundays as whole families are out and about in the town.

The surrounding beaches and coves; the fishing nets suspended from huge gallows along the rocky coastline; the Micky Mouse Clubs for the children on the beaches with trampolines, swings, volley ball and games; the joy of always finding a parking space at the beach and never having to pay; an absence of litter.

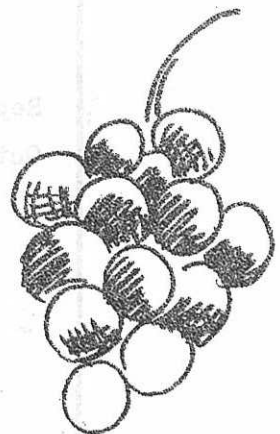
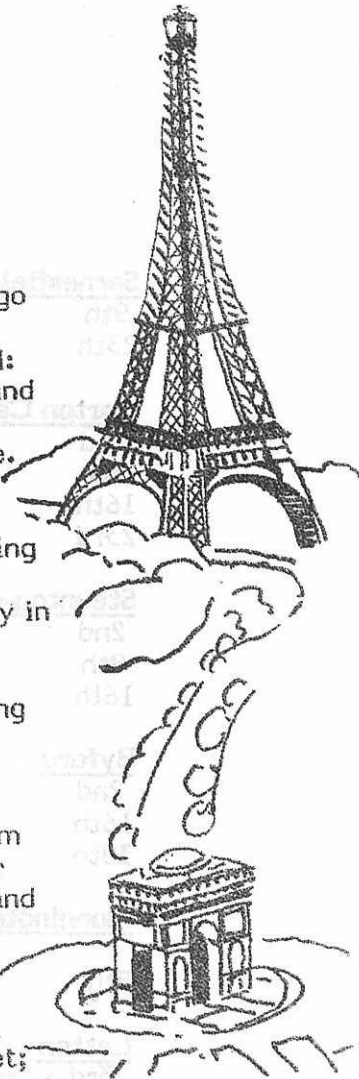
We enjoyed crusty stick loaves and baguettes, fresh twice daily; choosing our own fruit and veg at the shops; pizza from the market; pancakes from the creperies - found in every town and village - filled with chocolate, butter and sugar, apples, cream.

I will remember the simple elegance of the houses, painted cream or white, with wooden shutters; the riot of colour of bougainvillea cascading over garden walls; the masses of geraniums in tubs and window boxes; the small unfenced fields growing mainly sweet corn, and white Muxadet grapes; the way-side hedges in desperate need of a haircut; the contrast of the combine harvester in the field and the horse and cart to take the bails to the farm.

The family will especially remember Jerome, a lively 5½ year old, who chattered constantly to us - our side of the conversation invariably started with 'lentement s'il vous plait' - slowly please. His family were like many other French camping families, the dog, the budgies and grandma came too.

A last few memories; superb road surfaces; the many level crossings we traversed as the railway links all the little villages and towns; the great bridge over the Loire at St. Nazaire - scene of daring commando raids in 1942; and lest we forget the devastating cost of war-the rows of immaculately kept Commonwealth war graves in so many village cemeteries along the West Coast.

June Smith
The Beeches
Staunton-on-Wye



Church Notices

CHURCH SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER

Sarnesfield

9th 10am Holy communion
23th 10am Morning Prayer

Norton Canon

2nd 9am Holy Communion
9th 9am Morning Prayer
16th 9am Holy Communion
23rd 9am Family Service

Staunton-on-Wye

2nd 11am Holy Communion
9th 11am Morning Prayer
16th 11am Holy Communion

Byford

2nd 9.30am Holy Communion
16th 6.30pm Evening Prayer
30th 10 am Family Service

Monnington-on-Wye

9th 9.30am Holy Communion

Letton

23rd 6pm Harvest Evensong*
* Services to be taken by the Revd Bryn Rees as he starts his ministry in the Group on September 16th.

Kinnersley

2nd September 10am Holy Communion
9th September 10am Mattins
16th September 10am Holy Communion
23rd September 10am Mattins
30th September 10am Family Service

The next meeting

of Kinnersley and District Group Parish Council, which covers the parishes of Norton Canon, Kinnersley, Sarnesfield and Letton, will be held at Norton Canon School on Tuesday, September 11th 1984 commencing at 7.30 pm.

Members of the public are invited to attend.

Sarnesfield PCC

Tuesday September 4th at The Batch Farm at 7.30 pm

Byford PCC

Tuesday September 11th at Fallsbrook House at 7.30 pm.

Norton Canon Church

Charity Sale Saturday November 17th at 2.30 pm in the Village Hall.

Study Groups on St. Luke's Gospel

during September on Friday mornings and Thursday and Friday evenings. Further details from the Vicar (Weobley 415)

The Weobley Group of Parishes

HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICES 1984

Special Preachers

September 23rd	6.00 pm	Letton	Revd Bryn Rees (First Service)
October 4th	7.30 pm	Staunton-on-Wye	Canon Len Moss
5th	7.00 pm	Sarnesfield	Canon Len Moss
7th	6.30 pm	Byford	Canon Austin Masters
12th	7.30 pm	Norton Canon	Canon Austin Masters
14th	6.30 pm	Monnington	The Very Revd Peter Haynes
	6.30 pm	Weobley	Mr Chris Over

Canon Len Moss is the Bishop's Officer for Social Responsibility

Canon Austin Masters is the Bishop's Co-ordinator for Ministry

The Very Revd Peter Haynes is the Dean of Hereford Cathedral

Mr Chris Over works with Townsends Office Equipment, Hereford

KINNERSLEY ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

AT the annual Parish Meeting held recently, Mr Garratt-Adams was elected Chairman. the Clerk, Mr J.F. Davies submitted the income and expenditure accounts which were approved.

He reported that the new village seat had now been installed on the grass verge near the Old Forge and thanks were expressed to all concerned.

Childrens' Playground

Mrs Higginson outlined the position; in spite of very encouraging financial grants and promises from the District Council and the Playing Fields association, they had run into unexpected bureaucratic difficulties which had made them feel dispirited, they felt like 'throwing in the sponge!' They suggested that they would like to become part of a parish group or meeting - perhaps a sub-committee -which would give them some official status and prestige and also provide continuity of policy and management.

It was suggested that a special Parish Meeting should be called to discuss village participation in the provision of a childrens' playground.

Mr Berry reported that the funds of the Royal silver Jubilee Committee were £117.24 which applied to all the four parishes of the Group, with an additional £25 specifically earmarked for the provision of a permanent memento in the parish of Letton. He also reported that the funds of the Kinnersley & Letton Village Committee stood at £237.60.

Parish Hall

At last years' Parish Meeting (which was not reported in The Signal) lengthy discussions took place about the renewal of the lease of the Church Hall and the need for a public hall. To that end, the Chairman gave a donation towards what he hoped would become a local fund raising campaign for the repair and improvement of the Church Hall for eventual use as a Parish or Village Hall. At this years' Parish Meeting delays were reported in the renewal of the lease because of the need for extensive repairs and it was felt that if the Parochial Church Council would meet parish representatives, perhaps the long term usefulness of the building could be ensured.

The Chairman expressed a hope that the development of the childrens playground and the Church Hall could offer the best chance for the survival of our village community.

With such important and interesting subjects being discussed, it is a pity that there was such a small attendance.

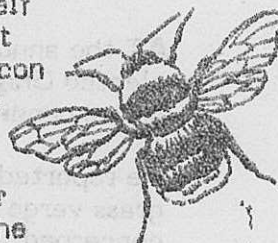


BEES IN THE BONNET..... 6

I think the Bee in my Bonnet must be inherited from a dear Grandfather. One of my earliest memories is the picture of myself aged about four sitting beside him at breakfast. With a somewhat disapproving eye he would look at my plate on which might be bacon rinds or toast crusts or an apple core. "Don't be a fussy eater" he would say, (this was his combination of fussy and finickity.)

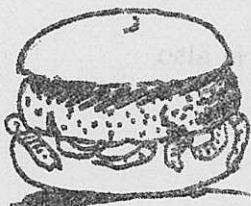
Nowadays, like him, I can't bear the habit of dissecting kippers or worse sardines and casting out skin and bones. (Well I'll accept the backbone of a kipper!) At lunch time will be the 'blanket' on custard or rice pudding that these fussy eaters discard, not to mention the trimmings of fat, the leaf of a cauliflower, the crispy skin of chicken. A fussy eater inspects the inside of a sandwich to make sure that a skinless tomato or cucumber has been used - and, of course that the crusts have been removed.

Grandpa, if you are sitting on a distant cloud, harp in one hand and an apple in the other, you'd be proud of your UNFISSY granddaughter now.



NORTON CANON LADIES' MONDAY CLUB

The arrangements for the Barbeque on Monday September 10th at Langrove, Norton Wood are now completed. It will start at 8 pm and the charge will be £1. This will include the barbeque food, tea and coffee. Will those who wish to come please telephone Mrs S. Evans (Weobley 505) by September 8th at the latest so that those catering will know how many ladies-together with husbands or boy-friends-will be present. If you don't feel like sitting on the grass do bring a folding chair with you. There will be raffle and the dartboard is awaiting a champion.



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RECIPES

CELERY WINE

There is always a waste of outside pieces of celery; here is a good recipe which makes good use of them and makes an excellent wine, and is also good for those who suffer from rheumatism. To each 1 lb. of green or outside stalk of celery allow 1 quart of water and boil all until tender. Then strain the liquid off and allow 3 lb. demerara sugar and $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. yeast, to each gallon put into cask, keep cask well filled up until all the yeast has ceased to work. Close bung lightly until wine still, then close firmly, leave for a year and bottle off when it will be ready for use.

Birthdays

A Very Happy Birthday to:

Brobury

Timothy Bulmer 29th September

Staunton-on-Wye

Chantel Andrews 3rd September
Matthew Powles 12th September
Jenny Bradshaw 20th September
Lesley Bradshaw
Michael Smith 21st September
Rebecca Kendall 22nd September

Norton Canon

Congratulations to Debbie Sweet on her 18th Birthday September 14th.

Julian Lane 9th September
Timothy Alisolum 11th September
Mark Ridge 16th September
Lance Deem 21st September
Thomas Alisolum 23rd September
Cassean Hall 25th September
Michael Cole 26th September
Peter Cole

A belated Happy Birthday to Hannah Wrixon who was one year old on July 16th.

Belated Happy Birthday to Alastair Zochowski August 16th.

Kinnersley

Hannah Corbett 21st September

Letton

Abigail Gill 29th September

Moorhampton

Julia Price 7th September
Rodney Evans 17th September

Sarnesfield

Lyndon Synock 15th September

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We hear that....

Teenager Ludovic Pullover of Lower Friars Balsam was recently caught in an agricultural spray. Since then he has grown 17½ cm in height and gained 20kg in weight. The sprayer, local farmer M. Odernway says 'It was just a neighbourly action. No charge will be made'.

Universal sprays PLC advise that Ludovic's pale green complexion will slowly fade. Meanwhile he should be entirely free from mildew, black spot, white fly, club root and other juvenile complaints.

After a low-flying jet plane had brushed it last Monday, the steeple of St Lulu's Church was seen to be dislodged from the tower by a good foot and a half. Mr I. Stretchit, churchwarden, advises that another plane flying in the opposite direction conveniently restored the steeple to its proper site.

In view of the general danger from aircraft to steeples in the area, the ecclesiastical authorities are seeking legal advice as to whether an action can be brought against the military authorities for harassment of an endangered species.

A recent poll has indicated that 'Signal' is preferred to 'Private Eye' by the majority of readers because of its higher moral tone. We have to admit, however, that there is considerable difference in the two publications' circulation figures.

A certain Hereford Store has not held a sale for two months. Is this a record?

It is still not known who painted the word 'FREE' in front of 'STRAWBERRIES' on a local 'Pick your own' sign.....

.....nor who added 'AND CREAM'.

The District Council has once again managed to complete hedge-cutting before the black-berry harvest.

Readers' Letters

It is often surprising how many interesting things lie at one's very doorstep and go un-noticed! A few weeks ago the Young Wives group at Staunton paid a visit to the gardens and gallery of Brobury House which they seemed to enjoy. Many had never seen the gardens before or knew what kind of gallery we have. The gardens are the most extensive (barring Hergest) that are open regularly in this entire area. The main point of this letter, however, is that if any of our neighbours have heard tractor noises from Brobury this last week - an unusual sound for us - it is because the gardens will soon be even larger. We have just acquired a narrow strip of what was once the main road from the now gone village of Brobury to the point where the old ferry crossed the river at Bredwardine. It is being excavated for a small pond and contoured preparatory to being included in gardens behind the house. When finished, we believe the gardens will warrant visits from those who may have to travel even long distances - certainly they are already worth a visit from the locals.

In the gallery we have recently acquired a

small collection of old watercolours of the interior of Hereford Cathedral done by several artists about the decade of the 1830's. Also we have discovered some old views of the City of Hereford about the same time which are seldom seen anywhere. We would remind our neighbours that the gallery is open free to the public, year round, Monday through Saturday, though we are obliged to make a charge for the gardens which are open all summer, the same times.

Eugene Okarma

Brobury House

For those of us who enjoy reading, the monthly visit of the mobile library can be counted as one of the village highlights. I would like to pay tribute to our recently appointed librarian - Miss Dawn Whittall of Moccas. Her knowledge of books is a great help to readers and some of us have had many happy hours because of her excellent memory for the tastes of individual borrowers.

We understand that she is to be married in September and would like to take this opportunity to wish her and her future husband every success and happiness.

A. Aldhous.

Bees in the Bonnet A REPLY

In reply to THE MENACE OF THE MOTORWAYS I can just see him (it must be a man!) tearing along at 80 mph or so, never thinking of lane closures, etc.

I know his kind!

Slow Driver

A word of warning

I would like to express my concern about the dangers at the bottom of Calver Hill.

About a month ago a young boy narrowly missed serious injury when he came down Calver Hill and shot round the corner into the path of an on-coming car. Luckily the driver was only going slowly and apart from being very shocked the only damage was very slight to the bicycle's rear wheel.

The following week three lads came down

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obviously having a race. the first went to turn left. Because of the speed he was quite unable to turn and both he and the bicycle disappeared into the undergrowth on the opposite side of the road. Had a car been coming then there would have been no way of avoiding serious if not a fatal accident.

I think parents of children riding down Calver Hill must warn them to slow down and STOP at the bottom. It would be terrible for anyone to be hurt.

Anne Cole

I should like to take this opportunity of saying 'Thank you very much' to Nanny Wood of Duvely, Norton Canon, for being such a very good friend and neighbour. She has recently moved to Mansel Lacey and I, for one, will miss her very much.

There have been good times and bad, times when we have cried on each other's shoulders, and times when we have laughed non-stop, and I wouldn't have missed any of them.

Many a time we have stayed up all night with one of the sows - our excuse being to help deliver the piglets - but the laughs we had in the pig-shed I would not have believed possible. The occasion that really sticks in my mind is when I was fully engrossed with the piglets and all of a sudden Nanny screamed out. When I looked round there was another sow standing on her hind legs looking over from the other sty, and Nanny, in the dim light, thought it was a man! How I laughed at the time and, believe me, I have never let her live it down.

At other times Nanny has been a godsend, such as when one needed a baby sitter or when I was in the middle of baking and found that I was short of a vital ingredient. The children will also miss her very much because a day seldom went by without one of them saying 'I think we had better pop down to Nanny's'.

Thank you very much, Nan, and be happy in your new home. We shall miss you very much, but please keep the kettle hot!

Love from us all at Rose Cottage,
Val Evans

COMEDY CORNER

EPITAPH

Here lies an old woman who always was
tired;
She lived in a house where help was not
hired.
Her last words on earth were, 'Dear
friends I am going
Where washing ain't done, nor sweeping
nor sewing,
But everything there is exact to my
wishes,
For where they don't eat there's no
washing of dishes.
Don't mourn for me now; don't mourn
for me never -
I'm going to do nothing for ever and
ever'.

SCHOOL REPORTS

- (1) Frederick's work is both good and original. Unfortunately that which is good is not original and that which is original is not good.
- (2) In spite of inherent levity this boy always manages to sink to the bottom.
- (3) As a leader others may follow him, if only for reasons of curiosity.

Questioner :

What were your husband's last words?

Widow

He didn't have any. I was with him till the end.

Never argue with a fool because others listening may not always be able to tell the difference.

If work were a good thing the rich would long ago have grabbed it for themselves.

Old French proverb.

His luck was such that, if he had been born as one of triplets to Elizabeth Taylor, he would have been the one in the middle with a bottle.
(From the TV serial 'Perridge').

QUOTES FROM NEW BOOKS.....

A new book entitled 'The English Companion' by the 'Sunday Times' columnist Godfrey Smith is due to be published by Pavilion on October 15th, price £9.95.

It is in encyclopaedic form and gives A to Z descriptions of various aspects of modern English life. The following is Mr Smith's definition of 'village':-

VILLAGE

It is in a sense the most interesting focus through which to study modern England: exemplar of a past which never really existed; snapshot of a present which shifts as we try to understand it. Typically, it will contain one pub, one church and one post office (which may double as the village grocery). It might well be blessed with a green, a square or triangle of turf on which cricket is played in the summer, football in the winter.

Yet if we look a little closer, we may well see that the church is open only fitfully, if at all, its parish having been amalgamated with several neighbours in some Church of England reshuffle; the pub may have been taken over by some giant chain, and feature juke boxes and Space Invaders with the fizzed beer and potato crisps; the post office may be moribund and its grocery losing ground to the supermarket in the nearest town.

Things are not what they were. The village approximates to an ideal way of life the further one is away from it. Certainly to the original inhabitants, there was nothing particularly romantic or desirable about a tied cottage where tenancy turned, more or less, on the whim of the owner and the compliance of the tenant. So the original denizens of the village with any get-up-and-go got up and went. The people they left behind tended to be slower and gentler, if they are still there they tend to be mavericks, quietists, misfits or fatalists; the new village dwellers have come, for a wide spectrum of reasons, from outside.

Meantime the contemporary English village is as much the nodal point of change, flux, tension and collision as the big city from which it is popularly supposed to be a portmanteau refuge.

In his recently published biography of Hilaire Belloc (Hamish Hamilton, £12.95) A.N. Wilson includes an amusing story about Belloc's friend and fellow-author G. K. Chesterton.

Chesterton, a man of formidable bulk and immense girth, was accosted, shortly after the outbreak of World War I, by a patriotic hostess who was foolish enough to ask him, 'Why are you not out at the front?', to receive the inevitable reply: 'Madam, if you go round to the side, you will find that I am'.



THE KINNERSLEY ARMS

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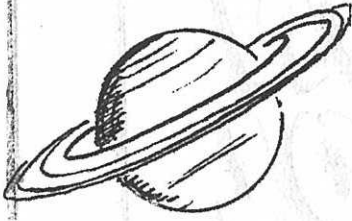
(Ken and Pat Benjamin)

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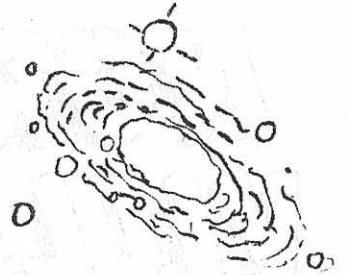
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ASTRONOMY

An Evening Course



This will start on Monday 17th September and will continue every Monday evening 7 - 9 pm for 10 weeks. At Lady Hawkins School, Kington.

The course is open to everyone and no previous knowledge is necessary. Topics covered during the course include:

- Our solar system: The Sun, Planets, Asteroids, Comets and our present knowledge in the light of the information from the various interplanetary probes. This will be illustrated by colour slides from these spectacularly successful space missions.
- Stars, Star Clusters, Nebulae, Galaxies as well as objects like Quasars and Blackholes. Current theories of the Universe.
- How to build an inexpensive telescope, use of star charts and finding your way around the constellations.
- Weather permitting, I hope to have an evening observing with telescopes.

LOCAL ASTRONOMY

Living away from the glare of big towns and suburbs, the night sky in this part of Herefordshire always offers a good opportunity to study Planets, Stars, Galaxies and Nebulae particularly if you have a pair of binoculars or a telescope.

On a clear moonless night away from any lights your own eyes are all you need to see the Milky Way, that distant sea of stars which is our own Galaxy seen edge-on.

Many Star Clusters can also be admired without optical aid like "The Bull", the "Seven Sisters", the "Beehive Cluster" and the "Double Cluster" in Perseus. If you know where to look on a clear Autumn night a faint blurr of light appears near the "Square of Pegasus". This is the Andromeda Nebula, the only object outside our galaxy visible to the naked eye. It is in fact our nearest neighbouring galaxy and so far away that its light takes two million years to reach us, which means that we are now seeing it as it was two million years ago.

Nearer to home, the main outer planets Mars, Jupiter and Saturn are all prominent in the Southern sky in the evening.

Dave Lovelace

NORTON CANON VILLAGE SCHOOL FETE

Saturday 15th Sept 2.30 till 5.00

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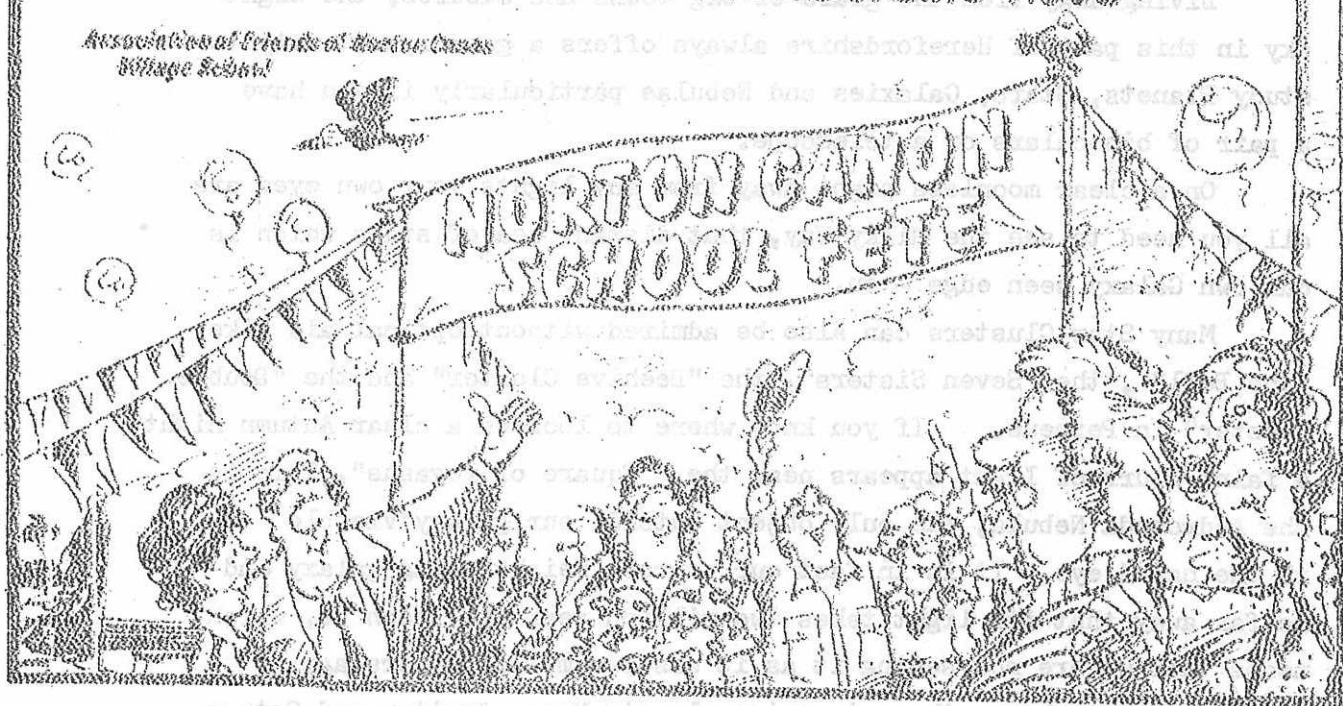
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KINGTON AND VILLAGE CLASSES 1984-85

Allan Lloyd, Principal, Kington Further Education Centre
Lady Hawkins School, KINGTON. Tel Kington 230441/230408

KINGTON CLASSES

10 sessions at Lady Hawkins School, 7 - 9 pm, starting
week beginning 17 September, unless stated otherwise.

Monday: Astronomy
Badminton
Dressmaking and Needlecraft (2 - 4 pm)
Vernacular Architecture along the Marches
(starts 29 Oct, 11 sessions, Univ. of
Birmingham fees)

Tuesday: Cooking for Pleasure
French Conversation
Metalwork
Weight Training
Yoga

Wednesday: Art
PE
Silk Flower Arranging
Silver Jewellery (6 weeks)
Typewriting
Woodwork

Thursday: Badminton
Typewriting
Pottery

VILLAGE CLASSES (ALMELEY)

Organised by local people with help from Kington FE Centre
and Leominster Marches Project.

10 sessions, starting week beginning 10 September,
unless stated otherwise.

Details and reservations: Mrs L Mills, Tel Eardisley 687

Monday: Yoga Village Hall 6.45-7.45pm

Tuesday: Upholstery, Cane & Rush Seating Village Hall 1.30-3.30pm

Wednesday: Wildlife of Hereford & Radnor Almeley School 7.30-9 pm

Computer Course (Adult Beginners) 6 weeks,
starts 26 September Almeley School 7.30-9 pm

FEES

Payable on enrolment, at a standard rate for non-vocational
classes of 65p per hour, plus centre fee of 20p. The type-
writing vocational course fee is £7 per term.

People receiving a state retirement pension and those under
18yrs of age on 1 Sept 1984, will pay half the normal fee
for vocational classes and for one non-vocational class per
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MRS. B. ARTHUR, MOCCAS 567 or
MRS. J. TRUMPER, MOCCAS 511.