

AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

January 2nd. Wed. Old Time Dancing.
 " 3rd. Thurs. Women's Institute Meeting.
 " 9th. Wed. Old Time Dancing.
 " 11th. Fri. Whist Drive
 Library.
 " 12th. Sat. Charity Party.
 " 16th. Wed. Infant Welfare Clinic.
 " Old Time Dancing.
 " 19th. Sat. Women's Institute 'Open Night'.
 " 23rd. Wed. Old Time Dancing.
 " 25th. Fri. Whist Drive.
 Library.
 " 30th. Wed. Old Time Dancing.
 Every Saturday Men's Club. Billiards and Snooker.
 Every Wednesday Men's Club. " " " and Solo Drive.
 Every Tuesday. Men's Club. " " "

METHODIST CHURCH.

Preachers for January. 11 a.m. 6.15 p.m.
 January 6th. Rev. Udy. Rev. Wells.
 " 13th. A. Cooper. R.A. Ellins.
 " 20th. Mr. Goddard. R.P. Keen.
 " 27th. W.J. Parkins. Rev. Wells.

On the evening of the 27th., we are having a Guest Service and Social evening, when we hope our members will bring a friend. Everyone welcome.

MISSION HALL.Speakers for January.

January 6th. Morning Service 11 a.m. Rev. R.M. Ingleby.
 " 6th. Evening " 6.15 p.m. Mr. Golder of Slough.
 " 13th. " " 6.15 p.m. Mr. R.M. Ingleby.
 " 20th. " " 6.15 p.m. Mr. Keith Lewis.
 " 27th. " " 6.15 p.m. Mr. R.M. Ingleby.

The friends of the Naphill Mission Hall wish all readers a Happy New Year.

VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL.

The Christmas Whist Drive was a great success, the evening being both enjoyable and remunerative.

The Council would like to thank everyone who gave prizes and those who helped to make the evening so happy, especially Mrs. Ansell and Mrs. Jackson who have worked so hard in running all the Whist Drives during the year.

The Annual General Meeting of the Council will be held in April.

The collection in aid of the Lord Mayor's Hungarian Relief Fund realised £15.

GARDENING NOTES.

If you have any trees or shrubs on order and they arrive during a spell of bad weather, it is advisable to take off the outside packing of straw but leave them tied in a bundle. Dig a fairly deep hole keeping frosted soil to one side and place them all together and see that the roots are well covered in frost free soil. They can be left like this quite safely until conditions are favourable for permanent planting. The same can be done with herbaceous plants, placing them all together in one hole slightly deeper than usual, gently press the soil around them and give a light covering of fern, straw or other light litter.

What with transport difficulties, rising prices and the possibility of shortages later on, it is advisable to order your garden requirements as soon as possible. Your local Horticultural Society can help you, so why not contact your nearest committee member.

Compliments of the Season.

A.E.B.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

The W.I. Open Night is to be held on January 19th. This year every member is asked to bring enough refreshment for herself and her guest, the food will all be pooled. This new system will eliminate the 1/- charge.

M.S.J.

BRITISH LEGION.

Your Poppy Day Appeal committee wish to thank all collectors and everyone who gave so generously, enabling a record amount to be received from Naphill and District of approximately £133. N.L.

TENNIS CLUB.

Members and friends spent a very enjoyable evening at the Club's Carnival Dance on Friday December 21st. Dancing to the strains of Christmas Carols provided by Joe Webb and his band gave the dance a very seasonal touch. The highlight of the evening was the Auction of three shawls made and presented by the president Dr. E. Bayley. The shawls soon found ready customers and were worn during the evening.

Dr. E. Bayley also presented the "over forties" challenge cup to the winners Mr. W. Kilby and Mr. T. Connors. We are very grateful to all who helped to make the evening a success.

Also may we wish everyone a very happy and peaceful New Year.
L.S.

NAPHILL AND DISTRICT MEN'S CLUB.

Every Saturday. Men's Club, Billiards and Snooker.
" Wednesday. " " " " " and Solo Drive.
" Tuesday. " " " " " "

The Club's Competitions have received enthusiastic support during the past month with many games played off in the Billiards League and the Snooker Cup having reached the Quarter Finals before Christmas.

It is hoped to hold a further Snooker Tournament now that the new year is with us.

The acquisition of another set of both Snooker and Billiard balls has, we hope, improved the standard of play!

A rack on which members may hang their personal cues has been installed in the club room, and our thanks has been conveyed to those responsible.

V.W.H.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

At the Annual General Meeting all officers and members of the Committee were re-elected with the exception of Mr. White our Treasurer who has resigned after some years of valuable service. Mr. K. Lunnan was elected to fill this vacancy and he will be assisted by Mr. G. Smith. Mr. White will continue to serve on the committee and we also welcome the appointment of Mr. Humphrey.

Lime orders will be delivered early in the new year, have you ordered yours yet?

Seed potatoes, fertilisers and garden sundries should be ordered through members of the committee as early as possible. Delay may mean increasing prices to pay at a later date. Members will receive a 10% discount on all goods ordered through the Society.

Happy New Year to Everyone.

A.H.S.

ELDERLY FOLKS PARTY.

The Elderly Folks Party took place as usual and about eighty guests were able to attend.

After a truly wonderful meal cooked by the R.A.F. and served on beautifully decorated tables by kindly people, an exceptional entertainment followed with Mr. Ron Free as organiser. The star turn being a display of Old Time dancing by elegantly dressed couples.

Everyone has said, as we say each year, that the evening was the most successful we have ever had, and we all wish to thank the organisers who made everything possible.

An E.F.

We would like to express our deep sorrow to the families of the late Mr. Gerald Brown and the late Mr. Bodkin.

In the New Years Honours List, Mr. E.A.B. Tooth has been appointed an M.B.E.

We would like to thank Mr. and Mrs. Tapping for all the trouble they have taken in delivering Gazettes during the past year.

We would also like to remind the Secretaries of all the clubs that contributions for the Gazette must be in on the Monday preceding the last Friday of the month.

Ed.

Old Time Dancing. The Village Hall first ever Old Time Valeta Waltzing Cup was won on December 1st by a Naphill Girl and her partner, Mary Reed and Tim Dobson, Mr. Oakshott presenting the Trophy. Medals went to 2nd. Mr. and Mrs. Smith, 3rd. to Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Dr. and Mrs. Bayley kindly helped to give the Spot prize. £9 was raised for Village Hall funds. Thanks to everyone who made this yearly event a success.

Old Time Dancing every Wednesday starting January 2nd. 8 - 10.30. 2/-

Charity Party. There are still a limited number of tickets for the Charity Party on January 12th., which can be obtained from Miss Jean Lawrence and Mr. Alan Shrimpton.

Come along and enjoy yourselves.

AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

February	6th.	Wednesday.	Infant Welfare Clinic.
"	"	"	Old Time Dancing.
"	7th.	Thursday.	Women's Institute Monthly.
"	8th.	Friday.	Special Whist Drive.
"	"	"	Library.
"	9th.	Saturday.	Lawrence's Party.
"	13th.	Wednesday.	Old Time Dancing.
"	16th.	Saturday.	Cricket Club Rummage Sale.
"	"	"	Boy Scouts Party.
"	20th.	Wednesday.	Infant Welfare Clinic.
"	"	"	Old Time Dancing.
"	22nd.	Friday.	Whist Drive.
"	"	"	Library.
"	27th.	Wednesday.	Old Time Dancing.
Every Tuesday.		Men's Club.	Billiards and Snooker.
"	Wednesday.	Men's Club.	" " " and Solo Drive.
"	Saturday.	Men's Club.	" " "

NAPHILL METHODIST CHURCH.Preachers for February.

		11 a.m.	6.15 p.m.
February	3rd.	Rev. A.B. Wells.	Mr. W.O. Haines.
"	10th.	Mr. A. Chilton.	Mr. N. Lord.
"	17th.	Mr. M. Britten.	Mr. K. Lewis.
"	24th.	Mrs. M. Ludlow.	Rev. A.B. Wells.

Sunday February 3rd. - 2.30 p.m.

Methodist Sunday School Annual Prize Giving. Presentation by
 Rev. Anthony B. Wells. Parents and friends are welcome.
 Items by the scholars.

NAPHILL MISSION HALL.Preachers for February.

February	3rd.	Morning Service.	11 a.m.	Mr. R.M. Ingleby.
"	3rd.	Evening "	6.15 p.m.	Mr. Don Good of Maidenhead.
"	10th.	Evening "	6.15 p.m.	Students from All Nations Bible College.

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Naphill Mission Hall. Continuation.

February.	17th.	Evening Service.	6.15 p.m.	Mr. R.M. Ingleby.
"	24th.	" "	6.15 p.m.	Mr. R. Griffith.

NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELDS COUNCIL.

We have recently obtained a certified copy of our Trust Deed, which clearly states amongst other things the following:-

- a). The Management of the Hall shall be vested in a Council of Management consisting of one representative from each institution in the Village, having certain objects, which council shall have the power to elect such officers as it thinks fit and to co-opt not more than six members.
- b). That an Annual General Meeting shall be held in the month of April.

Your council has therefore decided after careful consideration to conform to the rules laid down by the Trust Deed.

The annual meeting will therefore be held in April when a report and accounts for the year 1956 will be presented.

The following have been elected for the year 1957 :-

- Chairman. Mr. H.A. Oakeshott.
 - Vice Chairman. Mr. Kilby
 - Hon. Treasurer. Mr. Tooby.
 - Hon. Secretary. Mr. M. Balls.
 - Hon. Auditors. Messrs. R.M. Blaikie & Co. High Wycombe.
- and have co-opted :-
- Mrs. Ansell, Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Evans, Miss Pat Keen, Mr. Coleman and Mr. M. Balls.

It is regretted that owing to pressure of work Mr. Coleman has felt it necessary to resign the position of Hon. Secretary which he has held for the past two years with such conspicuous success and the thanks of all are due to him. He will continue to take the bookings.

H.A.O.

GARDENING NOTES.

Although it is a bit early to do much in the way of outdoor sowing and planting, it is not too soon to get soil, seeds, fertilisers and tools ready for the "off".

Of course shallots can be planted now and a chance taken with a row of early peas; onions, parsnips and broad beans can also be sown during the month.

If these early sowings fail there will still be time next month to make up the losses, but if they succeed you will get not only an earlier but heavier crop.

Raspberry canes should have the top few inches cut off, you won't get any fruit there anyhow and by cutting off those tips you will help the canes to do their real stuff of producing fruit later on.

A.H.B.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

Miss Blanche is going to give an illustrated talk on "Historic Homes". The teas will be by Mrs. D. Smith, Mrs. Pugh, Mrs. Biggs and Mrs. P. Bowell. The competition is 'The Happiest Holiday Snap'.

On March 1st and 2nd. the Drama Group are producing a three act play "The Happy Prisoner" Tickets from Mrs. McCue. S.J.

NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB.

Our season 1956 -57 is nearly over. Owing to the unkind weather we made a very slow start, also we had fewer members, but with all the difficulties a small club encounters, we have had a successful season. We managed to play off all the club and open tournaments and we are now hopefully looking ahead.

Our greatest need is a small pavilion for the convenience of members and visiting teams and we have every hope this next season of seeing our hopes fulfilled.

The Club's Annual General Meeting is fixed for February 14th in the Village Hall at 8 p.m. We welcome all our members including 'life long' members to come and make a special effort to bring a new member. A special welcome awaits new residents in the village and we hope they will come along and enjoy a chat over a cup of tea and refreshments. Please note the date, 14th February "St. Valentines Day".

L.M.S.

MEN'S CLUB.

Both darts and shove-halfpenny have proved very popular with members as alternative activities whilst awaiting their chance to play billiards or snooker.

Solo Drives attendance has varied quite considerably and we would welcome a few new faces on Wednesdays.

In the Snooker cup, F.Green and G.T.Smith are matched in one semi-final, the other being the winner of the contest between L.Brown and W.Woods, to play C.Parker.

The Billiard League is about half way through with R.Piercy, A.Reed, G.T.Smith all in a very strong challenging position whilst J.Evans has announced his intention of having his name on the Cup again this year.

V.WH.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

We regret that owing to petrol rationing we are unable to make the usual delivery of lime this year. This will mean a financial loss to our funds, and we know, a disappointment to you who had favoured us with your orders, but we know you will understand.

Orders for seeds potatoes, fertilisers and garden sundries can now be taken through the Secretary or at Messrs. Jones & Rivett's shop, where through the generosity of the proprietor, all members on presenting their 1957 membership card will be allowed 10% discount on all orders.

Our Annual Dinner will be held in the Village Hall on Sat. March 16th. Please book this date, tickets will be 5/- each.

A.H.B.

OTHER PEOPLES JOBS.

My friend John Evans has a swash buckling attitude to life which those who remember the late Bert Evans will understand. At the age of eleven he showed that he had more than just a pretty face, by winning a scholarship to the Royal Grammar School. After school he entered the Westminster Bank and seemed to have found a groove as just another white collared clerk. But then came the call up for National service and John's outlook broadened with his shoulders. It seemed no time before he was sporting three stripes and speaking nonchalantly of "Monty and I". He told me he was not going back in the Bank, "I know exactly what I should be earning at forty" he said, and that of course was unthinkable. I remember the village humourist Maurice Thompson advising John to "dig postholes and sell 'em." Strangely enough, he took a job digging a silage pit for a local farmer, and liking the open air life he became a clay digger for the brickmakers at Walters Ash. The next time I met him, and asked about the digging, he said "Oh, I've packed that up, I'm a maintenance engineer at a Wycombe factory." I said "My God, tell me the factory so that I can warn them of their danger." But all that happened was that John started night school to learn to be a tool maker. This is the elite of the engineering profession, but I was past surprise by now. At the moment John is an instrument maker. He speaks airily of bomb sights etc. There is no doubt he will become a fully fledged tool maker. What then, perhaps a Sagger makers bottom knocker.

R.P.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Whist Drive on the 8th February will be a very special one with many valuable prizes and we hope everyone will make an effort to come along.

The 1st. Naphill Guides & Brownies are holding a Rummage Sale on March 9th. at 3 p.m. in the Naphill Methodist Church Schoolroom.

An Old Time Dance will be held on one Saturday evening during March. Watch for the date.

Alan Shrimpton wishes to thank everyone who helped to make the Charity Party such a success. The evening was most enjoyable and £44:10:8d was raised.

If anyone found a Ronson lighter during the evening would they please return it to Alan Shrimpton.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

For Fresh Fish delivered daily to your door contact J.H.Harper.

In the near future there will be the 1956 collection in aid of the Naphill Gazette which was postponed in December in order that a collection could be made for the Lord Mayor's Hungarian Relief Fund.

We hope you will give generously to this collection as the Gazette is only maintained by voluntary contributions.

AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

March	1st.	Friday)	The W.I. Drama Group Play
	2nd.	Saturday)	"The Happy Prisoner."
"	6th.	Wednesday.	Infant Welfare Clinic.
"	"	"	8.0.p.m. Old Time Dancing.
"	7th.	Thursday.	Women's Institute Monthly Meeting.
"	8th.	Friday.	Whist Drive.
"	"	"	Library.
"	11th.	Monday.	Conservative A.G.M.
"	13th.	Wednesday.	Old Time Dancing.
"	16th.	Saturday.	Horticultural Society Annual Dinner.
"	20th.	Wednesday.	Infant Welfare Clinic.
"	22nd.	Friday.	Whist Drive.
"	"	"	Library.
"	23rd.	Saturday.	Tennis Club Rummage Sale.
"	27th.	Wednesday.	Old Time Dancing.
Every	Tuesday.	Men's Social Club.	
"	Wednesday.	"	"
"	Saturday.	"	"

NAPHILL METHODIST CHURCH.

Guest Service. March 24th at 6.15 p.m., conducted by Rev. Wells.
Followed by a social hour of music, singing and refreshments. All are welcome.

Preachers for March.

	11 a.m.	6.15 p.m.
March. 3rd.	Mr. A. Castle.	Mr. Andrews.
" 10th.	Rev. A.B. Wells.	Mr. Palmer.
" 17th.	Mr. Ellins.	Rev. T.A. Tidy.
" 24th.	Mr. Miller.	Rev. A.B. Wells.
" 31st.	Mr. Hester.	Young People.

Naphill Common was not always so well-wooded and its rich covering of Whinberry bushes made comfortable roosting quarters for the linnets. But when the night was dark the light from one small candle could be very confusing; particularly if it shone suddenly into the eyes of a sleepy bird! There was not always time to avoid the clutching hand of a small boy with a home-made lantern.

There were hazards for the small boy too. A light is very conspicuous on an open common and there was a village policeman, well known to them as "Leg It", who could appear from nowhere. In the

absence of Juvenile Courts and psycho-analysts; and in view of his inability to run fast enough to make arrests, "Leg It" administered justice later in his own way. With a cane tucked up his sleeve and an air of loving kindness he would stroll up to groups of those same small boys and lay about him with painful impartiality before they could make off.

Naphill Common linnets no longer sing in cages. Perhaps the "Tele" and homework keep young people indoors of nights; but the oldish gentleman on the 31 bus chuckled as he remembered "Leg It" and the days of not so very long ago.

J.M.H.

NAPHILL WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

At the monthly meeting on Thursday the 7th. March a B.O.A.C. Air Hostess will be speaking.

Those responsible for teas will be: Mrs. Blick, Mrs. Maud Brown, Mrs. Ellis and Mrs. M. Bailey.

S.J.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

We look forward to meeting as many members and of course friends at our Annual Dinner on Saturday March 16th. This will be held in the Village Hall commencing at 7 for 7.15 p.m. and tickets are 5/- each inclusive; these are obtainable from any Committee member.

Have you paid your Subs. for 1957? Only 2/6d., which entitles you, among other things, to a 10% discount on all garden requisites purchased from Messrs. Jones & Rivetts on production of your 1957 card.

A.H.Busby. Secretary.

GARDENING NOTES.

As I write this it is pouring with rain and gardening outside, is at a standstill, but this need not mean there is nothing to be done.

If shallots, broad beans or peas have not already been put in why not plant them in boxes and put them in the spare bedroom or near the light in shed or garage. They will then get a chance to start growing and can easily be transplanted when the weather improves.

Those of you with greenhouses, cold frames or even a propagating case are of course already starting all kinds of annuals and early vegetables. Should you be having any difficulties with these or any other gardening problems I shall be willing to give any advice possible.

A.H.B.

MEN'S CLUB.

The final of the Snooker Cup will be a match between C.Parker and G.T.Smith, as both players have been playing first class snooker during the contest it should prove an interesting final.

In the closing stages of a recent Billiard League match R.Piercy made a winning break of 24 in three strikes, declining to finish the break and hoping he had set up a record.

A shove-halfpenny contest has been arranged within the club and will no doubt provide a good deal of excitement as several members claim to be expert at this old established game.

V.W.H.

DARBY and JOAN CLUB.

On February 23rd. a well attended meeting was held in the Village Hall to inaugurate a new Club, the Naphill and Walters Ash Darby and Joan Club. Dr. Eric Bayley was in the Chair and gave a short account of the plans that had been made to start the Club. The Village Council had most generously agreed to let the Club use the Billiard Room free of charge. Mrs. Ernest Smith was elected as the first President and the following Officers were elected:-

Dr. Bayley. Chairman.

Mrs. Margaret Bayley Secretary.

Mrs. Geoffrey Smith. Treasurer

Committee Members: Mrs. Ted Brown, Mrs. Blackwell, Mrs. M.S.Reed, Mr. Arthur Busby and Mr. Sidney Smith.

Mrs. White, the Hon. Secretary of the Buckinghamshire Old Peoples Welfare Committee gave a most interesting address and Miss M.L.Blyth, Secretary of the Central Aid Society in High Wycombe offered most welcome advice about the running of the Club. Good wishes for the success of the Club came from Mr. Kilby, Mrs. McCue and others.

A small fund is needed for equipment, crockery etc., and the Treasurer would be grateful for any donations. Will anyone willing to give help in any form to the Darby and Joan Club kindly get into touch with Mrs. Bayley of Plum Tree Cottage.

E.B.

NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB.

Members and friends enjoyed a very pleasant evening at a Whist Party organised by Mr. & Mrs. G. Flowers, to assist the Club Funds.

We are holding another of our popular Rummage Sales in the Village Hall on Saturday 23rd March at 2.30 p.m. We are dividing our stock into various departments, this will assist everyone to find the bargain they are looking for and will be sure to find if they come EARLY.

L.M.S.

NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL.

NAPHILL GAZETTE.

The collection for the Gazette (postponed from 1956) will take place on Saturday March 16th and it is hoped you will give as freely as possible. Our Gazette (which few, if any, villages produce) costs nearly 2d. per copy to print - 2/- per year - per household.

If you are out when the collector calls, any member of the Village Hall Council will be pleased to take your contribution, or you can forward a remittance to D.C. Tooby, "Abbotsbury", Naphill.

D.T.

OLD TIME DANCING.

March 6th. Wednesday. 8 - 10.30 p.m. Old Time Dance Class.
" 13th. " " " " " " " "
" 27th. " " " " " " " "

There will be no Old Time Dancing Class on March 20th as we are going to the Albert Hall, London, to cheer Mr. & Mrs. Free's dancing team to win. The team was seen on the Television Service of the B.B.C. on Saturday night February 23rd., at Fulham Town Hall.

R.R.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Rummage Sale.

The 1st. Naphill Guides and Brownies are holding a Rummage Sale on March the 9th. at 3 p.m. in the Naphill Methodist Church School-room.

M.R.

AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

April 3rd. Wednesday. Infant Welfare Clinic.
 Old Time Dancing.
 " 4th. Thursday. Women's Institute.
 " 5th. Friday. Whist Drive.
 Library.
 " 6th. Saturday. Caledonian Market.
 " 10th. Wednesday. Old Time Dancing.
 " 12th. Friday. Cricket Club Dance.
 " 13th. Saturday. Darby & Joan Club.
 Old Time Dance.
 " 17th. Wednesday. Infant Welfare Clinic.
 Old Time Dance.
 " 18th. Thursday. Whist Drive.
 " 20th. Wednesday. Library.
 Old Time Dancing.
 Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday. Men's Social Club.

NAPHILL MISSION HALL.Services for April.

April 7th. Morning Service. 11 a.m. Mr. R.M. Ingleby.
 Evening Service. 6.15p.m. Mr. Woodhams.
 " 14th. Evening Service. 6.15p.m. Mr. R.M. Ingleby.
 " 21st. Easter Sunday Service. 6.15p.m. Mr. R.M. Ingleby.
 " 28th. Evening Service. 6.15 p.m. Mr. Keith Lewis of Marlow.

NAPHILL METHODIST CHURCH.Preachers for April.

	11 a.m.	2.45 p.m.	6.15 p.m.
April 7th.	Mr. Turnbull.		Mr. Burden.
" 14th.	Mr. Jackson.	Mrs. Foster.	Mrs. Gregory, J.P.
" 21st.	Mr. Barlow.		Rev. A.B. Wells.
" 28th.	Mr. Ludlow.		Mr. Smith.

Sunday School Outing. July 20th.

There are still available seats on the coach. We would welcome names of anyone interested - please let us have details by April 7th.
Women's Anniversary. Sunday April 14th. at 2.45p.m. Speaker Mrs. Foster.
Annual Women's Rally. Wednesday April 17th. at 2.45p.m.
 President. Mrs. Wells.
 Speaker. Mrs. Gregory, J.P.

OTHER PEOPLES JOBS.

We have been saying in Bucks, a masterpiece of understatement, which could well be the epitaph of dear old Will Parslow. "If'e cun't 'elp ye, 'e wun't 'inder ye."

The Parslow boys were brought up on a small farm in Naphill, and early learnt all the agricultural skills. A local farmer, a man very sparing with his praise, once remarked to me, "there ain't much they Parslow's can't do;" and this was true. But small farms don't keep large families so Will and his brothers took jobs in Wycombe's growing factories. With many others from Naphill they walked across the common to Wycombe to start work at 7 a.m. and then walked home at night. And on summer evenings they went out and dug their gardens. A ten-hour working day was normal, but I shall remember him best as a cherry picker, at which job he had few superiors. I have seen him swaying in the breeze at the top of an eighty rung ladder, with one leg thrust through the rungs in the cherry pickers safety grip, and the boxes of cherries piling up round the tree. And you could hardly believe that the years of his age, matched the rungs of the ladder. I saw him just before he died, and when he knew me he said, "how's the cherry blossom."

R.P.

GARDENING NOTES.

Spring is here and Easter not far away and its the time of the year to be out in the garden.

I expect most of you have now got the early crops sown, parsnips, onions shallots, broad beans, etc., but if you haven't there is still time if you hurry.

Now its time for potatoes, more peas, broad beans, lettuce, carrots, and all kinds of greenstuff. There are lawns to be mown, flower borders to tidy and of course many hardy annual seeds can be sown outdoors where they are to flower. Why not try some shirley poppies, godetia, candytuft and cornflower, of course there are many others including sweet peas. Gladioli can be planted now, don't forget a little sharp sand under each corm to help drainage and root formation.

Prune roses making good clean cuts close to a bud and cut out all dead and weak growths. Watch out for greenfly and other pests, they are active already.

A.H.B.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

On April 6th. the W.I. will be holding their Caledonian Market. Stalls are many and varied, new as well as used goods will be wanted. The stalls include, cakes, rummage, groceries and provisions, books and toys, and plant and vegetable stalls. Hot Dogs and tea will be served.

Do come and bring your friends.

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Women's Institute Cont:

At the Monthly meeting the tea hostesses will be - Mrs. Ted Brown, Mrs. M. Balls, Mrs. R. Reed and Miss G. Clarke.

Miss Wadding will be giving a demonstration of craft oddments, this talk is entitled "Use Your Brains."

The competition is - A Home-made article from oddments.

S.J.

NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB.

The exceptional mild weather has encouraged members to continue play through the winter. The lovely sunshine has made it very enjoyable.

Officially our financial year commences in April if you are thinking of joining the club now is a good time to get your racquet and come along for a game. Subscriptions remain the same. Seniors £2:2:0d., a year. Semi-Seniors (16 - 18 years) 15/-. Juniors 5/-. (Balls provided).

In the past we have been very inconvenienced by not having a pavilion, so we have decided to invest in a small building to be erected behind the courts which we hope will be ready within the next few weeks.

Our first American Tournament is fixed for Easter Sunday April 27th. Entrance Fee 1/- (open to non-members).

May we thank everyone who helped in any way to make our Rummage Sale so successful and raise £17 for the Club Funds.

L.M.S.

DARBY AND JOAN CLUB.

On Saturday April 13th. the Club will be opened by the President Mrs. Ernest Smith at 2.30 p.m. As the Club is a new venture the readers of this Gazette are earnestly invited to seek out the Old People (aged sixty or over) who live in the village and persuade them to come to the Opening Meeting and have their names enrolled on the Membership Register. The efforts of the Committee to make the Club a success will be re-doubled if they find a large number of Old People come forward to support the Club; the more the merrier. On the Opening Day the Male Choir and Orchestra of the Sands Old People's Club will attend to provide musical entertainment and Miss Janet Tapping has kindly consented to sing. As this is a special occasion tea will be provided free of charge, but at all subsequent meetings a charge of fourpence per person will be made to cover expenses. Invitations are being sent to the officials of neighbouring Old People's Clubs who will give us the benefit of their experience. The Old People of Naphill will be asked to air their views on how the Club should be run. Meetings are to be held on Friday afternoons once a fortnight at 2.30 p.m. The next meeting after the Opening Day will be on Friday April 26th.

E.B. and A.H.B.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

As you all know, owing to the great interest shown in the progress of Wycombe Wanderers on their journey to Wembley, the Annual Dinner was cancelled. However, we are arranging a visit to the R.H.S. Gardens at Wisley on Saturday May 11th., leaving the Village Hall at 11 a.m. Fare including admittance to gardens is 7/6d. Lunch can be arranged if required. Details and tickets from Committee Members. A.H.B.

NAPHILL CRICKET CLUB.

DANCE.

The Cricket Club is holding a SPECIAL EVE OF THE SEASON DANCE in the Village Hall on Friday 12th. April 1957 from 8 to 12.30. Tickets are available from committee members at 5/- each, and you will be well entertained by Derek Lynn and His Band. Will everybody interested in the Club make a special effort to come along, and meet the winning team which brought the first division cup to Naphill Village after a lapse of 49 years.

P.S. The Cup will also be on view!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

An Old Time Dance will be held on April 13th. 8 - 11.45. The Revue Orchestra will be there and the M.C's are Ron and Elsie Free. The proceeds are for the fund for the Elderly Folks Dinner. Come along and join in the fun. Tickets 3/-.

Village Hall Council wish to thank everyone who gave so generously to the collection for the Gazette, the result of this is £20:5:7d.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday April 8th at 8.0p.m.

The 1st. Naphill Guides & Brownies wish to thank everyone who gave and helped to make the Rummage Sale a success. £10 was raised.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

Spring Cleaning? Then contact Mr. Green, window cleaner and vacuum sweep.
Phone: Naphill 2307.

AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

May	2nd.	Thursday	Women's Institute Monthly Meeting.
"	3rd.	Friday	Whist Drive.
"	"	"	Library.
"	4th.	Saturday	Cricket Season Opens.
"	13th.	Monday	Parish Council Meeting.
"	15th.	Wednesday	Infant Welfare Clinic.
"	17th.	Friday	Whist Drive.
"	"	"	Library.
"	25th.	Saturday	Janet Tapping Song Recital.
"	31st.	Friday	Whist Drive.
"	"	"	Library.

Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday. Men's Social Club.

NAPHILL METHODIST CHURCH.Preachers for May.

	11 a.m.	6.15 p.m.
May 5th.	Mr. Keen	Rev. A.B. Wells.
" 12th.	Mr. M. Britten.	Mr. F.H. Slade.
" 19th.	Mr. A. Hawkins.	Mr. C. Graft.
" 26th.	Miss Tamblyn.	Mr. D.H. Imrie.

We are holding another Guest Service on Sunday 5th. May, why not come along bringing a friend. Service commences at 6.15p.m.
Everybody Welcome.

NAPHILL MISSION HALL.Services for May.

	Morning Service 11a.m.	Evening Service 6.15p.m.
Sunday May 5th.	Mr. R.M. Ingleby.	Mr. R.M. Ingleby.
" " 12th.		Students from the All Nations Bible College.
" " 19th.		Mr. Free from Maidenhead.
" " 26th.		Mr. Green from High Wycombe. R.M.I.

ONE SATURDAY MORNING.

He boarded the 31 bus as it slowed down, handed his fare to the conductress, and sat gripping the gun between the knees of his brown jeans with finger ready on the trigger. At the Village Hall stop he glanced furtively round and, keeping close in to the hedge with gun at the trail, doubled back to the cross-roads. Without hesitation he fell prone in the

hedge bottom and, taking careful aim through a telescopic sighting device, covered the Post Office.

Too late! In the hands of another space-man another gun was seen protruding from between two of Mr. Wright's boxes of vegetables; and swift bursts of deadly atomic fire were exchanged. There was a tense moment of indecision and then the die was cast. The blue and white plastic gun fell from his nerveless fingers. Staggering up he gripped his small chest and collapsed on the grass.

There was no time to see the end of the incident. Presumably it would be the other little boy's turn to die next; for even Martians are known to be sporting in such matters.

J.M.H.

GARDENING NOTES.

The proverbial April showers have been few and light this year and the Naphill clay has got hard and dry in consequence, especially in the newer gardens. Many have found it difficult to make a fine seed bed for the smaller seeds.

Here's a tip for future reference, one bucket full of soil, one of peat or leafmould riddled through a sieve and add a couple of pounds of sharp sand and mix. Then draw out the drill, sprinkle a little in it, sow the seeds, cover with mixture and Bob's your Uncle!

Sow runner beans and marrows after 7th. May, and make sure that summer bedding plants, chrysanthemums etc. are hardened off before planting out. Stiff, sturdy, dark green stuff is the thing to look for.

B.

NAPHILL & WALTERS ASH DARBY & JOAN CLUB.

The Opening Meeting on April 13th was attended by about a hundred people and the general enthusiasm encouraged the Committee to persevere with their efforts. An excellent entertainment was given by the Sands Mens Choir and Orchestra, and Miss Janet Tapping sang with her well-known charm. The Meeting on April 26th was equally successful; the Sands Womens Club sang songs and gave some lively sketches; Mr. & Mrs. Leysham, former residents of Naphill, sang solos and duets and were warmly welcomed. Tea was provided, each Member contributing fourpence.

Thirty-five Members of the Club were present and we hope to increase that number at our next meeting on May 10th when Miss Olive Goodchild will provide the entertainment.

E.B.

NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB.

We hope to have our new pavilion ready for the commencement of our match season.

The Club Tournaments:- Ladies and gents singles, mixed doubles and gents over forty will be played during the first two weeks in June, followed by a 'Finals' week-end. During the season between fixtures we hope to have a few 'Open American Tournaments'.

Owing to an increase of Junior members we have arranged two Junior American Tournaments, one will be held during the summer holidays.

A very successful whist party was given by Mr. & Mrs. Bayley. After some very enjoyable tennis on Easter Saturday afternoon members and friends completed the day's pleasure with another whist party organised by Mrs. Simmons, Mr. R. Piercy and Mr. P. Barwell.

L.M.S.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Just to remind you our trip to the Royal Horticultural Society's Gardens at Wisley starts from the Village Hall at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 11th. Fare including admission to Gardens 7/6d. We hope to arrive back about 7.30 p.m.

A.H.B.

OLD TIME DANCING.

Old Time Dancing classes ended on Wednesday 24th. April, will start again on 11th. September at 8 p.m.

Many thanks to all who came along and supported the Club for so long, may we see lots more in September.

A successful Old Time Dance was held on Saturday 13th. April 1957 in aid of the Elderly Folks Dinner Committee, realising £11.13.6d.

RR/DCT.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The Annual Coach Outing for Old Folk will be on a Wednesday in mid June. Will those eligible, 65 or over, apply for seating accommodation as soon as possible after reading this. Apply to any of the following:- Mrs. Bull, Mrs. McCue, Mrs. Piercy.

S.J.

We were sorry to hear of the deaths of Mr. Nichols, Mrs. Bedford and Mr. Les Bedford and Mr. Harry Parslow and to their families we offer our deep sympathy.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR SALE.

Trix twin railway. Large assortment in excellent condition. Stock sold all together or separately. Apply "Waldnes", Main Road, Naphill.

Mr. Green, window Cleaner and vacuum sweep. 'Phone: Naphill 2307.

Mr. & Mrs. Thompson who are leaving the district, thank all their friends and customers for their patronage in the past, and trust they will extend this to Mr. Healey who has acquired the business.

AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

June 5th. Wednesday	Infant Welfare Clinic
6th. Thursday	Women's Institute Monthly Meeting
14th. Friday	Darby and Joan Club
"	Whist Drive
"	Library
19th. Wednesday	Infant Welfare Clinic
22nd. Saturday	FETE
28th. Friday	Darby and Joan Club
"	Whist Drive
"	Library

Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday. Men's Social Club.

METHODIST CHURCH.

<u>Preachers for June.</u>	11. a.m.	2.45 p.m.	6.15 p.m.
June 2nd.	Mr. K. Lewis.	Mr. G. Cole, from Richmond College.	Mr. G. Cole
" 9th.	Rev. A.B. Wells		Mr. F. Baker
" 16th.	Mr. Starkey		Mr. Starkey
" 23rd.	Mr. W.S. Rose		Rev. A.B. Wells.
" 30th.	Rev. A.B. Wells		Young People

Sunday School Anniversary on Sunday 2nd. June. Services at 11 a.m. 2.45 p.m. and 6.15 p.m. We give all an invitation to come and hear the children's special hymns and recitations at these services.

There will be a Rummage Sale on Saturday June 15th at 3 o'clock in the Sunday School room.

THE MISSION HALL.

<u>Speakers for June.</u>	11 a.m.	Evening Service 6.15 p.m.
Sunday 2nd. Morning Service	Mr. Dan Good of Maidenhead.	
Sunday 9th. Evening Service	6.15 p.m. Mr. R.M. Ingleby	
Sunday 16th. " "	6.15 p.m. Mr. Ives of High Wycombe.	
Sunday 23rd. " "	6.15 p.m. Mr. Chandler of Reading	
Sunday 30th. " "	6.15 p.m. Mr. R.M. Ingleby.	

S O U V E N I R S .

From Naphill the 31 'bus plunges down Coombe Lane and reaches the gates of Hughenden Manor in next to no time, and now-a-days the Red Lion smiles a welcome in the porch. It is the same lion which Disraeli said had given him inspiration as they stood together on the balcony in High Wycombe High Street during his first election speech to the crowd below. Today it acts as dumb commissionaire for a building filled with memories and strange souvenirs of the last century.

Fixed to the wall just within is the side of the graceful carriage in which Mrs. Disraeli suffered in silence. The occasion was an anxious House of Commons night when she drove down with her Prime Minister husband, Benjamin, and her thumb was crushed by the carriage door as he alighted in Palace Yard. Nothing was to be allowed to distract her dear "Dizzy" from the affairs of the nation and she contrived to conceal the accident and her pain until he was out of sight. His coat of arms and motto, "Forte Nihil Difficile" are on the carriage door.

In another room is a portrait of "Tita", a curly haired Italian character with a Jimmy Edwards moustache, in whose arms Byron died at Misolonghi; and who afterwards served Isaac Disraeli as steward of Bradenham Manor for 16 years. Two large daggers were stuck in his red sash as he posed for this crayon drawing; but with such a Pirate of Penzance effect one wonders whether the people of Bradenham took him seriously.

By contrast a map with an aerial photograph of Adolf Hitler's Berchtesgarten "Hide-out" is a chill reminder of later days. It was one of 2,000 maps of enemy targets prepared in great secrecy in Hughenden Manor by the Military Survey Target Liaison Section between 1941 and 1945.

And then a souvenir of startling topicality; that Canal again. It is a photograph of an original 500 franc share in "The Suez Maritime Canal Universal Company" with the assurance that "This share shall be redeemed at par in 99 years and paid off by an annual lottery."

There is no comment from the Red Lion as we stroll thoughtfully out of the Manor and down the hill by the Church in the spring sunshine; to meet the next 31 back to Naphill.

J.M.H.

GARDENING NOTES.

Last months cold drying winds, to say nothing of the frosts, have not been very very helpful to growing crops and have caused quite a lot of damage to fruit crops.

Some, who were a little early in planting out the less hardy plants may have had some regrets. This once again proves that Naphill is not the place for growing early crops unless cold frames, cloches or other protection is available. However, it should be safe to plant out all kinds of bedding plants now including dahlias, marrows, tomatoes and runner beans.

Remember the old saying "a dripping June keeps things in tune", her's hoping.

A.H.B.

NAPHILL CRICKET CLUB.

The 1957 season is now well under way, and both teams have played several matches with varying success. We welcome all new members to the club, and they have made very good impressions in their respective teams. Indeed, it would seem quite some years ago, since Naphill Cricket Club has had so many new members at the beginning of a season. The first XI lost the ~~two opening fixtures to~~ the season by the narrowest of margins - Speen beat us by 12 runs, and Booker by 15, but last Saturday we put up a good show in winning at Winchmore Hill by 19 runs. It is very evident, however, that we shall have to make more runs in order to finish at the top; our attack is adequate; indeed, it is as good as any in the league, but the batting is not giving of its best. Remember everyone - 'keep your eye on the ball' - so simple an axiom, but how very difficult it appears to be to put in practice.

The second eleven under those 'evergreens', Messrs. D. Brown and W. Day, is progressing very favourably, and the chances of winning the division are rosy. Three wins out of the first four matches, should be an adequate percentage to make the grade by the end of the season. So keep down to it you 'youngsters', and let us, at least, have one more cup to fill up at the end of summer.

Some very enjoyable Sunday fixtures have been played, and, here again, three wins out of four played, is very promising. Batting, however, must be improved, and the practice acquired on Sundays, can be pressed into service for the league games on Saturdays.

One last thought - the Club is organising a river trip from London to Southend on Sunday 15th. September, 1957. The provisional arrangements are that we should leave by coach from Naphill about 7.15 a.m. in order to get aboard at Tower Pier about 8.30 or 9 a.m. The Trip to Southend takes about three hours, amidst pleasant surroundings, and it is anticipated that the steamer arrives back at Tower Pier about 9 p.m., so will be at Naphill about 10.30. The inclusive fare is approximately 21/-, so if you are interested, please contact any committee member as soon as possible, because we want to 'get organised'.

S.M.

NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB.

Members and friends enjoyed the last of this seasons whist parties when Mr. A. Shrimpton organised a very successful whist party held at the home of Mrs. C. Shrimpton.

These members Whist Parties have proved a very popular feature with the members and we look forward to next season when we hope more members will assist in helping to raise funds for the Club.

Unfortunately the weather spoilt the arrangements for American Tournaments also the Junior Tournament. We hope to arrange Tournaments between the fixtures and ask members to watch for dates on the notice board in the HUT.

Result of Matches

Sunday May 5th. Naphill lost to Aylesbury N.A.L.G.O. 3 - 6

Saturday May 11th Broom Wade cancelled owing to rain.

Sunday May 19th. Naphill lost to R.A.F. Bomber Command 3½ - 5½

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Tennis Club Continued.

Fixtures for June

Thursday	June 6th.	R.A.F. Bomber Command Mens.	Away 6 p.m.
Saturday	" 15th.)	Both dates open for Club Finals.	
Sunday	" 16th.)		
Thursday	" 20th.	R.A.F. Bomber Command Ladies.	Home 2.30 p.m.
Saturday	" 22nd.	Turners Sports Club.	Home 2.30 p.m.
Thursday	" 27th.	R.A.F. Bomber Command Mens.	Home 6 p.m.
Sunday	" 30th.	Broom & Wade Mixed.	Away 2.30 p.m.

L.M.S.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Our trip to Wisley Gardens was an eye-opener for some of those who were visiting the gardens for the first time. The rhododendrons were a memorable sight and there was much to interest everyone in both the Rock Gardens and the Wild Garden. Altogether, quite an enjoyable outing.

Once again the Chelsea Flower Show is over, we hope those of our members who visited this show enjoyed themselves. It is to be hoped that next year all the available (free) tickets will be taken up.

A.H.B.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

At the monthly meeting Miss Ellis will talk on 'Guide Dogs for the Blind'. She will be accompanied by her own dog.

The Elderly Folk Outing is on Wednesday 26th June. Will everyone who wants to go PLEASE INFORM A MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE BEFORE JUNE 6th., as the tea and the coach have to be booked.

S.J.

F E T E.

Our Annual Fete will be held on SATURDAY 22nd JUNE, 1957, and we hope you will all come along and have a good time and support your Village Hall and Playing Fields. A childrens fancy dress-parade will be held as usual, also numerous sideshows etc. Full details will be available in the programmes which will shortly be on sale. This year we are having a Tombola and we are hoping everybody will let us have a full bottle of something, ranging from a bottle of ink to a magnum of champagne, by the Saturday morning of the Fete, the sooner the better. Any gifts of money or prizes would also be very acceptable to the Council, and all these can be given to any member of the Council, Mr. Tooby and Mr. Balls being ready to accept them now.

MJB/DCT

We were very sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. Cheese and we extend our sympathy to her family.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

NAPHILL CONSERVATIVE BRANCH. A river trip has been organised for Sunday 30th June, 1957. Coaches will leave Naphill at approximately 1.45 p.m. for Benson. Steamer for Abingdon at 3 p.m. arriving Abingdon 5.15 p.m. Tea can be arranged (from 2/6d. upwards), and coaches will leave Abingdon for Naphill, arriving home at about 7.30 p.m. Inclusive price of coach and steamer - 11/- for adults; 7/6d. for children up to 14 years. Enquiries for seats to Hon. Sec. Mr. Monks, or any committee member, as soon as possible please.

During June there will be a 'house to house' collection in aid of The Cancer Campaign.

ADVERTISEMENTS. Mr. Green, Window Cleaner & Vacuum Sweep'Phone: Naphill 2307. F.A. Healey & Son late Thompsons. It is difficult to say goodbye and hallo but both have been done this week. We thank you for receiving us so kindly and we will be happy to serve you well.

AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

July	3rd.	Wednesday	Infant Welfare Clinic
"	4th.	Thursday	Women's Institute Monthly Meeting
"	5th.	Friday	Darby & Joan Meeting at 2.30 p.m.
"	6th.	Saturday	Horticultural Show
"	12th.	Friday	Whist Drive
"	"	"	Library
"	13th.	Saturday	Women's Institute Flower Show
"	17th.	Wednesday	Infant Welfare Clinic
"	19th.	Friday	Darby & Joan Meeting
"	26th.	Friday	Whist Drive
"	"	"	Library

Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday Men's Club.

NAPHILL METHODIST CHURCH

<u>Preachers for July</u>	11 a.m.	6.15 p.m.
July 7th.	Miss Bowler	Mr. Young
" 14th.	Rev. G.E. Firth	Mr. Fotheringham
" 21st.	Mr. C. Craft	Rev. A.B. Wells
" 28th.	Rev. A.B. Wells	Mr. D. Barlow

When we are in any trouble of any kind what is the most comforting thing to know? Surely it is that someone cares about us. If we are ill the fact that our loved ones and friends are sorry and sympathize is very comforting. When people act as if they 'couldn't care less' then we naturally are hurt.

One of the things that the Bible teaches us is that God cares what happens to each one of us. In one place it clearly says 'He careth for you' and there is the famous text of John 3, verse 16: 'God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son'. You cannot love without caring. So remember that whatever situation you may find yourself in there is one person at least who cares and loves you - GOD.

One more thing, although we members of the Churches have many failings we do try to show in our lives that same care as we see in God's Love, so if you are in trouble or lonely please do get in touch with your local church or clergy.

A.B. Wells.

GARDENING NOTES.

The one big topic during the last few weeks has been the weather and how we gardeners have hoped for that good old 'soaker'.

What can we do about it when we get these hot dry spells? Use anything that will conserve moisture such as grass, hedge trimmings, straw or other similar materials as a mulch along the rows. Keep the water can busy where possible, and the dutch hoe as often as you like. This latter tool if frequently used will produce a fine dust mulch that will do much to conserve the moisture in the soil. Lumpy, cracked soil lets out the moisture at a much faster rate than when it is fine and closely packed on the surface.

A.H.B.

NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL

FETE

A successful fete was held, and although final results are not yet available, full details will be given in the next issue. The Village Hall Council wish to thank everybody who helped in any way towards the fete, with particular reference to the Boy Scouts.

M.J.B.

VILLAGE HALL BOOKINGS.

Bookings for the Village Hall are now accepted only by Mr. Wright, Post Office, during shop hours.

M.J.B.

NAPHILL & WALTERS ASH DARBY & JOAN CLUB.

This Club was started in April and has met with a success beyond all expectations. The Meetings take place once a fortnight and about forty Members attend with the number steadily increasing; each one pays fourpence on admission to the Billiard Room, there is no other payment of any kind. A few kind friends, gave donations which enabled the Club to buy a very pretty crockery set for tea-time; covers of plywood with an ornamental cloth were provided to protect the billiard-tables. Mrs. Morris presented the Club with a piano and every Meeting is opened by the singing of the Club's Theme Song with words written by Mr. Holmes; Mr. Don Ing gave a handsome electric kettle. Entertainment is arranged with visiting artists but the Members themselves often provide "turns" which bring down the house. Miss Stratton, a skilled Chiropodist, attends every Meeting and gives treatment at a reduced price. Mrs. Shuttleworth, the District Nurse, also comes to the Meetings and works in close harmony with the Committee in dealing with any case needing help. Outings are arranged and sometimes a Meeting takes the form of a Garden Party in some local private garden. The Committee takes great pains to advertise the Club and to get into contact with anyone wishing to help, but there may still be a few villagers who are anxious to join in but who hesitate to come forward because they have never been personally invited to do so. Will they please overcome their shyness and speak to any member of the Committee whose names are set out below. Helpers are asked to get the room ready before each Meeting and to clear up at the end to leave the place tidy for our friends in the Men's Social Club who use the same room in the evenings; washing-up has to be done; some of the very old or partially-crippled Members are grateful if given a lift home; old magazines are acceptable (not too old) as they are taken home by the Members; Naphill is celebrated for its cooks and fruit cakes, scones or sandwiches are welcomed; gifts such as pots of jam or marmalade for raffling are useful; visitors who care to pop in and see how we are getting on will always be welcomed. The Committee, who are glad to give attention to any enquiries, consist of the following:- Mrs. Ernest Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Geoffrey Smith, Mrs. Ted Brown, Mrs. I. Reed, Mr. Arthur Busby, Mrs. Pugh, Mr. Sidney Smith, Dr. Eric Bayley & Mrs. Eric Bayley (Hon. Sec.) The date of the next Meeting is posted up on the public Noticeboard.

E.B.

NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB.

We are very pleased our Pavilion has arrived and our next move is to try and furnish it. Although the season is well advanced we are going to find it a great asset.

Once again we have received six tickets for Wimbledon allotted to the Club as a result of the L.T.A. Ballot, and six lucky people are looking forward to an enjoyable trip to Wimbledon.

Unfortunately rain spoilt our plans for the Junior Tournament. We hope to be more fortunate on Saturday July 6th when we hope all juniors will enter the tournament commencing at 2 p.m. Prizes for Highest score. Bring your tea, drinks will be provided.

The Club Tournament made a flying start but we have not managed to reach the finals in time for the week-end we had left open. Final dates will be posted in the pavilion.

Result of matches

Thursday June 6th. Naphill(Men) won R.A.F. Bomber Command (away) 8 - 0

Thursday June 20th. Unfortunately we were unable to get our usual team of ladies but with the help of two friends we were able to give our visitors a game. Result Naphill lost 4 - 5.

Saturday 22nd. June. Naphill Mixed (won) Turners 5 - 4.

Fixtures for July

July 7th Sunday. R.I.O. Tennis Club. Mixed (Home).

July 11th. Thursday. R.A.F. Ladies. (Away)

July 14th. Sunday. R.A.F. Bomber Command. Mixed (Away)

L.M.S.

CRICKET CLUB.

This is an S.O.S. to all members of the Club and to those loyal supporters who have been coming to watch the first team each week - - to players, - please do your best to pull out that little extra in the forthcoming matches - to supporters, try to be patient with us, and help us by your faith and good cheer. Indeed, the first team is in the doldrums. We have only one victory to our credit and almost half the season has gone. The batting is rank BAD - there is no excuse for it, and whatever bad decisions, or bad luck has materialised, there is no logical or legitimate defence against our BAD BATTING. Remember one and all - our first team is the oldest member in the first division since the war, so far as continuous service in the division is concerned. We won the championship of the first division last year - the first time in 47 years. Should we go down (and we WILL NOT), then we shall have some rough old wickets to play on. It will be a much harder fight to regain first division status, than to lose it.

I appeal to all cricket lovers in the village, players and non-players, to rally round our club and teams. By that, I know we shall prevail, and make the second half of the season something to be remembered.

One last word - the second eleven is worthy of all praise. They, at least, are prospering, and are going from strength to strength. Indeed, perhaps it would not be a bad thing if they took over the first eleven's fixtures - I wonder?

S.M.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Once again it is show time and we extend to all garden lovers a welcome to our Show on Saturday July 6th at 2.30 p.m. The weather has up till now been rather unkind to we gardeners, but if we all put something of the best we can, from our gardens, then we shall have a good show.

There are classes for a single rose bloom and a decorative arrangement in a wine glass, to the more ambitious three vases of flowers, and the decorative bowls, and many others such as a bunch of radishes or a dish of peas.

Schedules are now available from members of the Committee and are free.

A.H. Busby, Hon. Sec.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

This month the meeting is "Members Day", when the committee sit back and hope to be entertained by the others.

The Produce show, which Mrs. Piercy would like to be a bumper show, is on Saturday July 13th. Would members please bring their entry forms to the next meeting.

S.J.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The collection organised by Mrs. McCue for the Bucks Fund for the Blind amounted to £10:7:5d. Grateful thanks are due to the collectors - Mrs. Ellis, Mrs. Gilson, Mrs. Jack Lawrence, Mrs. Page and Mrs. Simmonds.

CONSERVATIVE BRANCH.

Mr. John Hall, the Member of Parliament for the Division will be at Naphill on Friday 5th. July, 1957, to meet any constituents who may wish to have a chat with him. The rendezvous will be outside the Village Hall between 6.55 p.m. to 7.25 p.m. Please note the times - these are rather important, since Mr. Hall has other meeting places to attend during the same evening, for the benefit of other constituents.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

Mr. Green, Window Cleaner and Vacuum Sweep.
Beehive Cottage, Naphill Common. Phone: 2307

Alsatian - Labrador puppies 10/- each.
Lawrence, Sunnydale, Stocking Lane.

George Moss "The Travelling Ironmonger" wishes to thank all his patrons over the past year and will be pleased to accept new ones. Delivery fortnightly on Mondays.

Phone: High Wycombe 688.

AT THE VILLAGE HALL

August	2nd. Friday.	Darby & Joan Club.
"	7th. Wednesday.	Infant Welfare Clinic <u>cancelled until 21st Aug.</u>
"	9th. Friday.	Whist Drive.
"	" "	Library.
"	12th. Monday.	Table Tennis Club, 7.30 p.m. - 10 p.m.
"	16th. Friday.	Darby & Joan Club.
"	21st. Wednesday.	Infant Welfare Clinic.
"	23rd. Friday.	Whist Drive.
"	" "	Library
"	" "	Darby & Joan Film Show in afternoon.
"	26th. Monday.	Table Tennis Club. (evening).
"	30th. Friday.	Darby & Joan Club.

NAPHILL MISSION HALL.Preachers for August.

August	4th. Sunday.	Morning Service	11 a.m.	Mr. R.M. Ingleby.
"	4th. "	Evening Service	6.15 p.m.	Mr. Colin Lovell, of Yeovil, Somerset.
"	11th. "	Evening Service	6.15 p.m.	Mr. L.S. Harlatt B.Sc. of Luton.
"	18th. "	Evening Service	6.15 p.m.	Mr. R.M. Ingleby
"	25th. "	Evening	6.15 p.m.	Mr. D. Good of Maidenhead.
		S.S. PARENTS' NIGHT.		

The Sunday School outing on July 13th to Littlehampton was enjoyed by all. It was a bright dry day.

R.M.I.

HUGHENDEN CHURCH.

During a train journey recently a passenger commented on the sunlit loveliness of the passing scenery, saying how much it made him look forward to his holiday. He and his wife were going to live in a remote village in Devon.

The man sitting opposite to whom the remark was addressed sniffed scornfully "What a choice" he grunted, "Personally I hate holidays. Everybody's only out to rook you - and imagine being cooped up in a village, being treated like a foreigner and having to listen to local gossip!"

Whereupon a small fat man, overcoming a natural shyness said "A few hours ago I was talking to a Londoner who had moved his home to the country for the sake of his wife's health. I asked him if he didn't miss the

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Hughenden Church, Continuation.

attractions of a big city, and he said "We have found that there is always something to do and something to work for; but best of all, my wife and I have found plenty of people to know - all of them worth knowing for something." How inclined we are to judge by the exterior. Do we not need a wider vision that will teach us sympathy in dealing with others and that will show us the true meaning of love and friendship.

This parish presents several problems the key one is that it contains five centres of population - remember quite two thousand people in Wycombe Borough are in this ecclesiastical parish and covers fifteen square miles. The population in this century has risen from about one thousand to above five thousand. It has one parson. But let us be positive - you now have the Peoples Warden living in Naphill, Mr. Halsey, why not use his services as a line of communication? We have had Services in the School, terminated when the congregation fell to on. We have a very nice Sunday School for under sevens, run by Miss Pamela Kilby which deserves more support. Another teacher is needed for the over sevens, for years Naphill School was served by a teacher who lived at Sands! Why not local support? For effective working we need closer support and co-operation. Why not a small local group as a nucleus? Churches always have and always will be needed to sweeten human relationships.

Remember Gilbert & Sullivan's lines:

"When constabularly duty's to be done, to be done,
A Policemans lot is not a happy one, happy one!"

Adapt the words to suit other walks of life and it might illuminate most folks problems.

S.A.C.D.

NAPHILL METHODIST CHURCH.

Preachers for August.

	11 a.m.	6.15 p.m.
August 4th.	Mr. W. Smith.	Mr. Parkins.
" 11th.	Mr. Goodchild	Mr. A.G. Thomas.
" 18th.	Mr. Hester.	Mr. Haines.
" 25th.	Rev. A.B. Wells	Miss Bowler.

GARDENING NOTES.

Here are a few quickies for this month from which to choose as they apply to you: Sow red cabbage, spring cabbage, shorthorn carrots, cauliflower, spinach, turnip, endive, lettuce, onions, radish and parsley. Celery begin to earth up; onions to bend over tops; brussel sprouts cut off a few of the lower leaves; runner beans syringe plants in the evening after warm days. Strawberries sever runners from parent plant and transplant following week if wanted; loganberries and raspberries cut out all canes that had fruit this year.

Take cuttings of fuchsias, heliotropes, calceolarias and geraniums. If troubled with eel worm on phloxes cut down stems and burn as soon as they finish flowering. Sow antirrhinums, larkspur, polyanthus and pansy seed outdoors. Prune rambler roses, cutting out all shoots which have born blooms. Do not prune climbing roses yet.

A.H.B.

WE'RE THE "TOPS"?

"Nap" may be a short sleep, "especially during the day", as the shorter O.E.D. has it; or the pile on cloth; or just a short name for Napoleon. Perhaps it would be tactless, so soon after Derby Day and the Premium Bond draw, to recollect that "To GO NAP" means to stake all.

Now Naphill was certainly never Napoleon's hill, the men of Bucks having always been most alert in defending their freedom, and the Naphill air is bracing and not notably conducive to day-time slumbers or to undue speculation.

"'Tis but silke that bindeth thee,
Knap the thread and thou art free."

Nap with a "K" means to "split" or "snap" as in Herrick's lines; or, like "Knop", it can mean a "protuberance" or "summit."

Perhaps our village has mis-laid its "K" and the name Naphill modestly recalls its 600 feet or so above sea-level and is content to proclaim the Summit of the Hill? Would any reader comment please?

J.M.H.

CRICKET CLUB.

"Never shall so much be owed by so many to so few."
Surely those words might be applied to the stalwarts who will save Naphill First Eleven from relegation during the next vital five matches. Remember folks, it is just ten years ago since we won the second division championship. and were we to go down perish the thought! I make no excuses for the poor batting, but when one considers that we have lost five matches by the total of 56 runs, then there is reason in thinking that we have not had Dame Fortune on our side. Indeed, we have been beset since the very beginning of the season by misfortune - at the start we were four first team members missing; we have not been able to field our strongest side scarcely two weeks together, owing to various reasons personal to our players; sickness has intervened, and indeed, on one occasion at Speen, we were faced with the sorry sight of Bernard Smith 'out for the count', and the game was held up for a quarter of an hour until 'the body could be removed'. Thank goodness he is progressing favourably, and we hope he will be with us again soon. So, all you cricketers and supporters, let us pull out the stops and make every effort - indeed, a superhuman effort, to score a maximum during the weeks remaining.

S.M.

NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB.

We arranged our Club Finals for Saturday 20th July. During the morning the weather made play a little uncertain, but fortunately in the late afternoon we made a start.

Result Gents Singles - Mr. John Bayley (Holder) beat Mr. A. Lawrence
6 - 3, 6 - 1.

Ladies Singles - Miss Jean Lawrence (Holder) beat Mrs. John Bayley
6 - 3, 6 - 0.

Naphill Tennis Club. Continued.

Mixed Double (enter with partner).

Mr. & Mrs. John Bayley (Holders) beat Mr. John Connors & Miss L. Sharpe
6 - 8, 6 - 3, 6 - 4.

During the evening Dr. & Mrs. E. Bayley very kindly came along to present the Cups and Prizes. Jill Bayley presented Mrs. Bayley with a bouquet. With a final 'Celebration' we officially opened the new Pavilion.

Result of matches:

Thursday 27th June. Naphill lost to R.A.F. (Men) 1 - 8.

Sunday 30th. " Mixed away. Rain stopped play, at 3 all.

" 7th. July. Naphill lost to R.I.O. 4 - 5.

Both Ladies and Mixed Matches with R.A.F. have been postponed.

Fixtures: August 18th. Sunday. Turners Sports Club. Mixed. Away. L.M.S.

NAPHILL & WALTERS ASH DARBY & JOAN CLUB.

During the month of August the only meeting will be on the 23rd. when there will be a Film Show in the Village Hall. Members are invited to bring friends of any age with them; tea will be provided at a charge of fourpence for members and sixpence for visitors. The Committee are taking steps to make this a meeting of special interest to all the Members and a large attendance is expected.

E.B.

During June a most enjoyable Garden Party was held in the garden of Dr. and Mrs. E. Bayley and we would like to thank them very much for a lovely afternoon.

S.S.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Owing to the severely dry conditions previous to our July Show the number and quality of the exhibits in many of the classes were a little below par. However, in comparison with other shows held at this time of year results were quite good. A pleasing feature of the show was the greatly increased number of Naphill exhibits and of course more prizes stayed in the Village. Keep it up and remember September 14th is our next show date.

If you have nothing worthwhile to show on that day, you can still play your part by bringing something for the Gift Stall. Details next month.

A.H. B.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The result of the Naphill Fete was £88:14:5d., subject to audit.

There are still some copies of the book on the Naphill Village Hall, by S.F. Piercy. Price 1/-

Old Time Dancing will restart on Wednesday Sept. 11th. 8 - 10.30 p.m. Admission 1/- up to 18 & 2/- over 18.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

Mr. Green, Window Cleaner & Vacuum Sweep. Phone: 2307.

AT THE VILLAGE HALL

September	4th.	Wednesday	Infant Welfare Clinic
"	5th.	Thursday	Women's Institute Monthly Meeting.
"	6th.	Friday	Whist Drive
"	"	"	Library
"	11th.	Wednesday	Old Time Dancing
"	13th.	Friday	Darby & Joan Club.
"	14th.	Saturday	Horticultural Show (Afternoon).
"	"	"	Old Time Dance (Evening).
"	18th.	Wednesday	Welfare Clinic
"	"	"	Old Time Dancing
"	20th.	Friday	Whist Drive
"	"	"	Library
"	25th.	Wednesday	Old Time Dancing
"	27th.	Friday	Darby & Joan Club.

Every Tuesday, Wednesday & Saturday. Men's Social Club.

NAPHILL MISSION HALL

Preachers for September.

September	1st.	There will be no Morning Service.		
"	1st.	Evening Service	6.15 p.m.	Mr. R.M. Ingleby.
"	8th.	"	6.15 p.m.	Mr. S.J. Green of High Wycombe.
"	15th.	"	6.15 p.m.	Mr. W. Andrews of " "
"	22nd.	"	6.15 p.m.	Mr. K. Ives " " "
"	29th.	"	6.15 p.m.	Mr. E. Free of Maidenhead.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICE

~~Also at 3.0 p.m. Young Peoples offerings. Speaker Mr. E. Harlett B.Sc.~~

NAPHILL METHODIST CHURCH.

Preachers for September.

		11. a.m.	6.15 p.m.
September	1st.	Mr. R.P. Keen	Rev. A.H. Freeman
"	8th.	Mr. A. Hawkins	Mr. D. Jackson
"	15th.	Rev. A.H. Freeman	Mr. D.C. Church
"	22nd.	Mr. Dalby	Mr. F. Batts
"	29th.	Mr. K. Lewis	Rev. A.G. Burnham

PLEASE NOTE: Date of Harvest Festival - 6th. October. Childrens Gift Service at 2.45 p.m.

GARDENING NOTES.

Potatoes should be lifted as soon as possible if not already done, and onions should be harvested. Remove all shoots which bear no little marrows and so help the plants to develop the remaining fruits. Make a small sowing of lettuce and cauliflower to provide plants for next spring.

All kinds of cuttings can be taken this month. If polyanthus show signs of blooming, pick off the flower buds or your spring show will be affected. Time to start planting bulbs such as snowdrops, daffodils and St Brigid anemones. Frosts can be expected by the end of the month so be prepared to place under cover any plants you wish to save.

A.H.B.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Two weeks to go to our next Show, and prospects seem a little better than for our July effort. However, we can never have too many entries and we shall need yours, and although you may not win a first prize, there are still the seconds and thirds.

Perhaps you think you have nothing worth showing, then surely you have something in the garden suitable for the Gift Stall which someone else would like to buy and thus help the Society's funds.

A.H.B.

NAPHILL WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

Members are reminded that the September Meeting is the Harvest Festival. Please EVERYONE bring something from your garden.

Our speaker will be Mrs. Weeks, who will tell us of her recent visit to Copenhagen.

Tea Helpers are:- Mrs. Butler, Mrs. Page, Mrs. Parslow & Mrs. Pugh.
S.J.

NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB.

Usually August is a very quiet month at the Club, owing to members holidays we have fewer matches; but this season the weather encouraged members to play and the courts have been more busy than usual.

We have played off all our Club Tournaments. The Veterans Gents Singles Cup was won by Mr. A. Shrimpton who beat Mr. W. Kilby, 2-6, 6-2, 6-1. Dr. & Mrs E. Bayley very kindly came along to present the cups. The finalists also received miniature cups presented by Dr. Bayley made from his walnut tree.

Result of Matches. Sun. August 18th. Naphill beat Turners (away) 6-2.
Sat. August 24th. " beat Broom Wade Sports Club
6 - (3draws).

Fixture September. Sun. Sept. 8th. Rio mixed away.
" " 15th. N.A.L.G.O. Aylesbury. Home.
L.M.S.

NAPHILL & WALTERS ASH DARBY & JOAN CLUB.

The Billiard Room continues to be filled to capacity at the fortnightly meetings, but there is still room for a few more members and newcomers would be warmly welcomed. On August 23rd the Gas Company gave a free Film Show to the Club which was much appreciated; generous friends provided an abundant supply of luscious cakes but whether they were cooked by Gas or Electricity we do not know. About seventy Members and Guests attended including Major Oakeshott the Chairman of the Council. On Sept. 6th. the meeting will be held at Gable Cottage by kind invitation of Mr. & Mrs. Sidney Smith and on September 10th an Outing to the London Airport has been arranged. The Manager is providing a Guide to sit by the driver of our motorcoach during the tour and he asks us to be punctual, so the motor coach must leave Naphill not later than 1.45 p.m. On September 20th there will be the usual meeting at the Village Hall.
E.B.

MEN'S CLUB

Once again as summer gradually recedes, members begin to arrive in the Club room for a quiet game of Billiards or Snooker. It is hoped that anybody else who is interested in the Club will also come along. THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held on Tues. 1st. October at 7.45 p.m. in the Club room.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Old Time Dancing Class: Wednesday September 11th, 18th, & 25th., 8-10.30 p.m. Come along and join the Old Time Dancing Class. Learn to dance with Mr. & Mrs. Free instructing. Admission is free on Sept. 11th for all new and old members of the Club. Come in and watch, everyone made welcome. GRAND OLD TIME DANCE: Saturday 14th. Sept. 8-11.45. M.C. Mr. & Mrs. Free. (Records). Admission 2/6d. Spot Prizes etc.

AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

October	2nd. Wednesday.	Infant Welfare Clinic Old Time Dancing.
"	3rd. Thursday.	Women's Institute Meeting.
"	4th. Friday.	Library
"	" "	Whist Drive.
"	7th. Monday.	Table Tennis
"	9th. Wednesday.	Old Time Dancing.
"	11th. Friday.	Darby & Joan Club.
"	14th. Monday.	Table Tennis.
"	15th. Tuesday	Cricket Club A.G.M.
"	16th. Wednesday.	Infant Welfare Clinic.
"	18th. Friday.	Library. Whist Drive.
"	19th. Saturday.	Tennis Club Rummage Sale.
"	21st. Monday.	Table Tennis.
"	23rd. Wednesday.	Old Time Dancing.
"	25th. Friday.	Darby & Joan Club.
"	28th. Monday.	Table Tennis.
"	30th. Wednesday.	Old Time Dancing.

Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday. - Men's Social Club.
November 16th. Rummage Sale.

NAPHILL METHODIST CHURCH.

<u>Wednesday 2nd. October - 2.30 p.m.</u>	Overseas Mission - Sister Joan Farrow. "The World on my Doorstep".
<u>Sunday 6th. October - Harvest Festival.</u>	
11 a.m. Preacher - Mr. Ludlow.	2.45 p.m. Childrens Gift Service - Preacher Mrs. Woodbridge.
6.15 p.m. " Mrs. Woodbridge.	
<u>Monday October 7th. - 7.30 p.m.</u>	Short Service followed by Sale of Gifts.
<u>Friday 18th. October - 7.30 p.m.</u>	Bible Study and discussion led by Rev. Freeman. Anyone interested will be very welcome.

PLEASE NOTE THESE DATES.

<u>Sunday 3rd. November - Chapel Anniversary.</u>
<u>Saturday 9th. November. - BAZAAR in Village Hall.</u>
<u>Friday 15th. November - Film - 7.30 p.m. in the Sunday Schoolroom.</u>

Preachers for October.

October 13th.	11 a.m. Mr. F. Baker	6.15 p.m. Mr. F. Slade.
" 20th.	Rev. A.H. Freeman.	Mr. H. Jarrett.
" 27th.	Mr. A. Chilton.	Mr. A.V. Brain.

We regret that the Gazette was not out in time to advertise the Rummage Sale on the 28th. - Editor.

HUGHENDEN CHURCH NOTES.

The harvest thanksgiving is quite a national feast today - the last hundred years has made it a popular service. Previously it was scarcely noted. Remember when you gather our English flowers that centuries ago many of these were known in Palestine. Jaffa was famous for its orange orchards a thousand years before the time of the Maccabees. The leek was used in Egypt during the bondage of the Israelites. Mint was one of the bitter herbs of the Passover lamb. The common hollyhock and the blue globe thistle of our English gardens are unaltered from their wild relatives in the Holy Land. Sometimes it would be worth while trying to make a list of the flowers which have been introduced from Palestine. I refer to this because we shall be celebrating Harvest Thanksgivings very soon. On October 6th we shall be keeping up the feast at your Parish Church. The Vicar of Tylers Green has promised to preach at Evensong. On October 27th a deputation is visiting us from the Society of the Propagation of the Gospel and will be bringing some pictures to portray the work of the Society.

If there are any volunteers for forming a group of Church people in Naphill I should be pleased to receive names - and then we can arrange some activity. I have in mind a door-to-door visitation.

I have read with interest the question about the origin of the name of this portion of Hughenden Parish. May I suggest that the origin is more likely to be traced if the very modern name NAPHILL be set on one side for the moment and the name previous to - say 1800 be examined Napple - or Naple. It is the modern "naiccuess" that has corrupted the name. The parish overseer's books of the 18 Century in my possession never once mention Naphill - nor do old maps - but Napple occurs. It was open common grazing land once, with just a few farms and cottages. S.A.C.D.

MISSION HALL

Preachers for October.

Sunday	October	6th.	Morning - Mr. Keith Lewis, from Marlow.
"	"	6th.	Evening - Mr. Wilton, from Slough.
"	"	13th.	Evening - Students from the All Nations Bible College.
"	"	20th.	Evening - Mr. Golder, from Slough.
"	"	27th.	Evening - Mr. R.M. Ingleby.

R.M.I.

GARDENING NOTES.

Although at this time of year we come to the end of the gardening season - if there is an end - there seems to be quite a lot of jobs that want doing.

Weeds and spent crops to be cleared away, the beetroots, carrots etc., to be stored for the winter; the spring cabbage bed to be planted; gladioli, and very soon dahlias to be taken up dried and put into a frost proof place.

Speaking of frosts we may expect them at any time now and if the geraniums, fuchias and begonias are to be saved for another year they should be lifted and put in a safe place. Chrysanthemums should be put into the greenhouse and if you are thinking of putting some sweetpeas in the show next year, now is the time to sow seed. From now on take every opportunity of cleaning and digging all vacant ground - this will save much hard work next spring. A.H.B.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

The Birthday Party will be held in October as usual and it is hoped that all members will be present.

S.J.

NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB.

We completed our list of matches for the season, when we played R.I.O. Tennis Club away on Sunday 8th. September and Aylesbury N.A.L.G.O. on Sunday 15th. September.

Result of matches. Naphill V R.I.O. - Naphill lost 2 - 7.
Aylesbury (the best of two sets) won 9 - 8.

The match season has been very successful and credit is due to the Match Secretary for overcoming the difficult task of always finding a Team. Not one single match has been cancelled.

October sees the start of the winter season and we look forward to Members Whist parties. Also a most important date is SATURDAY OCTOBER 19th when we hold another of our ever popular RUMMAGE SALES - Commence 2.30 p.m.
Come early to secure the best Bargains!

"FLASH BACK" Gazette October 1938.

"A dance held in the Village Hall brought to a happy conclusion a summer season which is regarded by members as being the BEST EVER in the history of the Club. The dance which crowded the hall to its capacity was interrupted just before the interval when Mr. & Mrs. Bayley presented silvercups suitably engraved to the winners of theingles Tournament, Miss Mary Smith and Mr. Dennis Jenkins. Dr. & Mrs. Bayley were thanked for their continued interest in the Club and given three hearty cheers. In reply Dr. Bayley with his usual geniality soon had the whole assembly rocking with laughter - and then once again all plunged into the "Lambeth Walk". Music throughout the evening was supplied by H.J. Adlam and Mr. Alan Shrimpton carried out the duties of M.C."

L.M.S.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Our September Show was one of the best we have had for several years and a great improvement on last year. There were over a hundred more exhibits and the vegetables, flowers and domestic sections all showed an increase in quality and quantity.

The poor fruit season was reflected in the small amount of entries in this section but the few dishes on view were of good quality.

The Committee wish to thank all of you who supported the Show whether as exhibitors, visitors or donators to the Gift stall, also the exhibitors who kindly returned their prize money for the benefit of our funds.

A.H. Busby.

NAPHILL & WALTERS ASH DARBY AND JOAN CLUB.

The visit to London Air Port was a great success; we watched the great aeroplanes departing for the trip across the Atlantic and our only regret was that it was found impossible to take the Members to New York for tea.

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Darby & Joan Club. Continuation.

On October 4th. Mr Busby will give a short address on matters of interest to all flower-lovers and a representative from Messrs. Lyons & Co., will give a demonstration in Tea-Making and will distribute samples to all who are fond of a "cupper". There will be an ordinary meeting on October 18th.

During the last month we have enrolled some new Members, but there is still room for a few more before we put up the notice of "House Full" or "Standing Room Only"; so do not forget the dates 4th and 18th. Committee Meetings at Plum Tree Cottage on 7th and 21st October.

E.B.

MEN'S CLUB.

SOLO DRIVES.

These popular Wednesday evenings will commence on 9th October, at 8 o'clock with Mr. R.S. Piercy once again conducting the proceedings in his own indomitable manner. We hope that all our friends who have attended in previous years will once more come along together with any newcomers who enjoy a game of cards in a jovial atmosphere.

V.W.H.

ELDERLY FOLKS PARTY.

The Rummage Sale on Saturday 16th. November is at 2.30 p.m. and is being run by the Village Hall Council in aid of the Elderly Folks Dinner Fund.

The Elderly Folks Dinner is on November 27th and details and invitations will be out shortly.

W.E.P.K./D.C.T.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

Piano for Sale

Brinsmead - Upright - Iron Grand, good condition
£28 : 0 : Od.

Would the owner and the prospective purchasers please contact the Editor. Naphill 2226.

Mr. Green, Window Cleaner and Vacuum Sweep.

Phone: Naphill 2307.

AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

November	1st.	Friday.	Darby & Joan Club.
"	4th.	Monday.	Table Tennis Club.
"	5th.	Tuesday.	Scouts.
"	6th.	Wednesday.	Infant Welfare Clinic.
"	"	"	Old Time Dancing.
"	7th.	Thursday.	Women's Institute.
"	8th.	Friday.	Conservative Dance.
"	9th.	Saturday.	Methodist Church Bazaar.
"	11th.	Monday.	Hughenden Parish Council.
"	12th.	Tuesday.	Scouts.
"	13th.	Wednesday.	Old Time Dancing.
"	15th.	Friday.	Darby & Joan Club.
"	"	"	Whist Drive.
"	"	"	Library.
"	16th.	Saturday.	Rummage Sale for the Elderly Folks Dinner.
"	18th.	Monday.	Table Tennis Club.
"	19th.	Tuesday.	Scouts.
"	20th.	Wednesday.	Infant Welfare Clinic.
"	"	"	Old Time Dancing.
"	22nd.	Friday.	Women's Institute Play.
"	23rd.	Saturday.	" " "
"	25th.	Monday.	Table Tennis Club.
"	26th.	Tuesday.	Scouts.
"	27th.	Wednesday.	Elderly Folks Dinner.
"	29th	Friday.	Darby & Joan Club.
"	"	"	Library
"	"	"	Whist Drive.
"	30th.	Saturday.	Girl Guides Bazaar.

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NAPHILL METHODIST CHURCH.

<u>Preachers for November.</u>	11.a.m.	6.15 p.m.
November 3rd.	Mr. W.O. Haines	Mr. W.O. Haines
	This is our Chapel Anniversary.	
" 10th.	Rev. A.H. Freeman.	Mrs. Woodbridge.
" 17th.	Mr. A. Goodearl.	Mr. W.S. Rose.
" 24th.	Rev. G.C. Firth.	Rev. A.H. Freeman.

Naphill Methodist. Continuation.

Don't forget our Bazaar on Saturday 9th November. Come along and buy your Christmas presents. To be opened at 3 p.m.

I count it a privilege to be asked to contribute this word in your Gazette, and also to introduce myself to you.

According to the New Testament, the meaning of the word 'minister' is 'servant' and I want you to understand that I have been appointed Minister of Naphill Methodist Church in order to serve the community. I hope, therefore, you will use me to the fullest extent.

The challenge of Christianity is a very real one because it is a way of life. It is not merely being religious - anyone can be religious without knowing the first thing about Christianity - but much more than that, it is living a life that transcends any other. It is a practical issue, and if ever we needed practical living it is now. We can live this life in the strength of Him who lived and died and rose again for us. God grant us that strength.

Arthur H. Freeman.

NAPHILL MISSION HALL.

Preachers for November.

Sunday	3rd	November.	Morning	11 a.m.	
"	"	"	Evening	6.15 p.m.	Mr. R.M. Ingleby.
"	10th.	"	"	"	(Remembrance) Students from the
					"ALL NATIONS" BIBLE COLLEGE.
"	17th.	"	"	"	Mr. Keith Lewis.
"	24th.	"	"	"	Mr. R.M. Ingleby.

GARDEN NOTES.

The continuing mild damp weather is not very helpful for many of the crops in store or for that matter many of the plants in the garden. These conditions are just right for setting up mildew, and the spread of disease.

Remove some of the lower leaves of brussels and other green stuff, particularly if they are yellowing or are planted rather close together. This will help to give light and air round the base of the plants.

Onions, potatoes and other crops in store should be looked over and, make sure they are free from damp.

Dead and decaying matter round plants in the herbaceous border should be removed, as they can, and often do, form a good hiding place for slugs and other pests, which can do much damage and even kill plants such as delphiniums, gailardias and lupins. After clearing away the rubbish and weeds, a light forking over the beds will leave everything nice and tidy for the winter.

A.H.B.

RUMMAGE SALE.

A Rummage Sale will be held in aid of our Elderly Folks Dinner at the Village Hall, 2.30 p.m. on Saturday 16th November and, we hope you will all come along and support this effort.

Offers of rummage will be greatly appreciated and contact can be made with the undermentioned:

Mr. Hayward (Garage) Naphill 2205.
Mrs. Piercy, Moseley Lodge Farm,
Naphill 2137.
Mr. Tooby, "Abbotsbury" 2308.
Mrs. McCue "Seven Winds" " 2213.
Mr. Kilby, "School" " 2142.
Mrs. Bull, "Alvanlea" " 3316.
Mr. Balls, "Westfield"

WEPK/DCT.

ELDERLY FOLKS DINNER.

Invitations for the dinner have now been delivered. If you are over 65 or a widow/widower and have not received an invitation please do contact:-

Mr. Tooby, "Abbotsbury" Naphill (opposite Whites Stores).
Naphill 2308.

WEPK/DCT.

BRITISH LEGION.

Owing to an almost complete lack of interest, the Naphill and District Branch has now been closed down.

NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB.

We would like to thank everyone who helped in any way to make our Rummage Sale so successful and raised £20 for the Club Funds.

With only seven weeks before our Christmas Carnival dance Friday December 20th. We welcome everyone whatever their taste in dancing to come and spend a jolly evening dancing to Joe Webb and his band who is sure to cater for all.

Tickets 5/- (including Refreshments) double ticket 8/- may be obtained from Committee Members.

Please get your tickets early to assist us with our catering arrangements.

L.M.S.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

It is hoped to make an announcement in next month's issue of the Gazette regarding the date of our Annual General Meeting also, the delivery of lime.

If any member of the Society is considering the purchase of Rose Bushes this winter Messrs. Frank Cant & Co., of Colchester, the well known Rose Growers have, by arrangement with us offered to allow 10% discount on all members orders, providing these orders are endorsed by the Secretary.

You order the roses in the ordinary way but before despatching same, you get me to sign it, saving to you 10%

A.H. Busby.

OLD TIME DANCING.

On December 7th 1957 there will be an Old Time Dance, when the Naphill Waltzing Cup will be competed for, a Veleta competition open to novices living within 10 miles of Naphill Village Hall.

Trophy is to be held 11 months.

Medals for 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

M.C.'s Ron and Elsie Free. "Revue Orchestra".

Come and join us for our annual event all you Old Timers and keep the Cup in Naphill.

R.R.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

Thursday November 7th is the Annual General Meeting. Voting will start at 2.15 p.m. and Mrs. Ferguson will be the V.C.O.

All members are asked to be there as it is the most important meeting of the year.

On November 22nd. & 23rd. Naphill Drama Group will present "This Happy Breed" by Noel Coward. Tickets will be available shortly.

S.J.

We would like to extend our sympathy to the families of the late Mr. Charles Hayward and Mr. Fred Lacey, we shall miss their familiar figures in the village.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Re: October Issue.

In misprinting "naiccuess" for "naiceness"
Last month we were suitably pained;
And Naphill shall always be Napple!
Do forgive us for being "refained".

ADVERTISEMENTS.

Mr. Green, Window Cleaner & Vacuum Sweep.
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AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

December	2nd.	Monday.	Table Tennis Club.
"	3rd.	Tuesday.	Scouts.
"	4th.	Wednesday.	Infant Welfare Clinic. Old Time Dancing.
"	5th.	Thursday.	Womens Institute Monthly Meeting.
"	7th.	Saturday.	Dancing Competition.
"	9th.	Monday.	Table Tennis Club.
"	10th.	Tuesday.	Scouts.
"	11th.	Wednesday.	Old Time Dancing.
"	13th.	Friday.	Library. Whist Drive.
"	14th.	Saturday.	Darby & Joan Party, 2.30 p.m.
"	16th.	Monday.	Table Tennis Club.
"	17th.	Tuesday.	Scouts.
"	18th.	Wednesday.	Infant Welfare Clinic. Old Time Dancing.
"	20th.	Friday.	Tennis Club Dance.
"	23rd.	Monday.	Table Tennis Club.
"	27th.	Friday.	Whist Drive. Library. Darby & Joan Club.
"	30th.	Monday.	Table Tennis Club.
"	31st.	Tuesday.	Scouts.

Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday. Men's Social Club.

We would like to wish everyone a HAPPY CHRISTMAS.

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HUGHENDEN PARISH CHURCH.

I had a jolly good laugh when I read the last issue of the Naphill Gazette. I refer to the last few lines!! The verse and the advertisement went very well together. Let us sweep up a few misunderstandings that may exist. The Vicar, it does not matter whom he happens to be, is a man under authority and not in authority. Notice the Centurions remarks to Our Lord: "I also am a man under authority" Our Lord had to wait for the right moment before doing things too. That is precisely what I am doing over the School business. Of course I'm concerned about the childrens accommodation - I am not made of unfeeling timber! Just watch the Glebe Land in Naphill - that anyway is within my authority up to a point - just watch it.

Hughenden Parish Church - continuation.

I was glad to read this article contributed by the Methodist Minister too, and I heartily agree with his views about religion being a Way of Life. There are too many Christians merely calling themselves Christians and doing very little about it. Naphill really needs a resident Curate. That was my hope in 1947 but lack of funds and support, meant that it was shelved. Maybe the "Way will open" as my old "Friend" Mrs. Gillett used to say. Let us pray about it.

Christmas is coming! The time of test. Because if peace is not real over that season it won't be in the rest of the year. One should strive very hard to find peace in the next few weeks. The Church regards Advent as a sort of little Lent for that very reason.

No names came in to me about lay visiting - no not one. Something must be done somehow.

Whether Naphill or Napple it be,
'Tis but the same dear place to me.
A trifle stretched along the ridge,
And yet, and yet 'tis but a bridge
'Twixt ancient old and very new.

The Christmas Services at Hughenden Parish Church will be
Midnight Communion 11.30 p.m. with the Blessing of the Crib.
On Christmas Day - Holy Communion 8 a.m. and 12 noon.
Matins & Sermon with Carols 11 a.m. - Evening Prayer 4 p.m.
Happy Christmas to all of you.

S.A.C.D.

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METHODIST CHURCH

Preachers for December.

11 a.m.

6.15 p.m.

December	1st.	Mr. R. Palmer.	Mr.A.G.Thomas.
"	8th	Mr. D. Jackson.	Mr. W. Smith.
"	15th.	Mr. F. Deane.	Rev.A.H.Freeman.
"	22nd.	Rev.K.W.Curtis.	Carol Service.
"	29th.	Mr.H.Lord.	Mr. Horne.

On Sunday 8th, the children will be having a Film of "The Nativity". All parents and friends will be welcome. Commence at 2.30 in the Sunday School. At the evening service there will be a short film for about half an hour. All are Welcome. On Sunday 22nd we shall be holding our usual Carol Service which will commence at 6.15 p.m. Why not come along?

We wish all our readers the Compliments of the Season.

THE MISSION HALL

Preachers for December.

Sunday	December 1st.	Morning 11 a.m.		
"	"	Evening 6.15 a.m.	Mr. Gerald Duffitt.	
			(Windslow)	
"	8th	"	"	Students from the "ALL NATIONS BIBLE COLLEGE.
"	15th	"	"	Mr.H.M.Prince,Aylesbury.
"	22nd	"	"	Mr.R.M.Ingleby.
"	29th	"	"	Mr.S.J.Green,High Wycombe
Tuesday.	"	31st.	WATCH-NIGHT SERVICE AT 11 P.M.	

The Missioner and Members of the Mission Hall wish all readers of the Gazette a Happy New Year.

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COLLECTION FOR NAPHILL GAZETTE

The collection for the Gazette will take place 6th and 7th December, 1957 and we shall be grateful if you will contribute as generously as possible.

For your information the Gazette costs 2½d per copy, which is 2s. 3d per year, and we shall be glad if you will bear this in mind when making your donation. HAO/DCT

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GARDENING NOTES.

December is the month when the main job is to catch up with the work not completed earlier. Planting of trees, shrubs, bulbs and any other spring flowering plants.

Dahlias, gladioli and Begonias should by now be dried off, cleaned and stored away from frost. Chrysanthemums must be lifted and re-planted in a cold frame, or other sheltered place where they can be protected from the worst of the winter weather, and put down a few heaps of slug bait among them.

Sweet pea seedlings are making good headway. Don't over water them and give them plenty of light and air.

Carry on with the digging and cleaning of all vacant plots.

Prune fruit trees where needed and spray with a good tar oil winter wash.

Lime is a soil sweetener and helps to break down sticky clay.

GARDENING NOTES - cont...

Clean and oil all tools not in use, and prepare next years seed order. A.H.B.

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NAPHILL & WALTERS ASH DARBY & JOAN CLUB

On November 1st Mr. Benny Picton came as our guest and by his cheerful gaiety made a very pleasant contribution to our afternoon's enjoyment. On November 18th, Mrs. Coomer gave us a most interesting and amusing account of her own experiences in the A.T.S.; she was in uniform for seven years and served in France, Belgium, Germany and North Africa. On Saturday December 14th at 2.30 p.m. we hold our Christmas Party in the Village Hall. Miss Janet Tapping will sing to us and Mr. Busby is providing us with a Christmas Tree which is to be illuminated by Mr. Don Ing and it is whispered that Father Christmas may pay us a visit if he is not too busy elsewhere.

At the meeting on Friday December 27th Members are being invited to recount old memories of Naphill and we hope to get many stories about the Good Old Days. The attendance at the last meeting numbered fifty-three, an unbeaten record, but we can still find room for a few more if they do not mind sitting close at tea-time; we flatter ourselves that our teas (price fourpence) would challenge comparison with any Club in England.

On November 29th, Mr. Kilby brought a choir of school children and two child pianists and the combination of youth and age proved a very happy one. E.B.

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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

At the next meeting there will be a "Bring and Buy" Stall and Mrs. Raphaelson will give suggestions for Christmas Decorations. Tea Hostesses will be - Mrs. Shrimpton, Mrs. Flower, Mrs. McCue and Mrs. Wotmough.

S.J.

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NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB.

Two very successful members Whist Parties have been given by Mr. & Mrs. John Bayley and Mrs. Ginger & Miss Sharpe. These small Drives are a very successful feature of our winter programme and we hope to continue through the winter months. Any member interested in organising a Whist Party will have every assistance from the Committee.

May we again remind you we are holding our annual Carnival Dance on Friday December 20th from 8.30 to 1 a.m. Dancing to Joe Webb and his band. We have a few tickets to spare - 5s. Od each. P.T.O.

Naphill Tennis Club - cont...

double ticket 8s. Od (including refreshments) so make a note of the date and come along and bring your friends. We can assure you that you will have a very enjoyable evening.

We wish you all a Very Happy Christmas and may the Coming Year bring Every Happiness.

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HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

TO ALL OUR MEMBERS - The Annual General Meeting will be held in the Village Hall on Thursday December 12th at 8 p.m. Committee Rooms. Any ideas or complaints regarding the running of your Society will be welcomed at this meeting.

Last day for ordering lime will be at the Annual Meeting. Price 2s. Od per bag - $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.

The Society would be prepared to organise a small spring show next year (daffodils, polyanthus etc.) Please discuss this with your committee members. They will be pleased to hear your views on this.

We have a number of cloches for sale to members, price 6/6 each, complete with glass and in good condition - Enquiries to Secretary.

Messrs. Jones and Rivett can supply all your gardening needs and allow you 10% discount if you produce your membership card.

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ELDERLY FOLKS DINNER.

As one of the Elderly Folk so nobly entertained this week, I feel rather ashamed to think that nobody thanked our hosts who had worked so hard for us. Either everybody thought someone else would do it or we were all so full of good cheer that our brains did not function fully. May I, on behalf of my fellow E.F.'s thank the Committee and the R.A.F. the latter for their perfect cooking and most enjoyable entertainment. One O.F

On Wednesday 27th November the Annual Elderly Folks Party took place. The Village Hall was gaily decorated with flags, the tables with a delightful display of flowers. 89 guests sat down to a wonderful meal kindly cooked by the R.A.F. who also provided a delightful entertainment.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

PARTY

There is to be another New Year's Party on January 18th, 1958

PARTY Cont...

when once again Mr. Adlam will be returning to help Alan Shrimpton who is organising it on behalf of the Spastics. This is a night you must not miss if you are fond of Dancing, Fun and Games. There will be prizes galore to be won-Really Good Ones. Tickets will be available shortly from Alan Shrimpton - 5/- including refreshments and once again WILL BE STRICTLY LIMITED and admission is by ticket only. If you want a night out - This is it.

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OLD TIME DANCING - NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL.

Grand Old Time Dance - December 7th, 1957 8 p.m. to 11.45 p.m.
Annual Novice Competition for Waltzing Cup - 10 Mile Radius.
Revue Orchestra - M.C. - Ron and Elsie Free.
Come along and join in the dancing and make the evening a success.

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CAROL CONCERT.

You are all cordially invited to attend the above Carol Concert at 6 o'clock p.m. on Saturday 21st December, 1957 around the illuminated tree (at the Village Hall) if wet inside the Hall. Carol sheets will be provided - The school children's choir will be in attendance. WEPK/DCT

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REMEMBRANCE DAY.

Wreathes were placed on the war Memorial by Village Hall Council and Naphill School Children.

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