

AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

January 1st	Thursday	Women's Institute Monthly Meeting. Social Club
" 2nd	Friday	Darby and Joan Table Tennis Club Dance
" 5th	Monday	Table Tennis Club Village Hall Council Meeting 8 p.m.
" 7th	Wednesday	Infant Welfare Clinic
" 8th	Thursday	Social Club
" 9th	Friday	Whist Drive Library
" 12th	Monday	Table Tennis Club
" 16th	Friday	Darby and Joan
" 17th	Saturday	Spastics Party
" 19th	Monday	Table Tennis Club
" 21st	Wednesday	Infant Welfare Clinic
" 22nd	Thursday	Social Club
" 23rd	Friday	Whist Drive Library
" 24th	Saturday	Women's Institute Open Night
" 26th	Monday	Table Tennis Club
" 29th	Thursday	Social Club
" 30th	Friday	Darby and Joan

Men's Club every Tuesday, Wednesday (Solo Drive) and Saturday.

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HUGHENDEN PARISH CHURCH

The turn of the year seems to bring changes - though this may be merely an illusion. What is no illusion is the departure from this life of yet another of the old residents of Naphill - Mr. Brown. I wonder how many houses and cottages there are now standing which are memorials to the Brown family. Quite a number even in Naphill I should imagine.

In wishing all of you a Happy New Year may I remind you that on Sunday evenings after Evensong we have film strips shown in Church - some in colour.

The P.C.C. are beginning to interest themselves in the state of our Churchyard. So many graves are quite untended although there is a scheme in being of long standing to enable relatives to arrange for the maintenance of graves. If they are left untended it is best that they be levelled so that a machine may go over the grass and weeds to keep them down. This could be done for people at a modest cost should anyone be interested. I mention it because there are a lot of graves in the Churchyard in which Naphill folk are buried.

Every week I search the Bucks Free Press for notices of that new school the County spoke of in 1960 - and none appear. The notices cont.....

Hughenden Parish Church cont....

are long overdue unless my correspondence files belie me. I am still hoping to see adequate accomodation all in one unit.

The Bellringers invite people to come and have a look at the ringing chamber after Church on the second Sunday of the month. They always welcome learners. Bell ringing is an art which anyone can acquire. S.A.C.D.

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METHODIST CHURCH

<u>Preachers for January.</u>	<u>11 a.m.</u>	<u>6.15 p.m.</u>
Sunday January 4th	Mr. W.J.Parkins.	Mrs. L. Pike.
" " 11th	Mr. A. Kinch	Mr. A. Goodearl
" " 18th	Mr. J. Miller	Rev.A.H.Freeman (Covenant Service)
" " 25th	Mr. M. Wheddon	Mr. A. Hawkins.

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WALTERS ASH AND NAPHILL DARBY & JOAN CLUB

We surpassed all records at our Christmas Party on December 20th; the numbers present were higher and the smiles on the faces of the Old People were broader than ever before. The Theme Song started us off and we all piped up "Old Friends of Naphill are all Friends of mine". Mr. Pledsted came on the stage and kept us amused and mystified with his clever tricks then Father Christmas arrived with snow on his boots to the delight of all the Boys and Girls of the Darby and Joan Club and he distributed the presents which were heaped round the brightly illuminated Christmas Tree presented by Mr. Tweedale. Tea and refreshments were provided by many kind friends and once again the Naphill Ladies proved that they were the finest cooks in the world; the photographer took a picture of the cutting of the magnificent cake made by Mrs. Pugh. A free raffle with handsome prizes followed and the singing of Carols and Auld Lang Syne ended the Party; as the guests departed each one was given a paper-bag and a cigar-case filled with sweets. We may be seventy, eighty or even ninety years old but never mind, no Party in Naphill can have been merrier than ours; our old hearts were filled with love and happiness and the true Christmas spirit and as time goes on we love our dear old Darby and Joan Club more and more. We should dearly love to give a list of all the kind friends who worked so hard to make our Party such a success but, alas, it would fill too much space, so will they all please accept this assurance that they have a very warm place in our hearts and that we shall never forget them in our Christmas thoughts.

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Our attention has been called to the organisation for providing Home Helps and to the difficulty in finding volunteers for the noble work of giving assistance to old people whose disabilities prevent  
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them from carrying out the ordinary household chores in their own homes. Will anyone who can help with suggestions please communicate with any member of the Club or with the Secretary of the Club at Plum Tree Cottage; this is a matter of some urgency and we hope for a response from the kind people of Naphill. E.B.

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MR. LEN BROWN

It was with great regret that we heard of the death of Mr. Len Brown. His many contributions to the Gazette have been appreciated by us all.

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The news of Mr. Len Brown's death at the age of 83 will have been received with deep regret; for Mr. Brown was a very gentle man and his sincerity, his kindness, his patience in adversity and thought for others endeared him to us all. He loved the simple things, and a walk in the woods, listening to the birds, was one of his great delights.

A true countryman, Mr. Brown had lived in the village all his life except during his period of service as a volunteer in the First World War. With his father, he helped to found the Brickfields at Walters Ash some sixty years ago and the fabric of many fine buildings is a permanent memorial to the skill and industry of the Brown family.

Serious illness forced Mr. Brown to give up active work in his chosen craft, but in retirement he was never idle. Year by year he cultivated his garden and produced a fine crop of vegetables which, with characteristic generosity he shared with friends and neighbours.

He dearly loved a chat and indeed he had much of value to impart, for his was a richly stored mind, and on local history and folk lore, he had no equal; moreover he was a man of varied interests, and having read widely and being gifted with a clear reflective memory, he always had a story to tell.

Over the years his life was shadowed by many personal sorrows but he accepted them with undaunted courage, and when failing sight deprived him of the solace of books, he did not complain, he turned his attention to radio.

Mr. Brown had a wonderful understanding of children, and delighted in their company, and between him and his young twin nephews there was a real bond of sympathy.

As we bid farewell to our old friend, we think of John Bunyan's lines "So he passed over, and all the trumpets sounded for him on the other side". A.E.R.

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GARDENING NOTES.

Although it is difficult to say when the gardening year ends

Gardening Notes cont.....

it is easy to know when our calendar year begins, and as we are on the threshold of another New Year it is customary to express hopes and wishes and of course to make resolutions; but I am afraid we often break them. However, whether we are gardeners or not I think everyone will wish for more sunshine than we had last year, also many gardeners will hope for better crops.

If you could have a wish that would come true this year I wonder would it be for a nice lawn that didn't need mowing? a small cheap and efficient mechanical digger or something to stop weeds from growing and allow the crops to flourish. Perhaps you might wish for a yellow sweet pea or a bright red delphinium, a good strong scent in chrysanthemums or some other flower that is lacking in this most desirable attribute in any flower. Would it be roses without thorns or a really blue dahlia, or do you think that the gladiolus needs some other attribute that is not there already, to make it perfect. No doubt many of you have other gardening wishes but my wish for all readers of the "Gazette" is that you will enjoy good health and good gardening during the coming year. A.H.B.

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NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL.

The Council would like to thank everyone most sincerely for the help that was given with the Christmas Market. They really do appreciate the way in which the Organisations and Clubs of the Village, and individual villagers rallied to the support of the Council and made the Christmas Market such a success. The net proceeds were about £90. 0. 0. and we think you will agree that this is an excellent result. You have relieved the Treasurer of the constant vision of red figures and he and the Council are truly grateful.

The Council wish everyone Health, Happiness and Prosperity in 1959, and hope that you all had a Very Happy Christmas. E.C.

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NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB

The Clubs Carnival Dance proved to be one of the most successful the Club had had. The decorated hall and dancing to Christmas Carols played by Joe Webb and his band gave the dance a real seasonal touch.

During the evening our president Dr. E. Bayley made a number of presentations. The Clubs challenge cups were presented to:-

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| Miss M. Reed.     | Ladies Singles. |
| Miss A. Anderson. | Runner up.      |
| Mr. A. Lawrence.  | Gents Singles.  |
| Mr. F. Bowell.    | Runner up.      |
| Mr. I. Bayley     | Mixed           |
| Mrs. C. Ginger    | Doubles.        |
| Mr. A. Shrimpton  | Veterans Cup.   |

Mr. A. Lawrence and Miss A. Anderson were presented with a Wedding Present. cont.....

Naphill Tennis Club cont.....

On behalf of the Tennis Club the secretary Miss L. Sharpe presented Mrs. E. Bayley with a box of chocolates and Mrs. Castle with a bouquet.

Miss L. Sharpe was presented with a bouquet from all the members competing for the veterans cup.

Our most grateful thanks to all who assisted in making the evening so successful.

L.M.S.

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HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Before dealing with the New Year that is now with us we would like to thank everyone for their splendid support on the occasion of the "Quiz" with the Monks Risborough team.

Although numbers were fewer the following week for the Film Show we did appreciate the sporting way those present accepted the unfortunate technical hitch that marred the latter half of the programme.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held during February - details in next months Gazette - but it can be stated now that thanks to the splendid support of our Vice Presidents and members we ended this year with a small but useful balance in hand and membership showed an increase on the previous year.

We hope that our efforts will warrant your continued support during the coming year and to those who have not yet joined us we say Welcome! In conclusion we would like to wish our Vice Presidents, Members and Friends all that is best for 1959 and to gardeners everywhere may your crops flourish.

A.H.B.

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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

At our meeting on December 4th, Mrs. Piercy presiding, welcomed two new members, Mrs. Charteris and Mrs. Ivermee.

Christmas gifts were on show which are to be sent to the displaced family, these included jumpers, cardigans and blanket knitted in various coloured squares, and household linen.

Owing to fog, Miss Welsford was unable to travel from London to speak to us, but Miss Richardson came at very short notice and gave an interesting talk on "Folk Songs of English Origin" and also sang unaccompanied. After tea members joined in singing carols under the leadership of Mrs. L. Brown.

Our next meeting is on January 1st when Mrs. S.L. Wright M.A. is speaking on "Family Life in India", there is a competition for the prettiest brooch, and the tea hostesses are Mrs. Bowell, Mrs. Braisher, Mrs. L. Brown and Mrs. R. Biggs.

J.B.

OUR CHRISTMAS TREE

I suppose most people know where the Christmas Tree which stands in Trafalgar Square comes from. How each year Norway sends it as a present to England. It is then put up by quite expensive apparatus and decorated and lighted by paid employees.

Our tree in Naphill grows all the time, a little bigger each year and each year is lighted and decorated by friends who give their services, it is a beacon of welcome to our village - a demonstration of the Christmas Spirit.

We are proud of our tree and of our Village and very grateful to our kind friends for their anonymous services. R.C.R.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

NAPHILL SOCIAL CLUB - Every Thursday 8 p.m. until 10 p.m. Come and enjoy the entertainment.

Snowball now £4. 10. 0. a new one started  
£1. 5. 0.

We wish you all a Happy New Year.

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The Old Time Dance on December 6th was enjoyed by 70 Dancers. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor won the Velleta Cup and it will be held for eleven months.

Many thanks to Mrs. Day for her help. The First Saturday in December 1959 will again be competition night.

Congratulations to Mary Reed for gaining a Highly Commended Bronze Medal in Modern Ballroom Dancing. She is also the holder of a gold and gold Star Medal in Old Time Dancing. R.R.

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"	5th	Thursday	Social Club
"	5th	Thursday	Women's Institute Monthly Meeting
"	6th	Friday	Whist Drive
"	6th	Friday	Library
"	7th	Saturday	Women's Institute Rummage Sale
"	9th	Monday	Table Tennis Club
"	10th	Tuesday	Horticultural A.G.M.
"	12th	Thursday	Social Club
"	13th	Friday	Darby and Joan
"	13th	Friday	Tennis Club A.G.M.
"	16th	Monday	Table Tennis Club
"	17th	Tuesday	Conservative A.G.M.
"	18th	Wednesday	Infant Welfare Clinic
"	19th	Thursday	Social Club
"	20th	Friday	Whist Drive
"	20th	Friday	Library
"	23rd	Monday	Table Tennis Club
"	25th	Wednesday	Conservative Film Show
"	26th	Thursday	Social Club
"	27th	Friday	Darby and Joan
"	28th	Saturday	Table Tennis Club

Men's Club every Tuesday, Wednesday (Solo Drive) and Saturday.

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THE MISSION HALLPreachers for February

Sunday	February 1st	Morning 11 a.m.	Mr. Jeffs
"	" 8th	Evening 6.15 p.m.	Mr. R.H. Rumens of Aylesbury
"	" 15th	" "	Students from "ALL NATIONS"
"	" 22nd	" "	BIBLE COLLEGE
"	" 15th	" "	Mr. Hansen of Aylesbury
"	" 22nd	" "	Mr. S.J. Green of High Wycombe
Every Tuesday at 6.15 p.m. "Sunshine Corner" for Young People.			

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HUGHENDEN PARISH CHURCH

A series of film strips will be shown after Evensong on the Sundays in Lent. On February 15th The Last Supper, on February 22nd Gethsemane, on March 1st The Arrest and Trial on March 8th, The Judgement and Crucifixion. On March 15th The Resurrection.

A little bird told me that some of my Naphill people were upset by my remarks about the Church yard. Just a bit more factual information might help. In 1944 the Parish Council were warned that

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a cemetary for the Parish would be needed. Nothing has been accomplished so far. The charges in Wycombe Cemetary for a new double grave are £22. 10. 6 for the ground £6. 2. 6. for excavation, 10s. 0d to the minister, £1. 0. 0. for turfing, 15s. 0d per annum for half a dozen trimmings, Total £30. 2. 0. plus 15s. 0d per annum. The charges in Hughenden Church yard are:- nothing for the ground, £6. 2. 6. to the grave digger (and if the relatives prefer they could dig the grave themselves) 10s. 0d to the minister, 5s. 0d to the verger, 5s. 0d to the Sexton, £1. 0. 0. to the Parochial Church Council for turfing and it is left to the relatives to maintain the grave or pay for it to be done, Total £8. 2. 6. Just compare and you will see how very very fortunate my parishioners are. There is not a single Church in this district other than Hughenden where there is a skilled sexton in residence, nowhere where the fees are more modest. The real trouble is that monuments are erected and then the grave is neglected sometimes after a few years. Even turfed graves are forgotten. There is nothing more forlorn than a neglected grave. Better no mound and a flat mown turf don't you agree? In the old days the Vicars sheep kept the grass down.

This more detailed factual explanation I trust will smooth ruffled feelings. Just try to count your blessings and be realistic. How can the congregation alone keep the Church yard tidy? All those who use it surely are responsible - even the Burial Act says so.

Another little bird tells me Naphill will get cats eyes down that dangerous main road. Yet another blessing!

Mr. W. Page is off to the Theological College now. Remember him in your prayers won't you and keep his work going in the Sunday School please lady helpers. S.A.C.D.

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METHODIST CHURCH

Preachers for February

Morning 11 a.m.

Evening 6.15 p.m.

February 1st.  
 " 8th  
 " 15th  
 " 22nd

Rev. Freeman.  
 Miss Bowler.  
 Miss P. Webb  
 Mr. Osborn.

Rev. Burnham.  
 Mr. Healey  
 Mr. Howe.  
 Mr. S. Smith

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GARDENING NOTES

The days are slowly getting longer and it won't be long before we begin to get busy once again in the garden. The limiting factor at the moment is the weather and if we get any frost free spells roses and other shrubs can be planted and herbaceous plants lifted and divided. As soon as the soil can be get into the right condition shallots can be planted, broad beans, early peas, a row of onions and parsnips. Of course if you have a greenhouse, cold frame or cloches, seeds of brussels, cauliflower and early carrots can be sown under this protection and should grow in fine style.

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I know many of you have not ordered your seeds yet, why not do it now and make sure that you have got all the fertilisers you need and that the spray and insecticides are all ready, because there will be plenty of pests about again this year.

One final reminder, the next five or six weeks are the most dangerous for things in store such as gladioli, potatoes, dahlias, begonias and many others, so don't forget to look over such things and make sure that damp mildew, rot or other diseases are not taking possession and that frost is not taking its toll. A.H.B.

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FARMING NEWS

The Milk Board have just announced that ten million calves have been born from their A.I. services. A staggering figure indeed. But what a help it has been to Britain's urgent need of more beef. Instead of keeping a bull whose male calves are practically worthless, the dairy farmer lifts the telephone and asks for a beef breed insemination at least six times out of ten. What Daisy the cow thinks of this process has never been recorded, but as the posters say "Its quicker by tube". I note that a crossbred Hereford from the dairy herd at Moseley Lodge gained a third prize at the Wycombe Beef Show, this I understand was the first steer raised to maturity on this farm in over 40 years. Signs of the swing to beef can be seen on nearly every farm in Naphill.

Our Agricultural Correspondent.

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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

At the January meeting held on New Years Day, Mrs. Piercy, presiding said one of her New Years resolutions was to read the motto from the programme each month. This months was "Life is a journey and on we go".

After the usual business had been attended to, Mrs. Wright spoke to us on "Family Life in India" as she had lived with some families in India she was able to tell us many of their customs. A vote of thanks was given by Mrs. M. Bayley.

A competition for the prettiest brooch was won by Mrs. Tooby (Sen) Mrs. Weeks and Mrs. Smart. Mrs. Smart's brooch was a 100 years old. After tea, a game was played to see how many objects on a tray could be remembered after being given a certain time to memorise them.

Our next meeting is on February 5th when Miss Iris Ballard is visiting us again, this time to talk on "Behind the scenes in Radio and Television". There will be a competition for a "Home-made Valentine" Tea hostesses are Mrs. Eric Bayley, Mrs. Arthur Brown, Mrs. Ted Brown and Mrs. Black.

We are having a Rummage Sale on February 7th and members who have cont...

Women's Institute cont...  
any rummage can bring it to the February Meeting.

J.B.

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DARBY AND JOAN CLUB

Mr. Ted Tolph came to give us a talk on the Furniture Trade of High Wycombe and in spite of the wintry weather fifty members rolled up to offer him a warm welcome. As a boy he had played football in Farmer Harding's field until the game was stopped by the bursting of the ball; he deplored the disappearance of so many of the Village Bands especially the Boys' Drum and Fife Bands. He told us of the early days of chair-making when a red-hot poker was one of the most important tools used and he remarked that he had seen in the papers the account of the sale of a celebrated table for the tidy sum of £35,000 and that he had known of the making of many tables of very similar pattern in High Wycombe but, alas, they had never been sold for such a high price. The speaker agreed with Major Oakeshott that the late Jack Goodchild had won lasting fame for his beautiful Naphill chairs. Many of our members had a chat with Mr. Rolph about old times in Naphill and Wycombe and everyone hoped that he would pay us another visit at no distant date. E.B.

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MEN'S CLUB

The Men's Club started the New Year in the company of the Ladies. A new innovation this, that allows members to bring their wives or sweethearts to the club on the first Saturday in every month.

On Saturday 10th January a whist drive was held for members and their friends, the billiard room was comfortably filled with a happy throng. There were numerous valuable prizes and among the principal prizewinners were Mrs. Jackson, Mr. S. Williams, Mr. J. Bayley and Mr. J. Hall.

The number of younger members now making their appearance in the Club is very encouraging. We welcome them heartily and every endeavour will be made to keep them attending regularly. V.W.H.

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NAPHILL TABLE TENNIS CLUB

The Table Tennis team are still doing very well in the League as you will see from the following games:-

Naphill v Lintafoam "B"	Won	6 - 4
Naphill v Bucks Free Press	Won	9 - 1
Naphill v Holmer Green	Won	7 - 3
Naphill v Lane End	Won	6 - 4
Naphill v Gem Club	Won	10 - 0
Naphill v Redfords	Won	10 - 0
Naphill v Ward House	Won	8 - 2
Naphill v Nomads	Lost	8 - 2
Naphill v Turners	Won	10 - 0

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Naphill Table Tennis Club cont...

The Club will be holding a Rummage Sale towards the end of February and we hope to have lots of bargains so watch for the posters giving the exact date. B.S.

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NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB

Come snow, Come rain we continue with our winter programme and also making preparations for next season.

Our financial year ends in February and we wish to thank everyone who has helped to make it a success.

We are holding our Annual General Meeting in the Village Hall on Friday February 13th at 8 p.m. We hope all members will attend and we extend a warm welcome to everyone interested in the clubs activities. D.M.S.

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HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

At last we are able to announce the date of our Annual General Meeting which will take place in the Village Hall Committee Rooms on Tuesday February 10th commencing at 8 p.m. It is hoped that as many members as possible will come along to this meeting when a report of the years work will be given and the financial side of our activities explained.

Although no records have been broken we are pleased to report that membership was as high last year as at any time in our history. Already members are coming along with their Subs for 1959 and you can now pay yours to any of the following members of the Committee:-

C.T. or C. Smith also A.L.Rivett for the Coombe Lane area, J. Balls or F. Newdich, Louches Lane area, G. Hussey, R. King or H. Hussey, Stocking Lane, S.J.Smith, Main Road and Christophers Close, E. Shrimpton for Moseley Road and for the top end of the Village including Walters Ash, R. Ginger, R. Brown, W. Parslow and J.Humphrey, and I am always pleased to receive any that these gentlemen miss. A.H.B.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FREE FILM SHOW

The Naphill Conservative Branch is putting on a Free Film Show in the Village Hall on Wednesday 25th February, 1959 at 8 p.m. All residents of the village are cordially invited, and it is emphasised that this is NON-POLITICAL. It is hoped to show films about various interesting subjects such as the Harvesting and Canning of fruits and vegetables; a visit to a farm in the country; roads and road

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Free Film Show cont.....

construction in many European countries, and life in a popular seaside town. In addition, it is hoped to show a film about a local industrial engineering firm.

The pictures are in colour and sound.

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NAPHILL CONSERVATIVE BRANCH

The Annual General Meeting of the Naphill Conservative Branch will be held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 17th February, 1959 at 8 p.m. All members are invited to attend.

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ALAN SHRIMPTON, wishes on behalf of the High Wycombe District Spastic Society to thank everybody who helped in any way in making his party so successful this year, particularly those friends who gave prizes, refreshments etc. The general comment among the 120 present, was that this year was better than ever.

The final figure is not at hand yet, but approximately £45. 0. 0. was raised for this very worthy cause. The exact amount will be published in next months "Gazette".

He would like to thank especially Mr. and Mrs. Albert Brown and Miss Jean Lawrence for their most generous assistance.

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"	9th	Monday	Village Hall Council Meeting
"	12th	Thursday	Social Club
"	13th	Friday	Darby and Joan Club
"	13th	Friday	Women's Institute Whist Drive
"	16th	Monday	Table Tennis Club
"	18th	Wednesday	Infant Welfare Clinic
"	19th	Thursday	Social Club
"	20th	Friday	Whist Drive
"	20th	Friday	Library
"	21st	Saturday	Naphill Labour Party Social
"	23rd	Monday	Table Tennis Club
"	26th	Thursday	Social Club
"	30th	Monday	Table Tennis Club
April	1st	Wednesday	Women's Institute Group Meeting
"	2nd	Thursday	Women's Institute Monthly Meeting

We were so sorry to hear of the death of Mr. Clark of Downley Road and to his wife we offer our deep sympathy.

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METHODIST CHURCH

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Preachers for March

March	1st.	Mr. W. Rutland.	Mr. F. Howard
"	5th	Rev. P.H.Foster	Rev.A.H.Freeman
"	15th	Rev. A.H.Freeman.	Mr.K.Lewis
"	22nd	Mr. L.Goodchild	Mrs.F.Smith, Eastcote (Also at 2.45 p.m.)
"	29th	Mr.F.Collins.	Mr.C.Craft.

SPECIAL NOTE:- "YOUTH SUNDAY" 15th March - 2.30 p.m. A Young People's Service will be held in the Methodist Church. If YOU have any interest in the young people, you are cordially invited to come along and support them at their special service.

WOMEN'S SUNDAY:- MARCH 22nd, - Special Services at 2.45 and 6.15 p.m. conducted by Mrs.F.Smith.

The Annual Women's Rally will be held on Wednesday March 25th at 2.45 p.m. President Mrs. Freeman, Speaker Sister Eva Lyth.

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THE MISSION HALL

<u>Speakers for March</u>		Morning 11 a.m.	
Sunday March 1st.		Mr.R.M.Ingleby	
"	"	Evening 6.15 p.m.	Mr.R.M.Ingleby
"	"	8th 3 p.m	SPECIAL MOTHER'S DAY SERVICE
			Mrs. Mary Ward, Missionary from India
			Sunday School Scholars, Singing etc.
		Evening 6.15 p.m.	Mr.R.M.Ingleby
"	"	15th	" " Soloist Mrs. Mary Ward
			Students from "All Nations"
			Bible College.
"	"	22nd	" " Mr. Clark from Tring
"	"	29th	" " (Mr. C. Lovell
			(from Yeovil.
		EASTER SERVICE	

THE HALL WILL BE OPEN ON GOOD FRIDAY FROM 11 A.M. to 12.30 FOR PRAYER.

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VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL NEWS

At the February meeting of the Village Hall Council, Mr. Halsey newly appointed chairman welcomed Mr. Cooper back after his illness, and also welcomed Mrs. Weeks now representing the Women's Institute on the Council.

The Annual General Meeting of the Village Hall Council will be held on April 7th at 8 p.m. in the Village Hall. Please come and show your interest in the running of your Hall and Playing Fields.

It was agreed that the vacancy for a Hall Caretaker or part-time cleaner should be advertised locally.

A Sub-Committee was formed to deal with the planning and preparation of the Annual Fete - more news of this later.

Thanks were expressed to the few stalwarts who are working so hard to make the Thursday Nights Social Club such a success, both socially and financially. Offers of help, especially between 4.30 and 6 p.m. to prepare the Hall will be most welcome. Mr. Wright will be glad to hear of anyone who can spare a little time for this.

In future the Village Hall Council Meetings will be held on the second Monday in the month instead of the first. Will all members please note.

Our grateful thanks to members of the Women's Institute Voluntary Working Party who swept, cleaned and polished the Village Hall throughout, one day last week - a great help in these difficult times.  
R.B.

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(GARDENING NOTES

Well we have now arrived at the time when we can make a start in the garden, weather permitting.

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Gardening Notes cont...

On looking around some of your gardens and allotments, including my own, it would seem that there is quite a bit of cleaning up and digging to be done before any sowing and planting can be started. Where things are really bad it means going over some of the patches with a reaping hook, taking out a trench at one end and carting the soil to the opposite end, then skim the weeds and rubbish off with a spade. This can be buried in the trench as work proceeds except of course such perennial weeds as dandelions, docks, couch grass and bindweed. Having done that you can plant those shallots, broad beans, an early variety of peas, some parsnips, a row of early carrots and a little patch of lettuce and risk a few early potatoes.

There is still time to plant or transplant most of those type of plants that come up every year in the herbaceous border and a little slug bait around delphiniums, gypsophila, lupins and the like, because slugs can seriously damage the young shoots that are now starting into growth.

Look over that lawn mower, it will soon be time to cut that grass again. A.H.B.

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FARMING NEWS

Mr.F.C.Turner of Walters Ash Farm has acquired the quaintly named Promised Lan Farm, Lacey Green and is now running the two together. This led a certain Sales Representative to get his Bible mixed up with John Milton, Introducing himself to me he said "I have been asked to call on you by Mr. Turner of "Paradise Lost".

A walk down Downley Road gives something of a shock today. Vincents Farm has been bulldozed off the face of the earth. When, if ever, will a halt be called to this loss of good land, for this was some of the best and most fertile in the district. Surely there is plenty of almost useless land for the taking. It seems those who grant planning permission do not consider this aspect. The buildings at Vincents were old and the late Mr. Nicholls was perhaps a little old fashioned in his methods but what skill and care he exercised. I have known him to put 100 of his own eggs under eight broody hens and rear 97 chickens. You have to be very old fashioned to do that.

Then there is the question of a site for the new school. If Vincents Farm had to be built on, that part adjoining the playing fields was surely ideal. The Moseley Road site is now so hemmed in by houses that few would consider it suitable. To avoid further loss of good land what about the Glebe, I suppose the answer is that this belongs to the church and it is no longer a church school.

By our Agricultural Correspondent.

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NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB

With the start of a new season we look forward to lovely summer cont.....

Naphill Tennis Club cont...

days and plenty of time to spend on the courts.

Subscriptions remain unaltered:-

Seniors - £2. 2. 0.      Semi-Seniors - 15s. 0d.      Juniors      5s. 0d

We extend a warm welcome to new members. There are two excellent courts and balls are provided. We should very much like to see a bigger membership, especially Juniors.

This season we would like to arrange a scheme for Junior coaching. If you are interested in having coaching for Junior Members will you please get in touch with the Secretary, Miss L. Sharpe, Telephone: NAPHILL 3193 or the following committee members:- Messrs. T. Bayley, D. Ing, G. Flower, R. Piercy, A. Lawrence, A. Shrimpton. Mesdames M. Bayley, C. Ginger, B. Baines, A. Lawrence. It is necessary to make an application before the end of March.

Another very successful members Whist Party was given by Mr. and Mrs. J. Connors and Mr. and Mrs. A. Shrimpton and held at the "Three Pigeons" Hunts Hill Lane.

Saturday April 4th - we have arranged to hold another of our Big Bargains Rummage Sales, make a special note of this date and come early. Sale commences at 2.30 p.m. L.M.S.

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DARBY AND JOAN CLUB

Mr. Fred. Dean who has won many distinctions for meritorious service in the Boy Scouts movement gave us an amusing account of his experiences both at home and abroad, including an interview with the great B.P. himself. About a dozen members brought the bulbs in flower that had been distributed to everyone a few months ago; first prize went to Mrs. Parslow and the second to Miss Dowson. Reference was made to the interesting interview with Miss Dowson published in the local Press and she was invited to give us a talk on her experiences in the near future.

We were glad to welcome Mr. Piercy and Mr. Hildersley who brought greetings from the Mens Social Club. Sixty members were present and new ones keep coming in; the more the merrier.

At a recent meeting some members expressed a desire to keep in touch with any Naphillians who had left the village and were living in distant parts of the country or perhaps abroad. If this copy of the Naphill Gazette, with its wide circulation, should fall into the hands of some former residents in Naphill will they please communicate with the Secretary of the Darby and Joan Club, Plum Tree Cottage, Naphill; we can promise them a hearty acknowledgement with all the latest news about the old village.

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NAPHILL WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

There was a good attendance at the February meetings with Mrs. Piercy presiding.

A letter of thanks was read from the adopted displaced family acknowledging the Christmas parcel which was greatly appreciated.

Miss Iris Ballard gave an interesting talk entitled "Behind the scenes in Radio and Television." and members were able to ask her questions. Mrs. Bull gave a vote of thanks.

The competition for a home made Valentine was won by Mrs. St. John with a very pretty one.

At our Annual party members and their friends enjoyed a happy evening joining in the games organised by the committee. To end the evening the Drama Group performed a very amusing play entitled "The Little Heir".

Our next meeting is on March 5th when Miss Hammond will be speaking on "Home perming and the care of the hair". The competition is for the "Best spring cleaning hint". Tea hostesses are Miss Clarke, Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. Jackson and Mrs. Drake.

On March 13th we are having a Grand Whist Drive in the Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. admission 2s. 0d. Tickets will be on sale at the March meeting, also at the door on the night. J.B.

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HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Another Annual Meeting has come and gone and our 13th year since our formation in the present set-up has been completed.

Superstition has been confounded as, far from being an unlucky year, we have come through with a better bank balance, a record membership, an increasing number of Vice Presidents and a tidier Village Memorial.

We have delivered lime, organised "Quizes" and Film Shows and completed other routine work.

Our two shows knocked our funds quite a bit, but as our Chairman Mr. Reg. Brown says these losses on our Shows should be regarded in the light of expenses for putting on something good to see and of educational value.

All officers and committee were re-elected with two exceptions, Mr. A. J. Gould, a great friend to our Society and a much valued Committee member has resigned owing to pressure of other work, we shall miss him greatly. Mr. H. Tweedale has been appointed as an auditor in place of Mr. H. Day.

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Horticultural Society cont...

All Vice Presidents were unanimously re-elected and we look forward to increasing their numbers during the coming year.

A.H.B.

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ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR SALE: Cineraria Plants - various colours 2/6 to 4/-  
Garden Truck - would make small trailer - 30/-  
Tweeddale, "Ashfield"

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- NAPHILL WOMEN'S INSTITUTE -

GRAND WHIST DRIVE in the VILLAGE HALL on FRIDAY MARCH 13th AT 7.30 p.m.

ADMISSION 2s. 6d

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ANNOUNCEMENT

The total raised at the Charity Party run by Mr. Alan Shrimpton was indeed £45. 0. 0.

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AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

April 1st	Wednesday	Women's Institute Group Meeting
" "	"	Infant Welfare Clinic
" 2nd	Thursday	Women's Institute Monthly Meeting
" "	"	Social Club
" 3rd	Friday	Whist Drive
" "	"	Library
" "	"	Darby and Joan
" 4th	Saturday	Tennis Club Rummage Sale
" 6th	Monday	Table Tennis Club
" 9th	Thursday	Social Club
" 10th	Friday	Tennis Club Whist Drive 7.30 p.m.
" 13th	Monday	Table Tennis Club
" 15th	Wednesday	Infant Welfare Clinic
" 16th	Thursday	Social Club
" 17th	Friday	Darby and Joan
" "	"	Whist Drive
" "	"	Library
" 20th	Monday	Table Tennis Club
" 22nd	Wednesday	Tennis Club Film Show
" 23rd	Thursday	Social Club
" 25th	Saturday	Women's Institute Drama Festival
" 27th	Monday	Table Tennis Club
" 30th	Thursday	Social Club

We would like to extend our sympathy to the family of Mrs. Piggott on their recent sad loss.

Mr. Jim Thompson passed away this month at the age of 77. He had lived his life in the village and will be sadly missed by us all. Mrs. Thompson has our deep sympathy.

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HUGHENDEN PARISH CHURCH

Youth Chaplains have organised an Annual Diocesan Youth Festival for the whole Diocese on April 25th. The attractions are a visit to "Into all the world" at Oxford Town Hall and a service in the Cathedral at 6.15 p.m.. An early start would give time for a visit to the River or to a few of the Colleges. Those members of the Youth Club at Naphill who would care to go should see the Vicar.

The Universities Mission to Central Africa have organised an Exhibition in Oxford Town Hall between May 5th and May 8th, admission is by brochure costing 1s. Od. Application for the same should be made now, also to the Vicar.

About the Glebe, I can give a few facts. It does belong to the Vicar of Hughenden and his successors in law. In the early 'thirties the Bishop of Buckingham found rather more than £200. O. O. to put water borne sanitation into this school and Mr. Herbert Jones offered the School Managers the Glebe for £100. O. O. They refused it unless cont.....

Hughenden Parish Church cont....

the Diocese found another £100. 0. 0. and gave them this money wherewith to buy the Glebe! It was enjoyed rent free by the school for many years for gardens. To regularise the position 1s. 0d a year rent was asked for it, and it was very difficult to get the Managers to pay even that. There was no uncome or endowment for the school other than the rent of the Teachers House and folk were unwilling to support the school financially. Under the 1944 Act plans the Glebe was offered the County Education Authority - the Authority turned it down out of hand as hopelessly inadequate. The Glebe was leased to the Education Committee on reasonable terms when the school attained Controlled Status soon after 1951 - especially in view of the fact that the buildings on it had lapsed to the ground landlord. The lease was extended without any difficulties being made when the terrapins were erected, and at the same rent by me, although the lease has expired. There was an assurance given me that the area would be tidied up and the hedges repaired! The rent is counted in, of course, by the ecclesiastical authorities as part of the benefice income. My local Councillors tell me "The Church is fifty years behind the times" Harsh Counsel! I do hope Naphill will come to realise gradually that the Church of England did try to do something for this hamlet over the course of a century through the school. Is it true that about 1936 a school was offered for this area to cost about £6,000.0.0 and was opposed locally on the grounds of expense?

I am really grateful to the two Naphill subscribers to our Lay Workers Fund and for the £2. 5. 0. they contributed last year, please continue your support.

The Sunday School continues, and the visiting also, though not so fervently. There are other portions of the Parish asking for Pastoral care as you all know. S.A.C.D.

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METHODIST CHURCH

Preachers for April

Morning 11 a.m.

Evening 6.15 p.m.

Sunday April 5th  
 " " 12th  
 " " 19th  
 " " 26th

Rev.A.H.Freeman.  
 Rev.A.H.Freeman  
 Mr.W.S.Rose.  
 Mr.W.J.Stephen

Mr.A.G.Thomas  
 Mr.H.Jarrett  
 Mr.M.Britton  
 Rev.A.H.Freeman.

WE GIVE ALL A WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES.

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THE MISSION HALL

Preachers for April

Sunday April 5th  
 " " 12th  
 " " 19th

Morning 11 a.m.  
 Evening 6.15 p.m.

Mr. T. Jeffs  
 Mr.G.E.Ingleby  
 of Newlands Park.  
 Mr.J.Duffett, Winslow  
 Mr.R.M.Ingleby

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The Mission Hall cont.....

Sunday April 26th. Evening 6.15 p.m. Students from the "All Nations Bible College"

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NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL

The Annual General Meeting of the Naphill Village Hall Council will be held at 8.00 p.m. 7th April, 1959. Statements of financial accounts will be issued at meeting or can be obtained from D.C.Tooby "Abbotsbury" (2308) D.C.T.

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NAPHILL FETE & FLOWER SHOW

QUEEN FOR A DAY

It has been decided that this year we have a fete queen at the combined show on July 11th. Anyone wishing to nominate a young lady between the ages of 16 and 25 are requested to forward the names and addresses to the fete secretary - Mr.M.J.Balls "Westfield". Closing date for entries - Saturday 16th May. Judging will take place at a date to be announced later.

There will be many new attractions at this years combined fete and flower show, so please make a note of the date - Saturday 11th July and come and enjoy a pleasant afternoon. M.J.B.

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GARDENING NOTES

The weather has not allowed us to do very much seed sowing in the garden yet, but although it is very nice to gather fresh vegetables from the garden as early as possible it is not easy at Naphill with our cold clay soil and the high altitude from sea level. As long as the ground is already prepared it won't take long to get the various seeds in, now that the soil is beginning to warm up and the prospects of better weather are improving.

As the first sowings of peas, lettuce, radishes and similar crops come through further sowings should be made to keep up a succession. Don't be too eager with the beetroot, the end of the month is quite soon enough, but you can try a small sowing of early carrots during the next week or so, also some early potatoes. Get the site ready for runner and dwarf beans, but of course don't sow 'till next month.

Gladioli and sweet peas can go out when the weather is suitable and a start can be made with cauliflower, brussels and other green stuff and remember we may expect frosts till the middle of May at least.

A.H.B.

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NAPHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

The School Managers desire to make it known to Naphill people that a new school cannot be erected on the existing site and the Glebe adjoining because the size of this plot of land is totally inadequate. The choice of the site for a new school is not in the hands of the School Managers but is decided by the Planning Authority and the County Authority. Representations have been made about the desirability of Vincents Farm and have not been successful.

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FROM OUR AGRICULTURAL CORRESPONDENT.

Although Little Moseley Farm has disappeared under a burgeon of bungalows, there are still three Moseleys to confuse lorry drivers. When these gentry trouble to ask, all is well, but when they dump their loads without asking, bad language ensues. One of them has been cured of this habit. He knocked at the door of Moseley Farm and said "Here's yer ticket guv'nor, I've just dumped a load of gravel in your yard". "Have you" said Mr. Ralph Morris, "Well here's a shovel, you can pick it up again, because its not for me".

The Met. boys who sometimes make such a hash of forecasting the weather 24 hours ahead, are very reliable when they speak of the past. When they tell us we have just had the driest February for a century I believe them implicitly. Certainly I have never seen so many corn drills working in that month. Let us hope this is just the first installment as Mother Nature makes amends for all we suffered last year. But don't forget the old warning "Fogs in February mean Frosts in May."

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NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB

We have received one or two enquiries regarding junior coaching, but would like to see more young members interested. The coaching will be given by an L.T.A. Coach and includes members up to 18 years of age. It is some time since we have been able to supply a coach and feel this is an opportunity not to be missed by juniors interested in learning to play tennis.

Another members whist party was enjoyed by members, given by Mrs. Ginger and Miss Sharpe. These small Whist parties have become so popular with the members, we have decided to run a public Whist drive in the Village Hall, Friday April 10th commencing at 7.30 p.m. Tickets (including light refreshment) 2s. 0d. - Good Prizes.

On Saturday April 4th we are holding another of our popular Rummage Sales commencing at 2.30 p.m. Admission 2d. Plenty of bargains if you come early!

We welcome everyone interested in tennis, either as player or spectator to come and see our Film Show in the Village Hall on Wednesday  
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Naphill Tennis Club cont....

April 22nd at 8 p.m. We are showing three of Slazengers most interesting films "Covering Wimbledon" "MAJESTIC Wimbledon" and "Spotlight on Wimbledon" (A collection will be made to defray cost).  
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L.M.S.

DARBY & JOAN CLUB

On March 13th we had a very interesting visit from Mrs. Perry and Mrs. Towner, two ladies from the Officers Wives Club of the United States Air Force Base at Ruislip. They gave us a lively account of many aspects of the American way of life and answered questions from the audience. They warned us of some of the differences in language, for instance, our delightful word "homely" means in American "plain looking" or "unattractive".

They appreciated our pretty gardens but regretted that they were always surrounded by high hedges so that they had to ride on the tops of buses to get a good look. After tea, our charming American friends mixed freely with the members who enjoyed chatting about such subjects as the cost of getting daily help, husbands who enjoy washing-up and co-education in schools.

Naphill was glad to do its share in the International task of cementing friendship between the United Kingdom and the United States of America.  
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E.B.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

At our March Meeting Miss E. Hammond gave a talk on "Home perming and care of the Hair". Members were able to ask questions and useful tips were given for home perming. Mrs. E. Hussey gave a vote of thanks.

A letter was read from the adopted displaced family and Easter gifts were on show for a parcel to be sent to them.

Mrs. Piercy bid Mrs. Jackson "Bon Voyage" as she is leaving us for six months to visit her daughter in Canada.

On March 13th we held a Whist Drive and it proved most successful.

Our next meeting is on April 2nd. There will be a talk entitled "Land under the Southern Cross" by Miss Swires.

The competition is "The best dressed egg".

Tea hostesses are Mrs. Dunford, Mrs. Charteris, Mrs. Flower and Mrs. Ellis  
J.M.B.  
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HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Owing to printing difficulties our 1959 membership cards have only just become available. These have now been issued to all those thoughtful members who were so prompt in forwarding their Subs quite early in the year and we apologise for keeping them waiting so long for acknowledgement.

The new cards are the only ones that will now be accepted by Messrs. Jones and Rivett for those members wishing to obtain the 10% rebate on their gardening requirements.

There will be a few tickets available (free to members) for the Chelsea Flower Show. All applications will be considered and the fairest possible allocation made.

Anyone wishing to borrow any of the following Annual Handbooks issued by the following National Societies should make application to any member of the Committee.

Sweet Pea, Rose, Dahlia, Chrysanthemum, Gladiolus, Delphinium.  
A.H.B.

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ADVERTISEMENTS

RIDING INSTRUCTION - HACKING, JUMPING, CHILDREN AND ADULTS -

Monica Smith B.H.S. Wycombe Road, Saunderton, Princes Risborough 245

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TENNIS EQUIPMENT & PROFESSIONAL TENNIS COACHING

ERIC C. CROSS, Flat "A", Cherrycroft, Naphill (appointed as Chief Coach to the Welsh Lawn Tennis Association 1958/9) and Registered with the British Lawn Tennis Association can now supply direct any make of "DUNLOP EQUIPMENT" this includes Tennis Rackets, Tennis Balls, Footwear, and clothing. He can also have Tennis Rackets made to your exact specification and sent to you direct from the factory, at no extra cost.

Contact him at once and see for yourself the result of EXPERT ADVICE.

He has a few dates left for Professional Tennis Coaching.

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AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

May	1st	Friday	Whist Drive
"	"	"	Library
"	"	"	Darby and Joan
"	4th	Monday	Table Tennis Club
"	6th	Wednesday	Infant Welfare
"	7th	Thursday	Social Club
"	14th	Thursday	Social Club
"	15th	Friday	Whist Drive
"	"	"	Library
"	20th	Wednesday	Infant Welfare
"	21st	Thursday	Social Club
"	23rd	Saturday	Scouts and Guides Rummage Sale.
"	28th	Thursday	Social Club
"	29th	Friday	Whist Drive
"	"	"	Library

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THE MISSION HALL

Preachers for May

Sunday	May	3rd	Morning 11 a.m.	Mr.R.M.Ingleby
"	"	10th	Evening 6.15 p.m.	Mr.R.M.Ingleby
"	"	17th	" "	Students from "All Nations" Bible College.
"	"	24th	" "	Mr.S.J.Green, High Wycombe
"	"	31st	" "	Mr. K. Ives, High Wycombe.
				Mr.R.Curtis, High Wycombe.

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METHODIST CHURCH

Preachers for May

			<u>Morning 11 a.m.</u>	<u>Evening 6.15 p.m.</u>
Sunday	May	3rd	Mr.R.A.Ellins.	Mr.J.Miller
"	"	10th	Rev.A.H.Freeman	Mr. Healey also at 2.30 p.m
"	"	17th	Supply	Mrs. Holt.
"	"	24th	Mr. D. Robins.	Mr. Head
"	"	31st.	Mr. A. Kinch.	Mr. W. Smith.

Our Sunday School children are having their Anniversary Services on May 10th at 11 a.m. 2.30 p.m. and 6.15 p.m. We invite you to come and enjoy these services and support the children.

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HUGHENDEN PARISH CHURCH

Ascension Day services are Holy Communion at 7.30 a.m. and 10.30 a.m. A children's service at 9.15 a.m. approximately especially for the children withdrawn for Religious Instruction, and  
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Hughenden Parish Church cont....

Evensong at 7.30 p.m.

On Whit Sunday the services will be Holy Communion (The Lords own service) at 7 a.m. and 8 a.m. A Sung Eucharist at 11 a.m, a Childrens Service at 2.45 p.m. and Evensong with Sermon at 6.30 p.m.

The Sunday School Treat to Woburn Abbey is now nearly organised. Two coaches are to pick up people at various points at approximately 11 o'clock on Whit Tuesday. We plan to be home at about 8 p.m. There are seven vacant seats if anyone would like to join in, perhaps they would telephone me at High Wycombe 1917 soon for more details.

A most welcome present of a 1955 Austin 30 makes it possible for me to visit parishioners in hospitals once again. So do please let me know if you have someone in hospital who would like to be visited.

S.A.C.D.

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RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL ELECTION

On Tuesday May 5th, the Rural District Council election will take place and everyone is asked to vote for one of the following three candidates whose letters to the readers of the Gazette are published here.

"I have been elected as the Vice Chairman of the Hall Council for next year subject to your vote and I hope you will place the same confidence in me by returning me as your Councillor again, having served you for the past 6 years and have served on all the Committees over those years.

I have watched your interests and as an Independent member, I have spoken without fear or favour of Party Politics. Once again I ask for your vote at Naphill School on May 5th."

Yours sincerely,

A. Fleet.

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"Dear Elector,

I have been asked to stand as an Independent Candidate at the Rural District Council Election for this district, which takes place on Tuesday 5th May, 1959. In this connection I have carefully considered the matter, and feel that I can serve the electors of Naphill as they best require.

I have lived in the village of Naphill for the past 38 years, and have worked in the district for 42 years up to the time of my retirement some three years ago; this proves in itself that I am no stranger to you.

I retired from my position as Postal Inspector in March, 1956

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and therefore I have adequate time available to meet any demands occasioned by the office of Rural District Councillor.

Over the past five years, I have held office as Churchwarden at Hughenden Church, and for six years I have been on the Management Committee of the Naphill School. In addition, I am at present the Chairman of the Naphill Village Hall Council.

From the foregoing you will appreciate that I am well acquainted, and in touch with the various aspects of village life. I, therefore, earnestly request your support on election day, and assure you that if I am returned as your candidate, will serve you, and the general community, diligently, honestly and with all the means at my disposal."

Yours sincerely,

E.C.Halsey.

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"Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am very grateful to the "Gazette" for the opportunity of introducing myself to those Naphill residents I have not yet had the opportunity to meet.

I and my family settled in Speen after 7 years teaching in the Sudan, and I was very pleased when the Naphill Labour Party asked me to contest this seat. I feel it is only right that the Labour Party should have more adequate representation on the Rural District Council and I am encouraged to find that so many other people seem to think the same."

Yours sincerely,

Colin Judd.

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PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

There will be no Parish Council Election as a result of the withdrawal of one of the candidates, Mr. A. Fleet. So that there are now only three candidates for the three vacant seats.

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GARDENING NOTES

The weather has not been too kind for getting small seeds in or in fact for catching up on those gardening jobs, but cheer up, better weather is bound to come.

May can be a bit tricky with the possibility of late frosts, but potato planting can now be completed and runner and kidney beans planted any time after the 7th. Prepare the site for the marrow bed and the ridge cucumbers and why not make an early start with leeks and celery.

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Gardening Notes cont....

Tomatoes can now be planted in the cold greenhouse but it is safer to leave outdoor planting until the beginning of next month, this also applies to Dahlias. When polyanthus have finished blooming, split up the large clumps and plant out in a reserve border until the autumn. Seeds of most annuals can be sown in the open garden. Shirly Poppies, Candytuft, Cornflower and Linum or Toad Flax are a few of the easy ones. Watch out for pests above and below ground and keep the hoe going.

A.H.B.

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DARBY AND JOAN CLUB

On April 17th, we celebrated our Second Birthday with great Pomp and Circumstance; sixty Members flocked in; in the centre of the Chairman's table reposed the splendid cake designed and made by Mrs. Pugh and ornamented by a two-candle-power illumination. This occasion was also our Annual General Meeting and our Treasurer, Mr. Geoffrey Smith, was listened to with deep attention while he unfolded the details of the Balance Sheet which disclosed the cheerful fact that we are self-supporting and in no need of charitable help; a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Geoffrey Smith who has done so much to help the Members in many different ways. In accordance with our Rules, all offices were declared vacant; the Members were invited to make any comments or to air any grievances and it appeared that such harmony existed between Officials and Members that it was unanimously decided to re-elect the former officials who heaved a sigh of relief on hearing that not one of them had got the sack. Everyone was delighted when Mrs. Ernest Smith consented to remain as our President. The Chairman spoke in warm praise of the work done by the Committee and by other kind Helpers and Mr. Sidney Smith in a graceful little speech thanked The Chairman and Secretary for their services. After the business was completed Mrs. Geoffrey Smith and Miss Olive Goodchild played a duet on the piano, presented to the Club by Mrs. Morris, and Miss Goodchild sang one of her pleasing songs; Mr. Sidney Smith sang a song with words written by himself which kept us all laughing; we appointed him our Poet Laureate. Mrs. Ernest Smith then cut the cake and there was a piece for everyone including those who were unavoidably prevented from coming to the Hall. Our Birthday Party was a very happy event and we all look forward with confidence to another enjoyable year.

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NAPHILL WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

There was a good attendance at the April meeting of Naphill Women's Institute held in the Village Hall. Three new members were welcomed by Mrs. Piercy the President, they were Mrs. Wood, Miss C. Goodchild and Miss C. Goodchild. An invitation was accepted from Lacey Green for two members to go to a play which they are performing this month.

Miss Swires was the speaker, her talk entitled "Land under the

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Women's Institute cont....

"Southern Cross" was enjoyed by all, her subject was about the Flying Doctor service, and we were told that by the Queen's wish while she was visiting Australia it was now called the Royal Flying Doctor Service, and she also explained how the Country Women's Association was run in Australia. This being like our Women's Institute.

Mrs. Blackwell gave a hearty vote of thanks.

The competition for the best dressed egg was won by Mrs. Butler.

Our next meeting will be on May 7th when Mrs. Arkell V.C.O. is coming to explain and discuss the resolutions for the meeting at the Albert Hall.

There are some coach seats available for our outing to Stratford on Avon on May 23rd, anyone interested should contact Mrs. Piercy "Roseley Lodge Farm" Naphill 2137. The cost will be 10/6. J.B.

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FARMING NEWS.

That famous farmer-author A.G. Street has said that every farmer worth his salt, should play his part in local affairs, which made it rather sad that I could not see one at the Village Hall A.G.M. More important, except for a lad from the Table Tennis Club, I could see only one man who went to school at Naphill. It seems the "furriners" are more resistant than the natives to that scourge of the 1950's whose pedigree is "By T.V. out of Apathy" and whose horrible name is "Couldn't Care Less"

Most of us have got through the winter without buying hay and those sellers who hung on until March to get a higher price were unlucky, for the grass came early and prices went down. That is how it goes in farming. A farmer near Thame has set up a record by harvesting Barley in January. His ground was waterlogged all through autumn and he had to wait for a hard frost, to get in five tons, about a quarter of his crop.

I was glad to see the the Vicar has always been in favour of the Glebe being used for a new school, but the Governors say it is not big enough. Well there is common land adjoining, half of which is just gorse bushes, but I expect it will go on that bit of ground surrounded on three sides by back gardens, including Ron Watson's prize peaches. Scrumptious Scrumpling.

From our Agricultural Correspondent.

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NAPHILL TABLE TENNIS CLUB

I am pleased to announce that the Club became runners up to Nomads in the High Wycombe and District Table Tennis League. This will of course mean that we shall go into a higher Division next year. This is cent.....

Naphill Table Tennis Club cont...

the first time we have entered into the League as a Club and I would like to congratulate the members of the team in their effort.

We shall be closing shortly for the summer months but we will be opening again in the Autumn. We would like to see all the old members back at that time and extend a warm welcome to anyone wishing to enrol.  
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TENNIS CLUB

May we thank everyone who helped in any way to make our Rummage Sale so successful and raise £21. 0. 0. for Club Funds.

The first of our public Whist Drives was a huge success and we are grateful to everyone who supported us in raising £13. 0. 0.

With longer evenings and improved weather conditions May is usually when we see quite a lot of activity on the courts. We have two excellent courts and are looking forward to some interesting matches. The Club Tournaments are fixed to take place the first two weeks in June. If you have not already joined the Club and are thinking of becoming a member now is the time to come along and enter your name for the Club Tournaments.

Subscriptions remain the same:- Seniors £2. 2. 0  
Semi-Seniors - 15s. 0d  
Balls Provided. Juniors - 5s. 0d

We are hoping before our next Gazette notice to have arranged for Junior Coaching. When we have completed the arrangements Notice will be posted in the Pavillion.  
L.M.S.

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HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Plans are going ahead for our Show on July 11th, which, as you know, will this year be run in conjunction with the Village Fete.

We are confident that those of you who regularly support our Show will also stay on and visit the Fete and support, with as much cash as you can afford, the many attractive side shows that are being arranged and thus help in keeping our Village Hall and Playing Fields as they already are, among the best in the County.

We also hope that any of our readers who have never been to one of our Flower Shows before will spare time for a visit to our Show.

Members subscriptions are coming in steadily and we hope this reminder will be the means of jogging the memories of those who have  
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Horticultural Society cont....

not yet caught up on 1959.

A.H.B.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The members of the 1st NAPHILL SCOUT TROOP would like to thank the residents of Naphill and Walters Ash for making their Bob-a-Job week such a success.

We would like to take this opportunity also to appeal for a member of the village over the age of 18 to assist in the running of the Troop. Further details from:-

S.A.C. Chamberlain,  
ORG 2 ADMIN BLOCK  
R.A.F. HIGH WYCOMBE.

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After 15 years of service on the Parish Council Mr. F. Baynam wishes to thank the Parish for their support.

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AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

June	3rd	Wednesday	Infant Welfare Clinic
"	4th	Thursday	Women's Institute Monthly Meeting Social Club
"	5th	Friday	Women's Institute Drama Society Plays.
"	11th	Thursday	Social Club
"	12th	Friday	Whist Drive Library Darby and Joan Club
"	17th	Wednesday	Infant Welfare Clinic
"	18th	Thursday	Social Club
"	25th	Thursday	Social Club
"	26th	Friday	Whist Drive Library Darby and Joan Club

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THE MISSION HALL

Preachers for June

Sunday	June	7th	Morning 11 a.m.	Mr.R.M.Ingleby
"	"	14th	Evening 6.15 p.m.	Mr.R.M.Ingleby
			Father's Day Special Service - 3 p.m.	Special items by S.S.Scholars. Speaker - Mr.Hanson.
"	"	21st	Evening 6.15 p.m.	Mr. Hanson.
"	"	28th	" "	Mr. Curtis. Dr. Kipping

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METHODIST CHURCH

<u>Preachers for June</u>		<u>Morning 11 a.m.</u>	<u>Evening 6.15 p.m.</u>
Sunday	June 7th	Mr. Horne.	Mr. F. Baker
"	" 14th	Mr. W. Osborne.	Mr. A. Cooper
"	" 21st	Sister Freda	Mrs. G. Jones
"	" 28th	Mr. W. Parkins.	Mr. K. Featey

Rummage Sale, Saturday June 6th - open at 2.30 p.m. at the Schoolroom.

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HUGHENDEN PARISH CHURCH

Our Agricultural Correspondent's article in last months issue "rang a bell" in no uncertain fashion and his remarks about the scourge of the 1950's plus pedigree, were most apt. It reminded me that in the history of this country the result of mating the Church with the Folk of the Farms was usually a "beast" that served the Commons of

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Hughenden Parish Church cont....

England well. Maybe Naphill people remember that the Crick was given to the people of Naphill for their benefit by a parson down Surrey or Sussex way. The tennis courts are on a bit of that land I think and the rest is raising bracken and gorse bushes beautifully, true enough would that do as a suitable place for a school for Naphill? - Given free to the Education Authority, to make it worth their while by the people of Naphill? At certain seasons all the folk who govern us get very sensitive about votes and what we very little people think and want. That season is now. Just suppose everyone of the householders of Naphill gave twenty minutes to writing a letter, posting it to the Chairman of the County Council expressing their views about this matter. It wouldn't be a petition, or organised, it would be free people just saying their say about a matter that touches them - Maybe that would make a difference and suit everyone and be for the best interests of the souls and bodies of all concerned. Its asking a lot in one way of people - and yet very little. Maybe like St. Paul - "I speak as a fool yet God sometimes uses "the weak and foolish things of this world to confound the wise". The 1950's are nearly over, maybe the scourge of this decade is weakening - and don't forget, that new school is promised by 1960. I wonder if the site adjoining Ron Watson's prize peaches has been bought and paid for. I wonder if the plans are all drawn up and everything ready for the new school to be opened in 1960. Of course I don't know, I just wonder.

On June 28th in the evening Rev. Christopher Jarvis is coming to preach for the Children's Society, and on July 18th your Parochial Church Council are having a Parish Social in the Vicarage Garden - free admission, and entertainment with the emphasis not on "fleecing" you but on giving all the parishioners a chance of meeting oneanother (a very rare occurrence when you come to think of it.)

From your Parson.

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FARMING NEWS

So the R.A.F. have swallowed up the field behind Mr. Ernest Smith's house, and now only one small paddock separates them from Clappins Lane. How long I wonder before one of the big boys in blue, driving up the lane decides "we must have an entrance here", and when, in the foreseeable future, the last bomber is replaced by an electronic missile, will they think of some excuse to retain all the land they have grabbed. You bet your life they will. Consider these facts. In these small islands, a baby is born every few minutes, one acre of land goes out of agricultural use about every two hours, and strontium 90 is falling on the rest in unknown quantities. What can we do about it.

The Gazette is no place to discuss birth control and the H bomb becomes a political subject, so we confine ourselves to the future of our village. Do you want to see Naphill completely built over, suburbanised and sucked into the Borough? The tentacles of the Wycombe octopus are reaching out for us. Do you want an industrial correspondent of the Gazette? Write to the Editor at Firs Cottage and give your views on this subject. She may print a few letters or a resumee of  
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Farming News cont.....

your views. Our new Councillor is bound to take notice if enough people speak up and not just those who have building plots for sale. Or is it too late?

Our Agricultural Correspondent.

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GARDENING NOTES

Here we are in June and we hope free from frosts for a few months, but it would be nice to have some warm nights, less wind, and some nice warm showers.

However, we must now get on with the planting of marrows, cucumbers and tomatoes and of course all the summer bedding plants and the runner beans. Don't forget to sow more carrots, peas, lettuce radish, beetroot and spinach and of course canterbury bells, wallflowers, forget-me-nots and sweet williams for next spring. Look around your roses, some are already in bloom and most of the shoots have a bud at the end, but others end up with nothing, or what is known as a blind shoot, these should be shortened by about two thirds their length, this will encourage a new bud to grow which should result in flowers. Watch out for those greenfly, there are plenty of good insecticides on the market.

A.H.B.

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NAPHILL FETE AND FLOWER SHOW

A reminder about the date - JULY 11TH 2.30 P.M. Various attractions have been arranged, amongst them the works band of Furniture Industries who will lead the procession, and play during the afternoon. The Fancy Dress Parade is open to anyone, so join in the fun. Prizes will also be given to the children bringing the largest bunch of wild flowers to the fete.

Draw tickets are now on sale:- First Prize a Spin Dryer, Second Prize is a Colorsnap Camera and Case, and third £5. 0. 0. of groceries, as well as numerous consolation prizes.

If anyone has unusal ideas for stalls or attractions, I shall be only too pleased to hear them, also anyone willing to help in any way will be most welcome. Either call or post a card to "Fete Sec." "Westfield," Naphill.

M.B.

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NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB

Our Junior members have made a very enthusiastic start this season. We have been most fortunate in getting Mr. Owen, an excellent L.T.A. Coach and Whit Monday and Tuesday twenty three keen young players lined up for their first coaching. Mr. Owen was very impressed by this "lively bunch of youngsters who would all make good players" We

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Naphill Tennis Club cont....

feel they should be given every encouragement and during the next few weeks the Senior members will assist the Juniors every Tuesday from 6.30 p.m. Mr. Owen will visit us again in June.

Unfortunately our first match this season at Broomwades was cancelled owing to the weather. We look forward to real Tennis weather in June. Our Club Tournaments take place during the first fortnight when some really good matches are enjoyed by both players and spectators.

We have our usual six tickets for the Wimbledon Championships and "everybody" hopes to be lucky in the draw.

Fixtures: Tournaments and Coaching:-

- June 2nd Tuesday - Junior Coaching 6.30 p.m.
- " 7th Sunday - American Tournament (open) 2 p.m.
- " 9th Tuesday - Junior Coaching 6.30 p.m.
- " 11th Thursday Match R.A.F. Bomber Command, Home 6.30 p.m.
- " 16th Tuesday - Junior Coaching 6.30 p.m.
- " 20th Saturday Junior Coaching Mr. Owen, 2 p.m. 4 p.m.
- " 21st Sunday - Junior Coaching Mr. Owen, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
- " 25th Thursday Match R.A.F. Bomber Command, Away 6.30 p.m.
- " 28th Sunday - Match Broom Wade T.C. Home at 2.30 p.m.

L.M.S.

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NAPHILL WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

At our May meeting Mrs. Arkell V.C.O. visited us and discussed the resolutions to be brought forward at the meeting to be held in the Albert Hall. She was most helpful in explaining them and members were able to ask questions.

The Social time was a gramophone record competition, which was enjoyed by everyone.

There are several dates to make a note of, the first is June 5th when we are having a W.I. Drama evening with three one act plays, tickets are on sale from any member of the Drama Group or Committee price 2s. 6d including refreshments. The next one is June 16th which is the over 65's outing, will those wishing to go please give their names at Darby and Joan or to any member of the Committee.

Our next meeting is on June 4th when we are having a Surprise afternoon and please remember we are starting the meeting at 2 p.m. prompt.  
J.B.

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DARBY AND JOAN CLUB

Our Club is affiliated to the Buckinghamshire Old People's cont.....

Darby and Joan Club cont....

Welfare Committee, the central body that meets at Aylesbury and some of our Committee went to that town to attend the Annual General Meeting. All the Old People's Clubs send in annual reports and at the Meeting the Secretary announced to the assembly that the report sent in by Naphill was the best and he proceeded to read out the report, while the Naphillians present sat with bowed heads and hidden blushes, secretly pleased but trying not to appear too self-conscious or too self-satisfied. It is up to our little Club to make every effort to maintain its reputation.

At our Meeting on May 15th Mr. Roberts gave us a most interesting account of the activities of the Rotary Club of High Wycombe. At one of our Committee Meetings the Chairman expressed a desire to hire a gramophone from someone for the entertainment of Members on one afternoon; Mrs. Geoffrey Smith therefore went to interview Mr. Edward Prior who on hearing that she was speaking on behalf of the Darby and Joan Club asked her to accept a most beautiful Record-player as a present from him to the Old People; the announcement of this generous action called forth a hearty cheer from the Members at our last meeting. We are now well provided with music as Mrs. Geoffrey Smith and Miss Olive Goodchild play duets for us on our own piano.

E.B.

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NAPHILL CRICKET CLUB

The season has opened with four matches played to date by each team on Saturdays. The first eleven has opened very well, having won three matches and lost one - this to our closestrivals, Lacey Green. Although we were well and truly beaten, better results would have materialised had we been at full strength. John (now proud father of two!) Evans has come into fine form with the bat - his last two innings at the time of our going to press have been 71 and 58. Our bowlers have given our opponents something to think about, and at full strength we should do well. Welcome to Jim Edwards, late of Prestwood first XI, who is now "one of us" - he seems to be just the man to put life into our batting when needed.

The second team has, unfortunately, made a disastrous start, having played four and lost them all. It must be said in their favour however, that Bill Day and his Merry Men have laboured under difficulties, and have had to bolster up the first team on two Saturdays. Bill, however, always turns up smiling, and it would take more than four defeats to wipe his cheery grin away. He says that the "youngsters" will be all right in a year or two and, after all, that is what the second team is there for - to bring on the young blood ready for the future battles.

To all supporters and interested members of our cricket club, I would ask you to support us whenever possible. Remember, we shall try to serve up entertaining cricket to you all the time, at the same time having our eye on the Cup when the season ends.

S.M.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Only another six weeks before our Show and of course the Village Fete.

We hope that all of you who are coming to the Fete will bring something to enter in our Show and it is during the next few weeks that much can be done to ensure you have something good to show. A few buckets of water along the peas, beetroot and cauliflower with a little fertiliser added will help a lot.

Greenfly and catapillars can spoil the roses so use that spray, and a sowing of radishes during the next week or two should put you in the running.

Black currants, gooseberries and delphiniums all like plenty of moisture, get the idea?

Don't forget the date, Saturday 11th July, Naphill Fete and Flower Show and tell all your friends. A.H.B.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TO THE ELECTORS OF NAPHILL

I wish to thank all Helpers and Supporters who worked to return me as your representative on the Wycombe Rural District Council.

I am now available to all the Electorate for any problems which you wish me to put forward.

E.C.Halsey,

Hillcroft,  
Naphill, Bucks.

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OLD TIME DANCING

Jacqueline Reed passed her Junior Bronze (commended) and Silver Medals in London last week, with Mr. Ron Free her Teacher. Examiner Stella Clark for I.S.T.D.

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ADVERTISEMENT

FOR SALE:- Solid Oak Extending Table - £10. 0. 0 or offer  
Good condition

Baby Shawl New - £2. 0. 0.

TELEPHONE NAPHILL 2154

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AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

July 1st	Wednesday	Infant Welfare Clinic
" 2nd	Thursday	Women's Institute Monthly Meeting
		Social Club
" 10th	Friday	Darby and Joan
" "	"	Library
" "	"	Whist Drive
" 11th	Saturday	FETE AND FLOWER SHOW
" 15th	Wednesday	Infant Welfare Clinic
" 24th	Friday	Darby and Joan
		Whist Drive
		Library
" 31st	Friday	Film Show Darby and Joan

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We would like to extend our sympathy to Mr. Carter on the sad loss of his wife.

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METHODIST CHURCH

Preachers for July

11 a.m.

6.15 p.m.

Sunday 5th	Rev. G.E.Frith.	Rev. A.H.Freeman.
" 12th	Rev. A.H.Freeman.	Mr. A.V.Brain.
" 19th	Mr. F. Collier.	Mrs. A. Bowler.
" 26th	Mr. C.Craft.	Mr. F.Slade

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THE MISSION HALL

Speakers for July

Sunday 5th	Morning 11 a.m.	
	Evening 6.15 a.m.	Mr.R.M.Ingleby
" 12th	" "	Mr.R.M.Ingleby
" 19th	" "	Mr. Keith Lewis, Marlow
" 26th	" "	Mr.S.J.Green. Wycombe.

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NAPHILL FETE AND FLOWER SHOW

SATURDAY JULY 11TH

Don't forget to make a date for the event of the year - Fete and Flower Show on the same day.

The Naphill Horticultural Society's Flower Show will be open in the Hall from 2.30 p.m.

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Naphill Fete and Flower Show cont....

The Fete will have all the usual attractions - plus - Furniture Industries Brass Band, who will play during the afternoon, and will also head the procession from Russels Garage at 2.30 p.m. Gas Balloon race - buy your cords beforehand - they will be on sale with the programmes. So come along for a real day out.

One correction from the last issue - the prize for wild flowers for children will be for the most varied bunch, and not necessarily the largest - Please note.

Any gifts of broken or cracked china will be appreciated for the Devils Kitchen. To any member of the Council. M.J.B.

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NAPHILL WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Members arriving for the June meeting were wondering where the two coaches waiting outside the Village Hall were destined, after the singing of Jerusalem, a minutes silence in memory of Miss Child, who died recently, and the reading of the minutes they were soon to discover.

After a pleasant drive we arrived at Haddenham to join their Institute at a Garden Meeting at the Old Vicarage. It was a beautiful afternoon and after the business had been attended to we were entertained by the local schoolchildren country dancing.

Tea was served and afterwards we were invited to join in a treasure hunt. Mrs. Piercy our President presented Haddenham with an apron made in Institute colours by Mrs. E. Hussey. After a walk round the garden it was time to return home.

Our next meeting is on July 2nd, Mrs. Newey is coming to speak on "Seasonable Floral Decorations." The competition is a Small Posy. J.B.

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IS IT "TOO LATE" ?

"You can't stop Progress", as the lady said at the bus-stop; and it seems only too true!. In the name of progress the beauties of Lancashire were exchanged for slag heaps, slums and soot and in its name our villages in Bucks are being turned into monotonous dormitory suburbs, our lanes into racing tracks for cars and our fields are cut up to make arterial speedways.

All the more reason, then, to honour "Agricultural Correspondent" and to consider carefully his protest in the last "Gazette". He instances, particularly, the extension of the R.A.F. camp area. It is all too easy to forget that the soldier cannot fight without food and that every fruitful field made barren makes us more dependant  
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Is it "Too Late"? cont....

upon imported food in times of crisis.

He mentions other aspects of the destruction of the countryside which goes apace so rapidly that it may be too late for action unless country people realise what is at stake.

The man from the town is not likely to help. He continues to seek refreshment from it in his car and thereby destroys, unintentionally the very object of his visits. The original footpaths in the lanes were covered over, on the advent of the car, and became part of the road. Now that almost everyone has a car the lanes are still too narrow for over-taking. On the grounds that a foot-path is a necessity the lanes are widened. The hedgerows, the trees, the brambles and the wild flowers are cut down. The birds fly away. Petrol fumes replace the scent of honeysuckle and wild rose. The village street is filled with lorries and tankers taking short cuts from the main road. The pleasure motorist now strives to over-take these in order to drive further afield to seek the narrow lanes where country delights still exist. Again he finds the more remote village "unsuitable for cars" and, in the name of progress, its lanes are widened in their turn and its attractions for him disappear.

It is not only that the countryman sees his native village destroyed. The tragedy is that the visitors in cars do not realise that they are rapidly depriving themselves of the very object of their outings and seem unaware of the small proportion of the area of England which remains "unspoilt"

If, on the other hand, the townsman settles in the country he usually brings the town with him. Brick walls and iron gates replace the hedges and trees and his dwellings are packed by the speculative builder into tight "ribbon development" which shuts off any view of the countryside from the road, and he is encouraged by vested interests and the popular press to ridicule "Town and Country Planners."

The English countryside is amongst the most precious things we may pass on to our children and every blade of grass is worth fighting for. Since the nineteenth century it has decreased in area and is now shrinking with incredible swiftness. It can never be replaced.

Ought we not to weigh up the cost of this sort of "Progress" and, in particular, to ask whether the joys of "stepping on it" are worth the terrible toll of death and injury, the dreary By-passes and the spoliation of natural beauty now seen to be inevitable if we all claim the right to use cars whenever and where-ever we choose?

Are the people of Naphill prepared and willing to accept the responsibility of defending its rural characteristics; not only for themselves but for future generations?.

J.M.H.



NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB

The lovely June weather has kept both courts more busy than usual. Club tournaments have been played off and most finals reached. Finals day will be arranged later.

A most successful American Tournament was held on Sunday 7th June. The weather was perfect for the occasion and we all enjoyed a picnic tea.

Prizes for the highest scores were won by Miss M. Preston and Mr. A. Lawrence.

Junior coaching has proved a big success. The seniors will continue to assist Juniors every Tuesday evening.

Any further dates arranged with Mr. Owen the L.T.A. coach for July will be posted in the pavilion.

Result of Matches

Naphill lost to Aylesbury N.A.L.G.O 4 - 5  
Naphill - R.A.F. Bomber Command - Unfinished.

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NAPHILL CRICKET CLUB

With one more game to play the season will be half way through, and our second team still without a victory. It really is disappointing after the record season of 1958 when every match was won, and it appears that, although we can muster a fairly respectable score on occasions, our bowlers haven't found their touch to send the opposition back to the pavilion quickly enough. The only defence we can offer in this respect is that we are a "sticky wicket" attack, and the dry summer to date has not been conducive to our "wizards of spin."

As for the first team - its record to date is played eight, won five and lost three. Two points behind the leaders, Booker, and one behind the runners up, Speen. A first class victory was snatched at Hampden last Saturday, although a certain amount of "heart flutter" was occasioned by the collapse of our batting - 130 for 3 to 131 all out, and that extra one being a bye! You lads at the end of the batting will have to concentrate more! A most pleasing feature is the consistently good batting of Jim Brown, and John (Good) Evans is making some very delectable shots each match. The fielding is improving, with Bob (first stop Ostend) Hudson having caught some fine catches in the deep. The match at Hampden on Saturday really did bring home the point that "Catches win Matches". Keep it up chaps, remember, "Nothing succeeds like success."

S.M.

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THE CRICK

Our Parson in his desire to provide the school children with a pleasant site for the new school, if or when it comes, is not quite correct in his facts.

The Crick was owned by the Lord of the Manor and the people of Naphill were allowed to play games thereon.

When the adjacent field was for sale the Village Hall Council purchased it from Mr. Disraeli together with his rights on the Crick, the hedge between the two fields was grubbed up and now the whole area is dedicated as playing fields by the Trust Deed and may not be built on. Naphill is growing and will shortly be requiring more space for games, when no doubt the gorse will be grubbed up.

As our Agricultural Correspondent so rightly says the fields are being rapidly swallowed up, it is well that the Village Hall and Playing Fields Council have no desire or power to part with any of the field.

H.A.O.

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THE DARBY AND JOAN CLUB

On June 26th we all met at a Garden Party at Plum Tree Cottage when the Clerk of the Weather provided unbroken sunshine all the afternoon. Sixty Members came dressed in their summer garments and we had the pleasure of welcoming several guests from near-by villages; the garden was looking its best and it was evident that the Roses and Sweet Williams were anxious to greet the Human Beings with floral honours and were stating in the clearest language "Accept this tribute in gratitude for the care taken in giving us such comfortable beds". The chief attraction was the visit from the School-children. The Boys, marshalled by Mr. Kilby gave an inspiring demonstration of organised games devised to develop every muscle in their bodies and the Girls, trained by Mrs. Griffiths, made a charming spectacle as they danced on the lawn in their pretty summer dresses, they made the lawn look like a bed of flowers in the shining sun and the applause they won showed how much the Old Folks appreciated their efforts. Maybe the limbs and joints of Seventy, Eighty and Ninety envied the suppleness of Seven, Eight and Nine but Old and Young mixed together quite happily and everyone enjoyed the music and dancing in the Open Air.

On June 27th there was to have been Dancing on the Lawn at Plum Tree Cottage in the evening but alas the weather broke and we were driven to the Village Hall. This was a deep disappointment after so many preparations had been made for the Open Air Event and we think that many folk were dissuaded from coming by the wet weather. Nevertheless we had a very gay time in the Hall which

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Darby and Joan Club cont....

was packed to capacity. The Dance was organised with their customary skill by our old friends Ron and Elsie Free and the merriment continued until well after mid-night. The Chairman of the Club thanked all present for their kind support and explained that, while the Club was largely independent and self-supporting, extra funds were needed to pay for the Outings which gave such great pleasure to the Old People, some of whom are old and partially crippled and have little chance of seeing the beauties of the Buckinghamshire scenery unless taken out by motorbus. Mrs. Free was given a bouquet made up by Mrs. Rose Busby. A beautiful camelia plant was presented to Dr. and Mrs. Bayley by the Committee and the recipients were deeply moved by this unexpected act of kindness and generosity. Gifts for raffling were a magnificent basket of fruit from Mrs. Morris, a fine chicken from Mrs. Ernest Smith and a crocheted shawl which, very happily, was won by Mrs. Free.

Although the wet and deserted garden at Plum Tree Cottage was a sad sight, the Committee felt rewarded for all their hard work by the success of the arrangements in the Hall and the profit from the dance will be a welcome addition to the Outings Fund.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Village Hall Social Club is holding its last meeting of the season on Thursday July 2nd and will then be closing down until September. They would like to thank everyone who helped to make these evenings such a success, both organisers and supporters. They look forward to seeing everyone again in the Autumn.

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ADVERTISEMENTS

WANTED Part-Time Caretaker for Village Hall to Assist Hall Cleaner. Salary by arrangement. Please enquire off Mr. Wright at the Post Office.

WANTED Two furnished rooms for elderly lady in the Naphill or Lacey Green Area. Apply Brittel, Red Roof, Naphill.

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AT THE VILLAGE HALL

August	7th	Friday	Whist Drive and Library
"	13th	Thursday	Produce Show W.I.
"	14th	Friday	Darby and Joan
"	21st	Friday	Whist Drive and Library
"	27th	Thursday	Bingo General Meeting - Public Invited
"	29th	Saturday	Car Rally Evening Barbecue.

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THE MISSION HALL

Preachers for August

Sunday	2nd	Morning 11 a.m.	
		Evening 6.15 p.m.	Mr. Len Goddard.
		SPECIAL SUNDAY AFTERNOON SERVICE FOR	
		YOUNG PEOPLE AT 3 p.m. SPEAKER - "UNCLE LEN"	
"	9th	Evening 6.15 p.m.	Mr.R.M.Ingleby
"	16th	" "	Mr. K. Ives
"	23rd	" "	Speaker to be arranged
"	30th	" "	Mr.R.M.Ingleby

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NAPHILL METHODIST CHURCH

How often we hear that the Young People of today are not interested in the things we used to do and that they have other things to occupy their lives - but never more so than in our Sunday Schools do we realise this.

More and more we find that God is being ignored or, if thought of at all, is considered an old fashioned God - "something" of the past, whom parents have forgotten and who is seldom talked of these days. If our Lord is old fashioned it is because we have made Him so. He is really interested in our modern life as we are, but because we push Him to one side, He is only remembered with bygone days. But why? Is it because those other interests which we complain occupy too much of the Young Peoples time, are of more interest to the parents too - the parents who, at the child's Baptism promised - "So to order their own lives that no stumbling block be put in the way of the child".

We can't blame the Young People for not attending Sunday School. If it is always referred to as something of yesterday, then how can we expect them to take an interest in it.

Please see that your children attend regularly and that they do not consider their church as something that must be "finished with"  
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Naphill Methodist Church cont...

when they reach the age of about 14. Religious Instruction and Church Worship are for everyone, regardless of their age.

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SPECIAL NOTICE:- During the holiday period 2nd August - 30th August inclusive, there will be no afternoon Sunday School classes. Scholars attending in the mornings will receive two marks.

Preachers for August

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11 a.m.

6.15 p.m.

Sunday	2nd	Mr. Nheeldon	Rev. A.H. Freeman
"	9th	Mr. M. Britton	Mrs. Greenstreet.
"	16th	Mr. D. Jackson	Mr. R.P. Keen
"	23rd	Mr. N. Flintham	Mr. D.S. Howard
"	30th	Mr. K. Lewis	Mr. I.T. Goodchild

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NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL FETE  
1959

I would like to thank everyone for their co-operation at this years fete. Although the weather was not very kind to us we managed to keep going, our "queen" helping things along. The accounts are not yet finalised, but will be published as soon as possible. Will the winners of the childrens raffle and lucky programme please contact me at "Westfield". Finally a note of personal thanks from me to the Horticultural Society for their help on the morning after the fete.

M.J.B.

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RESULT OF MAIN DRAW 1959

<u>TICKET NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>PRIZE</u>
5585	C. Harvev. Naphill,	Spin Drier
5278	Hamilton, c/o "Black Lion" Naphill	Camera
2208	Mrs. Allen, Stocking Lane, Naphill.	Groceries
146	R. Butler, Stocking Lane, Naphill	Premium Bond
1208	R. Hussey, Stocking Lane, Naphill	2 Gallons Petrol
4394	Mrs. Mold, High Lycombe	Chocolates
171	Monks R.A.F.	3 Gallons Petrol
1047	Ward, Wooburn Green	Biscuits
4131	"W.F." The Wheel, Naphill	Chicken
3411	Mrs. Statan, Prospect Row, Naphill.	2 gallons Petrol
282	Lerriman, Christopher Close, Naphill	3 Gallons Petrol

Lucky Programme number 19 - unclaimed  
Children's Raffle 102 - unclaimed

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GARDENING NOTES

What can we say about gardening just now? With beautiful summer weather, brown skins and a booming ice cream trade it hardly seems right to wish for rain, but the parched lawns and wilting plants  
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Gardening notes cont....

are plain proof that this year at least we haven't had too much. However, there have been some good soft fruit crops; potatoes are turning out well; runner beans and greenstuff look promising, with the exception of those that the Naphill lady, in the interests of horticulture, told some small boys about, "These are brussel plants which will provide brussels for cooking." Later, during the said lady's absence, the said youths pulled up the brussels took them home to Mummy and said they were going to cook them for Mrs. X. End of story end of plants.

Now just a few reminders - hurry on with final planting of winter greenstuff; make a sowing of spring cabbage seed; earth c<sub>2</sub> celery; continue mulching and watering while the dry spell lasts; prick out seedling of wallflowers and other spring flowers; sow onion seeds for planting out next year and pinch out tops of outdoor tomatoes. A.H.B.

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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

At the July meeting an iced cake was cut by Mrs. Margetson and Mrs. A. Hunt in celebration as the Drama Group had won the cup in the Drama Festival for two years running.

Mrs. Cooper gave a report on her two day visit to the Albert Hall Meeting. Mrs. Newey was the speaker and made some delightful displays of flowers. A vote of thanks was given by Mrs. D. Smith.

During social time members were asked for suggestions for next years programme.

The elderly people of the village were taken for a coach ride round the countryside and came back to tea in Mrs. L. Piercey's garden, it was a glorious day and after tea a treasure hunt was organised.

There will not be a meeting in August, the next is on September 3rd. J.B.

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AGRICULTURAL COMMENTS

I am often told by people who have been walking Naphill's footpaths, that they have been chased by young bulls. This is not quite accurate for I think the animals are steers and probably the only bulls in Naphill are at Mr. Broom Smiths where Vic keeps a close watch on them. A bull will approach you to see if you are a potential enemy, and may well decide that you are. A steer approaches with nothing in his heart but peace and joy. He is friendly and inquisitive and if you run away he thinks you are a good sport and will join in the game. People complain that they cannot tell the difference, and I admit this is a point. I am reminded of a story told by a Methodist Parson who was dining at our house. It concerned an old preacher who had been reading of St. Paul's encounter with the Eunuch, but the dear old chap was quite unfamiliar with the word, and he began his address by saying, "And then my friends, we cont....."

Agricultural Comments cont....

may be sure he went home and talked the whole thing over with Mrs. Eunuch"

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This dry summer has made most farmers very short of grazing and has played havoc with Kale crops, many of which have been ploughed in. On the other hand we never had it so good for haymaking.

Agricultural Correspondent.

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CRICKET CLUB

Up to the time of going to press, July has been a miserable month for both teams. Only one Saturday success for the first eleven, and not a solitary win at all for the second team. The first team have had some very interesting and exciting games, almost every Saturday, but on several occasions, poor fielding has been the deciding factor, and we have not "brought home the bacon". None-the-less, we have endeavoured to serve up to our supporters the kind of cricket they want, and although we cannot be certain of this point, we ought to keep a moderately good position in the League. The second team has still to win a match. In this connection, however, the committee feels that 1959 has been the most experimental season, at least since the war. There is more than a morsel of promise of "things to come". We feel that keen young cricketers like Terry Brown, Martin Day, Tony Holland, Ian Stokes, Peter Tapping and Ken Riley, just to name a few, will be more than a match for our opponents in a few years time. Yes there is a wealth of talent in our "younger end", and although in the course of their enthusiasm, many a window in the pavilion has been broken, the committee feels it is all in a good cause - at least until the incidents become too common!

S.M.

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NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB

Our Junior membership this season is the highest ever, the committee feel delighted our coaching scheme has proved so successful. We hope to run a Junior Tournament Saturday August 15th at 2 p.m. Prizes for highest scores.

We arranged our finals, Saturday 18th July when all the events were played in perfect tennis weather.

Results: Gents Singles - Mr. John Bayley beat Mr. A. Lawrence (Holder)

Ladies Singles Miss M. Preston beat Miss M. Reed (Holder)

Mixed doubles enter with partner -

Mr. & Mrs. J. Bayley beat Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence.

Veterans Cup -

Mr. John Connors beat Mr. A. Shrimpton (Holder)

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Naphill Tennis Club cont...

During the evening our President Dr. and Mrs. Bayley very kindly came along to present the cups and Prizes. Mrs. A. Lawrence presented Mrs. Bayley with a bouquet.

Result of Matches

Naphill beat R.A.F. (Mixed Doubles) 5 - 1 (3 draws)  
Naphill beat Broom Wade (Mixed Doubles) 3 - 1 (5 draws)

Fixtures:

Sunday August 23rd. Broom Wade Mixed doubles AWAY

L.M.S.

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HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Another Show has passed into history and although some classes were a bit thin in number of entries, the quality of those staged was good. I know many of you were unable to bring along as many exhibits as you would have liked to owing to the awful weather on the morning of the show and also because so many of you were involved in the running of the Fete.

However, general opinion seems to be that in spite of the difficulties the joint Fete and Flower Show was well worth while. "Many hands make work light" and perhaps if the experiment is repeated next year, more helpers will be forthcoming, which could result in more show entries.

Naphill Fete and Flower Show used to be an important date on the calendar, attracting large crowds from a wide area; what has been done before can be done again. What ideas have YOU got for bringing this about next year?

A.H.B.

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DARBY AND JOAN CLUB

The Dance which was to have been held on the Lawn but had to be moved to the Hall on account of the wet weather yielded a profit of Twenty Pounds; the success of this Dance was largely due to the organising energy of Mr. and Mrs. Free who brought a large number of their friends from High Wycombe and surrounding districts; The Committee felt that the number of supporters from Naphill was disappointingly low.

The Committee have organised a plan for providing requisites for the benefit of invalids being nursed in their own homes, such as a bed-rest, bed-table, bed-pan, rubber ring, macintosh sheet, feeding-cups etc. These articles can be borrowed free of charge and the Committee wish it to be made clear that this service is open to all the people of Naphill of whatever age or sex; it is not limited to Members of the Club.

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Darby and Joan Club cont....

Mrs. Mealing of Irving Cottage who is a Trained Nursing Sister has kindly volunteered to keep the various articles in her house and to hand them out on Application. Mrs. D. Shuttleworth of 2, Greenlands, Lacey Green, Aylesbury is the official Nurse attached to the Buckinghamshire County Health Department and, as we all know, she is ever ready to give all the help in the power of one pair of hands and two feet; she informs us that she would be glad to hear from anyone willing to undertake a little light laundry-work for some of her invalids who are badly in need of such help. If you have any article of use to this Nursing Service which you are willing to lend or give will you please communicate with the Secretary of the Darby and Joan Club, Telephone Naphill 2239 or call to see Mrs. Mealing. Will any Kind friend make us a present of a commode or an invalid chair?

At the Naphill Horticultural Society Show their Committee had kindly introduced one item in their schedule limited to Members of the Darby and Joan Club and the Prize for the best Pot Plant was won by Mrs. Eric Bayley with a plant rejoicing in the name of Hoya. At our last meeting each Member was handed a small fuchsia cutting to be brought back to the Hall when full grown for competition. E.B.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CAR AND MOTOR BICYCLE TREASURE HUNT

ON SATURDAY 29TH AUGUST there will be a Car Treasure Hunt leaving from and returning to the Village Hall, where refreshments will be served KEEP THE DATE FREE - Car Treasure Hunts are great fun so bring the family or friends and enjoy a drive round the Bucks countryside. Cars and Motor Bicycles may leave at intervals between 5 and 6.30 p.m. Watch for posters giving further details. E.C.

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NAPHILL TABLE TENNIS CLUB

The Table Tennis Club re-opens on Monday the 24th August. We shall be pleased to see all the old members and to enrol any new members interested in the Club B.S.

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ADVERTISEMENTS

NAPHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Cleaner in charge required for Naphill Primary School starting in September. Wages £3. 4. 7. per week. Letters of application to R. Winter Esq., Divisional Officer, 17 Easton Street, High Wycombe. Stating age, experience and the name of one referee.

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AT THE VILLAGE HALL

September	2nd	Wednesday	Infant Welfare Clinic
"	3rd	Thursday	Women's Institute
"	4th	Friday	Whist Drive
			Library
"	7th	Monday	Table Tennis Club'
"	10th	Thursday	Social Club
"	11th	Friday	Darby and Joan
"	12th	Saturday	Horticultural Show
"	14th	Monday	Table Tennis Club
"	16th	Wednesday	Infant Welfare Clinic
"	17th	Thursday	Social Club
"	18th	Friday	Whist Drive
			Library
"	21st	Monday	Table Tennis Club
"	24th	Thursday	Social Club
"	25th	Friday	Darby and Joan
"	26th	Saturday	Women's Institute Autumn Fair
"	28th	Monday	Table Tennis Club.

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HUGHENDEN CHURCH

On Tuesday September 15th the Ministers Fraternal is meeting at Hughenden at 10.30 a.m. for a Conference. Ministers of any denomination are made welcome. On Sunday September 27th Harvest Thanksgiving Services are to be held. Holy Communion at 8 a.m. Mattins and Sermon at 11 a.m. (The Rural Dean has promised to take this service). The Children's Thanksgiving Service at 2.45 p.m. the North Dean Harvest Thanksgiving at 3.45 p.m. Evensong and Sermon at 6.30 p.m. The Rector of Turville has promised to preach at our evening service.

The time of year for Confirmation Classes has come round again. Godparents pledge themselves to bring their God-children to confirmation at the time of the baptism as you know. Please remember to send in the names of those for whom you are responsible. The lowest age is twelve in these days - unless the Bishop's permission is granted for someone under that age to be accepted.

The Rev. and Mrs. T.R.G. Carter hope to be in Naphill School House in September. They are leaving North Stainley Vicarage, Ripon in a few days time. They will be continuing the Sunday School and the visiting which Mr. and Mrs. Page began. On September 6th the first Sunday in the month there will be the usual Children's Service in the Parish Church at 2.45 p.m.

THE MISSION HALL

Preachers for September.

Sunday 6th	Morning 11 a.m.	Mr. R. M. Ingleby
	Evening 6.15 p.m.	Mr. Gordon Ingleby
Sunday 13th	" "	Mr. Dan Good
Sunday 20th	" "	Mr. E. Free
Sunday 27th		

HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICE

CHILDRENS GIFTS - 8 P.M.

EVENING SERVICE

6.15 p.m.

Speaker: Mr. Frank Gray of Maidenhead.  
Soloist: Miss Myrtle Bray - Also singing

by the Sunday School Scholars.

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ON SATURDAY AUGUST 18th Two coaches full of Sunday School Scholars and Parents went to Littlehampton. The weather was perfect and it was a very happy time.

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METHODIST CHURCH

Preachers for September      11 a.m.      6.15 p.m.

Sunday 6th.	Rev. Freeman.	Rev. Freeman.
" 13th.	Mr. Collier.	Mr. A. G. Thomas.
" 20th	Mr. F. Dean.	Mr. N. Thorn.
" 27th	Mr. Dowding.	Mr. W. Smith.

Afternoon Sunday School re-commences on Sunday September 6th. We extend an invitation to children to attend Morning Sunday School at 11 a.m. and afternoon at 2.30 p.m.

Mrs. Greenstreet will speak at the Women's Meeting on Wednesday September 2nd at 2.30 p.m. when weekly meetings will be resumed. We should be most happy to welcome any ladies in the Village to join us.

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GARDENING NOTES.

"Come ye thankful people come, raise the song of Harvest Home" The singing of the grand old hymn will be heard in places of worship all over the country during the next few weeks. What of the harvest? quite good, and in some cases excellent! but let us remember that the crops are not completely harvested until they are "safely gathered in". Potatoes, beetroot, carrots and onions will do little more good in the ground from now on so get them in store as soon as possible. Earth up celery again and continue this job every week or so while the plants are growing, this also applies to leeks.

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Gardening Notes cont....

Take all the leaves from tomatoes that are below the fruit trusses yet to be picked and stop feeding the plants giving water only. Plant out the first batch of spring cabbage, sow a variety of lettuce like Arctic King to stand the winter.

Don't let up on those weeds and dig over any vacant ground as soon as the crops have been gathered. Clean up that strawberry bed and plant out runners to make a new one. A.H.B.

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DARBY AND JOAN CLUB

The free Film Show given by the Transport Commission attracted a full house; it is remarkable how quickly the Village Hall can be converted into a Cinema by a portable apparatus; all we want now is an Organ and perhaps some of our Members might don the uniform of Usherettes.

A Garden Party by kind invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Smith had to be postponed on account of the weather; this was a great disappointment. We met in the Village Hall and Mrs. Smith opened the programme by playing pianoforte solos and this was followed by a surprise item. Miss Fanny Dowson recited to us with the polished skill and perfect diction one would expect from a former Teacher at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art in London. Her two pieces were "Green Grow the Rushes, Oh" and a well-known Psalm and then she kept us amused by relating various anecdotes about experiences in her earlier life. This was a special occasion for another reason. Mrs. Cabbage had been a visitor to our Club a few weeks ago and she had been so impressed that she announced that she would like to defray expenses for the refreshments at our next meeting and we all enjoyed the spread of delicious cakes coming from Mrs. Reed's house; thank you, Mrs. Cabbage.

We have now acquired an excellent invalid chair and it has already been used to take a Member for little outings, who had not been outside his own garden for many weeks. We have to thank Mrs. Butcher for the gift of a book-rest for use when reading in bed; gifts to our Naphill Invalid Comforts Service are very welcome.

On Friday September 11th our President, Mrs. Ernest Smith, has invited us all to visit her farm and to have tea with her afterwards we are all looking forward to this happy event and hope for a fine day. On September 25th we have our usual meeting in the Hall.

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NAPHILL WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Our next meeting is on September 3rd when our speaker will be Mrs. Humphrey with a demonstration of embroidery wool rugs. The competition is best embroidered initial on a handkerchief. It is cont....

Naphill Women's Institute cont...

also the Harvest Festival and members are asked to bring any produce along.

On September 26th there will be an Autumn Fair in the Village Hall with various stalls. Everyone is invited to this and bring their friends.  
J.B.

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HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

As Saturday September 12th draws near we are hoping that you are all preparing to exhibit something at the Show.

Our Schedules which are now available, have been drawn up to enable anyone to put up at least one entry.

Fruit, flowers, vegetables of all kinds, cakes, jams, bottled fruits and classes for the youngsters up to school leaving age, including a painting competition.

Last year we had an excellent display of pot plants from the Darby and Joan Club and hope they will do even better this year. but if you haven't reached the age to compete in this class there is another one for you. If for any reason you cannot make an entry then you can at least pay a visit to the Show and if you think there are any classes that could be included at future shows which would help you to compete please let us know.

Anyhow don't forget the Show, Saturday 12th September.

A.H.B.

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NAPHILL UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB

At their Annual General Meeting on the 23rd of July the Club decided to still enter two teams for the Wycombe Combination. The Club also decided that they needed more players. Those interested should see W. Day "Concliffe" Stocking Lane for membership forms.

D.W.M.

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NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB

August usually finds our courts deserted owing to the holidays. This season the perfect tennis weather has encouraged members to keep going and there has been no lack of enthusiasm.

A gents' draw for partners' Tournament is being played. The ladies having arranged the handicaps are following the rounds with great interest.

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Naphill Tennis Club cont....

We hope to see the finals Mid September.

On Saturday October 3rd we are holding our Autumn Rummage Sale. We WANT to make this a record Sale and complete repayment of all our loans. Make a note of the date and come early. Our Sales are always worth a visit.

Fixtures: Sunday September 20th, Aylesbury B.C.C. (Mixed)  
Home 2.30.

L.M.S.

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THIS WEEK-ENDS HIGHLIGHT IS A CAR AND MOTOR CYCLE TREASURE HUNT ON

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29th, 1959

TIME OF ENTRY - FROM 5.0 to 6 p.m.

STARTING POINT - VILLAGE HALL

ENTRY FEE - 5/- PER CAR  
- 2/6 PER MOTOR CYCLE

DURATION OF TREASURE HUNT - APPROX. 2 HOURS

1st PRIZE - BOTTLE OF WHISKEY  
3rd PRIZE -

2nd PRIZE - PETROL  
BOOBY PRIZE -

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ADVERTISEMENT.

Smart boy wanted to assist in shop and on rounds - Apply A.E.Syrett,  
Butcher. Telephone Naphill 2165.

New Zealand and English Lamb at reduced price NOW

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AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

October	1st	Thursday	Women's Institute Social Club
"	2nd	Friday	Whist Drive Library
"	3rd	Saturday	Tennis Club Rummage Sale
"	5th	Monday	Table Tennis Club
"	7th	Wednesday	Infant Welfare Clinic
"	8th	Thursday	Social Club
"	10th	Saturday	Darby and Joan
"	12th	Monday	Table Tennis Club
"	15th	Thursday	Social Club
"	16th	Friday	Whist Drive Library
"	17th	Saturday	"Elderly Folk Dinner" Rummage Sale
"	19th	Monday	Table Tennis Club
"	21st	Wednesday	Infant Welfare Clinic Elderly Folks Dinner
"	22nd	Thursday	Social Club
"	23rd	Friday	Darby and Joan
"	26th	Monday	Table Tennis Club
"	29th	Thursday	Social Club
"	30th	Friday	Whist Drive Library

It was with deep regret that we heard of the death of Mr. "Nobby" Hunt. He is an old friend who will be greatly missed and to his wife and family we offer our heartfelt sympathy.

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METHODIST CHURCH

<u>Preachers for October</u>	<u>11 a.m.</u>	<u>6 p.m.</u>
October 4th	Mr. Robins (Also at 2.45 p.m.)	Mr. Robins
" 11th	Rev. A. H. Freeman.	Mr. Horne.
" 18th	Mrs. Holt.	Rev. G. E. Firth
" 25th	Mrs. Pike	Mr. Cole

We invite you to join us at our Harvest Festival Services on Sunday October 4th.

A short service and sale of gifts will take place on Monday October 5th at 7.45 p.m.

A Harvest Supper will be held in the schoolroom on Friday October 9th at 8 p.m. followed by a Social Evening. Tickets 2/6

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Methodist Church cont...

A Rummage Sale in the Methodist Schoolroom on Saturday October 10th will commence at 2.30 p.m.

Our Annual Bazaar is Saturday November 14th.

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THE MISSION HALL

Preachers For October

Sunday 4th October

" 11th "

" 18th

" 25th

11 a.m. Mr.R.M.Ingleby

6.15 p.m. Mr.R.M.Ingleby

" Students from "All Nations Bible College"

" Mr. Gordon Ingleby

" Mr. S.J.Green.

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NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL

NAPHILL FETE AND DRAW 1959

The result of the above (subject to audit) amounted to £105. 8s. 8d - (£164. 8s. 3d for 1958.

NAPHILL CAR RALLY AND BARBECUE

The result amounted to £4. 14s. 7d. Although poorly attended, an enjoyavle evening was held.

The Council wish to thank Mr. Charnock and friends for arranging the rally and our good friends of the W.I. for their help at the Barbecue.

NAPHILL ELDERLY FOLKS DINNER

Invitations for this dinner will be delivered by the 30th September, 1959. If you are a widow, widower or over 65 (should your partner be under 65 he/she is eligible as well) and have NOT received an invitation, please contact D.C.Tooby "Abbotsbury" Naphill 2308 as soon as possible.

D.C.T.

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FARMING NEWS

Some farmers have finished harvesting this dry summer, at an earlier date than they had begun last year, but now we have had too much of a good thing. The ground is so hard that ploughshares are wearing out, or breaking, the plough cannot reach cont....



Farming News cont....

its proper depth and the cows wander miserably over brown and barren pastures. Is it as bad as 1921 we ask oneanother. I can remember my father saying in that year, "if I can't buy water tomorrow my cows will die." But I think it was that lover of animals Mr. Will Brown who put a tank on his coach lorry and came to the rescue. I can also remember the women queing up at the Mission Hall tank with their buckets. Dealers went round the countryside and bought herds of cattle at give-away prices from owners who had nothing to feed them on, and no money to buy hay. The drought may be as bad, but our means of resisting it are vastly improved. Quick acting fertilisers, and water laid on to houses and fields, together with modern techniques, make those days an evil memory, but there were no loud speaker vans at elections. Progress has its price.

From our Agricultural Correspondent.

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DARBY AND JOAN

September 11th was Our President's Day and Mrs. Ernest Smith organised an Outing which we shall all remember for many a long day. After a brief meeting in the Hall we boarded two motor-buses and were taken for a ride through our lovely country-side including a visit to College Farm. We were shown a marvellous Combined Harvester in full action, gathering up the growing corn, threshing and winnowing it and finally pouring it through a funnel into the waiting lorry to be carried away. Such is Progress. The harvest was not gathered in like that when we were young. Do we regret the passing away of the sleek and powerful teams of farm-horses that we used to pat and stroke? We can admire a Combined Harvester but no one could give it a lump of sugar.

We were whisked off to Mrs. Smith's lovely garden; we have to admit that we travelled more swiftly along the road in the motorbus than we should have done in a wagonette drawn by a pair of horses in the good old days. On the trim lawns surrounded by shady trees we sat down at little tables to a luscious tea of home-made cakes and superfine sandwiches; we enjoyed a right royal welcome from our President and she made us feel that we were just one big family party.

At the Naphill Horticultural Society's Show Mr. Busby had kindly included a Class for Pot Plants limited to members of the Darby and Joan Club; there were fifteen entries which made a brave show; the Judges awarded First Prize to Mrs. Bayley, Second to Mrs. Rivett and Third to Mrs. Thomson.

E.B.

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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

The September meeting was our Harvest Festival and members brought produce to decorate the Hall which looked very attractive.

After the business had been attended to Mrs. Humphrey gave a demonstration on embroidered rugs, she brought some completed ones to show us and members were keen to have classes to learn more about it. She also showed us some candlewick and explained how to do it. Mrs. L. Shrimpton gave a vote of thanks.

In place of Social Time the Harvest Festival produce was sold, the proceeds of which will go in our displaced family fund to enable us to send some more parcels which they appreciate so much.

Our next meeting is on October 1st when we shall be celebrating our 37th birthday.

On September 9th we entertained 25 old people from a Finsbury Red Cross Club at Mr. and Mrs. Edward Smith's house, after dinner they sat in the garden, most of them enjoying a game of bingo. Tea was served in the garden and after another game, they were very reluctant to leave. Each one was given a bunch of flowers, eggs and plums. J.B.

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NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB.

October usually sees the commencement of our Winter programme. Members are already looking forward to our little private Whist Parties which not only give pleasure but help the Club financially.

Our last match of the season with Aylesbury was unfortunately cancelled, Aylesbury being unable to produce a Team.

The Gents doubles Tournament has almost reached its final stages.

Saturday October 3rd we are holding our Autumn Rummage Sale in the Village Hall. Again we offer hundreds of bargains in all "departments"

We hope to make it a Record Sale. Remember to come early.  
Doors open at 2.30 p.m. L.M.S.

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This year we hope to have a house to house collection towards the cost of the Naphill Gazette. A year's supply of Gazettes cost over 2/6 for each family to whom they are delivered and as we had no collection last year we hope you will give generously.

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- AT THE VILLAGE HALL -

November	2nd	Monday	Table Tennis Club
"	4th	Wednesday	Infant Welfare
"	5th	Thursday	Women's Institute Social Club
"	6th	Friday	Darby and Joan
"	9th	Monday	Table Tennis Club
"	12th	Thursday	Social Club
"	15th	Friday	Whist Drive and Library
"	14th	Saturday	Methodist Bazaar
"	16th	Monday	Table Tennis Club
"	18th	Wednesday	Infant Welfare.
"	19th	Thursday	Social Club
"	20th	Friday	Darby and Joan W.I. Drama.
"	21st	Saturday	W.I. Drama.
"	23rd	Monday	Table Tennis Club
"	26th	Thursday	Social Club
"	27th	Friday	Whist Drive & Library
"	28th	Saturday	School Rummage Sale
"	30th	Monday	Table Tennis Club

We were sorry to hear of the death of Mr. Newall and we extend our sympathy to his family.

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HUGHENDEN CHURCH

With the coming of winter the Confirmation Classes have started, both are held in the Vicarage. On Tuesday evenings at 8.30 p.m. for adults and on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. for younger people. As an alternative, Saturday mornings at 10 a.m. is available. So far only one lad in the younger age group has come along.

It was a joy to see the stress laid upon the vital need for religion in life in one of the recent issues of the Gazette. I believe the appreciation of that fact will be the salvation of the younger generation. Materialism, with a veneer of an ethical code has certainly betrayed an older generation into something very near the naked worship of Mammon with all the selfishness, greed and self seeking that creeps in like an insidious cancer, manifesting itself.

The Rev. T.G.R. Carter, Mrs. Carter and their son John are now living in Naphill School House. They have begun to be recognised in Naphill and welcomed too. May they find a home not only in brick, but also in peoples hearts.

Hughenden Church cont....

The Sunday School continues to meet in the school at 2.30 p.m. except on the first Sunday of the month when the children come down to their Parish Church and join with the others in corporate worship. S.A.C.D.

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METHODIST CHURCH

<u>Preachers for November</u>			<u>11 a.m.</u>	<u>6.15 p.m.</u>
Sunday	November	1st.	Mr. Andrews.	Mr.Dron.
"	"	8th	Mr.N.Thorne.	Rev.A.H.Freeman.
			(Chapel Anniversary)	
"	"	15th	Mr. Davies.	Mr.A.E.Steevens
"	"	22nd	Mr.K.Lawrence.	Mr.S.Smith.
"	"	29th	Mr.Tweddle	Mr.Baker.

The Chapel Anniversary Services commemorate 29 years since the New Church was first used for worship. The old building, used for so long as a Church, then became the Sunday School room.

On Thursday 12th November at 7.45 p.m. a film illustrating the work of Overseas Missions will be shown in the schoolroom.

The Annual Bazaar in the Village Hall on Saturday November 14th will be opened at 3 p.m. by the Mayor and Mayoress of High Wycombe.

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THE ELDERLY FOLKS DINNER.

One of the blessings of living in Naphill and of being over 65 was again enjoyed on October 21st when the Elderly Folks Dinner Committee transformed the Village Hall for a banquet, and those of ripening years with, of course, their wives became Naphill V.I.P's for the annual celebration.

On arrival drinks were served from a very comprehensive bar with discreet background music and the 110 guests were soon enjoying a night to be remembered. The voluntary waitresses and barmen whisked the various courses to flower-decked tables with more than a touch of magic from behind the side curtain of the proscenium. It was a sumptuous meal well worthy of the occasion and greatly enjoyed.

The Loyal Toast was followed by a well balanced variety entertainment. There were songs sung with lovely purity of tone by Miss Janet Tapping. There was hilarious comedy, reminiscence and community singing with concertina accompaniment

Elderly Folks Dinner cont....

from Mr. Fowler; and there were pictures ingeniously projected on to the newly whitened wall behind the stage. On this "wide screen" the glowing colours of nature with outstanding photography by Mr. Kilby and others provided sparkling pictures of the happy faces of pupils of Naphill's famous school, flowers, animals, airliners, refreshing views of Yorkshire and Derbyshire, and last but not least of the rich Autumnal colour in Hughenden Valley, local gardens and of "The Wheel". The latter received a special burst of applause.

The good people who had organised the evening and worked with such loving care remained largely anonymous and the vital contribution of Bomber Command in cooking and transporting the dinner, win our special gratitude. The occasion undoubtedly raised the level of happiness and of good fellowship in Napple.

The Registrar General's population estimates for 1988 give six million women over 60 and three million men over 65; with half a million men over 85. The Elderly Folks Dinner Committee is undismayed, Bless them! But we shall need a bigger Village Hall!  
J.M.H.

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FARMING NEWS

It seems that the rewards of efficiency are different in farming to other business enterprises. We have committed the crime of producing too many eggs. The chairman of the Egg Marketing Board has written to all egg producers urging them to produce less eggs or they may be cutting their own throat; or should I say fouling their own nest. This is a serious matter to those who have invested a lot of money in egg production. It would be difficult to find any other use for some of the big deep litter houses. And now the broiler, or young roast chicken section comes under fire.

The Bucks County Council has become the first in the country to order that broiler houses should be subject to planning permission and rated as industrial buildings. Feeling rather like a traitor I confess to a sneaking sympathy with the planners on this matter. We have all seen the occasional eyesore in the wrong situation. And talking of roasts, here's a little story from the Sunday Times. A small boy in boarding school wrote home to his parents, "We had a wonderful dinner last night, the whole school was there and the headmaster's wife calved."

From our Agricultural Correspondent.

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NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB

The finals of the Gents doubles (Draw for partners Handicap)

Naphill Tennis Club cont...

was played on Sunday 4th October.

Result:- J.Tate and D.Ing beat A.Lawrence and P.Bowell

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Members spent a very enjoyable social evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Bayley when they very kindly gave the first of our members whist Parties.

Preliminary Notice - We are holding our Annual Carnival Dance in the Village Hall on Friday December 18th. A limited number of tickets will be on sale shortly. L.M.S.

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MEN'S CLUB

The A.G.M. received with regret the resignation of Vic Hildersley as Secretary, owing to pressure of work and the illness of his father. Until these pressures came upon him Vic had been a Secretary in the Alf Broson, Alf Skilton tradition and the meeting thanked him for his past work. Geoff Smith was elected Chairman and other officers and committee appointed. The strong junior section of the club were also asked to elect their own committee, with Alan Wingrove to represent them on the Senior body.

In response to impatient demands from the better half, Ladies nights will begin on the first Saturday in November.

Solo Drives will commence in the Committee rooms on Wednesday October 28th at 8 p.m.

The meeting regretted the absence of Clifford Smart through illness, and we all hope he will soon be with us again.  
R.P.

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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

At our meeting held on October 1st we celebrated our 37th birthday.

Mrs. Piercy, president, welcomed visitors from Downley, Hughenden, Hampden and Holmer Green. After the business had been attended to Mrs. Laurie was introduced and spoke to us on her experiences as an actress on stage, radio and television. The committee then served tea, after which the candles were lit on an iced cake and Mrs. Mollie Bayley, who will shortly be leaving us, cut it and a piece was handed to all present.

Women's Institute cont.....

For the entertainment Mrs.D.Smith and Miss O.Goodchild played duets on the piano.

The Annual General Meeting of the above Institute will take place on November 5th when voting commences at 2.15 p.m. It is hoped that all members will make a special effort to attend. Not only is it a duty of each member to vote for their new committee but they will find this meeting full of interest.

The Women's Institute is open to country women of all ages. It is non-party political and non-sectarian. Its aim is to bring countrywomen together, to improve conditions in the village and develop a spirit of friendliness amongst each other. We welcome anyone who is interested to come to our meetings. J.B.

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DARBY AND JOAN CLUB

On October 23rd we invited Mr. Jack Lawrence a Naphillian to talk about his exciting adventures during the war in Italy. He was taken prisoner, escaped by jumping from a train and rolling down an embankment and was befriended by some Italian peasants whose chief worry was Jack's red hair, such a contrast to the dark Italian heads, which would never allow him to pass himself off as a native. However, he managed to bicycle over a bridge guarded by German sentries and eventually reached safety via the beach and an English boat. again gave us some of his choice dahlias for distribution.

A record number of members attended and we were very pleased to welcome as new recruits Mrs.D.Piercy and the Rev. Carter now living in the School House. We can only hope that the walls of the Billiard Room will prove to be elastic and stretchable when the need arises. E.B.

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GARDENING NOTES.

Sorry my notes did not appear last month owing to pressure of other work. However, I hope you have kept up to date with the seasonal work without my reminders.

First, a word about those lawns; before cleaning and storing the lawnmower, satisfy yourself that the grass is reasonably short and if not then raise the cutters slightly and give it one more mowing, you won't do it any harm and it will make things much easier next spring.

Now those dahlias, gladioli, begonias etc. all safely under cover? raspberry canes all tied up to their supports and the old fruiting canes removed? Wallflower, polyanthus, forget-me-nots,

Gardening notes cont.....

sweet williams, daffodils, crocus, tulip and snowdrop bulbs all planted? Dead flower stems cut down in the herbaceous border? weeds removed and the whole lightly forked over to present a neat appearance? All vacant soil dug over and left rough to weather? strawberry bed and other soft fruits clear of weeds? I am sure you will not be able to answer yes to all these questions, but they are all jobs that should be done as soon as possible.

Finally many bush roses have made excessive growth this year and although I am not in favour of complete pruning at this time it is advisable to shorten by about half any long growths to avoid wind damage during the winter. A.H.B.

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HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

After the grand Summer we have enjoyed this year it seems hard to realise that in a few weeks time we shall be saying goodbye to 1959. It is hoped to announce in next month's Gazette the date of our Annual General Meeting when the past years work will be reviewed and the prospects for 1960 will be considered. Although we do not count our financial position as being the most important factor as a pointer to the success or otherwise of our activities during the year, we shall be able to show a balance on the right side at the A.G.M. This is largely due to the generous support of our Vice Presidents splendidly backed up by the prompt payment of Subs by members.

Committee Members often get more kicks than Ha'pence but your committee has helped to bring about the joint Fete and Flower Show in July, have themselves continued the work of maintaining our Village Memorial in good condition, organised the best September Show we have ever staged and at the back end of last year delivered four tons of lime to you, our members and lots more besides.

We shall again be delivering lime during the next week or so, prices will be similar to last year, so please place your order at once. A.H.B.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Women's Institute Drama present "Bonaventure" by Charlotte Hastings on Friday and Saturday November 20th and 21st, in the Village Hall. Tickets 3/- 2/6 & 1/6 which are obtainable from Mrs. Hussey, Bramley, Stocking Lane or other members of the Drama Society.

Old Time Dance on Saturday 5th December for the Naphill Village Hall Silver Cup Competition. Come along and keep the trophy in Naphill. Revue Orchestra. M.C's Ron & Elsie Free.

Mary Reed gained an I.D.M.A. Special award for gaining her Bronze, Silver & Gold Medals within 12 months.



WE WISH TO EVERYONE A HAPPY AND PEACEFUL CHRISTMAS

AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

December	2nd	Wednesday	Infant Welfare Clinic
"	3rd	Thursday	Keep Fit
"	4th	Friday	Social Club
"	5th	Saturday	Women's Institute
"	7th	Monday	Darby and Joan
"	9th	Wednesday	Old Time Dance
"	10th	Thursday	Table Tennis Club
"	11th	Friday	Keep Fit
"	12th	Saturday	Social Club
"	14th	Monday	Whist Drive
"	16th	Wednesday	Library
"	17th	Thursday	Christmas Fayre
"	18th	Friday	Table Tennis Club
"	19th	Saturday	Keep Fit
"	21st	Monday	Infant Welfare Clinic
"	30th	Wednesday	Social Club
"			Tennis Club Dance
"			Darby and Joan
"			Table Tennis Club
"			Keep Fit

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It was with great sorrow that we heard of the death of Miss "Nellie" Parslow and we extend our sympathy to her family.

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THE MISSION HALL

Speakers for December

Sunday	6th	Morning 11 a.m.	Mr. Sydney Smith
"	13th	Evening 6.15 p.m.	Students of All Nations
"	20th	"	Bible College
"	27th	"	Mr. Colin Ware B.Sc.
"	31st	"	Christmas Carols
			Mr.R.M.Ingleby
			Testimony Meeting.
			Watch Night Service
			11 p.m. Mr.R.M.Ingleby

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NAPHILL METHODIST CHURCH

Preachers for December

Sunday	6th	11 a.m.	6.15 p.m.
		Mr. Tweddle	Mr. Baker

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Naphill Methodist Church cont.

Preachers for December

11 a.m.

6.15 p.m.

December 13th

Mr. Parkins

Miss Darvill

" 20th

Rev. A. Freeman

Carol Service with  
Musical Items by a  
String Quartette.

" 27th

Mr. F. Deane

Mr. K. Peatey

On Sunday evening December 20th and on other evenings during Christmas week, the Methodist Choir will sing carols round the Village on behalf of the Sick Fund.

On Christmas morning a short Service will be held in the Methodist Church at 11 a.m.

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THE SONG OF A SIMPLETON

Lines written on finding the path to Hughenden Church barred by an electrified wire.

"The world is too much with us", Wordsworth sighed,  
So also say the scientists who scan,  
Beyond the ether, worlds unknown to man;  
Abandoning the problems deep and wide  
On their own globe. So much, so much to do  
Before we penetrate the outer blue!

There still are some, in stubborn ignorance,  
Who seek no orbit round the tempting moon;  
Who love the tracks that vanish all too soon  
Through field and wood, their old inheritance.  
One, such I know, upon a lovely hill,  
Now subtly barred by an electric wire  
That bids me reach the bourn of my desire  
By some more devious route. Who has the will  
To fight with me to save our rustic right  
And leave the moon her pathway through the night?

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By C.D.S.

GARDEN NOTES.

Things are rather quiet in the garden just now, but of course there are always jobs to be done if one is sufficiently interested, and the most important is winter digging. If not already completed press on with this work during the next few weeks as after the turn of the year the weather may not be so kind.

Now is a good time for planting new roses and other shrubs and if you ordered them early they will be arriving about now. Watch for the soil mark round the base and use it as a guide for re-planting, spread out the roots as evenly as you can so that they are not buried

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Garden Notes cont.....

too deeply, remember that the nurseryman has to pull them together for ease of packing and despatch, and you must spread them out again when planting.

Clean and oil all tools not in use, car sump oil is quite suitable for this. Prune fruit trees as needed and spray with tar oil or D.N.C. Mr. Rivett has stocks of these - and follow the instructions on the container. Examine fruit and vegetables in store, also dahlias, gladioli etc., the warm damp spell may have started up mildew or rotting. A.H.B.

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1st NAPHILL SCOUTS AND GUIDES.

A Jumble Sale was held in Scout Head Quarters, Walters Ash on Saturday November 7th and £18. 7. 0. was raised for funds. The Scouters and Guiders wish to thank everyone who helped make it such a success.

A Film Show was held in the Education Section on November 12th, several films were shown, among them the Scout Jubilee Jamboree of 1957. All the films were loaned to us by Brooke Bond Ltd.

Christmas Fayre. We are holding our Christmas Fayre on Saturday December 12th in the Village Hall at 3 p.m.

Football Match November 1st. Result: 1st Naphill - 12  
32nd Harrow - 1

R.J.M.

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DARBY AND JOAN CLUB

On November 6th two American Ladies came from the South Ruislip Officers Wives Club to give us a talk on the American Way of Life and we spent a very lively afternoon with questions and answers flying to and fro between Speakers and Audience. We were reminded that the last Thursday in November is set aside in the U.S.A. as Thanksgiving Day, an occasion for religious services and family reunions like an English Christmas; this ceremony was first held in 1621 when the Plymouth Colony in America thanked God as they gathered in their first harvest. Mrs. Caroline Shrimpton, aged 91 handed bouquets to Mrs. Ziegler and Mrs. Kaski and thanked them for coming to the Naphill Darby and Joan Club; our American friends mixed freely with our Members and we all felt proud and happy that our little Club had nobly done its share in cementing the friendship between the U.K. and the U.S.A. E.B.

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NAPPLE NIGHTS

In the late hours Naphill is neither as gay as Picadilly nor cont....

Napple Nights cont....

as sparkling as the Champs Elysee but a stroll to Bradenham turn has its own attractions. The sky comes into its own at night and when the wind is high and the moon charges into lumpy clouds the last glittering 31 bus leaves the world in peace. On black starless nights the passing of a shadowy and silent figure is quite an event. How quietly some people walk! There must be some sort of a party at the large cottage. The cars outside suggest quite a gathering. In the corner by the white gate two figures are happy to be alone together. Further along the light from a window stabs the night. A youngish man is absorbed with a pile of clothes and an electric iron. He bends over the work with pursed lips, conscientious and expert. Once, near Christmas time, the light from a chimney on fire lighted up the district like a torch to show wise men the way, and rehearsals for an R.A.F. pantomime in a hut further along made the opening chorus familiar some time before the opening night. The old gentleman's light and the fluorescent one in the large house usually burn late but now they snap out. The lonely quiet night is left. No lights anywhere. Napple sleeps. J.M.H.

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NAPHILL WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The A.G.M. was well attended, Mrs. Williams V.C.O. came to help us through the business and election of Committee and Officers. She spoke of the origin of the Women's Institute and congratulated us on our various activities.

After the result of the ballot for committee Mrs.R.Piercy was elected our President again for another year. Mrs. Weekes proposed a vote of thanks to Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Blackwell thanked the returning committee for their years work.

An amusing competition was won by Mrs.L.Brown and Mrs.Simmonds.

Our next meeting is on December 3rd when Mrs. Wright will speak on "Christmas in Ceylon." The competition is a Christmas stocking, the contents costing not more than 1s. 6d, afterwards to be given to the Bledlow Children's Home. If any member is unable to enter this competition we would be pleased to accept any small gift suitable to hang on the children's Christmas Tree at this home. J.B.

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NAPHILL DRAMA

A charming girl-artist has been convicted of murdering her brother. A final appeal against the death sentence has failed. The prisoner is marooned by floods in a convent hospital while being returned by the police to the condemned cell. At this point the Naphill W.I. Drama Group takes over; and we enjoy a night of suspense, tragedy and final sublimation when the girl is shown to be innocent.

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Naphill Drama cont...

She is saved from the scaffold by the intelligence and persistence of a convent sister; a subtle and impressive character played with great authority and distinction. Other characters, suspicious, noble, humorous and eccentric, are closely involved and most convincingly expressed.

"Bonaventure"; the play, was performed on Friday and Saturday, November 20th and 21st, in the Village Hall. Much is now anticipated from the Naphill W.I. players, who have repeatedly gained the highest County award. They are indeed fortunate in their producer, their scenic artist, their back-stage team spirit and their outstanding acting ability. And the Naphill audience and visitors were again fortunate, too, in being able to enjoy, on their doorstep, such excellent theatre. J.M.H.

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NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB.

A very enjoyavle evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Lawrence when together with Miss Jean Lawrence and Mr. P. Bowell they organised a Whist Drive combined with a Farewell Party to the Club's Treasurer, Mr. John Bayley and Mrs. Bayley. Mr. R. Pierce, on behalf of the members, presented them with a stool.

On Friday December 18th we are holding our Annual Carnival Dance. If you have already attended any of our dances we hope you will come again, and to anyone who has not been before we give you a warm welcome. We have our old friend Mr. Joe Webb and his band with Mr. Hewington as M.C. Even if you are not in a dancing mood it is well worth-while coming to join our merry party. There are a limited number of tickets on sale, price 5s. 0d each, double tickets 8s. 0d including refreshments.

Tickets may be obtained from Committee Members or the Secretary Miss Sharpe, Telephone Naphill 3193.

May we wish everyone a very happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year. L.M.S.

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HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Once again we have completed the delivery of Lime to our Members, four and a half tons of creamy white powder which will help to combat club-root, deter the slugs and make for easier digging next spring, it will also help to free some of that potash that is locked up in our Naphill clay and will act as a general tonic to the soil. Save some of it and mix it with soot to keep slugs away from young seedlings next Spring. The government realises how valuable Lime is to the soil and grants your Society a 50% subsidy each year on the amounts we purchase for your benefit, which enables us to pass on to you this product at such reasonable cost. cont....

Horticultural Society cont....

Use it wisely, use it well.

A.H.R.

NOTICES

Result of Rummage Sale in aid of Elderly Folks Dinner - £24. 6. 5.

Result of Collection in aid of Gazette Funds - £37. 13. 3. HB/MJB/DCT  
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COACH TO LONDON - A shopping trip has been arranged for Wednesday December 2nd. Coach leaves Village Hall at 9 a.m. return London 4 p.m. 6s. 0d return. Names to be given to Mrs. Hussey, "Bramley" Stocking Lane, Naphill 3216. It is open to non members.

OLD TIME DANCE - The Old Time Dance on Saturday December 5th for the Village Hall Silver Cup will be an OPEN NOVICE VELETA Trophy Competition. Come along and try your luck. M.C. Ron and Elsie Free. "Revue Orchestra" 8 'till 11.45 Trophy to be held for 11 months. Medals for 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

ALAN SHRIMPTON'S PARTY - On Saturday January 16th, 1960 another "New Year's Party" in aid of the Local Branch of the Spastics Society is being organised by Alan Shrimpton, in the Village Hall. Once again for the fifth time Mr. H. Adlam is coming back to play in the band and to entertain. If you want a night out, this is it, something for everybody, dancing, games, competitions, bingo, valuable prizes galore and remember ADMISSION IS BY TICKET ONLY 5/- each including refreshments. The tickets are being strictly limited to 120. The demand for them is greater than ever this year ("A lot have already been sold" Tickets from Alan Shrimpton. Telephone: Naphill 2325 or Mrs. Nancy Brown, Telephone: Naphill 3349.

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