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IN THE PAST.

DECEMBER

The following are items that were recorded in the village school log book.

Dec. 1913. 55 cases of chicken pox were recorded as the school closed for holidays.

Jan. 1914. Epidemic over, but children appear to be absent from school on the most frivolous pretext !

Dec. 24th. 1914. As school closed, Mrs. Milner from Totley Hall sent 157 sixpences one for each child in the school.

Dec. 1915. The roads are covered with 'snow-broth' with the consequence that half of the 134 children present had their feet wet through. It was deemed advisable to send home those children and not mark the registers. 69 remained.

Dec 21st. 1916. 36 Wounded soldiers came up to school through a heavy fall of snow. The children sang several patriotic songs.

Dec. 1919. Totley School won first prize in the open class of the Bird and Tree competition, organised by the R.S.P.B. Each child was entitled to a medal. There was also a cupboard to be provided to house the scientific apparatus, a sewing machine was also to be supplied for the girls. This was delivered on Jan. 15th. 1920.

Dec. 7th. 1923. A hospital collection was taken and almost £1 was raised !

Dec. 1931. The gardening allowance for the year 1932 was set at £4.10.0d.

Dec. 1934. The children were given envelopes to take home in connection with the Lord Mayors appeal for boots and clothing for needy children. (On the above evidence perhaps they ought to have been the recipients).

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THAT Boxing Day is probably named from Mediaeval times when priests opened the Alms boxes in churches and gave the money to the poor, the day after Christmas.

THAT before Christmas Cards became established, the practice was for boys to write a 'Christmas Piece' at school, to take home for the Christmas Holidays. It was written on colourful paper, containing greetings and was really an exercise in copperplate handwriting. It died out in about 1856.

THAT Christmas Cards became really popular about 1870, having first been introduced in 1843 to the size of "a lady's visiting card".

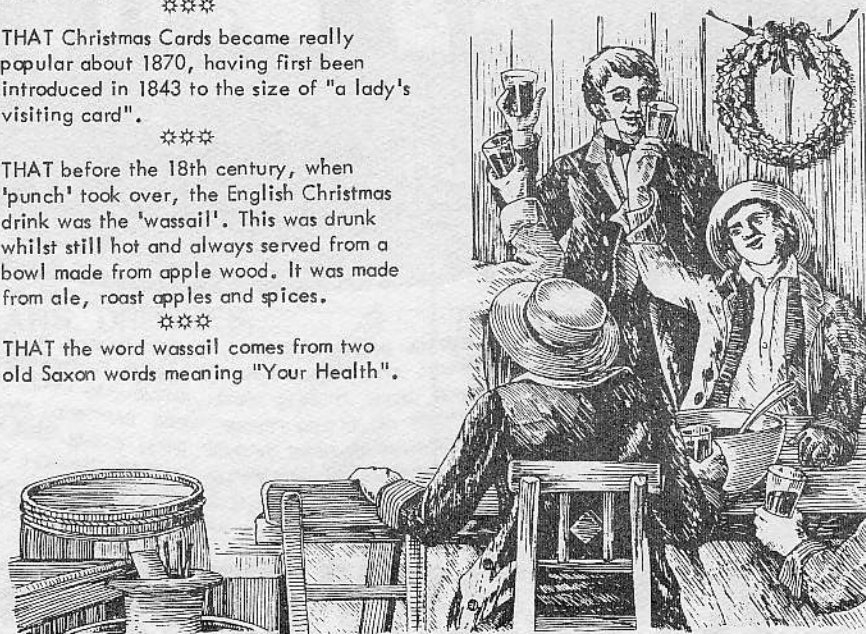
THAT before the 18th century, when 'punch' took over, the English Christmas drink was the 'wassail'. This was drunk whilst still hot and always served from a bowl made from apple wood. It was made from ale, roast apples and spices.

THAT the word wassail comes from two old Saxon words meaning "Your Health".

THAT some of the best loved Christmas Carols came from America about 100 years ago. One of them, Silent Night, was first composed by an Austrian priest in 1818. A family of singers 'The Rainers' made it popular all over Germany and Austria and when they went on a concert tour of America in 1839, the Americans went wild about it.

THAT the word carol comes from the Greek 'choraulein'. Chorus means dance and aulein means to play the flute. In the middle ages a carol was a ring dance with the participants singing. Ring dancing was a custom introduced by the Romans.

THAT Prince Albert is credited with introducing Christmas Trees into England from his native Germany in 1841, although several had already appeared before this date.



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Monday 29th December and also from 5 pm.
on Wednesday 31st December until 10 am.
on Friday 2nd January.

NEW CLEAR VIEW ?

"PROSPECTS FOR NUCLEAR
DISARMAMENT"

TOTLEY PEOPLE showed themselves to be
as concerned as everybody else about the
nuclear arms race, when they packed
into Totley Rise Methodist Church Hall on
Tuesday 18th November. All seats were
taken at the scheduled start of a meeting
labelled "Prospects for Nuclear Disarm-
ament" organised by local churches and
the United Nations Association.
The evening, which began with a thought-
provoking cartoon film tracing mans
traditional "inhumanity to man", was
based around a talk by the General
Secretary for the Campaign for Nuclear
Disarmament (CND), Bruce Kent.
Although designed primarily as a session
for questions and answers and general
discussion, the meeting inevitably became
something of a rallying call for the CND.
However, the questions and points raised
by the audience were always intelligent
if rarely controversial. All those who
attended were given the opportunity to
sign a petition which few, if any, were
not happy to do. There were also short
talks by representatives of the Sheffield
CND, European Nuclear Disarmament,
Mothers For Peace and Sheffield District
United Nations Association. Overall the
evening was a great success, if only
because of the interest shown by the sheer
number who took the trouble to turn up.
It is more than likely that we have not seen
the last of local meetings devoted to this
subject.



SPOTLIGHT

The Dramatic Society
Dore & Totley
United Reformed Church

Church Hall, Totley Brook Road



THE OTHER FELLOW'S OATS

OPENING NIGHTS can be difficult for both performers and audience alike. If it is intended that you are going to write about what you see, it is fairer, perhaps, to steer clear of the first night. This was not possible on this occasion, so Wednesday night it had to be. Unfortunately no advance notice was received for the October issue.

However, after saying that, from an audience point of view, at any rate, problems appeared to be almost non-existent, rehearsal time obviously having been very well spent. It was disappointing to see the hall only half full but the enthusiasm was that of a full house. The plain and simple set, the living room of a flat, was well up to the usual standard. The first act was a little slow in developing but perhaps it needed to be in order to set the plot, (farces and comedies usually seem better when the storyline is somewhat involved). After the excellent coffee of the first interval, the second act set a cracking pace with the controlled chaos being beautifully broken up, at regular intervals, by Phil Jubb (Pearce, the odd job man) and May Bailey (Miss Lowry, the elderly neighbour). The smooth presentation must be credited, in part, to those back stage, for they gave the cast excellent support. The second interval seemed a little long which tended to slightly lose the fever pitch which had been created and gave the evening a 10.15 pm. finish. But, of course, this was the first night and made no difference to anyone's overall enjoyment.

Only those who had come to see a play about Young Farmers would have gone away without wanting more!

ON THE LOCAL STAGE.

PANTO



The Parent Teachers Association of Totley All Saints School are presenting their 3rd Annual Pantomime in the School Hall on the evenings of Feb. 6th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th with matinees on Sat. 7th and Sat. 14th. This year's choice is the popular SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS and once again the aim is to produce a good family show with the accent on comedy. Last year 'Aladdin' attracted over 1,000 people and the P.T.A. hope to see the school 'Little Theatre' filled again next February with friends old and new. The price of seats is 60p for adults and 40p for children and senior citizens. Tickets can be ordered by ringing 351871 (Janet Lycett) or 360602. Nearer the time, tickets will also be on sale on Saturday afternoons in the library. PLEASE BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT.



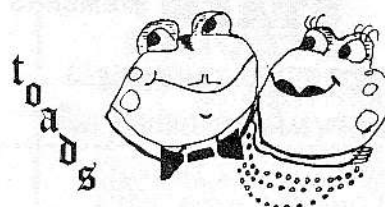
WANTED

Can you help a dame in distress? Ladies have you any size 9 shoes that you don't want? Ray Atkin, this year's panto dame, would like to hear from you. Tel. 368640.

WEDDING

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BRUSH WITH A BODY

THE TITLE OF this play proved very descriptive and when it is combined with the leading character - Mr. Flaherty, an Irish Chimney Sweep - it comes as no surprise to discover that the action centred around him finding a body up a chimney. What was surprising was that with it being discovered so early, it was a question of what if any, other surprises might be left in store. There were plenty; and the choice of this particular 'comedy - whodunnit' proved to be a very good one. The action, even if not quite as slick as in their last production was very brisk and captured the audience throughout. There was a generous amount of laughter and one lady was heard to tell her husband not to laugh so loudly as she kept missing the next line! The audience, like the cast, were well mixed and did each other credit. James Perks, as the sweep, gave his part plenty of colour and coped well with the Irish accent. Lil Robinson, as the Housekeeper, left no doubt (yet again) that if ever another Ena Sharples is required - they need look no further, for this type of part fits her like a glove, (congratulations too, to her false nose). An evening of superb entertainment was enjoyed by all.



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ONE OF THE enigmas of Autumn and Winter, is the strange behaviour of the rooks of the district. On several mornings lately, literally hundreds of rooks have been seen in the fields and trees around Totley. The numbers have been far in excess of those of our regular local rookeries. The great assemblies have always been first thing in the morning and it has been noticed that the rooks nearly always split from one large assembly into a few smaller ones. Where the surplus go during the rookery's active season, no-one really seems to know. The rook must be an ornithologist's nightmare, since all adults appear to be identical and since they live in large colonies, following one bird to ascertain its habits must be virtually impossible. The rook is, of course, a member of the crow family. It is distinguished from the Carrion Crow by the white face patch in the adults, its "baggy trousers", and the fact that it is gregarious compared with the crow's solitary habits. The rook is an omnivore, eating soil, insects, grain and practically anything which is edible. The folk-tales regarding the bird are legion and include stories of Rook 'courts' where wrong-doers are tried and banished from the rookery. Without speaking the language, it would be very difficult to prove or disprove these stories.



SCOUT NEWS

215th SHEFFIELD (1st TOTLEY)
SCOUT GROUP

CAROLS & COFFEE

Our annual Carols & Coffee Evening will be held on Tuesday 9th December at 7pm. in All Saints Church Hall. Everyone is welcome, the admission is 20p adults, 10p which includes refreshments. We look forward to seeing you there.

WASTE PAPER

Once again, many thanks to all who contributed to our collection of waste paper on Saturday 22nd. November - sorry if we missed you but as usual, the skip was overflowing.

We have decided to postpone waste paper collections, until the weather improves and also, at the present time, the market price of the paper is extremely low. We will resume collections as soon as possible.

John Turner
Group Chairman.

KING ECGBERT



SCHOOL

PUT TOGETHER the subjects of abolishing corporal punishment and the compulsory wearing of school uniform and the results should provide a stimulating debate. At a meeting called by the Governors of King Egbert School on Wednesday 19th November, those attending put forward and discussed, in a most rational manner, points both in favour and against, after being presented with extracts from the Education Committees documents by Chairman of Governors, Mr. W.R. Dunsmore. The meeting was called in response to the Education Committees request to governing bodies to consult with staff, parents and pupils that both subjects should be discontinued in city schools. Subsequently, staff, parents and pupils will have the opportunity of voting on both questions by referenda. Ballot papers will be made available to all concerned (a contribution towards the cost of these will be made by the King Egbert Association). The results will, no doubt, be awaited with much interest. Other similar meetings are currently being held at schools throughout Sheffield.

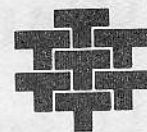
BIRTHDAY

NEWS OF A very special birthday party reached the Totley Independent this month. The 126th Sheffield (United Reformed) Brownies Totley B Pack were eighteen years old on 22nd October. To celebrate their coming of age they held a special 18th birthday party for 75 brownies and their guiders. The brownies, all aged between 7 and ten thoroughly enjoyed themselves and a very attractive feature was a birthday cake with 18 candles. Pat Cooper, the District Commissioner, attended the party and enroled two new brownies during the celebrations.

On November 5th Brown Owl, Mrs. Jan. Pulfrey, held a special bonfire party for the brownies at her home.

Any girls who would like to join this pack, are invited to go along to the United Reformed Church, Totley Brook Road, any Wednesday between 6 - 7.15 pm or contact Guider Mrs. Linda Cram on 350476.

A CLOSER LOOK AT THE NEW DEVELOPMENT



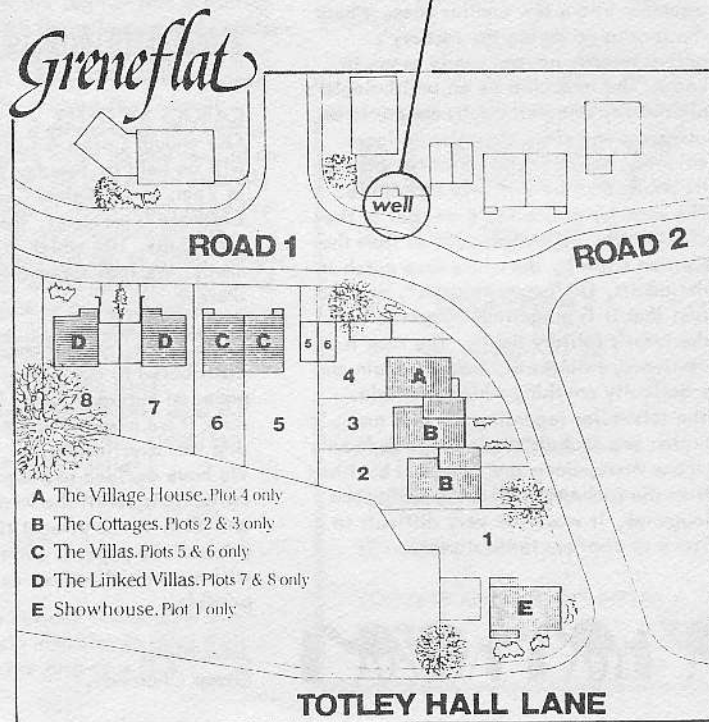
IN TOTLEY HALL LANE

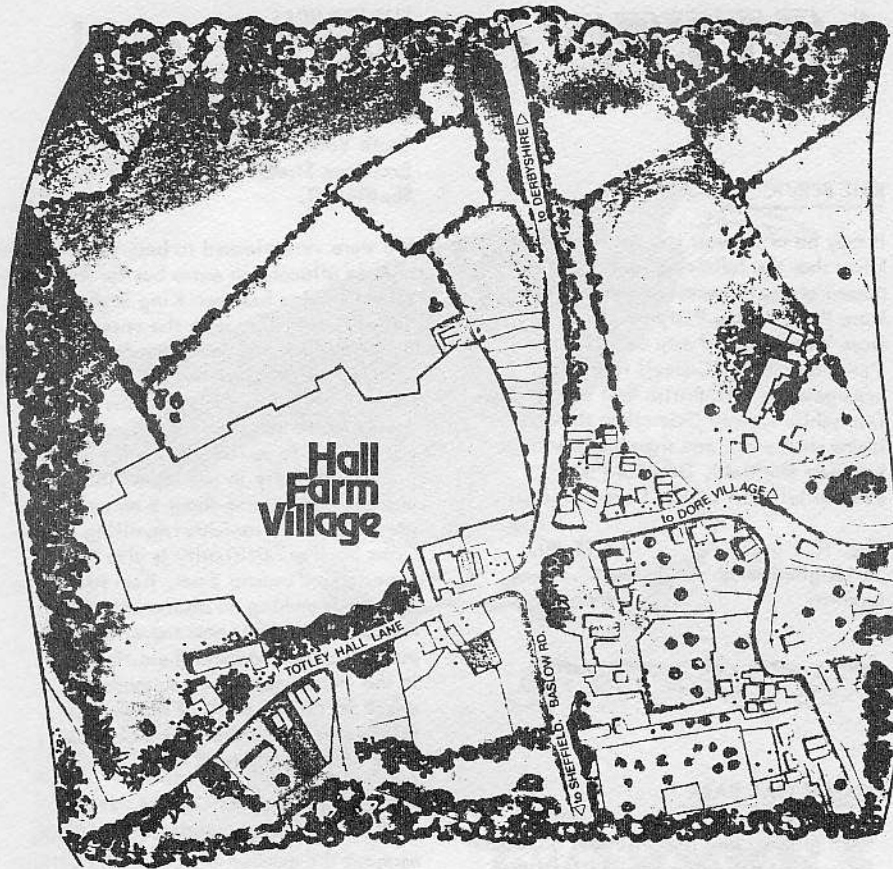


One of the earliest features of this development to arouse local interest seems to be the small building on Totley Hall Lane. Although this will eventually be the garage of a dwelling, its first use will be that of a site sales office.

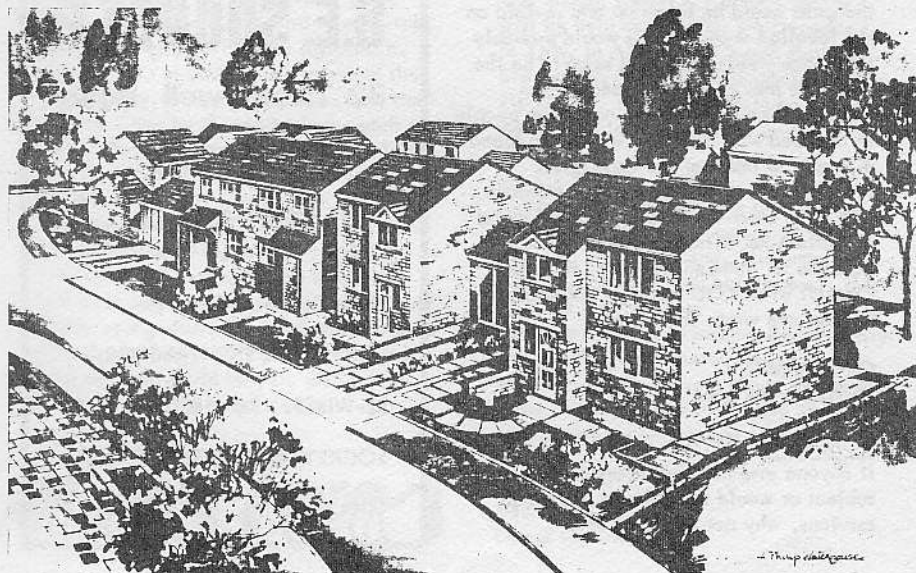
It has been pointed out that the artists impressions shown here do not give the full picture, as the development is being designed in small phases (each one related to historical field names associated with the site) and this process is still going on.

Tarmac Homes inform us that last months information with regard to the storage and protection of the well is correct. With regard to its ultimate location, it was a condition of the original Section 52 Planning Approval that it should be "re-located within the site to the satisfaction of the Council", which effectively rules out any location outside the site. The new position of the well is shown on the plan.





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RAIL SERVICE

I am enclosing a copy of a letter that the Sheaf Valley Transport Liaison Group is sending to County Councillors on the Highways Committee and the Public Transport Committee.

I shall be pleased if your Society will discuss this matter and lend what-ever support you may think appropriate in persuading the South Yorkshire County Council to provide the finance for a rail service between Dore and Sheffield and Totley and Sheffield.

Sheena Clarke 4.11.80.
Sheaf Valley Transport Liaison Group
c/o Wesley House
Highfield Place
Sheffield S2. Tel. 57309.

Dear County Councillor,

You will be aware that Derbyshire County Council has agreed to re-open Dronfield Station and that a rail service between Dronfield and Sheffield will be commencing early next year. The Sheaf Valley Transport Liaison Group has been campaigning for some time for the re-opening of Dronfield Station. However, if the new rail service is to make any contribution to alleviating the congestion on inner city roads in the Sheaf Valley area we feel that it is important that trains are able to stop at Dore Station as well. If this is to happen, it will be necessary to build a new footbridge at Dore Station to allow passengers to use the Dronfield/Sheffield Service. Funds would have to be found by South Yorkshire County Council to re-build the footbridge and the County Council would also have to subsidise the service if the trains were to stop at Dore.

In addition there is a proposal to build a new station at Totley Brook, a proposal which the S.V.T.L.G. fully support. I am writing to you, therefore, to urge you to support the provision of finance to re-build the footbridge at Dore Station and to build a new station at Totley Brook when the County Council's budget for 1981/82 is drawn up.

COMMENT

At the T.R.A. Committee meeting held on Monday 17th November, it was agreed to support the suggestions named above. Readers may be interested to refer to a previous article in issue No.8, February 1978.

Again, if you have any comments of your own, we would be pleased to hear from you.

LETTERS

RAIL SERVICE

It may be of interest to your readers to know that the following resolution was passed at the November meeting of Dore Ward Labour Party :-
Dore Ward Labour Party urges South Yorkshire County Council to finalise arrangements with British Rail and Derbyshire County Council so that trains on the restored stopping service between Sheffield, Dronfield and Chesterfield can call at Dore Station.

Mrs. H. King 12.11.80.
26 Longford Road
Bradway



GREEN OAK PARK

With reference to the article in November issue about providing possible facilities in Green Oak Park, namely a Tug-O-War pitch and a Bandstand. With the strong enthusiasm shown towards the Sports night in the park and the Tug-O-War in particular, surely with the guidance and permission of the Council, several volunteers could level off a long strip of land, near to the top path, without the Council having to spend their precious money, as the grass could be taken up and re-laid on the levelled area. As this would probably take some weeks, it would seem to be the best time now to get this idea off the ground. There must be ten or fifteen people in the area who would be willing to spend a couple of hours at the week-ends levelling off an area or perhaps someone who is on short-time working could spend an afternoon during the week. So come on Independent-ites, show the Council what YOU can do. Volunteer number one wrote this letter !

Cliff Bardelli 10.11.80.
79 West View Lane

COMMENT

If anyone else has any thoughts on this subject or would also like to offer their services, why not drop us a line ?

BUS SERVICES

The following letter was sent to

The Manager
South Yorkshire Passenger Transport
Exchange Street
Sheffield 2. November 1980

We were very pleased to hear you had been able to allocate an extra bus for the evening school service between King Egbert and Totley, especially with the onset of the dark evenings and thank you for your efforts. We continue to hope that you will be able to find us a morning bus from Totley to the school. It has now been pointed out to us that passengers are having difficulty in getting on the No.24 buses to town round about 8 am. as these are filling with students travelling from Cross Scythes. Difficulty is also being experienced around 5 pm. from town. The College is making an assessment of the numbers of students now travelling by public transport around these times. In the meantime, have you made any check on the capacity of the service relative to the number of students using these buses during term time ?

COMMENT

Since writing this letter the College has assessed the number of students travelling in a morning at approx. 180 with obviously the same number returning at different times throughout the day. The Site Council of the Poly are looking further into the problem.

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The 'Drop In' centre is now open again after a break, having recommenced on Friday 14th November at 10 am.

The Centre is open each Friday morning for Totley people to drop in for a chat and morning coffee, whilst leaflets (on Housing, Welfare Benefits, Rent and Rate Rebates, Facilities for the Elderly and Handicapped etc.) are available for people seeking advice or information. The centre is situated in the Day Room at Green Oak Elderly Persons Home, the entrance to the room being situated opposite Totley Library. If you are a young mum who has just dropped the kids off at school, or a pensioner just off to do your week-end shopping, or just a resident, with half-an-hour to pass do 'drop in' and join us. Bring a friend too!

For further information about the drop-in centre please contact Peter Furniss, Community Worker, on Friday mornings at the centre.

Peter Furniss has recently been appointed Community Worker for our area. He took up a two year term in charge of the Division 3 office at the Family and Community Services Department, Redvers House, during early October. He tells us he will be paying special attention to the care of the elderly, not only in Totley but all the surrounding parts covered by the division, (including Heeley, Woodseats, Lowedges, Jordanthorpe and Greystones). He already has plans underway to improve and develop the facilities available to Totley people, as well as introducing new ones, and we hope to be able to report further on these as they come about.

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In the meantime, Peter has expressed the hope that he can encourage more residents to become active participants in the Community. As you will see from the item above there is an ideal opportunity to do this on Friday mornings. Remember, your interests are Peter Furniss' interests. He can be contacted at the Family and Community Services Dept., Redvers House, Union Street. Tel. 734910.

resolution

WE WOULD LIKE at least another two people to make a New Year Resolution, that they will help the Independent as Staff Members.

NURSERY

IN RESPONSE to requests for information about the local nursery class the following should be of interest.

The Nursery Class was opened in September 1969, as a result of an agreement between myself and the then Vicar of Totley, David Hallatt, that it would be an appropriate use for a classroom that was not required for school purposes at that time. My stipulation was that the class be organised on the lines of an L.E.A. (Local Education Authority) Nursery Class with a class leader, who was at least N.N.E.B. trained: this is a tradition still maintained. The intention of this was to have a pre-school class where the aim was to provide educational preparation, as distinct from a purely play/child minding activity. However, as a private sponsorship (by the Governors) fees are payable and these are given at the end of this article.

Growth of pupil numbers within the school from 1972 onwards caused the establishment of a new Infant class in 1973 and by 1975 the classroom, that had been used by the nursery, was required for the opening of a further Junior class. This made it urgently necessary to move the Nursery Class to new premises. Substantial contributions from the school's P.T.A. and the Church (with a loan from the Diocesan Council) provided the present unit.

From the beginning, the fees provided no more than a small honorarium for the class leader and her assistants. All other financial requirements for equipment, materials, games, books etc., were met by the P.T.A., the Church, or occasional self-help projects such as coffee evenings organised by the class leader and staff. Since the purchase of the new nursery unit, income from fees has been reduced by the simple fact that the unit is smaller than the original class-room and therefore sessional maximum numbers have to be lower. Naturally, because of the substantial investments by the P.T.A. and the Church, priority of enrolment is given to children who will enter this school at 4+ years, where sessional numbers are fully occupied and on the waiting list. There is no prescribed time for application to enrol - we have already one to enter in 1982 and the school in 1984. All applications for enrolment must be made to me. Fees per session at present are: paying termly in advance - 85p(morning). 75p (afternoon). paying weekly in advance - 90p(morning). 85p (afternoon). Parents may opt for either form of payment but weekly payments must be guaranteed for the term once the child has commenced sessions. E. Priestnall, (Headmaster and Nursery Administrator) Totley All Saints School, Hillfoot Road, Totley Tel. 361934.

SPORT

We hope to be able next month to bring you up-to-date with and restart our reports of local sports events. In the meantime, if you have any local results for printing, please get in touch with Chris Woodhead.

passin' thru'

SUITABLY DRESSED and carrying a large back-pack, sponsored walker Miss GILL RHODES passed through Totley on Thursday 20th November at 10.15 am. Gill is walking from Bradford to London. She started on Monday 17th November from Bradford and hoped to finish on Sunday 30th November in London, by which time she was hoping to have raised £200. The proceeds are in aid of Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament, Sheffield Womens' Aid and also to aid The Hospital School, Bradford to get a minibus.

social



THE TOTLEY TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD are holding this year's Christmas Social on Friday 12th December at 7.30 pm. It will take place, as usual, at Abbeydale Hall and admission will be 50p. Please bring a small gift.



1981

Next year has been designated by the United Nations Association as Year for Disabled People. If this is supported in the area to the same extent as International Year of the Child, the outcome should be most encouraging. The Independent hopes to publicise and support any events that take place.



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THUNDER

1980 has certainly proved to be quite a year for the magazine. As will be noted from the greeting, a figure approaching 13,000 copies has been sold since the January issue, true support indeed and most gratifying. The subject matter covered has been wide and varies and all contributions, no matter how large or small, have added to this year's success. We have maintained a stable staff throughout the year and despite college courses and night school, the younger members have continued to work, in our interests, in a most diligent manner. Many people have come to know about each others problems and interests during the last twelve issues and for this reason alone the magazine has been worthwhile. A continued feature has also been the drawings and we have no less than SEVEN local artists to thank, both for the excellence of their work and their valued efforts. We certainly look forward to presenting more of their work during 1981. It is, nowadays, a fact of life that costs continue to rise and this caused our first price increase in April from 10p to 12p. Like other publications we have been grateful of the revenue received through advertisements, so much so that, once again, due to demand for space within our pages, we have had to start a waiting list. One item made evident throughout the year is the insatiable appetite of readers for items of local history. These we also hope to continually include, although like many other aspects, this is quite a time consuming affair for those who research and present them. But for obvious reasons we must also look to the future and report on the present.

May we wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and look forward to the pleasure of your company in 1981.

Don't miss next month's feature on "Musical Totley". Tales of our heritage that you are sure to have missed.

enterprising

GREEN OAK VIEW Day Centre was again the venue for the second meeting to investigate aspects of local unemployment, on Friday 21st November. Although only about a dozen people attended, they came away with the feeling that positive steps and foundations had been made, after being told how finances to support a project and specific ideas of 'cottage industry' products and services could be made available. Several new faces all put forward sensible and constructive suggestions. Disappointment was expressed as to why a wider audience hadn't been reached, as it was assumed that the unemployment level in the area was about 7% (below the national average) and this represented probably about 200 people. It was felt that the venue for the next meeting should be changed to a local pub, most likely to be held in January. Posters will be displayed to this effect and a more comprehensive leaflet will be distributed outlining the proposals in more detail, as it was felt that maybe people had stayed away because information about the meeting had not been specific enough to attract those who mattered most - the unemployed. Local press and radio will also cover the subject further (although the topic hasn't been short of publicity to date !). Any venture that is launched, arising from these meetings and proposals will be known in the future as TOTLEY COMMUNITY ENTERPRISES. The sole purpose of any such scheme is to be for the benefit of those in the area who are out of work. Watch out for more details.

whisperer...

..... "All quiet on Baslow Road" report residents in the vicinity..... Carlins Hardware shop closed on Saturday Nov. 15th., to re-open shortly as a Boutique.. ... Chemists shop at Totley Rise recently had a facelift of new frontage, sign and interior layout..... Urgently required - a report from the local Road Safety Committee on the up-to-date and progress-so-far situation..... Bonfires at local schools again a big success and accident free... The bonfire at the College took place almost unannounced..... Closing date for names to be added to the Memorial is March 31st. 1981..... Railings around Green Oak Park have been pushed over in several places..... Copies of issue numbers 1 and 2 of Totley Independent much sought after - are they collectors items ? The Tidy up Totley Campaign recently suggested by Totley Forum has attracted the attention of Keep Britain Tidy Group with the advice "to report any incidents of wilful damage and littering to the police"..... According to signs outside it, DORE STATION is nearer to Totley ($\frac{3}{4}$ mile) than Dore (1 mile)....



"Rudolph. Are you sure that this is the best way to get a copy of the Independent ?"

christmas party

SENIOR CITIZENS. Don't forget your party at Lowfield Hall, Totley College, on Saturday 6th December starting at 4 pm. A host of residents, students and guides will be on hand. As well as good food, a feast of entertainment will be provided and maybe a few surprises. Tickets are only 40p each and if you have missed buying one at the library, you have a last chance to obtain one from any T.R.A. Committee member or Perkintons shop, Main Avenue.

DECEMBER DIARY

- 2nd Tues. Totley Library. Talk by E.L. Vemon, illustrated by slides, "Old Sheffield, part 5". 8 pm. Admission free. Mr. Vemon will be showing us how Sheffield buildings, both old and new, show the influence of foreign buildings. We shall be transported to Egypt, Greece, Rome, Turkey, Jerusalem and Venice. There's no need to go abroad: you can see it all in Totley before your very eyes. Everyone Welcome.
- 3rd Wed. Mother and Young Club. All Saints Church Hall. 10.30 am. (20p)
- 4th Thur. Last day of British Squash Champs. at Abbeydale Hall.
- 6th Sat. T.R.A. Senior Citizens Christmas Party at College from 4 pm.
- 9th Tues. Scouts. Carols & Coffee Evening. All Saints Church Hall. 7 pm.
- 10th Wed. All Saints Young Mums Club. Christmas Decorations - Mrs. Simons.
- 12th Fri. Totley Townswomens Guild. Abbeydale Hall. 7.30 pm. Christmas Social.
- 13th Sat. Totley County School P.F.A. Christmas Coffee Morning in school, 10 am.
- 17th Wed. Young Mums Club. Christmas Party. Puppet Show - Mrs. Dean.
- 25th Thur. Christmas Day in Totley, Dore, Bradway (and everywhere else).

new times

TOTLEY LIBRARY OPENING HOURS

The opening hours of Totley junior library have recently been extended. The times of opening are now as follows: Monday 10 am - 8 pm, Tuesday and Wednesday 10 am - 6 pm., Thursday closed all day, Friday - 10 am., - 8 pm., Saturday 9.30 am -

12.30 pm and 1.30 pm - 4.30 pm. The adult library opening hours are: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 10 am - 8 pm., Thursday closed all day, Friday 10 am - 8 pm., Saturday 9.30 am - 12.30., and 1.30 pm - 4.30 pm. Neither library closes for lunch, except on Saturdays.



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TRAINERS

YOU MAY REMEMBER that we reported that the Totley Cub-Scout and under 13 Football Teams had lost their facility at the Totley College Gym. Well everything seems to have turned out well for the boys, because they have been found a session between 8 pm and 10pm on Thursday evenings. Mike Geering and Dennis Coe, who run the two sessions respectively heaved a sigh of relief at the news. The daunting prospect of transporting the fifty or so young lads back and forth to King Egberts had not been relished. To add to their good news, the Cub-Scouts won their last two matches 3-2 and 5-1, whilst the under 13s continued their much improved record with 2-2 and 4-1 results.

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