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Our third December issue and November snow to set the scene. As we approach the season of home grown festivities, it serves as a reminder of the splendid local efforts, of late, that have provided entertainment from within the area in the form of plays, gang shows etc., most of which it has been our pleasure to review. There is still our panto to come along plus no doubt further contributions from Dore, for instance, with Gilbert & Sullivan, the male voice choir, as well as 'OLIVER' from King Egberts. Would it therefore not be an idea, for the 1980s, to provide ourselves with a cavalcade of all this local showmanship, maybe to be performed in the college, where we could display and enjoy this wealth of talent at a single stroke. It may also be beneficial if some of our more senior and experienced producers and participants consider starting a Totley Youth Theatre, in order to maintain these standards and keep a constance supply of young people to the many local outlets, as well as providing another alternative for leisure interests to our young folk. We look forward with interest to reporting on any such projects.

On Monday 19th November, the INDEPENDENT was invited to take part in a lunchtime Radio Sheffield programme. It proved to be an enjoyable experience, although our two representatives, John Perkinson and Mike Williamson, were taken somewhat by surprise at the prospect of appearing on a live programme and apprehensive when they realised it was also a "phone-in". Due to the courtesies extended to them by Dinah Maiden and the production team, they were more at ease by the time their interviews began. "Never has half an hour passed so quickly", was the overall conclusion they reached. Although many areas of our magazine and the various functions of the Residents Association were discussed in a lively manner, upon reflection they now think that perhaps there are certain obvious comments and details they failed to mention during the course of the show, but this was probably due to lack of experience and was something (radio) that the magazine had not come into contact with before - at least it broke new ground. Community activities and local magazines would seem to fit in correctly with a local radio programme. "We would like to have given a little more information on the current set up, the excellent letters and information we are once

again receiving from the readers and to have thanked in a more positive way those, including the local artists, who answered our recent appeal for help, some of whom we have still not yet had time to contact - although we will, of course, be doing so", they both said later. Would they like to do it again? "Why not" was the reply "it most certainly gave the magazine a wider boost than it has had before". So now you have a choice! You can either drop us a line with your comments - or why not give Dinah Maiden a ring on 668266?

May we wish all our readers and everyone who has contributed to the continuing success of the magazine, the compliments of the season and the best of new years.



WHISPERER

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There may be Totley well dressings next year Whiteheads at Totley Rise has had a facelift.... Peter Swifts has had a new shop sign.... New caretakers at All Saints School are Mr. & Mrs. Paul Cotton Any adults interested in Ballroom Dancing tuition should contact TRA Secretary Eileen Wood on 361988.... Local rumblings again being voiced about bus services How does Father Xmas get such long holidays... .. Good to see the British Squash Championships at Abbeydale Park once again Sorry we didn't get to see the James Blades evening at King Egberts .. no doubt he drummed up good support Local students preparing to give the Independent their point of view on recent complaints

Star Shop in Baslow Road soon to have new managers. Mr. & Mrs. Buttery have left, due mainly to Mrs. Buttery's ill health. They thank all customers they have had the pleasure of serving and the friends they have made during their 3 month stay



TOTLEYS PAST FOR XMAS PRESENT ?

THE SECOND WEEK in December sees the publication of 'TOTLEY HISTORY', an 80 page book with over 70 illustrations giving an outline of Totleys past. It will be on sale in local shops price £1.95 and has been illustrated and compiled by Brian Edwards.

roots & routes

DID YOU KNOW THAT Aldam Way etc., were named after one most illustrious William Milner who had the middle name of Aldam too? Mr. Milner JP MA was a local magistrate who went to live at Totley Hall towards the end of the last century. He married the daughter of the Sharrow Wilsons, the well known Sheffield snuff makers. He obviously had a nose for the lady.

The Laverdenes were named after the builder of that area, that well known neighbour to third division leaders, Sheffield United. You guessed it - Mr. Laver.

As far as we can tell there never was, however, a Mr. Queen Victoria. However we do know that that road was once called Victoria Road and didn't Queen it until more recent times. But do you know which year? If you are the first correct guesser we will, as first prize, write to South Yorkshire Highways Department and ask them to name the next new road in Totley after your very self. There is no guarantee that they will concur.

May 21st 1897 Totley children were given a days holiday due to Queen Victorias visit to Sheffield.

COLD COMFORT

IF YOU THINK that cold and snowy Decembers are a recent invention you're wrong. Decembers in Totley through the late 1870s and 1880s were ones of very heavy snowfalls and severe frosts affecting road conditions. In Dec. 1881 only a quarter of the children attending the village school in Hillfoot Road were able to beat the weather. In Dec. 1885, although it was less severe, many of the local children were ill with whooping cough. As a xmas treat in Dec. 1889 children were given sweets on breaking up for the school holidays. Previously in Dec. 1883 Miss Yates had left the school after 7 years as the first Headmistress and of course the weather was again very bad. In Jan. 1891 children were invited to tea in Totley Hall by Mrs. Milner, winter garments were given to each child as well as toys from the xmas tree. It was so cold in Jan. 1909 that the infants in the school "were unable to handle their leads" so they had stories and games instead. The older children were more fortunate - they took it in turns to stand near the fire. When Mrs. Milner visited the school in Feb. 1913 she took along photos, extracts from books and newspapers and she spoke of the fate which had overtaken Capt. Scott, the previous year, in the Antarctic Expedition. The children were very interested - perhaps the conditions sounded familiar!

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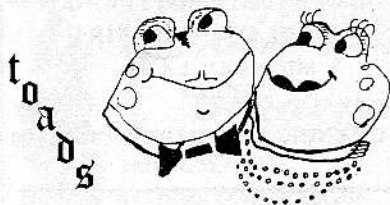
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TOTLEY SEEMS TO have taken to Philip Kings plays of late and once again his material was presented in great style. MURDER IN COMPANY was in direct contrast to POOLS PARADISE (reviewed last month), a good choice and equally as entertaining. As the play was set in a church hall and featured a dramatic society in various phases of rehearsals for their next production, great advantage was made of the fact that no actual scenery was required, parts of the performance being from the body of the hall, down amongst the audience, thus giving everyone a feeling of actually being involved - quite a clever twist. The "Red Herrings" created good tension then light relief and really carried the audience along. The casting, which was to be congratulated, allowed Edward Mayor, as the 'typical' producer, a part to get his teeth into and Jim Perks as the 'jobsworth' caretaker, to give a very natural and relaxed performance. Trevor Wood handled well the job of portraying the youthful Alan and in this respect the same comments are applicable to those given in Pools Paradise, this not being a large part, would have been ideal for any young male newcomer to have tried out (come on lads!). This did in no way, however, detract from the evenings enjoyment. The mixed, full house included many children, most of whom were pleased to see the murderers identity finally revealed.

Anyone not seeing either of these plays really missed out, as both companies gave their audiences just what they wanted. WELL DONE.



PROCEEDS from the very successful pageant in the village school in July 1909 were used to pay for a new piano. It was delivered in Nov. from "Cole of Sheffield".

NOVEL IDEA

THRASH THROUGH the shelves of Totley Library and you may find a new and exciting edition. Written by lecturer Robert Haining, it is a gothic novel called "The Soul Eater". Mr. Haining told the Independent how a flash of inspiration turned into what he hopes will become a best-seller. "It was back in 1975 when I first thought of the book. My wife and I had gone for a walk in a small Essex village to work off a heavy meal when we came across a graveyard. But this was no ordinary graveyard - this was straight from a horror film. A single idea came to me involving witchcraft. I wrote the plot around this one idea". Mr. Haining, who wrote the book under the pseudonym of Robert Alexander, took over a year to complete it. "I only wrote it during weekends and evenings, whenever the mood took me. I never really thought it would go into print, although I have had a number of short stories published. The bulk of it was written after we moved to Totley. When the book company saw it, they asked if they could involve a co-author to add personality to some of the characters. This was done and it was printed". Now Mr. Haining and his co-author are working on a second book. "The sequel will be in the same sort of vein - we found that we complemented each other. He is good with characters and I seem to have the ideas. We plotted this one together and have already completed a number of chapters". "The Soul Eater" will soon be available in paper-back and an American publisher has been approached. So, should the book prove a success, would Mr. Haining turn to writing full time? "No - writing is just a hobby. It's something I've done since I was at school. I did consider a career in journalism but changed my mind and turned to teaching. I was very pleased when it got into print, though". Mr. Haining, his wife Rachel and children Celia 9, Sarah 2½ and 6 month old Mark, live in Stonecroft Road, Totley.

RIGHT NOTE



BUDDING MUSICIANS in the Totley area now have the chance to play in a Theatre Orchestra. Last year, a small orchestra of eight players was started at Totley College by Mr. Richard Wrigglesworth Snr. He would like more people to join, especially violinists. Whether you are a first or second violinist, it does not matter. Although there are enough oboe players, more are welcome, but a clarinet player and a flautist are needed, along with trumpet and trombone players. Mr. Wrigglesworth hopes there will be a duplication of instruments so that replacements can be found for people away on holiday or unable to play because of illness. Membership was so lean last year that on one occasion at the college, Mr. Wrigglesworth played in a one-man orchestra! He spent an hour practicing alone before going home. There is plenty of music available to the orchestra which meets at Totley College in Room K2. Although there isn't a piano, it will not matter, if enough instruments form the orchestra. The orchestra used to play in theatres and Mr. Wrigglesworth hopes to give concerts eventually. Meetings are held every Monday evening at 7pm until 9pm. Musicians of any age are welcome and there is no charge. Room K2, where the meetings are held, is in the 'high' side of Totley College on Totley Hall Lane. Anyone interested can contact Mr. Richard Wrigglesworth Snr. at 158 Prospect Road, tel. 364090.

you said it !

Mrs. G.E. STEWARD OF 58 The Grove says of Totley, 'we have the best of both worlds really; having all the facilities of the city with the countryside on our doorstep. It is quiet up here, overlooking the hills of Derbyshire. Totley, once a village in Derbyshire, became a part of Sheffield along with Greenhill in 1935.



April 27th 1898. 13 boys were away from school in Totley "to carry golf sticks".

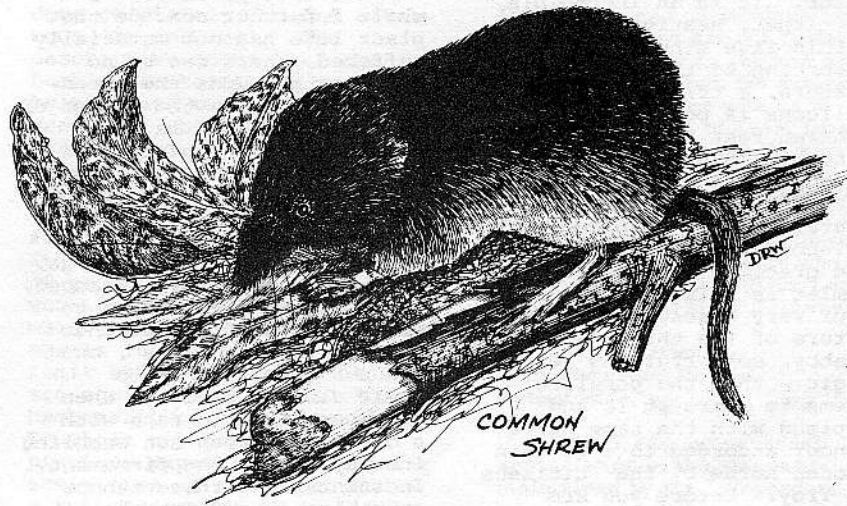
TRUE GRIT

A GRITBOX HAS been suggested for the top end of The Grove. Last winter, when heavy snowfalls rendered driving almost impossible, side streets were often the last to be cleared and one resident said that she had to abandon her car for a fortnight. Cars slithered up and down the road endangering mothers and children forced to walk on the road because the pavement, so deep in snow, was 'like a ploughed field'. Many old people living on the Grove suffered, unable to get out because of the slippery conditions. The nearest box is on the Green, but it is too far to carry buckets of grit right to the top of the Grove in snow several feet deep! One resident once counted as many as 20 cars parked on the road so a gritbox would be needed if a bad winter is predicted. Last winter, one car partly turned over trying to back round into the Grove. A gritbox could also be placed at the bottom of Lanehead Road where there is a bend on a slope which is particularly treacherous in icy conditions. With road salt in short supply this year, there may not be many new gritboxes available. Let's hope this winter will be mild and Sunday Afternoons are not spent digging out snowbound vehicles.

STEREO BREAK - IN

FOR THE SECOND time this year thieves have struck at MICRON AUDIO, Baslow Road. Following a loss in March of equipment worth £7,000 burglars recently escaped with a further £11,000 worth of electrical items by jacking open steel security bars and breaking a back window. Police believe the three raiders used the adjacent church car park as a launching pad for their grab, ferrying the equipment back to a waiting car or van. In the month or so since the raid police have been successful in catching up with at least one of the thieves and about three quarters of the stolen goods have now been recovered. However, the owners are clearly determined not to suffer any further repeats and have taken the precaution of bricking up the offending window.

warburtons world



Continuing with a quick look at Gillfield Wood, which began with the trees in the last issue. The animal life in Gillfield is probably at a peak at the moment and will decline as the wood grows up and the open spaces disappear. This could be prevented with a little judicious filling, leaving small open spaces which would fill with wild rose and blackberry bushes. The largest animals to be found in the wood are foxes and badgers. Signs of their presence can be found in many places - the footpaths of badgers and the pungent odour of the foxes where they have marked their territory by lifting a leg in true doggy fashion. Both of these animals are persecuted, especially the badger, which makes me very reluctant to give details of where the animals occur. Stoats and weasels have both been seen within the wood, but neither appears to be common, although there is so much cover in the wood that one could hide an army, much less a number of shy mammals. The grey squirrel is not common, partly because there are very few mature trees as yet. This is one species which I expect to increase in numbers in the next few years. Moles, shrews and voles are quite common and the common shrew, in particular, can be heard (especially)

by the younger folk) squeaking very loudly, but extremely high pitched, along the woodland paths. I have seen the much rarer water shrew once, several years ago, but this seems to have been an isolated specimen. Information about many of these small mammals is second hand, determined mainly by examining owl pellets. The owl digests the flesh of its prey, but regurgitates the fur and bones in the form of a hard compact pellet. If this is dissected, the bones can be positively identified. A series of pellets is an invaluable aid to the naturalist. Several bats have been spotted skimming over and around the trees during summer evenings but identification of these is extremely difficult without actually catching the creature. The commonest (and smallest) of our bats is the Pipistrelle, which I have seen around my house frequently and since I live adjacent to Gillfield, it is reasonable to assume that it flies there too. The birds and insects of the wood I intend to deal with in subsequent issues.

Just to mention finally our errant jackdaw, Jasper. He has not visited us for several weeks now and whilst we would be very pleased to see him again, we are really delighted that all our efforts have been successful and that at last he has returned to join his friends and relations.

LETTERS

INFLATION

From time to time I lower myself into a bath of hot water. It is an incredible fact that, nearly always, within five minutes of my resorting to this emotional measure, a trio of hot-air balloons is poised two hundred feet from our bathroom window. Thus, while you and your readers are preoccupied with Totley's ancient characters and with Totley's all-conquering football teams, the gracious life-style of our hamlet is being eroded under your very noses. Such is the nature of the threat - gross, flabby, colourful and leth-argic - that the populace seems to stare at it and applaud with the same naive wonder accorded to a certain wooden horse by the citizens of Troy. Before you are tempted to indulge in ridicule, consider for a moment, without prejudice, the manner in which these balloonists flaunt their inflation over the destitute peasantry of our cherished acres, for in their constant espionage is an Orwellian insidiousness not at first apparent. The challenged intimacy of my ablutions is but a small part of a much greater menace, though in this depravity alone is material enough for Mary Whitehouse and another vigorous campaign. Let us consider Bob Warburton. Not that I would especially associate him with depravity, but he is our local authority on wild life and he would surely admit that these three immense airborne bladders are a distinct hazard to migrating flamingoes, and that they have seriously disrupted the nesting activities in Ecclesall Woods of the white-vented bulbul - which has since been declared an endangered species. Because of this same aerial surveillance other woodland activities are severely restricted - so I am told in strict confidence - and one wonders if the whole balance of nature is to be destroyed by motives,

political or otherwise, of what seems to be a small minority party. Moreover, the burning of liquid fuel over a thickly populated urban area results in a degree of "fall-out". While I concede that no deterioration of the nation's health can be directly attributed to this form of pollution, and while I further concede that plant life has not materially suffered, there can be no denying that upon the green-fly in my garden the effect of burner "fall-out" is devastating: the pernicious creatures respond as if to an aphrodisiac. No good can come of it - not to me and my garden, certainly. As for the gentry who emerge, unsuspecting and ill-balanced, as they have every right to do, from the "Cross Scythes" and the "Fleur-de-Lys", one can but speculate as to their clouded thoughts when they come face to face with a distorted green sun wobbling its way across the firmament. Incidents like these cannot possibly be good for the malting industry. And should we not ask ourselves whether the nation can afford to waste its resources on hot-air flying? The facts are that in an hour's idle drifting one of these leviathans consumes enough fuel to power an Italian moped from the city abbatoir all the way to Cleckheaton. That people should wish to visit Cleckheaton has ever remained one of the mysteries of the western world, but human life has actually been discovered there, in which case it is surely entitled to protection from Italian mopeds. In justice, I must admit that balloons have had their uses. In 1870 some enterprising person or persons escaped from Paris by flying in a balloon over the besieging German armies. Most laudable! But if anyone truly desires to escape from Totley, he or she should board a No.24 bus like any other civilized resident. Of course one must refrain from writing and saying anything which might stampede the government into immoderate panic measures, but nevertheless I do ask the people of Totley to be on their guard. As Lloyd George so aptly

remarked to Betty Grable before he crossed the Rubicon: "The price of a liberty-bodice, with 15% V.A.T. added, is diabolical". Or did President Hoover say that on the night before Bannockburn?

C.N. Railton Holden.
9 Marstone Crescent

Ed. Note. Have you considered that it might be the sound of splashing water that is attracting these invaders? As they tend to base themselves from time to time in Green Oak Park we asked the park keeper for his opinion. It could be that you have shattered his illusions, as he was under the impression that this was some kind of vigilante group observing vandalism and other problems in the park. He rightly points out that if dogs were kept on their leads, as they should be, this does have the beneficial effect of giving the owners a compulsory jog as the dogs are startled by the approaching sights and rapidly take off towards the bottom end. He also points out that the 'eye in the sky' has now noted the names of those who are constantly damaging the small cricket hut. Other residents are also pleased with this years bumper mushroom crop on their carpets, due to addition of secret substances introduced by means of their childrens shoes.

two puzzles solved

GREENS GROCER

I was very interested in the drawing of James Greens grocers shop in the November issue. I am the grand-daughter of James Green and I think the children in the picture would be Doris his daughter and his son Ernest. The Greens had six children. Doris (Wilkin) was my mother and Samuel Green was the younger brother of James Green. The year the photograph was taken would be to my reckoning about 1906.

Audrey Bentley
21 Green Oak Avenue.

MORE LETTERS

MARSHALLS COTTAGE

In answer to your request about the cottage on the front page of the October issue. It was called Elder Cottage and was our home for many years. It was situated at the top of Hall Lane and was quite near to the Fleur de Lys and opposite Totley Post Office. We do not know its age, but it must have been one of the oldest houses in Totley. Our Grandfather and mother brought up a family there and died about 75 years ago. Our father, Mr. Joseph Marshall was born there and would have been 119 years old. Our father and mother and a family of six children (4 sons and 2 daughters) went to live there in 1904 and stayed until it was pulled down in 1932. It was sad to see our father as he watched it being pulled down, he also watched the new Fleur de Lys being built, it was built around the old pub which was never closed during alterations. We would like to thank Mrs. J. Duckworth on her splendid drawing of the cottage and also for reviving happy memories of our old home. We shall treasure your picture on the front page, as my sister and I do not possess one. The cottage belonged to the brewery and a large sign was displayed on its side opposite the post office saying "Stones Cannon Ales". We paid 12½ p per week rent plus about 40p twice a year for rates.

Mrs. C. Ramsell
10 Glover Road
Mrs. A. Hoyland
Elder Cottage
Hillfoot Road.

Ed. note. Other residents now recall Joe Marshall and also his brother 'HOB' who had a cobblers shop close to the above cottage.

LONGSHAW ESTATE

Following on the excellent article in the October Independent about the Longshaw estate, I thought people might like to know two further

pieces of information about that delightful 1500 acres practically on our doorstep. One is that a small booklet may be purchased, price 10p, entitled "A Ramble through the Longshaw Estate of the Natural Trust". It is the way to follow for a leisurely ramble, which could be undertaken in sections, if not done completely, on one afternoon (or morning). The descriptive notes that the booklet contains are most helpful and one can learn a good deal about the area in addition to what is already known. My second bit of information concerns the Young National Trust Group that was formed in Sheffield last year. It is a small but active number of young people doing voluntary work for the National Trust, mainly at weekends. The minimum age is 16: There is no upper limit but most of our volunteers are aged between 18 and 30. Membership of the National Trust is not necessary and previous experience of similar activities is not expected - a full programme is available of activities and what we call "working days", so why not bring along a friend and get rid of your surplus energy doing a worthwhile task! For further information please contact me at the address below.

P.S. One of the events coming up in December is the sale of christmas trees from the nursery plantation at Longshaw.

Mrs. Judith M Norris
8 Abbeydale Park Rise
tel. 363410.

STAMP OF QUALITY

The well deserved appreciation of the services to our locality of the late Mrs. Spring prompts me to suggest acknowledgement of another distinguished service to the district, also over many years, namely that of Mrs. Jackson of our Totley Rise Post Office. I understand that her predecessor, Miss Booker, handed over full responsibility for the office in April 1931, when the population being served was rapidly expanding. Since that time many more residents have joined us in the area via Laverdene, Green Oak Es Estate, Abbeydale Park, Furniss Avenue, Five Trees, Totley Brook and others until the services required of this office must have expanded to cover the needs of ten

or perhaps twenty times the size of the community when Mrs. Jackson assumed full charge. When we consider also the widely extended social services operated through our Post Offices, pensions and other national benefits, one reflects with admiration on the pleasant efficiency with which she conducts the business of what must surely be a vital centre of service in the Post Office and particularly to the residents of and around Totley Rise. I am often sorry to see how appreciations appear when the subject of such are no longer with us to realise a warmth of heart from those whom they have faithfully served through long and sometimes difficult years and therefore would through our publication record my real thanks together with those of the many other residents who will share my feelings to "Our Lady of the Postmark", Mrs. Jackson.

Henry M. Hartley
19 Busheywood Road
Totley Rise.

P.S. May I add my personal appreciation of the standard maintained by the Independent.

GOOD COMPANIONS

The Totley Good Companions are having their xmas Whist Drive on Monday 17th December at Abbeydale Hall at 7.30pm. Tickets are 30p each, including refreshments.

We have had a successful competitions year. Ken Crawshaw won the bowling cup at Abbeyfield Park and Mr. Boote was the runner up. Mrs. Crawshaw was runner up in the ladies section. Ken Hoyland won the first prize in the Art competition and also a certificate of merit. These competitions are organised by the Sheffield Council for Voluntary Service. On the 27th November we celebrated the 22nd birthday of the club and our xmas party will be on Monday 10th December. We all deeply regret the passing of Mr. Dick Whittington who had been our 'registrar' for many years. We have 72 members at present. We enjoyed outings in the summer and had a good June holiday in Essex. The Good Companions won a certificate for the best variety of goods on their stall and also the Priestman Cup for the best Gents effort. This exhibition was held at the Cutlers Hall by the Sheffield Council for Voluntary Service for all senior citizens clubs.

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Secretary & Leader
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Totley Rise
tel. 369280.

HALF DAY ~ FULL LIST

List of half day, local shop closings.

GROCERS

Avenue Stores - Wednesday
Robinsons - None
Co-op - Monday (all day)
Hagenbach - None

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Saturday

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Thompsons) Saturday
Armstrongs)

NEWSAGENTS

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Star Shop - None
V. Martin - Wednesday

GREENGROCERS

Totley Fruit Store - None
Fruiterama - None
J & P. Perkinton - None
Andrew Kay - Monday (all day)
Bradshaws - Wednesday

CHEMISTS

Raikes Crofts - Thursday/
Saturday

W. Burton - Thursday

CLOTHES/FOOTWEAR

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Whiteheads - None

Baby Bar - Monday

HAIRDRESSERS

Curly Q - Monday (all day)
Hair Design - None
Lorraine Christiana - Sat.
Wed (all day)

Sue - Saturday (all day)

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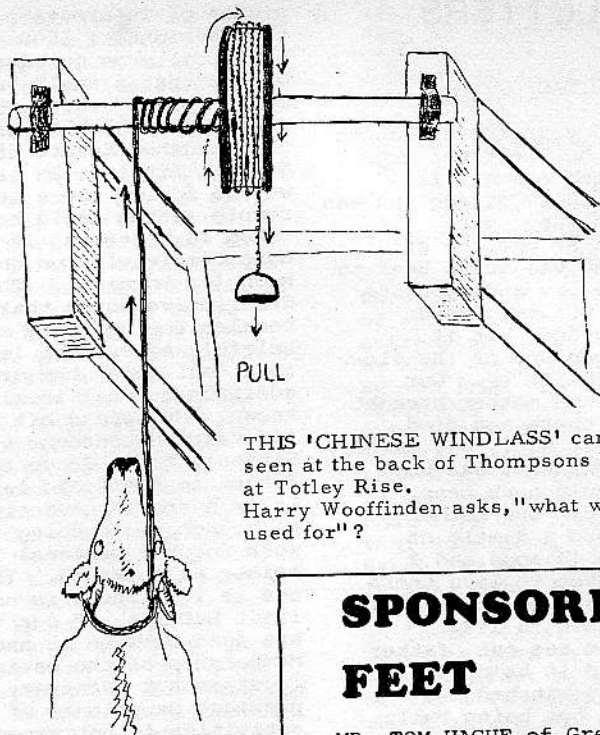
Busy Bee - Wednesday
Carlines - Wednesday

FISHMONGER

Chambers - Saturday

xmas spirit

At the time of going to print, none of the 4 local garages were able to confirm their xmas and New Year opening arrangements. We gained the impression that there would be petrol available during the holiday period. Garages contacted were: Sheaf Motors, Totley Bridge, Abbey and Dore filling station.



THIS 'CHINESE WINDLASS' can be seen at the back of Thompsons butchers at Totley Rise.
Harry Wooffinden asks, "what was it used for"?

SPONSORED FEET

MR. TOM HAGUE of Green Oak Avenue is well known as a letterwriter to newspapers. An ex-miner, he first wrote in 1972 about coal miners. He now writes mainly on political subjects in answer to issues about which he feels strongly, especially hypocrisy.

Mr. Hague, a keen walker, has recently raised around £200 for the Save The Children Fund. He chose the particular charity because of the memory of starving children during the last war and because this is the Year of the Child. His first sponsored walk was the Lightweight walk for Christian Aid in 1977. It was a round trip of 25 miles from Hillsborough through to Hollow Meadows, Lodge Moor, Whitely Woods and finally into Sheffield. Some girls from the college also took part. About 600 young children, from 13 years old upwards turned out to see the walkers start. Mr. Hague has worked at Barley Hole and Orgreave collieries. At Barley Hole, he walked 4 miles to work and ran back at the end of the day to catch the paddy train. Missing the train meant a long, steep, muddy trek back to the surface. Although Mr. Hague has no future fundraising plans as yet, he is willing to consider any ideas.

NEARBY NOSH

THE FORMER Beauchief Hotel has just re-opened after extensive alterations as the Beauchief Restaurant. Most of the main courses are sauté cooked in copper pans at the table and there is a comprehensive menu. The emphasis is on fresh home-made food. All the rolls are freshly made each day, as are the desserts on the sweet trolley. We give here a selection from the menu to give a rough idea of prices and range of food.

HORS D'OEUVRES. Home made soup 40p, prawn cocktail 95p, seafood platter £1.80.

ENTREES. Home made steak, kidney and mushroom pie £2.80, Fillet steak rossini, cooked with pate in a wine sauce £4.90. The price of the main courses includes chips and a roll and butter, there is a selection of vegetable and mixed salad all priced at 45p. DESSERTS. Selections from the sweet trolley at 70p. Freshly ground coffee and Bronte coffee liqueur. A good choice is available from the wine list with house wines at £2.60 a ½ litre.

RADIO TOTLEY

SOMEWHERE, possibly in Leicester, is an ex Youth Club D.J. who was ill one night. SOMEWHERE (also possibly in Leicester) are the people who recognised the talent possessed by his replacement. SOMEWHERE (possibly in Radio Hallam, whilst you read this very article) is a man whose very combination of personality and talent makes him the Independent's odds-on favourite to appear on either Radio One or BBC Television in the next two years. Naturally the two are connected for Kelly Temple was the replacement D.J. (although at the time it was his first attempt) and we predict for him a highly successful career in T.V. and Radio. (Roger Moffat eat your heart out). When he's on Parkinson, you'll hear how he first set out as a singer/song-writer and worked in management in Holland and Germany before moving to Hull. Here he started doing two discos per night, (attracting girls as well as fame), before being signed by a jealous rival for a hefty contract. From here he progressed to BBC Radio, serving Humberside and then commuted from Hull to Sheffield to work for Radio Hallam, when he could, as on one journey his Lotus broke down five times. Kelly worked for the BBC and Radio Hallam under different names, later signing a full time contract with 194, with whom he still works. Naturally, the best D.J.s need to be with the friendliest people and THEY live in Totley, which is why Kelly has just bought a house here. He says he did a lot of soul searching before buying his house. He thinks that Totley people are just ordinary and down to earth, "they are intellectual but this makes little difference

He thinks that the people at this end of the city are very lucky to live near the countryside, just as the people in Bradway and Dore are lucky to live near Totley. Multiply the Independent's popularity by one million, (you might have to take your shoes and socks off to do this calculation) and you still haven't reached Kelly's popularity. However, this can create certain pressures. In this respect he thinks it unfair of people to come and knock on his door for autographs, or to ask him to open their events. He sees himself as an ordinary guy - so you stand a much better chance of contacting him by writing to Radio Hallam. Kelly summarizes this by saying he wants only to be a Totley resident and not a VIP.

As for style, he says he was probably influenced by Tony Blackburn who used to be on whilst Kelly did his paper round (his own not Blackburn's). He also liked Johnny Walker. Preferring happy music, he has various tastes, currently "Street Life" by the Crusaders is one of his favourite L.P.s. His favourite interviews are those he did with Les Dawson and Bob Monkhouse but he also enjoys talking to kids, with whom he gets on very well. (Kelly's Eye has the second highest listening figures in the region). He has an inherent kiddishness or silliness, which helps. Talking of silliness, he is also a great admirer of Roger Moffat, he says "we have a love-hate relationship". Roger loves him and he hates Roger!! We hasten to add that he was only joking, thus preventing a -"Moffat sues Totley Independent for £1,000,000" headline in the next issue. Kelly's ambitions include that of appearing on TV in connection with music and children and also to build a house - "Temple Towers" in the Totley region. Having heard that we'd interviewed Kelly, the five girls who fainted, suddenly decided they wanted to work for the Independent. At this he was flattered with a modesty which frankly we had not expected of a top D.J. All it needs now is for a producer to hear he lives in Totley and he's got it made. If Roger Moffat is reading this, There's a nice three-bedroom, semi-detached for sale near Totley Rise.

WEDNESDAY 20th OCT 1886 was 'Great Sale Day' in Totley Village.

Oct 1889. Many 'Navy children' left Totley school owing to their parents moving to other parts of the railway, which was then under construction.

MAY 3rd 1909 a collection was taken in aid of the local hospitals.

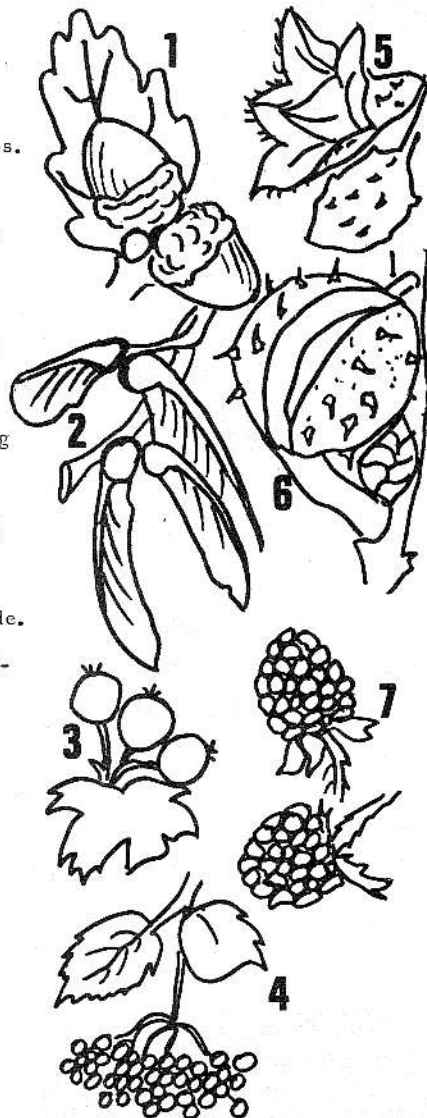


SPARKLING OCCASION ...

Mr. & Mrs. Foulstone of Baslow Rd celebrate their Diamond Wedding on 18th December.

COUNTRY QUIZ

CAN YOU NAME these fruits or nuts that may be seen in the countryside around Totley ?



Monday 28th Sept 1891. Totley children in the choir went on their annual excursion to Scarborough.

QUIZ ANSWERS

- QUIZ ANSWERS 1. Acorn
2. Sycamore 3. Hawthorn
4. Elderberry 5. Beech
6. Horse Chestnut 7. Black-berry.



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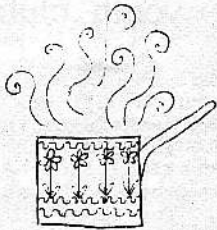
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AUNT MARY

'CHICKEN WITH GRAPES!'. For Four people.
Fry one finely chopped onion in 2 oz butter in a deep pan for $\frac{3}{4}$ min. Add 4 chicken joints and fry gently until golden on all sides. Add a bay leaf, a small bunch of parsley, salt and pepper to taste and 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb Almena Grapes. Cover with a lid and simmer gently for one hour by which time the chicken should be tender and the grapes have produced a delicious juice. A little cream may be stirred into the pan just before serving. Serve the chicken with its grape sauce with plain boiled rice and a Green Salad.

A recipe for when the family can't face cold turkey one more time.
Rechauffe de dindon au gratin.
Cold cooked turkey cut into bite-size pieces (8-12 oz) 2 oz butter, 2oz flour, 1 chicken stock cube, $\frac{3}{4}$ pt milk (adjust amount to taste) 4tbsp white wine, cider or sherry 4oz sweetcorn or frozen peas/mixed veg. 2oz grated cheese, 2oz brown breadcrumbs.
Make a white sauce, with the butter flour and milk then melt the stock cube in it. Add chopped turkey and vegetables (no need to cook frozen veg first) and stir well. Pour into a fireproof dish and top with the mixed crumbs and cheese. cook at gas 5 for 30 mins.

SCOUTING HIGH

DEREK MALTBY has just become Assistant County Commissioner leader - trainer for Derbyshire. What is unusual about this is the fact that the last three people to hold a similar position, Raymond Gale in 1967, Arthur Birley in 1957 and Les Aubrey in 1950 were all group scout leaders of the 1st Totley Scout Group when it belonged to Derbyshire. Mr. Maltby was group scout leader when 1st Totley went into Sheffield. He has, until recently, been working as Assistant District Commissioner for scouts in Dronfield.

BETTER LATE

AS THE PERIOD for hibernation approaches the Totley Brook correspondent has awoken briefly to report on the Grand Summer Fete, which took place on Totley Brook Road as recently as 22nd July 1979. Radio Hallams Colin Slade performed the opening ceremony. Numerous stalls raised several hundred pounds for charity, whilst horse rides, competitions, games and raffles raised additional funds for the Totley Brook Tenants and Residents Association, writes Geoff Owen, Treasurer. Displays of children racing, piglets escaping from pens and other activities ranging from wellie throwing to "knock down the footballer", amused a healthy sized crowd. The Blackamoor Run produced a new record of just over 35 minutes, with Charles Binney the winner and Simon Dickinson first in the new junior section. The childrens painting competition was a popular success and will be repeated next year. The date will be Sunday 20th July and it is planned to have an even bigger event with large scale displays. Thanks go to all helpers and stall holders and to those who came and spent so generously. Simon Dickinson (15) was honoured by a special ceremony at the Cricket Inn on 11th Oct. when he was awarded with a plaque to mark his success. Simon, of Green Oak Road, completed the seven mile run in just under 49 minutes. Tony Berry, Chairman of Totley Brook Residents Association, who made the presentation said, "this was a marvellous achievement for a 15 year old lad and we would like to see many more runners in this age group next year". It is hoped that this competition, which is open to all runners of 16 and under, can be established as an annual event.



COMPLETE the following without cheating:

There once was a lady from Totley
Who had a complexion most motley
One day on her skin
She poured rum and gin
.....

clean sweep

WHERE HAVE ALL the roadsweepers gone? asks Mr. E. J. Wilkes of 329 Baslow Road. Before the war, about 1938, three men with their horse and cart would sweep Baslow Road every Saturday morning. The horse, called Victor, belonged to Mr. Kirby who lived at a farm nearby. Mr. Wilkes knew Totley when it was a village 40 or 50 years ago. Since then the bowling green has become a car park next to the Cross Scythes pub. 'Totley was kept clean and swept regularly', he said, 'but it has never been the same since the two pubs opened "night clubs".' There is often trouble in the discos at the Fleur De Lys and Cross Scythes pubs. Mr. Wilkes said, 'Totley has been turned upside - down, and the police are often up here sorting out the trouble-makers.'

Mr. Tyler of the Fleur de Lys points out to us, that as a former landlord of the Peacock Inn, at Owlter Bar, although there were peacocks at the time of the Broaham family, the origin of the name stems from the peacock incorporated on the coat of arms of the Duke of Rutland, when the inn was opened in 1810. Many other pubs nearby e.g. Baslow and Barlow are also named from this coat of arms.

Mr. Oldham of the Crosse Scythes informed us that as the bowling green was only used by a select few, it obviously made more sense to use the area as a car park for the benefit of ALL the customers at the pub.

HANDLE WITH CARE

ENLIGHTNING, enjoyable & entertaining is the best way to describe Reg Atkinsons recent talk on aspects of antiques. His subject matter was professionally displayed at the front of the hall and was used to good effect to illustrate specific points as he talked through porcelain, china, pottery and old Sheffield plate. As a bonus, the audience were kept 'in touch' as all the items from the display were passed cautiously around in a continuous stream - to provide the unique opportunity of actually being involved in a very 'valuable' talk.

SPORTS and SOCIAL

ON THE 7th November, Totley Sports and Social Club held their A.G.M. in the Cross Scythes Hotel. New appointments include,

President - Mr. John Harrap of the Crown Inn.
Chairman - Mr. Norman Cann.
Vice Chairman - Mr. Bob Webster.
General Secretary - Mr. David Bottom.
Registrar - Mr. D. Moore.
Treasurer - Mr. David Mangles.
Ladies Selection - Mrs. Wendy Crossley.
The annual subscriptions have been raised to £1 and are now due from members of the committee.

SNAP HAPPY

THE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY had an inter-club competition with Davy-Loewy P.S. on Thursday November 22nd. It was judged by Peter Jeffery of Sheffield Photographic Society. The result was a comfortable win for Totley - our first! Many members contributed their pictures and learnt a great deal from the comments of the judge.

XMAS FAYRE

WE ARE NOW approaching the 'festive season' and quality would appear to be the Key-note in your local green-grocers shop. After a period of almost two years, growers have been blessed by a season of good growing conditions. Quality has never been better and this is reflected in the shops. Supplies of nuts are expected to meet the seasonal demand and prices are forecast as being 'reasonable'. Almonds are the exception, supplies being short. Apples continue to be in abundance and of excellent quality. This would apply particularly to the Cox orange Pippin.

IT WILL COST £5,000, for repairs to be carried out on the bridlepath between Strawberry Lee and Hathersage Road across Blacka Hill. Work will involve the bridge and making good a landslip. The County Council will carry out the repairs.

LUNCH BREAK

What do you do on Tuesdays ?

Many people in Dore and Totley help to run the Dore and Totley Lunch Club and Day Centre, but they need your help. Some people stay at home cooking, working in twos to provide a tasty lunch for our visitors (local folk whose lives are restricted by infirmity, disability or loneliness). All catering expenses are covered. Other people collect our visitors by car, bringing them to the Totley Brook Road Church Hall (Dore and Totley United Reformed Church) by 11.0. a.m. and returning for them at 3.0. p.m. (Mileage Allowance is available). More people act as hosts at the Church Hall, while still others give short talks or entertainments after lunch. Wouldn't you like to join one of these groups of busy folks on just one Tuesday per month ? Please do, by contacting Mrs. Molly Webb, 58 Chatsworth Road, 'Phone 361394'.

welcome

MR. AND MRS. R. TURNER and family moved into Totley from Bocking Lane at the end of October. Mrs. Turner tells us that they are settling down in The Crescent and that she finds the amenities in Totley are superb. 'I will explore Totley further when the better weather comes' she said.

totley youth club

FOR ALMOST A YEAR now All Saints Church Hall has been providing members of the TOTLEY YOUTH CLUB with a weekly meeting place each Friday between 7.30 and 10.00pm. The club, which provides help for all local church functions, is designed mainly for youngsters in the 14 to 18 age group, who are also given the opportunity of a say in the running of the club through a Junior Committee system. In addition to its regular activities such as snooker, table tennis and darts the club holds a monthly disco, which always proves very popular. A series of special events have also been organised including a 12 hour sponsored 5 - a - side football competition last February. The fact that the club is able to operate with a maximum membership of 100 is proof not only of the ever present need for organised youth activities but of the success of this club in meeting those needs. Further information can be obtained from either Pete Winter of 109 Green Oak Road (350541) or John Holding of 41 Sunnyvale Road (365037).

BLOW IT !

The Grove in Totley has been described by residents there as "The coldest road in Sheffield". You only have to experience the blustery conditions to agree with their views. As the prevailing westerly winds coming off the moors, whistle directly down the road and chill you to the marrow; The Grove has justifiably earned its reputation.

