



The Western Gazette

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1930 Tisbury Petty Sessions

Edward Lloyd, labourer, of Tuckingmill, and Walter Frederick Coombes, labourer, of 58 Church-street, Tisbury, were charged with being drunk in Tuckingmill-road on Christmas day. PC Daniels stated that at 2.45pm he found Coombes fast asleep on the roadside bank and Lloyd was unable to stand on his feet. Supt Barrett said the lads were seen afterwards and they admitted that they were overcome. He did not press the case and the magistrates discharged the defendants on payment of the costs.

William Thomas Francis (18), plumber's labourer, of West Tisbury, pleaded guilty to the theft of a shotgun, valued at 28s 6d, the property of Mr Gerald Wills, of Hatch House, on or about December 16th, also to stealing a pair of gumboots belonging to Frank Poole, groom at Hatch House, on December 14th. When arrested by PC O'Donnell on the charge of stealing the gun, the accused was wearing the stolen gumboots. He admitted both offences and said he was very sorry for what he had done. Superintendent Barrett said there was nothing known against the lad who was only 18 years of age. He was married on the day after he stole the gun, and was now out of employment. The Chairman said it was a serious matter but the magistrates did not want to send defendant to prison. He would be put under probation for two years and would be liable to be brought up for judgement if he failed to conduct himself properly.

Western Gazette Friday 10 January 1930

Timber Merchant's Failure

The first meeting of the creditors of John Loveridge Lambert, of Polden House, West Tisbury, farmer and timber merchant, was held at the Official Receiver's office, Salisbury, on Friday, the official Receiver Mr H T Rowe presiding. According to debtor's statement of affairs, liabilities expected to rank for dividend amount to £2,067 13s 8d. Assets are estimated to produce £613 0s 2d, leaving a deficiency of £1,454 13s 6d. Debtor ascribes his failure to "paying excessive prices for timber and heavy losses on haulage". Mr S G Best, Avon Chambers, Salisbury, was appointed trustee of the estate with a committee of inspection, consisting of three of the principal creditors.

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Library Books

Mr E G Thomas, of Rose Bank, Tisbury, has established a Travelling Library for Tisbury and the neighbouring villages. Terms 3d per book per week. Excellent range of novels. Look out for a call shortly!

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Recruiting Dance

A successful dance, organised by the officers and NCO's of A Squadron of the Tisbury and Hindon Troop of the Royal Wilts Yeomanry, took place at the Victoria Hall on Monday. In a speech during the interval, Colonel J Benett-Stanford, one time Colonel of the Regiment, appealed to the ladies present to use their influence to their utmost in an endeavour to get more young men to join the Troop. He said that it was the finest thing a man could do to service his country, and especially in such a distinguished Regiment as the Royal Wilts Yeomanry. The Regiment had seen service in Napoleon's time, and he hoped that more young men would come forward and join. Major C Lestock Read also appealed for recruits. Lieut J Morrison, as Troop Leader, and Sergt J Webster, also spoke.

Music for dancing was supplied by the band of the King's Dragoon Guards from Tidworth. The MC was Farrier Sergeant Gurd and also assisting in the arrangements were Squadron Sergeant Pickford, Sergeant Pike (Salisbury Troop) and Corporals Burton, Brain and Flower.

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Shorthand Success

At an examination recently held at Tisbury, Eva Viney, pupil of Miss M Pritty, was successful in gaining Elementary Certificate for Pitman's Shorthand.

Western Gazette Friday 09 May 1930

Rent Arrears

At Shaftesbury County Court on Wednesday, Colonel John Benett-Stanford, of Pythouse, Tisbury, Wilts, sought an order for possession of 78 Newtown, West Tisbury, occupied by Albert Buller, a carpenter. Mr W Farley Rutter said he had received a letter that morning containing money. The rent was £14 in arrears.

Mrs Celia Mary Bull, secretary to Colonel Benett-Stanford, said in answer to the Judge that defendant could pay 10s a month off the arrears but he had had chances before. His Honour: if he pays 10s per month in addition to the rent, will Colonel Benett-Stanford give him a chance? No. I am afraid not, because he wants the cottage for a man in his employ. An order for possession in 6 weeks was made and for £13 rent arrears.

Western Gazette Friday 03 October 1930

Protest Meeting

A meeting of the Tisbury branch of the National Union of Agricultural Workers was held in the Oddfellows' Hall on Saturday to consider the farmers' proposals to reduce the minimum wage by 3s per week. The following resolution was unanimously passed: "That this branch deploras the motion before the Wilts County Agricultural Wages Committee to reduce the present minimum wage in the county as it feels that the present wage standard is too low and any reduction, however small, would make the farm labourer's already difficult task of making both ends meet, practically impossible.

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E E Blake, Butcher, again wishes to take this opportunity of thanking his customers for their continued support and for the further patronage. Best quality only supplied.

Western Gazette Friday 06 February 1931

Letter to the Editor

Sir, your correspondent of last week under this heading asks why the price of bread in the Salisbury district is dearer than the London price, and goes on to say London price last November was 7d the quarter loaf; at Salisbury it was 7½d until last Monday, when it was reduced to 7d. He seems to be living in a land of glory to what we are.

Here at Tisbury last November it was 8d per loaf until a few weeks ago when it was reduced to 7½d, which price it still remains. Little wonder people go to Salisbury shopping. B. Tisbury

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Advertisement

S Howell & Sons, The Square, Tisbury, Undertakers. Funerals Furnished and efficiently carried out at moderate charges. Motor Cars and Motor Hearse supplied.

Western Gazette Friday 27 February 1931

Letter to the Editor

Sir, it may interest your readers in Tisbury to know that we have a beautiful stag roaming about in our district. I saw it at its best, leisurely walking about on the bank known locally as "Chantry". It finally made its way towards "Wallmead" where it was lost to view. Yours truly, N Marshall, 2 Weaveland-road, Tisbury

Western Gazette Friday 27 March 1931

Funeral

The funeral took place at the Parish Church on Wednesday last week of Mrs George Lever, a much respected inhabitant whose death occurred at her residence, "Rapallo", The Quarry, the previous Saturday, after a short illness, at the age of 65 years. The service was conducted by the Vicar, assisted by the Rev D Pugh (curate). In addition to the widower and family and immediate relatives, there were also present a large number of members of the women's section of the British Legion, the Mothers' Union, and the Women's Institute, which testified to the esteem in which the deceased was held. The hymn, "Jesu, lover of my Soul" was sung.

There were a number of beautiful floral tributes, including tokens from the Women's Union, fellow members of the women's section of the British Legion, the Women's Institute and teachers of the Infant School. Mr G Lever and family wish to thank all kind friends for expressions of sympathy in their sad bereavement.

Western Gazette Friday 17 July 1931

Outing

On Wednesday scholars attending the Wesleyan Sunday School, together with teachers, parents and friends, went to Weymouth by motor-coach for their annual outing, where an enjoyable day was spent.

Western Gazette Friday 24 July 1931

Treat

All, except the bed patients, at the Public Assistance Institution, were given a splendid treat at Swallowcliffe on Tuesday by Mrs Waters, who kindly conveyed some of the cripples in her motor-car. Miss Doggrell conveyed others whilst the remainder were taken by motor-coaches.

On arrival they were provided with an excellent tea in the Hut, after which they adjourned to Mrs Waters' lawn, some strolling through the gardens, where they were allowed to help themselves to whatever fruit they liked, whilst the more robust took a look round the farm. The party were accompanied by the Matron, Mrs Barrs, and Nurse Harriss. Several lady friends of Swallowcliffe kindly assisted at the tea. Before leaving for home, the men were given beer and tobacco and the women cakes and minerals. Lusty cheers were given for Mrs and Miss Waters for the excellent treat provided, and for those who helped with the tea.

Western Gazette Friday 24 July 1931

British Legion Fete

A successful garden fete, organised by the entertainment committee of the British Legion club and the Women's Section, was held in the delightful garden at Tisbury House, by kind permission of Dr and Mrs Knight. There were various entertainments, some being of quite a novel description, which were well patronised. The produce stall did a brisk trade. A good selection of music was given by the wireless radio provided by the Western Wireless Co, Salisbury, under the supervision of Mr J Hibberd. Teas were provided on the smaller lawn, and an open air whist drive was held.

The Committee found many willing helpers to whom the success of the fete is due. Thanks were accorded the following ladies and gentlemen for donations and prizes: Mrs W R Shaw-Stewart, Colonel Benett-Stanford, Colonel Fell, Dr and Mrs Knight, Comdr Regnart, Mrs Gornall, Miss Kendall, Mrs Thomas, Mrs Gatehouse, Mrs Miles, Mrs Weskett, Mr Walsh and Mr Heal, and to those who kindly provide cakes &c. for the tea. Prizes were won by the Rev G T Millar and Mr Weskett for bowls; Mr P Randall, skittles; Mrs Miles, clock golf; Mr P Miles, croquet; Messrs Britten, Green, Hannell, shooting; and Miss Burt and Mrs Hibberd, whist.
Western Gazette Friday 21 August 1931

Funeral

The funeral took place at the Parish Church on Thursday of Miss Annie Fletcher, the Rev D Pugh, curate, conducted. The chief mourners were Mr and Mrs W Fletcher, Mrs A Hayward, Mr and Mrs B Way, Mrs W Hayward, Mr and Mrs B Way, Mrs W Hayward, Mr W Garrett, Miss E Garrett and Mrs Coles. A large number of friends also attended. The beautiful floral tributes included one from Mrs Reynolds and also from her servants at Pythouse. Mr and Mrs Fletcher wish to thank all kind friends for expressions of sympathy in their sad bereavement, also for floral tributes sent.
Western Gazette Friday 11 September 1931

Women's Institute Party

The eleventh birthday party of the Women's Institute was held in the Congregational School-room on Monday evening. Mrs Knight was in the chair. an excellent programme was carried out consisting of mimes, competitions, games and community singing, the entertainment committee, Mrs Burt of Wardour and Miss Randall and Miss Rogers, being responsible.

The first mime, entitled the Miller and the Maid, was acted by Mrs Lever and Mrs Hornblow and the second, Darby and Joan, acted by Mrs Read and Mrs Burt. The songs from which the mimes are adapted were sung by Mrs B Bartlett. A duologue acted by Mrs Langdon and Mrs Lever caused great amusement.

Two competitions, match-box race and needle-threading were the cause of much laughter as also was the game travelling parcel. Everybody did full justice to the refreshments provided under the management of the tea committee. The excellent fare was very much enjoyed. Mrs P Randall was at the piano. A collection of eggs was made for the Salisbury infirmary.

Western Gazette Friday 20 November 1931

Advertisement

For toys, novelties, and all kinds of useful Christmas presents, try Frank Gatehouse, China, Glass and Hardware Stores, High Street, Tisbury
Western Gazette Friday 18 December 1931

1932 Fatal Accident

Mr Richard William Baragwanath (23), who was employed in an estate office at Tisbury, Wiltshire, was killed at Shrewton, Wiltshire, when his motor-cycle crashed into a military ambulance.
Gloucester Citizen Monday 19 September 1932

Tisbury Petty Sessions

James W F Chalk, of Newtown, pleaded guilty to two larceny offences, the allegations being that he stole a mackintosh valued at £3, the property of R W Borley, and an overcoat belonging to F G Miller, at Tisbury, on November 11th. Mr Borley, of Shaftesbury, stated that he was shooting in Wardour Park on November 11th and left his mackintosh with others on the game cart. At the end of the day the mackintosh was missing and it could not be found.

PC Symonds stated that he saw the defendant in Church-street, Tisbury, on November 15th and told him that enquiries were being made concerning Mr Borley's coat missing from a game cart at Wardour. Chalk said "I picked it up in a field and intended to return it". Witness accompanied Chalk to his home and received from him the coat identified by Mr Borley, and another belonging to Frederick G Miller, labourer, of Ludwell, who was a beater at the shoot. Defendant also stated that he picked up the coat belonging to Miller. Miller stated that he left his coat on the game cart and discovered his loss when he was looking for Mr Borley's mackintosh.

There was nothing previously against the accused, who was stated to be out of employment. The chairman said it was a serious matter, but the magistrates did not want to send defendant to prison. Defendant was fined 10s on each charge.

Western Gazette Friday 16 December 1932

1933 Tisbury Petty Sessions

Jane Coombs, 58, Hatch, West Tisbury, was charged with being drunk and incapable at Tisbury on January 13th. She pleaded not guilty. PC Symonds saw the defendant lying on the footpath in Station-road at 3.15pm. She had a bottle containing gin at her side and she was helplessly drunk. He hired a car and took her to her home at Hatch, but there was no-one to take charge of her, and he took her to the police-station for her own protection. When she was charged the same evening she said "I am very sorry". Her husband bailed her out.

Supt Barrett said the defendant was bound over in 1925 and 1929. The public-houses in Tisbury would not serve her at all. There was no conviction between 1925 and 1929 or since the latter date. Defendant was bound over for 12 months, and was ordered to pay the costs. A condition of the bond was that she was not to enter a public-house.

Western Gazette Friday 17 February 1933

Died

On June 11th 1933 at Hindon Road Tisbury Wilts, Donald S Thistlewayte, aged 91 (Australian papers please copy)
Bath Chronicle and Weekly Gazette Saturday 17 June 1933

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Gipsy Fair

The Tisbury Women's branch of the British Legion held a Gipsy Fete and Fair in the grounds of Vale View, Tisbury, by permission of Mr and Mrs Berry, on Wednesday. The proceeds were for branch funds which are devoted to charitable purposes. Gipsy costumes, in which stallholders and many others were dressed, provided a novel effect. The stallholders were - Disabled men's goods, Miss Denniston, Miss Turner and Miss Burt; provisions and fancy goods, Mrs Lesley and Mrs Bellamy; gipsy stall, Mrs Coles and Mrs Ward; ice creams, Mrs Case; lemonade, Mrs Read. Teas were served by Mrs Jukes, Miss Highman and Mrs Bealing and the competitions were the charge of the local men's branch of the Legion.

In the evening there was an interesting entertainment. About 50 members and their children took part, all wearing gipsy costumes, and the setting was a realistic gipsy camp. The entertainment consisted chiefly of singing and dancing. Mr P Randall and Mr Charity gave vocal solos, Mrs P Randall accompanying at the piano. The fete and fair were arranged by the committee, Mrs Gornell chairman, Mrs F Burt vice-chairman and Mrs Turner hon. secretary.
Western Gazette Friday 27 July 1934 (part article only)

Died

The funeral took place at the Parish Church on Monday of Mrs F Leaney, an old and respected inhabitant, whose death occurred at Garfield Villas on Friday at the age of 70. The chief mourners were the husband, son, two daughters, sons-in-law and daughter-in-law, and other immediate relatives. Several friends also attended. The service was conducted by the Rev J M McTear, assistant priest.
Western Gazette Friday 24 August 1934

Died

The funeral took place at the parish church on Tuesday of Mr George Furnell, a former much respected inhabitant of Tisbury, whose death occurred at Dorchester, where he had gone to reside with his daughter, Mrs Gillingham. He was 78 years of age. In addition to the family mourners and immediate relatives there were several parishioners present. Mr Furnell was one of the oldest members of the Wardour Lodge of Oddfellows and had gone through the various offices in his earlier days. The following attended: Brothers A F Scott NG, S Potter, H Wilkins, H Read, W Scott, F J Mould and the Secretary, Bro H J Penny.
Western Gazette Friday 05 October 1934

Married

The wedding was solemnised at the parish church on Wednesday last week of Mr T Tingham and Miss Frances Beatrice Hain, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs W Hain of Wickwood Farm. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a dress of blue silk with hat to match, silver grey stockings and black patent shoes.

She carried a bouquet of white chrysanthemums and was attended by four bridesmaids, the Misses Violet Hain (sister of the bride), who wore a floral two-piece georgette dress, Miss Cecily Shute, who wore a pale blue dress (both wore pink and blue crinoline hats), and the Misses Vera and Joan Martin, nieces of the bridegroom, who wore white silk floral dresses with white mob caps trimmed with asters and carried bouquets of asters. The best man was Mr W Tingham (brother of the bridegroom). The vicar, Canon A H Barnes, performed the ceremony and there was a large congregation present.

A reception was held at the bride's home. The bride and bridegroom were the recipients of about sixty useful presents, including a handsome eight-day striking clock to the bridegroom from fellow employees at Semley United Dairies and a tea service from residents in Newton and Hatch in appreciation of her services at Newtown church.
Western Gazette Friday 05 October 1934

In Memoriam

In loving memory of Lilian Kate Harriss, who was for twenty-five years the devoted nurse at Monmouth House, Tisbury, and passed away on the 10th of October 1934. Sadly missed by Florence and Elsie of Ridge and Thomas and Mary Barrs, Monmouth House, Tisbury.
Western Gazette Friday 05 October 1934

Advertisement

Xmas Radio Programmes - H.M. the King will again broadcast his Greeting on Xmas Day. Large selection of receivers, batteries, &c always in stock at C Marshall's, Tisbury
Western Gazette Friday 14 December 1934

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Letter to the Editor

"May I be permitted to express, through the columns of the Western Gazette, my utter disgust and disapproval of the rowdiness displayed by certain individuals who attend the football matches at Tisbury between the two local teams, i.e. Tisbury Town and Tisbury Hearts. These teams have played three matches this season. Each game has been keenly contested in a sporting manner by the members of both teams and good feeling evidently exists amongst the players. This cannot, however, be said of some of the Tisbury Town club supporters.

It is right and proper for supporters to encourage their respective teams whilst a game is in progress, but to hurl obscene, insulting, loud-voiced remarks at individual players is going too far. It is objectionable to decent minded persons who attend the matches and who love fair play all round.

The persons guilty of this bad behaviour do not appreciate the fact that the teams are doing their best to provide the public with a form of healthy recreation and pleasure, which is appreciated by the majority of onlookers. It is a pity the few should mar this enjoyment. As a supporter of the Tisbury football clubs, I trust this letter will be read by the guilty ones and taken to heart seriously, otherwise I and many others will withdraw support".
Western Gazette Friday 18 January 1935

Tisbury Petty Sessions

Bessie Millward, of Tisbury, applied for a separation and maintenance order against her husband Josiah Millward, The Quarry, Tisbury, on the grounds of alleged desertion. Mr L Williams (Trethowan & Vincent, Salisbury) was for the wife and Mr A B Lemon represented the husband. Applicant gave evidence but after cross-examination by Mr Lemon, she accepted an offer of the husband to provide a home for her and her two children, and the Bench adjourned the case for a month. A provisional order was made to operate in the meantime and Mr A R White (who was acting as chairman) observed that the Bench hoped they would hear no more of the case and that the parties would settle down and live comfortably.
Western Gazette Friday 22 March 1935

Storm Havoc

One of the most terrific thunderstorms experienced in Tisbury for many years occurred on Wednesday afternoon when the chimney stack of a dwelling house occupied by Miss L Lush was struck by lightning and partly demolished. The falling masonry caused a great deal of damage to the roof; a fireplace in the room was blown out, a window broken and articles dislodged for a shelf. A marrow growing in the garden was cut completely in half. The roof of the adjoining house, occupied by Nurse Foley, district nurse, was also damaged by the fall of bricks and the electric fuse box in the house was blown out. Hamlets only two miles south and west of the town were not touched by the storm.
Western Gazette Friday 30 August 1935

1936 Storm and Floods - Postman's Problem

Acres of pasture land along the Nadder Valley were under water. Mr Arthur Marshall, a Tisbury postman, had great difficulty in completing his Christmas delivery. To deliver a parcel to Mrs Scott, who was imprisoned in her cottage at Savage's Bridge, he had to wade through water knee-deep and throw the parcel through an upstairs window. Water seven feet deep settled under Three Arches Bridge and neither vehicles nor pedestrians could get through, causing considerable inconvenience to both tradesmen and householders.
Western Gazette Friday 03 January 1936

Advertisement

R Thick, Hindon Lane, private car for hire. Trial solicited, quotations given; orders accepted by H J Oliver. 'Phone 88
Western Gazette Friday 31 January 1936

Married

The wedding was solemnised at the Parish Church on Wednesday of Mr Arthur E Furnell, only son of Mr and Mrs A W Furnell, and Miss Bessie M Ball, second daughter of Mr and Mrs E Ball, of Chicks Grove. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a Royal blue silk dress with hat to match and carried a bouquet of white carnations. She was attended by her sister, Miss Margery Ball, as bridesmaid, who wore an ankle length rose crepe dress with hat to match and carried a bouquet of pink carnations. Mr W Alford (brother in law of the bridegroom) was best man. The ceremony was performed by the Rev H S Fussell, assistant priest. A reception was afterwards held at the bride and bridegroom's new home. Both were the recipients of large number of useful presents.
Western Gazette Friday 31 January 1936

Bankrupt

John Cyril Alford, of Totterdale Farm, Tisbury, Wilts, farmer and lately carrying on business at Totterdale Farm.
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Mr R K M Lush, of Rose Cottage, Tisbury, (telephone 223) is the Western Gazette correspondent for Tisbury. Mr Lush will be pleased to receive items of news and advertisements intended for publication and also notices of forthcoming events.
Western Gazette Friday 29 October 1937

Died

Mr J Woods passed peacefully away in his sleep on Saturday at the age of 78. He had been in failing health for a number of years but the end came quite unexpected. He was a well-known and highly respected resident of Tisbury for over 50 years. In the days of Tisbury Flower Show, he was a keen exhibitor, winning many cups and medals.

The funeral took place at the Parish Church on Tuesday, the service being conducted by the vicar, Cannon Barnes. The principal mourners were Mr R L Woods (brother), Mrs R Woods, Mrs S Woods (sisters-in-law), Mrs W Siviour (niece), Mr Maurice Lawes (nephew), Mrs Shute, Mrs Lloyd, Mrs Howell and Mrs Watkins. Mr S Woods and Mrs Fletcher (brother and sister) were unable to attend owing to ill health.
Western Gazette Friday 03 December 1937

1938 Football Club Dance

A dance organised by the Tisbury Town Football Club was held at the Victoria Hall on New Year's-eve, about 180 being present. At midnight the gathering linked hands, forming a huge chain around the hall, and ushered in the New Year with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne." The music was by Ron Rixon's Dance Band, and Mr. Eric Lush was M.C.
Western Gazette Friday 07 January 1938

ARP Meeting

There was a representative gathering at the Victoria Hall on Thursday evening to consider the question of ARP for the district. Col Walker, ARP officer for the district, and Mr E Young, the local representative on the County Council and Tisbury & Mere Rural District Council, supported the Chairman, Mr T Doggrell.

The County ARP Officer, Mr D B H Lennox, in the course of an interesting and instructive address, urged upon all to do their bit and join one of the services. All kinds of help was required, motorists, motor cyclists, cyclists, wardens, rescue workers, &c. In reply to a question, the speaker said the wardens would go out in pairs. He hoped the necessity would never arise. The measures being taken were purely precautionary.
Western Gazette Friday 12 August 1938

Interest in ARP

A real live interest in ARP was shown at a lecture at the Victoria Hall on Sunday. There was a large attendance, and numerous questions were put to the lecturer, Sergt Dennis, from the Gas School, Porton, who, on this occasion, dealt with the various forms of gases. The lecture was primarily for the wardens, but the public were invited, and the good attendance proved that Tisbury people are alive to the necessities of ARP.
Western Gazette Friday 14 October 1938

Died

The funeral took place at the London-road Cemetery, Salisbury, on Tuesday, of Mr Arthur Lane, formerly of Tucking Mill, Tisbury, who died on Saturday at 59 Hamilton-road, Salisbury, where he had lived with Mr and Mrs L J Lane, his son and daughter-in-law, since his wife's death nearly eight years ago. Mr Lane was in his eighty ninth year. He had a wonderfully retentive memory, took a keen in affairs generally, and possessed a refreshing sense of humour. A native of Swallowcliffe, he leaves two sons and a daughter. Mr Lane was buried in the same grave as his wife.
Western Gazette Friday 14 October 1938

Success

Mr A G Burt, of The Quarry, Tisbury, formerly assistant master at Tisbury School, and a student of King Alfred's College, Winchester, from September 1936-July 1938, has been successful in passing the Final Teaching Certificate Examination, gaining special recognition by the Board of Education as a handicraft specialist. He has been appointed assistant master in the boys' department of the new Moulsham Schools under the Borough of Chelmsford Education Committee.
Western Gazette Friday 21 October 1938

Poppy-day Response

A remarkable result was achieved with Poppy-day in Tisbury and district. Thanks to the untiring efforts of Mrs Isabel T Young, who had the arrangements in hand, and her body of helpers, the Earl Haig Fund will benefit to the extent of £44 0s 6d. Mr P J Randall, the hon. secretary to the Tisbury branch of the British Legion, is also to be congratulated for the part he played in bringing about this result.
Western Gazette Friday 18 November 1938

Game Prosecution Fails

At Tisbury Petty Sessions, Henry Herbert Green, of Totterdale Farm, Tisbury, was summoned for having trespassed in pursuit of game at Tisbury, and through his advocate, Mr A B Lemon, Salisbury, he pleaded not guilty.

Mr W Farley Rutter, for the prosecution, said Mr Arthur W S Aldridge rented the shooting of 5,000 acres on the Wardour Estate, which included a copse known as Wallmead Copse, adjoining Totterdale Farm, and Mr Cyril Williams and Mr Lever were employed by him as keepers.

At 3.30 pm. On October 24th, Mr Lever heard two shots fired. He went to Wallmead Copse and saw Green 10 yards inside the wood, who said someone had been shooting there and he had gone to the copse to see who it was.

After Green had left Lever found a dead pheasant, still warm, 12 yards from the spot where he and Green had been standing; a double-barrelled gun was found on the ground 10 yards from the pheasant. Green's employer had since reported to the police that he had missed his gun from Totterdale Farm.

Joseph Lever, the keeper, gave evidence, and, replying to Mr Lemon, he agreed that the pheasants were bred on the farm and were quite tame. Green could have got a pheasant, if he wanted one, without going far from his own door.

Cyril Williams, Swallowcliffe, head-keeper for Mr Aldridge, said he went to see Green and asked him what he was doing in the copse, and he replied that he thought he was doing everyone a good turn by going into the copse to see who was shooting.

Inspector Townsend said on November 21st Mr Hugh George Burt, the occupier of Totterdale Farm, who lived at Sutton Veney, reported the loss of a gun, the description of which fitted the gun brought to him by Williams. He interviewed Green on November 23rd, who said he did not hold a game licence and that he had not got a gun licence.

Hugh George Burt, of Sutton Veney, also gave evidence.

Mr Lemon submitted that there was no evidence against his client, who was perfectly cool throughout. His explanation was that he went into the wood to do Lever a good turn. There was no need for Green to steal the gun. The most they could say was that there was circumstantial evidence of a very flimsy character.

The Chairman said the Bench were of the opinion that the case had not been proved.
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Funeral

Amidst signs of deepest respect, the funeral took place in Tisbury Parish churchyard on Tuesday of Mrs Elizabeth Jane Smith, wife of Mr Samuel Smith, of The Shop, Chicksgrove, whose death at the age of 76 occurred at her residence on Friday.

The coffin was met at the north gate by the vicar, Canon A H Barnes, who conducted the service. There were a number of floral tributes. Mr Smith and family thank all friends for the expressions of sympathy and for the flowers.
Western Gazette Friday 23 December 1938

Skating at Tisbury

Ice skaters came into their own on Tuesday when many took advantage of an opportunity not often available. A flooded meadow near Pool Bridge made an excellent natural rink. A large number of householders on Tuesday found their pipes frozen and the Overbourne Laundry had to suspend work.
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Tisbury Petty Sessions

Before the business of the Court commenced, Colonel Benett-Stanford said it was usual on such occasions for the Bench to signify its deep regret at the loss of a member. Since their last meeting they had lost two of their number, Captain John Hastings, their chairman, who was a very capable chairman, and took the greatest interest in the details of the business more possibly so than most magistrates.

They had also experienced a great loss in the death of Lord Arundell of Wardour, one of the kindest-hearted men that ever lived. He asked the Court to stand in silence as a mark of respect for their late colleagues. Colonel Benett-Stanford also announced that the justices had appointed Colonel Francis Stewart Kennedy Shaw, CBE, as their chairman, and Mrs Benett-Stanford as vice-chairman.
Western Gazette Friday 21 April 1939

Died

The funeral of Miss Mabbett took place on Saturday. the service at the Parish church was taken by the Vicar, Rev Canon A H Barnes and among the large number present were Mr Henry Burridge and Mr Cecil Burridge (nephews), Miss Louie Cuff and Miss Fanny Cuff (cousins), Miss J Osmond, Mrs K Fields, Misses Cadley, Mr C M and Mrs Green, Mr Normal Green, Mr G L and Miss Lush, Mr and Mrs P Randall, Miss Hills, Mrs Compton, Mrs Davis, Mrs Blake, Mrs Jukes, Mrs R Howell, Mrs W Burt, Mrs Lacey, Miss Bristol, Mrs Scott, Mrs D Stevens, Mrs F Macey, Mrs W Fray, Mrs E Fray, Mrs Bennett, Miss Alford (representing Mrs J E Alford), Miss N Macey.

There were a large number of beautiful floral tributes including wreaths from Mr Cecil Burridge, Mr Harry Burridge, Mr and Mrs C M Green (Landford), Mrs F Gatehouse, Mrs Williamson, Mr Fields, Mr Hinton (Lacock - a former master at Tisbury), Miss Hills, a former mistress at Tisbury, Mrs G and Miss Lush, Mr and Mrs A Davis, Mrs R Northover, Mrs R Howell and Miss N Woods, Mrs F Lambert, Mrs Young and Miss Andrews. Mr Henry and Mr Cecil Burridge wish to thank the many friends for sympathy and floral tributes.
Western Gazette Friday 23 June 1939

Territorials Leave for Camp

Twenty-eight members of the local Territorials attached to the Wilts Regiment paraded at the Victoria Hall Tisbury on Sunday under the command of Lieut Lord Arundell of Wardour. the men proceeded to Salisbury to join other units and entrain for Exmouth to take part in the annual training.
Western Gazette Friday 04 August 1939

Died

The death of Mr Daniel Lewis occurred at his residence in High-street early on Saturday morning. Deceased, who was in his 80th year, was one of the oldest residents, having lived in Tisbury nearly fifty years. The funeral took place at the Parish Church on Monday, the service being conducted by the Rev A E Blood. In addition to the family mourners, the following residents were amongst those present: Capt G A Bull, Messrs W W Kendall, H Meaden, P Randall, W Compton, H James and C Rees.
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Married

The marriage took place at the Parish Church Tisbury on Saturday of Mr Cecil Albert Perrett, only son of Mr and Mrs F Perrett, of Upper Woodford, Salisbury, and Miss Phyllis Edith Mary Burton, of Tisbury. (*part article only*)
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Letter to the Editor

Sir, The huge derelict infirmary here, Monmouth House, with its 75 rooms, lighting, heating and water, and segregation, could be fitted with apparatus by the Council and used as a boarding school for the Tisbury quota of evacuated children. Empty Fonthill Vicarage, once a school, could also be used; perhaps one for boys and the other for girls. But let it be done quickly. "A". Tisbury.
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Married

On September 5th at the Minster, Warminster, Francis James, only son of Mrs and the late Mr H F Rendell, to Dorothy Ethel, the eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Fray, of Tisbury.
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Wanted

Ex-servicemen, between the ages of 41 and 60, for enlistment in National Defence Companies, Wiltshire Regiment. For terms, pay, &c., apply to Capt. G A Bull, Tisbury.
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Died

The death occurred at his home, "Chicksgrove Close", on Sunday at the age of 88, of Mr George Bentinck Turner. Mr Turner had lived in Tisbury nearly all his life. The funeral took place at the Parish Church on Wednesday, Canon A H Barnes officiating. Among those present were Mrs M C Manus (niece), Mr P Turner (nephew), Mr J Combes, Mrs Wilson, Mrs Pinkerton, Miss Osmond, Miss Gilbert, Mrs J Street, Mrs Genge, Mr and Miss Davis.
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Tisbury Petty Sessions

Lady Margaret Drummond Hay, of Dennis Farm House, West Tisbury, was summoned for having failed to comply with the lighting regulations. She was represented by Mr A B Lemon and pleaded guilty. Inspector Townsend said on two occasions since the offence, constables had reported infringements of the regulations, and private residents had also made complaints. P C Townsend gave particulars of the lights which were showing, and said when he rang the bell an outside light was switched on, which illuminated the outside of the house. He shouted for the light to be extinguished, and when he rang the bell a second time the outside light was again switched on. He saw the defendant the following morning, and she said she was away at a dinner party, but had given strict instructions for all lights to be screened. She had foreign servants. Mr Lemon expressed her ladyship's regret and said she had now taken steps to ensure no light could be seen. The Bench imposed a fine of £5.

The Bench then heard a summons against her ladyship for having failed to report the change of address of an alien and to this Mr Lemon pleaded not guilty. PC Townsend said he visited Dennis Farm House on September 8th to enquire for the registration certificates of all aliens living there. He did not receive a certificate for a Swiss alien and was informed that she had left. Later he saw Lady Margaret Drummond Hay, and she said she thought the girl had notified the police by 'phone, of her intention to leave the country. The bench imposed a fine of 20s.
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Tisbury Petty Sessions

The following, summoned for having failed to comply with the lighting regulations, were dismissed with a caution. Inspector Townsend stating that the defects had now been remedied: Arthur E Matthews, The Boot Inn, Tisbury; Allen H Davis, The Benett Arms, Tisbury; Percy Aldridge, South Western Hotel, Tisbury; Wm. G Tucker, Crown Inn, Tisbury; Martha King, Poulders Farm, West Tisbury; Edwin Coombs, of 58, Hatch, Tisbury.
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Tisbury Petty Sessions

The following cyclists were fined for having failed to comply with the lighting regulations: Cyril H Freemantle, 1 Alexander Cottages, Tisbury and Harry Cornford, Stonegate Lodge, Newtown, West Tisbury, 5s each.

The Rev. Wm. Keating Clay, Canonbury House, Tisbury, was fined 20s for failing to screen the lights in his house, and a summons against Archibald Britten, of Hindon-road, Tisbury, for a similar offence was dismissed. He said he was using a candle in the bedroom and the blind would not work. It had now been put right.
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Died

Residents heard with regret of the death of Mrs Eliza Jane Alford, widow of Mr James Everard Alford, which occurred at Withyslade Farm on Monday, at the age of 72 years.
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Newtown Whist Drive

The third of a series of whist drives arranged by Mrs Benett-Stanford, was held at Pythouse last week in aid of the funds for providing the children with a Christmas-tree. Mr D Parham was M.C. Prizes were given by Mrs Attwood, Mrs Jukes and Mrs Parham and Mrs Attwood presented the prizes to the following: Ladies - 1 Mrs Gurd, 2 Mrs Day, 3 Mrs Milward, Consolation Miss Weeks. Gentleman - 1 Mr Roberts, 2 Mr F Poole, 3 Mr H Gray. Consolation Mr F Hatton.
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