

BUS TOKENS

Mrs. P. Norman of 11 The Green and Mrs. M. Jones of Lovett House will again collect the signatures of Social Circle members who wish to have their tokens collected. Non-members are welcome to this service but a small donation towards Social Circle funds would be appreciated.

The reminiscences printed in the December issue created quite a lot of interest and set our older readers thinking back over the years. We are grateful to Mr. Albert Crawford of "Kirk View" for these recollections of his early days.

"The Schoolmaster was Mr. Starkings; the Schoolmistress was Mrs. Crouch. The room over the bottom part of School House (which used to be two separate dwellings) was used as a Reading Room. The Post Office was kept by Mr. J. Mead and they also kept a little shop-house known now as Laburnum Cottage.

Where the Vicarage and bungalows and houses are now was known as Kent Close and the road from the Stone to Kent Pond was always called Kent Lane.

I remember the old cottages being pulled down and the eleven Brook Cottages being built by Mr. Jewel, builder from Aylesbury. The house that I live in was thatched but the thatch was taken off and the roof slated; also the barn doorway faced south. Opposite Mr. Barnes' house was a sandstone wall with brambles and a fence. It was pulled down and the hollow in Church Field was filled and soil put in it.

There was an old cottage opposite The Boot Inn occupied by Mr. F. Scott, gardener at Liscombe House. I left school before I was thirteen and went to work on the farm for three shillings a week; men's wages were fifteen shillings a week. After about 18 months I left and went to Liscombe House and worked in the gardens under Mr. F. Scott. For the first three years the house was occupied by Colonel Douglas and then I worked for eight years for Mr. E. Robinson who bought it from Mr Lovett. I have a photograph of Liscombe House when it belonged to Phillip Cosby Lovett, Esq.

In 1915 I went on munitions work, making torpedo nets, splicing ropes - wire ones. When the war finished I went to work at Bletchley Motive Power, for the old London, Midland and Scottish Railway and then British Rail. I worked for the railway for over forty years, thirty-two years shift-working as a Steam Raiser and more than eight years as Water Softening Plant attendant at Tring.

I remember Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee and Jubilee Cottages being built, (next to School House)."

The Women's Institute raised £60 from the Jumble Sale. Grateful thanks to all who contributed in any way. Raffle winners: Mrs. M. Rowe - chicken dinner - which she auctioned for £2.30p. Mr. Broad - chocolates and Mrs. Crawford - cake.

Mrs. H. Ashburner would like to thank all those who supported the Coffee Evening which raised £13 for Choir funds.

We extend a warm welcome to Hilary and Roger Walker who have come to live at 5, Laburnum Cottages.

We offer congratulations to Louise and Christopher Dawes of Laburnum Cottages on the birth of their daughter, Stephanie Lisa, on 22nd January.

The marriage of Joanne Gust and John Hoggan will take place at All Saints' Church, Soulbury, on 20th March.

One of our readers tells us that within 48 hours of removing every piece of wrapping paper, plastic bag, etc., from the garden it again displayed a fine crop of empty crisp packets, cigarette cartons and the like. And this without benefit of largesse from the Council's refuse service. It seems that we ought, perhaps, to start a "Keep Soulbury Tidy" campaign. Has anyone any suggestions on this subject?

FOR SALE.

Victorian Walnut Single Wardrobe (choice of two)
Modern Solid Oak Bookcase/Desk with sliding Glass Doors (compact size - ideal for homework!)
Philips am/fm Radio/Stereo Car Cassette with Speakers and Electric aerial.
'Rise and Fall' Light Fitting with Modern Spun Aluminium Shade.
Pair of Reclining BLMC Car Seats (light tan).

WANTED.

4'6" (or larger) Bed and a 10-12 cu.ft. Deep Freeze.
Please 'phone Mr. & Mrs. R. Walker at Soulbury 380 after 7.30 pm.

Soulbury Methodist Chapel

Chapel Minister: Rev. Norman Burrows
The Manse, Stewkley. Tel: 251

Sunday	1st Feb.	10.30 am.	To be arranged.	
Sunday	1st Feb.	2.30 pm.	Mr E. Green.	Family Hour
Sunday	8th Feb.	2.30 pm.	Dr. R. Overs.	Family Hour
Sunday	16th Feb.	2.30 pm.	Mrs. A. Martin.	Family Hour
Sunday	22nd Feb.	2.30 pm.	Rev. N. Burrows.	Family Hour
Sunday	29th Feb.	2.30 pm.	Mr. D. Norman	Family Hour

All Saints' Church.

Vicar: Rev. Paul Drake
The Vicarage, Stewkley, Tel: 287

Sunday	1st Feb.	11.30 am.	Sung Eucharist and Sermon.	
Monday	2nd Feb.	7.30 pm.	Holy Communion by Candlelight (Feast of the Purification B.V.M.)	
Sunday	8th Feb.	11.30 am.	Sung Eucharist and Sermon.	
Sunday	15th Feb.	11.30 am.	Sung Eucharist and Sermon.	
Sunday	22nd Feb.	11.30 am.	Sung Eucharist and Sermon.	
Sunday	29th Feb.	8.00 am.	Holy Communion	
Sunday	29th Feb.	11.30 am.	Sung Eucharist and Sermon.	

COMING EVENTS

Tuesday	10th Feb.	8.00 pm.	<u>Women's Institute</u> in the Clubroom. Vic Scott on "Wildlife in Bucks" Competition: the funniest holiday snap.	
Wednesday	11th Feb.	2.30 pm.	<u>Social Circle</u> in the Clubroom.	
Wednesday	18th Feb.	8.00 pm.	<u>Women's Fellowship</u> at the home of Mrs. V. Hammond, The Thatches, The Green. Speaker: The Rev. Malcolm Clarke talking about bird-song.	
Saturday	21st Feb.	2.30 pm.	<u>Jumble Sale</u> in the Clubroom. in aid of the Church Choir funds.	
Saturday	28th Feb.	8.00 pm.	<u>Bingo</u> in the Clubroom. In aid of the Social Circle funds.	

STOP PRESS *****	Childrens Party *****	7th February.	3pm - 6pm.
	" Disco *****	" "	7pm - 11pm.
	(to be held in the Clubroom)		
