

**Soulbury Chapel.** Following the registration in 1838 we next glimpse the financial records for 1859, shewing an income for the year of £5.6s.; seat rents amounted to 44.12s.6d and the cost of heating and lighting was £1.6s. There was a debt of £50, presumably from the Building Fund. A Sunday School record for 1860 shows that there were 70 scholars with an average attendance of 65 children, and 17 1/2 Sunday School teachers; the annual cost for running the school was £2.12s.8 1/2d. The addition of the gallery in 1866 increased the seating capacity by 50 to 148 seats, calculated at an allowance of 20 1/2 inches per person. 92 seats were for letting, 30 were free and 26 were for schoolchildren. A Property Schedule for 1872 gives the estimated value of the building as £288 and reveals that the Treasurer was a Mr. Preswell. A membership record for 1914 may be of interest to people still living in Soulbury; E. Dickens, J. Cater, J. Mead, F. Tearle, E. Spratt, Geo. Scott, Hy. Conquest, Wm. Turner, T. Mead, Emma Cater, Emma Turney, Lizzie Turney, Emma Faulkner, Winnie Robinson, Violet Smith, Lily Flavel, Bessie Arnold and Emma Chappel. On 23rd December, 1934 the preacher at the evening service was our own Mr. H. Scott who has been a lay preacher since 1925.

**SOULBURY NEWSLETTER.** We urgently need someone who is willing to undertake the regular typing of the Newsletter. This involves typing it first in draft form and then, after checking and amendment, cutting two stencils. It would also be helpful if the volunteer were present at our editorial meetings on about the 21st - 23rd of each month. Please ring Miss Booth on Soulbury 322.

**Hoggeston.** So after all our fights and our money-raising efforts for W.A.R.A. the Airport is rearing its ugly head again, albeit under a different name. It is to be hoped that this time a decision will be reached more speedily than nine years ago, and that common-sense and a concern for people and living communities will prevail. The Wing Airport Resistance Association has been re-formed, again under the chairmanship of Mr. Desmond Fennell, Q.C., and the first open meeting will be held at Hoggeston at 7 p.m. on Saturday, 2nd June. As many people as possible are asked to attend - jam the roads if necessary - and make it clear that opposition to the airport is as strong as ever. Mrs. M. Jones of Lovett House (Soulbury 349) is the person to contact for news of W.A.R.A. activities.

**European Elections.** The candidates in the Euro-constituency (whoever dreamt up that horrible word?) of Northamptonshire are; Sam Crooks, Liberal; Alex Gordon, Labour; Anthony Simpson, Conservative. Whatever your opinion about the Community, don't neglect to come to the polling station in the Clubroom and register your vote on June 7th.

**Parish Council.** Votes cast in the election were: Mr. L. Brazier 80, Mr. F. Bunyan 79, Mrs. J. Kellner 86, Mr. W. Rolls 112, Mr. J. Rowe 77, Mr. J. Kellner 69 and Mr. J. Clark 14. The first five named are elected. The first meeting of the new Council is provisionally arranged for 13th June. The audit of the accounts for the year ending 31st March will take place at 6 Leighton Road, Linslade starting on 18th June. The accounts may be queried with the auditors on that date or may be inspected, by appointment, at 5 The Mead, Soulbury, telephone 296, between the 1st and 14th June.

**Church Fete.** There will be the usual stalls and sideshows, plus one or two new ones this year and there will be a Children's Fancy Dress Contest. In addition to other refreshments there will be Cream Teas. Contributions will be most gratefully accepted for the Produce and Cake stalls, for the Brian Tub, the Fancy Goods stall and the Books stall (books of any age and any description). And of course it is hoped that everyone will come along and enjoy themselves at this annual event.

**Methodist Church Fete.** The Chapel Fete will be held on the Village Green on 23rd June and will be opened by Mr. and Mrs. Peter Venn of Heath and Reach. The proceeds will be for the Chapel Building Fund and the members will be grateful for your support. There will be various stalls for which any of the members will be glad to receive any contributions, and refreshments will be served at 11 The Green. Do come along and spend an enjoyable afternoon on the village green.

**Morris Dancing.** The Whitchurch Morris Men will be dancing at the Boot on Tuesday, 5th June, starting at 8.00 p.m. Come and watch this traditional entertainment which has not been seen in Soulbury for many years.



The House to House Collection for the National Children's Home raised £42.50. Mrs. J. Kirk and Mrs. P. Norman would like to thank all those who gave so generously.

The Recital in the church on 19th May resulted in an addition of £27 to the Roof Appeal.

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We extend a warm welcome to Alison and Colin Potter who have come to live in Church Farm Lane with their daughter Georgina, and to Selina Claire who was born on 24th April.

We also welcome Mr. and Mrs. Edwards and their family to their house in Stewkley Road.

Our good wishes go to Mr. and Mrs. Skeels for a successful outcome to the operations to baundergone by their son, Lewpen.

We wish a speedy recovery to Mrs. Sharrocks who is now home from hospital, following an accident at her place of work.

We are sure many people in the village will have been sorry to learn of the death of Mr. William Crawford on 14th May at the age of 91. Mr. Crawford had lived all his life in Soulbury until he and Mrs. Crawford went to live with their daughter in Leicestershire three years ago.

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FOUND A gold cross and chain near the cricket ground. Apply Mrs. Norman, 11 The Green, Telephone, Soulbury 483.

WANTED Gardener to tend borders of a cottage garden. Please call, evenings only, Mr. Norris, Laburnum Cottage, or telephone Soulbury 309.

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#### Methodist Chapel

Minister: The Rev. N. Burrows,  
The Manse, Stewkley. Tel: 251.

Sunday 3rd June 2.30 p.m. Family Hour. The Rev. N. Burrows  
Sunday 10th June 10.30 a.m. Mr. K. Gregory  
Sunday 17th June 6.00 p.m. Mr. M. Poyser  
Sunday 24th June 10.30 a.m. Mr. D. Scott

Sunday School every Sunday at 2.30 p.m.

Bible Study on Mondays at 2.30 p.m.

4th June - Little Oak, Broad Oak Farm.  
11th June - 25 The Green.

18th June - 11 The Green.  
25th June - 27 The Green.

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#### All Saints Church

Sung Eucharist and Sermon every Sunday at 11.30 a.m.

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

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#### Forthcoming Events

Saturday 2nd June 7.00 p.m. W.A.R.A. open meeting at Hoggston.  
Tuesday 5th June 8.00 p.m. Morris Dancing at The Boot.  
Thursday 7th June All Day: European Parliamentary elections.  
Saturday 9th June 2.30 p.m. Church Garden Party at The Old Vicarage.  
Tuesday 12th June 8.00 p.m. W.I. Mrs. Viall - and demonstration on Hedgerow Basketry.  
Competition: Flower of the month.  
Wednesday 13th June 2.30 p.m. Social Circle. Details to be arranged.  
8.00 p.m. Parish Council Meeting.  
Wednesday 20th June 7.15 p.m. Women's Fellowship - visit to Stacey Hall Museum.  
Saturday 23rd June 2.30 p.m. Chapel Fete on the village green.  
Friday 29th June 8.00 p.m. W.I. Supper Dance. Details at June meeting and on posters.

All meetings in the Clubroom where not otherwise indicated.

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