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Letters

We've kept rates down

As certain amount of displeasure has arisen because of an increase in rateable valuation of property and in consequence an increase in rates payable.
May I hasten to inform your readers that the local councils are not responsible for rateable revaluation of properties, they are, however, responsible for the amount of rates collected half-yearly. This amount is kept to the minimum.
Indeed, notwithstanding the high rate of inflation during the past few years, the Barnard Castle R.D.C. have managed by sheer pruning and efficient use of men and materials to keep down the rates.
In 1972-73 it was 8.51p in the pound and in 1973-74 it was 8.00p in the pound. This of course is collected with the rates demanded by Durham County Council which were 28.05 in 1972-73 and 29.00 in 1973-74.
You will see by these figures that the very low amount of rates payable to the R.D.C. are an indication of the great thought and care which your representatives have taken on your behalf.

Which case was worse?

As I, a know, very easy to find mistakes and inconsistencies in your columns, but I cannot for- get to mention on the fact that your last column reported that a man found rotting respousing with an ammonia gun was fined 250 with 25 costs and had the gun forfeited, whereas a man who allowed his own children to have school attendance records of 55% and 9% in a possible 270 attendances was fined £10.
I have we in this area got our priorities right? Is one wrong to believe that this country would be a better place if the punishments had been reversed? The answer is not simple but it is worth consideration as is the question whether we in this area are not in some ways still living in the nineteenth century.
HENRY BRENTNALL.

House should be improved

I would like to reply to Coun. Brentnall's comments on Mr. Jemmeson's "old barn". This is, in fact, a house and buildings which have been allowed to fall into disrepair.
The fact that Mr. Jemmeson wants to improve it seems to me good commonsense. As a resident of Marwood I pass this "old barn" quite frequently and would like to see it made habitable once more.
Surely the grants scheme for country cottages is not just for those who can afford a second home. The small cottage at the foot of Whorlton Bank was allowed a grant.
I think it would have been a nice gesture to have knocked it down (before it fell down) and made either seats or a car park for invalid carriages only. I consider the county planner has too much authority for one man.
C. WILSON (Mrs).

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Prizewinners at Barnard Castle Scout whist drive were: Ladies—1, Mrs M. Watson; 2, Mrs Dodgson; sealed, Miss N. A. Robinson, Mrs Little and Mrs Oliver. Gent—1, Mrs Asprey; 2, Mr Watson; sealed, Mrs Moore. Competition, Miss N. A. Robinson, Mrs Robson.

John Edward Burton, 27, of Ivy Cottage, Keversstone, Staindrop, was fined £10 at Barnard Castle on Wednesday for using a tractor on a road without insurance. He said he normally used it only on a farm, but was going to collect an implement he had bought at a sale the previous day.

Trevor Weston, 48, of 21 The Fallows, Cockfield, was fined £7 at Barnard Castle on Wednesday for failing to have a light on his car and failing to have the rear number plate lit.

Women's Institutes

MIDDLETON-IN-TEESDALE
Twenty-eight members attended the May meeting which was held at the N.E.E.B. showrooms in Darlington. Mrs J. Pinkney, vice-president, presided, and the minutes, correspondence and current business was presented by the secretary, Miss E. Wearmouth.
An interesting demonstration on sweet and savoury dishes was given by Mrs Angus, who also gave a descriptive talk on their preparation and the electrical equipment she used. The various completed sample dishes were later raffled. Thanks to the Electricity Board and Mrs Angi is were expressed by Mrs Pinkney. The driver of the coach used for transport judged the competition—a flower made with one serviette—and the winners were: 1, Mrs N. Thompson; 2, Mrs A. Walton. The prize was given by Mrs Pinkney. It was announced that there would be a food mixer demonstration at the June meeting.

WINSTON

Mrs Gallie presided at the meeting held in the village hall and welcomed one new member and one visitor. Mrs Swindle read the minutes of the last meeting, the county letter and other correspondence was dealt with. A car treasure hunt is to be held on Friday, 15th June, and it was proposed to have a mystery tour on June 29th. A collection was made for handicapped children.
Mrs Gallie welcomed Mrs Waterfall from Darlington, who gave a most interesting talk entitled "How I won the war." She was thanked by Mrs F. Wilson. The competition, the most attractive tea-party, was won by: 1, Mrs Featherstone; 2, Mrs Tomlinson; 3, Mrs Irman. The surprise parcel was won by Mrs S. Brown. Hostesses for the evening were Mesdames M. Grlon and F. Wilson.

THEY LAST MET IN 1944



Mrs Edna Henderson, of 83 Marwood Drive, Barnard Castle, is enjoying a happy reunion with her two brothers, Howard and Frank Barker. The three have not been together since 1944.

From the left in the picture are Howard and his wife Rose, who have travelled north from their home in Newham, London; Frank, who has flown over from Australia; Mrs Henderson and her husband Ronnie.
"It is wonderful for us all to be together again for the first time in 25 years," said Mrs Henderson. "This is something we have thought about for a long long time."
The get-together will last a fortnight. When Frank gets back home to Gympie Bay, New South Wales, he will have plenty to tell his wife Marion and daughter's, Kate and Elizabeth Anne about Barnard Castle.

Slimmers celebrate —by eating

At the Barnard Castle Slimming Club, six new members were welcomed. Four more ladies have reached target weight and slimmer-of-the-month was Mrs Evans. The national slimmer of the month award, £10, was won by Mrs Scrafton, and the club won the club-of-the-month prize for the best average weight losses.
To celebrate their success, 35 ladies enjoyed a meal at the A66 Motel. Mrs Raw was presented with a flowering plant on behalf of the members.
A slim for charity month has been planned, and new members will be welcome any Monday night at 7 p.m., Parish Hall, Newgate. A wig demonstration has been arranged for 25th June by The Freda Parker Salon. The total weight loss for May was 66 lbs.

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SITUATION IS BRIGHTER NOW —CANDIDATE

Mr Donald Etheridge, prospective Conservative parliamentary candidate for Bishop Auckland, said on Friday that people have grown so accustomed to facing a difficult economic situation that it was easy for some quite radical changes in that situation to pass unnoticed.
"If we look back at the position six months ago at the beginning of the year, the Government had recently introduced a tight control of prices and wages to counter inflation that was already bad and was rapidly getting worse," he said. "No one then knew whether the policy would work or not."

"Many doubted that it would. After a torrid year of industrial unrest we were about to enter a new series of strikes and other forms of industrial action. Gas workers, teachers, railway workers, civil servants and hospital staff were all then on strike or about to come out. The threat of another battle in the coal fields hung just below the horizon."
"How different it now seems! The inflation control policies have now become so generally accepted that they are no longer news. Despite the efforts of militants, pay deals within the framework of the policy have been accepted by virtually every industry in this country. In fact, neither phase 1 nor phase 11 of the wages policy have been yet breached at all."

FREEHOLDERS LOSE RIGHTS OF OWNERS

Under the Commons Registration Act, after a recent inquiry at Durham, the Commissioner has ruled that Staindrop Parish Council is the owner of Blakeley and Thornylyl Syke quarries, together with the Goosepool.
The Commissioner ruled he could not presume anything under which the freeholders could now be the owners of the estate in fee simple, because in the absence of incorporation, ownership of such an estate by a fluctuating body of persons is not a form of ownership recognised by law.
He rejected the submission made to him on behalf of the freeholders with some regret, because it seemed to him their determined attention to these lands had preserved them for the benefit of the locality.
In 1764 an Act of Parliament was passed for dividing and enclosing a moor or common called Staindrop Moor, and the two quarries together with the Goosepool were awarded to the proprietors of lands and tenements within the township of Staindrop.
The copy award contains many family names of the village which have long since disappeared. The freeholders committee claimed the ownership of the copy of this award. But it was handed over to the parish council for safe custody with the proviso that any freeholder may apply to peruse the book at any reasonable time should he so desire.
Cash transactions have been recorded since 1865 wherein several items of interest appear. Staindrop being an old market town in 1378, a charter was granted for a weekly market hence the Middle Green and side walks were cobbled, some of which still exist.
As the freeholders accumulated funds the old cobbles were taken up in places and flags laid to make a proper and more comfortable footpaths. In 1877-1878 it appears a collection was made from owners of property in the village when £113 "Tandem".
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The industrial relations situation as a whole had been greatly improved. The level of unemployment was not only much reduced but continuing to fall rapidly. The number of men and women out of work was now not far above the number of jobs waiting to be filled. There were signs of a shortage of labour in many industries.
National productivity had risen by 9%, and national growth was at a rate of 5% annually. The prospect was of a sustained period of prosperity. This was quite an achievement in a few short months.

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