

RICHMOND NEWS

On Thursday night members of the Women's Section of Richmond Branch of the British Legion raised £10 6s. 8d. at a whist drive held in the Operatic Hall in aid of the Lymouth Disaster Funds.

Messrs C. W. Tindill and Co. conducted a sale at Kirkbank Farm, Gilling West, on behalf of Mrs B. M. Stoddart. It was well attended and good prices were realised.

At Gilling West Juvenile Court, Richmond, on Friday, a 17-year-old Catterick Camp boy was placed under the care of the North Riding Council when he pleaded guilty to stealing 3s. 2d. in money.

Police Sergeant Willis said the money belonged to a L/Cpl in the 4th Training Regiment, Catterick Camp. It was alleged that the boy was delivering newspapers picked up from the room of a bed in the L/Cpl's room. He was caught by the complainant and the boy said he was short with his paper money.

The Richmond Methodist Youth Club and Fellowship opened their winter session on Sunday with a Fellowship Service conducted by Mr George Thompson. The speaker was the Rev. A. D. Bourne, the newly appointed Superintendent Minister of Richmond Circuit.

At the annual general meeting, presided over by Rev. A. D. Bourne, officers elected for 1952-53 were: President, Rev. A. D. Bourne; Secretary, Mr G. Thompson; Treasurer, Mr Wood; and Mr J. Thompson, representative to Youth Council, D. Shout.

Programme arrangements for the session include a photographic group 'Provision' is being made for various handicraft groups. Special speakers during the autumn will include Coun. J. B. Hood (photography), Coun. F. W. Woodall (civic affairs).

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Belerby Smallholder Wins Appeal

An important decision in favour of a Belerby smallholder, Mr J. Ryde, was given at Leyburn Town Hall on Thursday, where two magistrates refused an application made by the Sanitary Inspector to Leyburn Rural District Council, Mr Walter Sutton, to confirm an order condemning a carcass of meat.

Supporting the application, the Area Medical Officer, Dr. W. T. Sharpe, stated he had inspected a carcass of meat at Leyburn Abattoir belonging to Mr J. Ryde, of Belerby, and considered it was fit for human consumption. Mr Sutton also held this opinion and added liver fluke was also present.

Mr Sutton, Secretary of the North Yorkshire and South Durham branch of the N.F.U., on behalf of Ryde, applied for the order to be refused. He stated that Ryde, a member of the branch, had a beast which sustained a slight injury on Wednesday night, August 27th, and that on the advice of a veterinary surgeon, who said it had a torn ligament, he sent it to the slaughter-house at Leyburn on the following morning.

FRIDAY.—Increased prices for dairy cattle. Newly calving cows and heifers, attested: G. Clarkson, £66; Irvon Bros., £78; M. W. Alderson, £77; A. Alderson, £71; W. Pratt, £70; J. Horner, £70; J. M. Calvert, £71; J. K. Airey, £66; J. T. Nicholson, £66; Mrs Siddie, £67; T. Metcalfe, £64; J. Metcalfe, £63; S. Bell, £60; S. A. Harker, £59; H. Watson, £57; J. Sunter, £55 10s; J. Airey, passed £63; M. Sayer, £55; W. Porter, £56; E. T. H. Kendall, £47; Bolton Estates, £48; M. Brown, £36; J. L. Thwaite, res. £37 10s; W. A. Raw, £35.

On Friday there were repercussions at the monthly meeting of Leyburn Rural District Council at Leyburn, where the Medical Officer, Dr. W. Sharpe, expressed his concern at what he described as "an unusual decision arrived at by the magistrates." He said it was a most serious decision to have the opinion of one veterinary surgeon against his own and the opinion of the Sanitary Inspector. He was also concerned about the future of the carcass concerned.

HE FOUGHT AT SEVENTY-FOUR. A seventy-four old pensioner, John William Tully, of no fixed abode, was summoned to appear at Barnard Castle on September 24th when he was charged at a special court on Friday with causing grievous bodily harm. Tully had been arrested the same morning.

EXPENDITURE ON FOOD. Expenditure on food in the first quarter of 1952 was £748,000,000 according to the official Digest of Statistics. This represents about 2s. a week per head of population.

TELEVISION ORDER. The British firm of Marconi have signed a contract with the Venezuelan Government to supply £100,000 worth of equipment to set up a new television service in Venezuela.

Yard Feeding of Cattle

The yard feeding of cattle has a bad press. A good deal of costing has been done on it during the last ten years and almost without exception the returns have failed to equal the costs, even when home-grown foods have been entered at cost of production, and not at controlled or market price. Of course, there is the value of the farmyard manure which is an important by-product (or is it really the main product?) of winter feeding.

Most important is the margin between the buying price of the store and the price the beast makes fat. There was a time when the skill required in selling the fat animal matched that required for buying the store, but nowadays the judgment of the graders is not so important as the feeder's in determining the value of the fat beast. Yet it is still as important as ever it was for the feeder to be able to judge into what sort of beast the store will develop.

But yarding cattle successfully is not merely a matter of buying them well. It is almost, if not quite, as important to feed them intelligently. This means converting fodder, etc., into beef at the lowest cost. A very satisfactory measurement of the success with which different farmers achieve this is by comparing the quantity of the starch equivalent (S.E.) consumed to produce £1 increase in the value of the beast. Its effect on the profitability of winter feeding is illustrated by thirteen Yorkshire farms whose cattle were yard fed in the winter of 1950-51.

Top lambs: H. V. Temple, Bowlers, 30s; L. Bell, Green Hills, 55s; M. F. Beadle, Blackton, 47 6d; W. and J. L. Walton, Widdybank, 48s; Mrs Jackson, Eitersgill, 44s; G. Bell, Newbiggin, 35s; Isaac Allison, Waterthorpe, 50s 6d; J. W. and F. Watson, Newbiggin, 50s, 44s; E. Scott, Redwing, 51s; G. Collinson, Bowles Close, 30s; Allison and Bayles, Harwood, 41s; A. L. Walton and Sons, Kelton, 46s, 38s; T. Davison, Eggleston, 42s; J. Beadle, Eggleston, 35s; R. Hutchinson, Ditt Pit, 30s; A. S. Bell, Cronkley, 48s 6d; I. Tarn and Sons, Stanhope Gate, 78s; H. Bland, Harbriery, 73s.

Backfaced ewes: W. and J. L. Walton, Widdybank, 62s; J. G. Walton and Son, Bail Green, 60s; G. Bell, Newbiggin, 71s; Geo. Horn, Harwood, 90s; E. M. Wearmouth, Forest, 81s; R. Hutchinson, Ditt Pit, 76s, 44s, 42s; Kidd Bros., Blackton, 55s; H. Bland, Harbriery, 80s.

THINKING IN SLOGANS. Socialist slogans, which are often the nearest that Socialism gets to practical policies, often tend to get out of date long before those who use catchphrases as substitutes for thought have realised what is happening. We are reminded of this by the simultaneous publication by the Labour Party of the agenda for its Morcambe Conference and of a booklet by a co-operator on the Co-operative Movement. Two resolutions on the agenda urge the nationalisation of the industries that manufacture arms and explosives.

PRIVATE ENTERPRISE PAYS. The Liverpool Overhead Railway Co., a private firm which pays the same basic wages as the Railway Executive and has to compete with other forms of transport, last year made a profit of £30,852.

Choose this Suit to Streamline the Curves. Even though your figure may be above the average there is still no reason why you should not be smartly and attractively dressed. In recent years the leading fashion houses have so progressed with the designing of becoming garments suited to the larger figure, that nowadays you may take your choice from a wide selection of excellent models.

J. MILNER (Packing Station 151) 64, Gaigate, Barnard Castle. EGGS COLLECTED. Best Prices given for RABBITS, POULTRY, GAME and PIGEONS.

Barnard Castle Rural Council

The Clerk said planning permission had been granted for a further 24 houses south of Leekworth Lane but no approval had been given for a starting date awarded. He had been very hard to get the scheme approved and had been given assurances of assistance from various departments and representatives of the Ministry of Housing and Local Government. Even in the circular from the Ministry referring to housing programmes, assistance was promised to clear up any difficulties which may hold up the plans of any local authority.

NEWBIGGIN. Newbiggin W.I. held their monthly meeting on Monday last in the Recreation Room, Newbiggin. Mrs E. Coggins presided, Miss H. Dent, of Mickleton, gave a very interesting demonstration on rug-making and was thanked on behalf of all by Mrs D. Coggins. The competition for the best addressed envelope was won by Mrs J. J. Beadle. Miss Dent kindly acted as judge. The social half-hour competitions were in charge of Mrs Sinclair and Mrs G. Wearmouth, Mrs M. Thompson being the winner for tearing a doyle from newspaper.

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