

Langcliffe School Games and PE

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LANGCLIFFE 21.9.34.

A VILLAGE EFFORT.

A successful sale was held in the Council School on Friday to raise money for school funds for incidentals, football jerseys, net ball posts, etc., and books for the lending library. The stall-holders were Mrs. Bland and Miss Brennan, drapery stall; sweets and footwear, Miss Graham; oddments, Mr. Bland.

During the evening refreshments were served by the school staff and children. The sum of £14 was raised.

C.H. LANGCLIFFE 2.11.34.

SCHOOLBOYS' FOOTBALL.

A football match was played on Saturday afternoon on the Lockslane football ground between Langcliffe Schoolboys and Ingleton Schoolboys. The referee was Mr. H. H. Bland (headmaster at Langcliffe School).

Ingleton Schoolboys were successful by seven goals to two. The goals for Ingleton were scored by Voce (3), Flemming (2), Metcalfe and King, and Langcliffe's goals were scored by Newhouse and Wilkinson.

There was a good attendance of spectators, and a collection was for school funds. After the match, the boys were entertained to tea served by the senior girls in the school.

C.H. INTER-SCHOOL SPORT. 3.11.36.

The Langcliffe School Football team on Saturday entertained an Ingleton School team, and were successful by 9 goals to 4. Mr. E. Soanes was the referee and a collection was for School funds. Goals for Langcliffe were scored by R. Newhouse (2), J. Cokell (3), A. Cokell and K. Middleton (3). Ingleton goals were scored by G. Bell (1), T. Smith and F. Murfin.

During the afternoon, the Langcliffe Schoolgirls entertained the Ingleton Schoolgirls in a net ball match, and were successful by 20 goals to 4. The referee was Miss Graham, of Langcliffe.

C.H. SCHOOLBOYS' FOOTBALL. 10.11.36.

The Settle Church of England School football team on Friday, entertained the Langcliffe Provided School team, and were successful by eight goals to nil. Mr. G. S. Brown was the referee, and there was a large attendance. Settle team was D. Brown, Eddie Edmondson, N. Foster, Bernard Cox, Donald Clark, Raymond Cox, F. Vernon, Derick Humphrey, Peter Cokell, Wilfred Ralph and J. Carr. Goals for Settle were scored by D. Humphrey (2), Peter Cokell (2), Wilfred Ralph (3) and Raymond Cox.

C.H. SCHOOLBOYS' FOOTBALL. 5.11.37.

On the Langcliffe Village Green, a schoolboys' football match was held between Langcliffe Schoolboys and Ingleton Schoolboys. Mr. F. Dixon was the referee, and the Langcliffe team was successful by five goals to one.

Goals for Langcliffe were scored by Eccleston, Robinson and K. Middleton.

Langcliffe's Jubilee Day Arches 1935

This was the Silver Jubilee of King George Vth and Queen Mary (1910-1935), The King died next year, on January 20th 1936.

The new King was Edward VIIIth, but he abdicated on Dec 10th 1936, before the Coronation that was planned for him.

His younger brother, the Duke of York, became King instead, as George VIth with his wife Queen Elizabeth (now the Queen Mother). So it was their Coronation we celebrated on May 12th 1937.



This is probably the Jubilee Festivities Committee, who did all the work!



Probably taken on Coronation Day - adults.

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Report on Langcliffe's Jubilee Day Festivities On 6th May 1935, with sunshine all day. (Report probably from the Craven Herald.)

Ten days later, on 17th May, there was a fall of 8 inches of snow!

The Jubilee

LANGCLIFFE'S FOUR ARCHWAYS

Residents Help in Pretty Decorations

Jubilee celebrations at Langcliffe were marked by enthusiasm.

The village had been tastefully decorated, perhaps the chief feature being four arches of evergreens, into which bands of coloured lights had been entwined. The cost of lighting had been met by a number of residents, the electric cables being connected with their premises.

The spacious village green, a riot of colour, with the gaily-decorated Memorial Fountain as a local centre, was the venue of the assembly. Those attired in fancy dress paraded the village, and halted under the "Big Tree," where a short service of thanksgiving was conducted by the Rev. H. Edwards, and the Rev. H. Scott gave a short address on "The well being of nations."

The singing of special hymns was accompanied by the Langcliffe Band, which had been re-formed to mark the village's celebrations. The band took part in the peace celebrations of 1919; in later years it disbanded and instruments and members have only been gathered together again in the last few weeks. Uniforms have not been secured, but the bandsmen, in mufti, led the fancy-dress parade to Ribbles Bank and Holme Head, where appropriate songs were sung.

The parade went on to the Locks Yard, where an archway had been erected at the entrance, complete with coloured lights, the cost having been borne by a resident of Locks Lane. The fancy dress costumes were judged by Mr. and Mrs. J. Ingham and Mr. and Miss Roberts.

After the judging, Mrs. Ingham presented each child with a Jubilee mug, given by Mr. and the Hon. Mrs. Geoffrey Dawson. Tea was provided for residents of Langcliffe parish, served by the ladies of the Jubilee Committee, the adults in the Provided Schools, and the children in the Institute. Mr. and Mrs. Ingham provided chocolate for each child.

GIFTS OF "TIMES" EDITOR.

In the evening, the King's speech was relayed by Mr. M. Bowen's wireless, and later Mr. J. F. M. Peel presented to the widows and old age pensioners in the Institute photogravures of the King and Queen, printed by "The Times," and given by Mr. Geoffrey Dawson, the Editor.

At 10 o'clock there was a capital display of fireworks from the Sand Pit by Mr. O. Pumphrey, followed by dancing in the Institute, music being supplied by Mr. and Mrs. R. Kirkbride (piano). There was a large gathering and Messrs. G. Newhouse, E. Soanes and H. James acted as M.C.'s.

Owing to the lengthy sports programme, athletic events had to be completed on the village green on Tuesday night, when the band played selections.

A collection was taken for the Prince of Wales Jubilee Trust Fund, and £2 12s. 9d. was collected.

On Tuesday afternoon, in the Institute, there was another tea for the children.

The results of the fancy dress parade and sports were as follows:—

Nursery Rhymes, children up to 9 years. Girls, R. Whattes (Mother Goose), 2 D. Thistlewhaite (Queen of Hearts); boys, W. Whattes (Simple Simon).

Comic Dress, over 14 years. Ladies, Miss O. Pumphrey (Goliwog); 2, Miss L. Thistlewhaite (Jester); gents., W. Marshall (Down and Out), 2 H. Hartley (Constable).

Events during the King's reign. Ladies, Misses N. and E. Hunt and C. Dixon (King's Bounty), 2 Miss E. Jackson (1910); gents., Mr. W. Syers (Silver Jubilee), 2 Mr. F. James (Buy British).

Original.—Girls up to 14 years. Juniors, 1 B. and P. McClelland (Micky and Minnie Mouse), 2 E. Parrington (Early Victorian); seniors, 1 N. and M. Marchbank (Bride and Bridegroom), 2 D. Cuttris (Dick Whittington). Boys up to 14 years. Juniors, 1 G. Harrison (Cowboy), 2 D. Soanes (Scotchman); seniors, 1 J. Middleton (Shepherd), 2 J. Parrington (Robin Hood). Ladies, over 14, 1 A. Wriggles (Soldier), 2 I. Brown (Mazayawtee Tea); gents, over 14 years, 1 R. Marsden (A King), 2 M. Bowen (John Ginger).

Procession Group.—1, "Britannia" (Miss D. Hunt and her attendants, Masters K. Middleton, A. Thistlewhaite, J. Brown and F. Strawbridge); 2, "Jubilee Queen" (Miss I. Hocking and her attendants, Misses J. Capstick, D. Robinson, M. Ralph, A. Sims); 3, "May-Queen" (Miss A. Benson and her attendants, Misses V. Garnett, D. Eccleston, Masters C. Venn and B. Strawbridge).

SPORTS

Boys under 6 years, 25 yards, 1 D. Soanes, 2 P. Scott, 3 J. Bland; girls, 1 M. Parker, 2 B. Marklew, 3 D. Thistlewhaite. Boys, 6 to 8 years, 30 yards, 1 W. McLemon, 2 C. Venn, 3 G. Harris; girls, 1 R. Whattes, 2 M. Marchbank, 3 D. Eccleston. Boys, 8 to 10 years, 50 yards, 1 W. Whattes, 2 A. Green, 3 A. Thistlewhaite; 10 to 11 years, 1 A. Cockell, 2 E. Robinson, 3 M. Middleton. Girls, 8 to 11 years, 1 A. Whattes, 2 M. Cardus, 3 A. Sim. Boys, 11 to 12 years, 75 yards, 1 J. Towler, 2 J. Cockell, 3 J. Parrington; girls, 1 N. N. Dixon, 2 M. Overington, 3 D. Robinson. Boys, 100 yards, 1 R. Monk, 2 M. Wilkinson, 3 S. Hallam; girls, 1 D. Cuttris, 2 O. Jackman, 3 A. Benson.

Fell Race (open)—1 F. Bullock, 2 F. Dixon, 3 R. West, 4 M. McLemon.

Old English Quoits—1 J. T. Middleton, 2 J. Tomlinson.

Unmarried Ladies' Race—1 Miss Yeadon, 2 Miss Jackman, Married Ladies' Race—1 Mrs. Sowerbutts, 2 Mrs. Spence, Unmarried Men's Race—1 W. Cockell, 2 C. Sparling, Married Men's Race—1 H. Bland, 2 H. James, 3 R. Coates.

Bandsmen's Race—1 W. Hinsley, 2 J. Abra, 3 A. Farrow, Ladies' Committee Race—1 Miss Moreland, 2 Mrs. Thistlewhaite, 3 Mrs. Bland, Gents' Committee Race—1 H. James, 2 R. Monk, 3 E. Soanes. Sack Race, boys (open)—1 W. King, 2 R. Monk, 3 R. Marsden; girls (open)—1 O. Pumphrey; 2 E. Robinson, 3 E. Pumphrey.

Tug of War, team of eight (gents.)—1 Mr. A. Capstick's team; ladies, Miss West's team.

Obstacle Race, boys under 14 years—1 R. Monk, 2 A. Green, 3 J. Towler; girls—1 M. Garnett, 2 A. Benson, 3 M. Lambert.

Our Village Coronation Committee.

(By H.H.Bland. published in Leeds Mercury, 10.3.1937)

The Crown Jewels of Orion rest majestically over the head of the limestone fell as the last light in the village lengthens my shadow along the snow. My heavy wellington boots crunch the hardening surface. I am muffled to the ears as the east wind swings down from the high ridges. Under my arm, carefully wrapped and stringed is the Coronation Festivities Committee Minute Book, and an accumulating bundle of correspondence. My Committee meet tonight and business will be heavy.

In a slight hollow in the sweeping lines of the hills the village school huddles beneath a few tall elms. Lights from the windows indicate a busy night. The Band is practising marching tunes for the procession in May and as I enter the lobby the jolly music crashes to a close. It is very hard talking in committee when they play in the little hall and it is arranged that their practices shall come to an end before half past seven. They break off and some join us in our classroom and others disappear in the dark.

The Chairman is there at the desk and the Treasurer has his account books open and is receiving moneys from members who were out last Friday pay-night collecting the weekly pennies and twopences which are steadily increasing the funds. We wait and talk until the late-comers arrive.

They come in twos and threes; some twenty keen workers. Several husbands and wives arrive and immediately separate as all the women sit over on the left and the men over on the right, equal in voting power and aims but divided in function. It is a kind of unwritten law. Broadly the men take the responsible official positions and do the heavy work: the women, the numerous catering jobs at socials, whist drives and dances.

The women form the Catering Committee and on them will rest the responsibility for buying and preparing and serving a huge tea for every inhabitant of the Parish. Many of them will also serve in the Procession Committee. The men's main job at the moment is the planning out of the decorative scheme for the whole township, and on other nights they are busy measuring the lengths and widths of streets or working hard in the coach house where decorative arches and mottoes are being created. Great care is taken in the planning out of all these things as local pride aspires to claim that our decoration scheme shall be supreme in the whole of the Dale.

THE VILLAGE MOOT

Tonight, we gather together to report progress and to plan further activities for increasing the growing funds. We are a grand, democratic mixture and the roof-tree of the old classroom symbolises the Big Tree on the Village Green. We are the Village Moot, and manager, millworkers, electricians, parson, shopkeepers, quarrymen, teacher, joiners, housewives...all work together to the same end - the communal rejoicings of May 12th 1937, Coronation Day.

Committee meetings are always keen, watchful affairs; very business-like and democratic. All plans reports and money matters have to be placed before the meeting and carefully worded in the minutes. procedure begins with the minutes and ends with the Chairman's tap of dismissal and "I declare the meeting closed." There is a lively friendly informality throughout but with plenty of discussion which always leads to a formal resolution. No resolutions went into

the Minute Book during Abdication Week; the affair was hardly mentioned but the weekly collections went on without interruption. The sample mug we got from a dealer is now a curio.

BARGAINS MADE

We go straight into discussion of our immediate plans. The Decorations Sub-committee bring in aspects of bargains made with the electricity company, and arrangements made for supply connections with private households on the great day. They describe electric bulbs bought and bunting to buy and make, and the arches to be built. The Treasurer reports the financial position and moneys are allocated to the Sports, Decorations and Catering Committees. Arrangements are made for next week's Whist Drive and Dance. Everyone is given some job, prizes planned for, dance band engaged and so step by step, resolution by resolution, to the end and out we go into the wintry night. I am the last to leave and turn out the light.

I step out into the snow. The village green is deserted; the Village Hall in darkness. But next Friday that Hall will be a blaze of light. Our workers will be rushing round arranging tables and packs of cards. Our women will be busy in the kitchen, and soon keen-eyed, grim-faced fours will work through the twenty-four hands of cards for the prizes which I have now to obtain from friends of the village and the Committee. Then later the tables will be cleared and the Dance Band will tune its instruments and young people will come in for dancing until two in the morning. They come on 'bus, cycle and motor from the distant Dales villages and lonely farms, and in laughter and swift movement and music spin through the middle-night hours. Our funds will increase, and the planned pleasures of Coronation Day will be ensured.

But now the Village Hall is silent and the trees round the Green are bare, their branches black against the sky. In May they will be sparkle with strings of coloured lights, and rockets will shriek up to the stars from above the village. Hours of work and constant effort is being spent by all these workers now reached home and at ease behind the lighted windows, and I must make for mine.

The wintry sky sparkles with myriads of stars and Orion has moved upwards; Sirius the Dog Star, the jewel of all jewels, winks and blinks through its royal colours above the tall trees by the Church. They crown our winter-made plans for our summer glories here in the hollow of the fells.

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Our Village Coronation Committee

Fund-raising activities

C.H. CORONATION PLANS. 9.10.36.

A meeting of the Langcliffe Coronation Festivities Committee was held in the Langcliffe Council School on Tuesday evening. Mr. J. Peel (chairman) presided over a moderate attendance.

Plans for raising funds for the celebrations were discussed and it was decided to have a weekly house-to-house collection. The following collectors were appointed: Mesdames G. Hurst, R. J. Sutton, W. Redfern, Blades, Yates, Miss G. Moreland, Messrs. M. Johnson, H. McClelland, R. Monk, H. James, J. Tomlinson and H. H. Bland.

A basket whist drive, to take place in the Institute on Wednesday, October 21st, was also arranged, and the following committee was appointed to make arrangements—Mrs. Yates, Mrs. Blades, Mrs. T. Bullock, Miss G. Moreland, Mr. E. Soanes.

The following were co-opted on the Festivities Committee—the Rev. H. Edwards, Mr. T. A. Gibson, Mrs. H. H. Bland and Mrs. O. Pumphrey.

LANGCLIFFE C.H. 5.3.37.
INSTITUTE SUPPER AND "SOCIAL."

A pie-supper and "social," organised by the members of the Langcliffe Coronation Celebrations Committee, in aid of the Celebrations Fund, was held in the Langcliffe Institute on Friday evening. About 100 people sat down to an excellent repast, served by the members of the Ladies' Committee.

After supper, the Langcliffe Drama Group, successful in obtaining second place at the recent Yorkshire Rural Community Council Drama Festival, gave a one-act play, "Bill Breaks Out" (Arthur Bastle). Those taking part were Miss P. Bullock (Janet Stone), Miss M. Lord (Ethel Clough), Miss D. Ward

C.H. 25.12.36
CORONATION FUND EFFORT.

Organised by the Langcliffe Coronation Celebrations Committee, a jumble sale was held in the Langcliffe Institute on Saturday afternoon. There was only a moderate attendance. Mr. C. Harrison, of Settle, officiated as auctioneer, and was assisted by Mr. H. H. Bland (secretary) and Mr. G. Newhouse (treasurer).

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Mortimer, Mrs. Hocking, Mrs. A. Venn and Mrs. G. Newhouse.

As a result of the effort, the Coronation Fund will benefit by about £2 15s.

C.H. 19.2.37.
EFFORT FOR CORONATION FUNDS

A successful basket whist drive and dance, organised by the Langcliffe Coronation Committee, was held in the Langcliffe Institute on Friday evening. Twenty-one tables were in play for whist, and Messrs. H. H. Bland and G. Newhouse officiated as M.C's. The prizes, which were presented by Mr. J. Peel (chairman of the Coronation Committee), were won by the following: Ladies—1, Miss P. Bullock; 2, Mrs. C. Wilson; consolation, Mrs. A. Peel. Gentlemen—1, Mr. W. J. Bentham; 2, Mr. W. Kitchener; consolation, Mr. G. Hurst.

Music for dancing was supplied by the Sylvians Dance Band, of Settle, and Mr. M. Johnson carried out the duties of M.C. During the evening a spot dance was won by Miss B. Blades and Miss Farrow.

Refreshments were served by the members of the Ladies' Committee, and the basket holders were Mesdames Blades, Graham, Peel, Mortimer, H. Bland, W. Redfern, Simpson, Thistlethwaite, Parker, G. Hurst, J. Sparling, Messrs. Peel, R. West, W. Marriott, J. Jackman and J. Heselton, and Miss M. Newhouse.

The proceeds of the effort are for the Coronation funds.