



Items of Interest during the Year 1957-58

(taken from Barber's Almanack 1959).

Gathered from the Local Newspapers, etc. during the past year.
Every care is taken to make the following list correct
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December, 1957.

1--Sergeant C. D. Sutton, stationed at Whittlesey, retired from the Isle of Ely Constabulary after 30 years service. Before the war he was stationed at Littleport and was a regular member of the Littleport cricket team. He was promoted to sergeant in 1946.

4--Combined Choir concert given by the Littleport Ladies, Male Voice and Children's Choirs at the Grange Convalescent Home. Mrs. C. R. Browning conducted.

6--21st Annual Christmas dinner and social held at the Transport and General Workers' Union Convalescent Home. It was the final appearance at the dinner of Mr. W. Kennedy, Superintendent, who was retiring in July, 1958.

Mr. Herbert Storey, of The Crescent, retired from the office of Senior Beadle of Littleport "Unity and Love" branch of the Ancient Order of Foresters. Aged 83, he joined the Friendly Society in 1890.

7--Parish Church Christmas Fair opened by Mrs. Lee Bennett, of Downham Market. Proceeds amounted to £100.

8--Memorial service to the late Mr. Victor G. Kidd held at Victoria Street Methodist Church.

11--Annual Meeting of Littleport Women's Institute. Spoons for points gained in competitions were awarded to Mesdames J. Law, C. Easy, M. Milne Wilson, B. G. Wright and D. Barber.

!!! Meeting of Ely Rural District Council. The Littleport Committee reported that Mr. R. T. Emberson, of Barkham's Lane, had written asking if the Council had on their housing estates a site suitable "for erecting a building for public Christian worship." He was advised that suitable building sites were available other than on

Council building estates.

12--A cross-bred steer entered by Mr. F. G. Starling gained the Champion award at Messrs. Grain & Sons' Christmas fat stock show held at Ely. It sold for £100. Mr. G. Murfitt's entry of four fat pigs was awarded a first prize.

Messrs; George-Comins & Son's Christmas show and sale held at Ely. Entries by Mr. A. Stebbings and Mr. C. Gowler, both of Littleport, gained first prizes.

13--It was reported that Littleport's grand total for Poppy Day Collections amounted to £231/4/7.

16--Annual dinner of the Littleport Ladies and Male Voice Choirs held at the Cutter Inn, Ely. A presentation was made to Mrs.C. R. Browning, their conductor.

18--County Primary School second form scholars presented their annual play to a large audience. It was entitled "The Other Children".

!!! A presentation, marking 50 years of devoted service to the Church was made to Mr. Joseph W. Atkins, clerk and vergier at St. George's Church. The presentation, which took the form of a gold watch and a wireless set with a list of 252 subscribers, was made by the Vicar, Rev. J.K.C.Payne.

25--Christmas Day-Rev. C. G. Wade conducted a united service at the Independent Chapel, Globe Lane. Members of local Free churches attended.

190 Communicants made their Communion at the Parish Church

27--Engagement announced between Heather, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Creak, of 15, New Road, Littleport, and Albert Edward Payne, of Wilburton.

January, 1958.

3--Annual Police ball held at the Grange Convalescent Home. 200 attended.

6--Annual meeting of Littleport Wheelers Cycling Club. A successful year and a sound financial position was reported. Poor attendances at meetings were criticised. Mr. C. J. E. S. Fendick elected Chairman of the Isle of Ely Branch of the National Farmers' Union.

7--Monthly meeting of Little Ouse and Brandon Bank Women's Institute. On behalf of the members Mrs. F. Key presented a television lamp to Mrs. E. Mortimer Rose as a token of appreciation of her past services as President of the Institute.

9--Inspector Taylor and P.s. Ludman, Isle of Ely road safety officers, gave a film programme at the monthly meeting of Black Horse Drove Women's Institute. The emphasis was on road safety.

11--Prompt action by the Littleport Fire Service saved Mr. Cyril Rogers' caravan home in Wisbech Road from total destruction.

14--Mrs J. Fletcher was awarded the Women's Institute silver cup for most points gained in Institute competitions during the past year.

!!! 16--Annual meeting of British Legion Club. It was revealed that as a result of the recent burglary at the Legion the Club had suffered a loss amounting to £240. Tribute was paid to Mr. F. R. Hannent who was giving up his position as president.

18--Mick Ward (Haverhill Wheelers), National 50-mile champion for 1956 and last year's second place winner, was the guest of honour at the Littleport Wheelers annual supper.

21--Death, at the R.A.F. Hospital, Ely, of Mr. Harry Judd, aged 66, of Ferry Bank, Southery, and formerly of Littleport.

22--Members of the Mothers' Union entertained guests from the Prickwillow branch. The occasion was the annual supper party.

24--Engagement announced between Mr. David Anthony Sallis youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Sallis, of Ely Road' Littleport, and Miss Brenda Jenkins, of Ely.

25--Death at Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, of Mr. Horace William Cox, of Victoria Street, and formerly of Chingford, Essex. Mr. Cox, a bachelor, was aged 70, and was the second son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Cox. He left the village some years ago to work at Chingford, returning in recent months owing to ill health, and lived with his sisters, the Misses Cox, at Victoria Street.

26--In his address at the Parish Church Sunday School prizegiving, the Rev. Canon J. K. C. Payne spoke of his 19 years as Vicar, during which he had baptised no fewer than 600 children. Sunday School prizegiving at St. John's Methodist Church. Visitors were Mr. and Mrs. J. Badcock, former Members of the Methodist Church until they left Littleport last year.

!!! 28--About 80 children were immunised against poliomyelitis at the Child Welfare Centre.

29--Littleport Cricket Club held its first ever dinner 60 years after its formation.

31--The Eastern Gas Board announced that the price of gas would be reduced from the 1st April, 1958.

31--A football pools syndicate formed by men employed at Ely Beet Factory won £12,895 in dividends. Mr. Henry Crabb, of The Crescent, Littleport, a member of the syndicate, received £1,172/5/7 as his share.

February.

!!! 3--Isle of Ely Highways Committee discussed the proposed reconstruction of Sandhill Bridge. The anticipated cost was £35,000.

5--Mr. L. Brookes presented attendance certificates to scholars of Black Horse Drove Coronation School. A quarter of the whole school had put in 100 per cent, attendances.

6--Annual dinner of the Black Horse Drove branch of the National Union of Agricultural Workers.

8--Members of Littleport Junior Football Club organised Littleport's first skiffle party held in the Oddfellows' Hall.

8--Marriage, at St. Mary's Church, Ely, between Miss Lily Ward, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Ward, of Letter F Farm, Mildenhall Road, Littleport, and Mr. Arthur Thorpe

9--The Rev. Bill Bathman, an American evangelist, preached at the Independent Chapel.

10--Death at her Ely home, of Mrs. Beatrice Curtis. Aged 80 she was the widow of the late Mr. John Palmer Curtis and lived for many years at Wisbech Road and Hempfield Road, Littleport.

11--Women's institute meeting. Mrs. J. Gilbert was congratulated on passing the National Preservation test with distinction and Mrs. A. Leggett on successes in Produce Guild competitions. 12--After considering estimates for the coming year, Littleport Parish Council decided to issue a precept for £3,000—£250 more than that for the year just ending.

Cherril Hall, a 13-year-old schoolgirl of Saffron Close, fell from a taxi in Station Road. She sustained only a small graze on the knee. The taxi was conveying children home from school.

!!! Mr. J. H. Martin, Chairman of the Parish Council, received a letter from the French Embassy in London inviting Littleport to form a link with the French town of Jarnac in the Cognac district. Jarnac is a town of about 4,000 inhabitants and the principal industry is brandy-making.

14--Awards for safe driving made to Eastern Counties bus-crews by the Road Operators' Safety Council. Local recipients were— Drivers: P. Starling, L. W. Fox, G. H. Washington, V. E. House. Conductors: F. V. Borley. D. W. Murfitt, G. O. Lemmon. 15--Cambridge University Guild of Change Ringers visited the Parish

Church and rang the bells for two hours.

21--Engagement announced between Miss Judith Cox, eldest daughter of Mrs. Collen and the late Mr. B. Cox, of Friars Way, Littleport, and Mr. Alec Tuck, of Manea.

27--The British Legion Women's Section held their annual dinner and party. 50 members attended.

28--The British Legion Band gave a concert at Black Horse Drove Community Centre.

Engagement announced between Roy Alan, second son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Fox, of Friars Place, Littleport, and Pauline Joyce, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Bonnett, of Wisbech Road, Littleport.

March.

1--A jumble sale organised by the Ladies' section of Littleport Bowls Club resulted in £30/15/0 for Club funds.

Marriage at Ely between Miss Erica Coulson, of Littleport, and Mr. William E. Power, of Black Horse Drove.

A fire at the Black Horse Inn, Black Horse Drove, was quickly extinguished by the Littleport Fire Service.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Gipp, formerly of Ten Mile Bank Road, Littleport and now living at Grafton, New South Wales, Australia received a visit from Mr. and Mrs. Colin Thornhill, formerly of Victoria Street, Littleport, and who now live at Wingham, 120 miles south of the Gipp family. On their return journey the Thornhills called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Key. Mr. Key is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Key, of Lynn Road, Littleport.

2--Young people's day celebrated at the Salvation Army Hall. The special visitor was Senior Major Ann Hall, of London.

Death at her home, New Barns Road, Ely, of Mrs. Eliza Fisher, aged 81. She was a native of Littleport.

5--Arthur Whitehouse, of March, a grocer and provision merchant with premises in Main Street, Littleport, was examined in bankruptcy at Cambridge Bankruptcy Court. He admitted a deficiency of £4,784/13/10.

7--Girl Guides and Brownies "Open night". First-class badges were presented to Sandra Simpson, Beryl Dodman, Janet Fendick, Ellen Smith, Margaret Proctor, Ivy Sparrow and Joan Thornton.

!!! Peter Hoare, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hoare, of Mill Field, un-earthed his mother's engagement ring while digging in the garden. It had been lost for fifteen years.

Engagement announced between Mr. Bernard Constable, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Constable, of Letter "F" Farm, and Miss Thelma Turner, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Turner, of Burnt Fen.

8--Marriage at St. Mary's Church, Ely between Miss Jill Randall, of Ely, and Mr. John William Neville, first son of Mr. E. W. A. Neville, of Ely Road, Littleport, and the late Mrs. Neville.

Members of the Over Sixties' Club organised a jumble sale which realised £50.

9--Band of the Littleport Boys' Brigade attended a battalion church parade at Peterborough.

11--Members of Littleport Women's Institute entertained members of the Haddenham branch at their monthly meeting. Miss J. Tebbutt, J.P., of Haddenham, spoke of her work as a magistrate.

The following pupils of local schools succeeded in passing the 11 plus examination:—From Littleport County Primary School—Christine Fincham, Pauline Fletcher, Shirley Fletcher, Sylvia Gotobed, Christine Lemmon, Brenda Malkin, Norma Maitland, Cynthia Neal, Marion Register, Elizabeth Sutton, Pauline Watson, Ann Younge, Christopher Bond, Michael Butcher, Paul Firby, Roger Jefferson, Ian Smith, Anthony Watson. From Black Horse Drove Coronation School—Diana James, Maureen Power.

12--Meeting of Littleport Women's Fellowship. The first spoon to be won by a club member was presented to Mrs. C. Fletcher.

P.c. William R. C. Smith, formerly stationed at Littleport, retired from the Isle of Ely Constabulary.

14--Engagement announced between Tony, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Goff, 27, New Road, Littleport, and Brenda Patricia, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Tuck, 55, Parsons Lane, Littleport.

Engagement announced between Mr. Ivor Whitmore, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Whitmore, of Wisbech Road, Littleport, and Miss Anita Olsen, of Germany.

15--Littleport British Legion Band individual darts tournament. E. E. Taylor defeated D. Murfitt in the final.

Mr. Frederick Taylor, of Queen's Road Littleport, fell from his motor-cycle combination and fractured his left arm. The accident was caused by the sidecar

which broke away from the machine while Mr. Taylor was driving through Chettisham.

16--Special Mothering Sunday Service held at St. John's Methodist Church. The speaker was Miss G. L. Gotobed, of King's Lynn, a former member of the church.

19--Frau Feser, a visitor from Germany, gave a puppet show to children of Coronation School, Black Horse Drove.

21--Death at Addenbrooke's Hospital of Mr. Cecil W. Flunder, who for many years was manager at Barclays Bank, Littleport, retiring five years ago. He was 64.

Annual singing competition in connection with the Isle of Ely Federation of Women's Institutes held at Whittlesey. The Littleport Choir won the first section, beating Wisbech by one mark.

22--Marriage at the Methodist Church, Battersea, London, of Leading Airman R. N. Edward Bowles, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Bowles, of the Hythe, Littleport. His bride was Leading Wren June Inns, of Battersea.

23--Young People's Day—Local Youth organisations attended a special service held at St. John's Methodist Church. Miss Margaret Atkinson conducted.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Constable, of Parsons Lane, Littleport, celebrated their Silver Wedding anniversary.

25--Friends from Littleport attended the funeral of Mr. C. W. Flunder at Barkway, near Royston. The service was conducted by the Rev. Canon J. K. C. Payne.

26--Annual meeting of Littleport Town Cricket Club. With three trophies and an increased membership, a very successful past season was reported.

Tragic death in a road accident near Sleaford, of Miss Phyllis Kitchen, aged 35, the eldest daughter of Mr. G. A. Kitchen of Colville House, Lynn Road, Littleport. Miss Kitchen left home to go into domestic service in Lincolnshire 20 years ago.

28--Table tennis—Littleport finished at the top of the Ely and District League for the third successive season.

29--Marriage at the Methodist Church, Little Downham, between Miss Dorothy Crane, of Little Downham and Mr. Richard Smith, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Smith, of Friars Way, Littleport.

29-30--Women's Week-end services held at St. John's Methodist Church. The speakers were Lieut. D. Ketley, of the Salvation Army, and Mrs. Gordon Poole, wife of a former Littleport Methodist Minister.

30--Death at Cambridge, of Mrs. Rosa Nichols, widow of the late Mr. Dick Nichols,

of Black Horse Drove.

April.

1--111th annual general meeting of the Littleport branch of the Ancient Order of Foresters. Mr. Herbert Storey, aged 80, whose service to the branch had extended over 50 years, was awarded the Order Medal of Service. It was the first occasion for many years that the award had been made to a member of the Littleport branch.

The following pupils of Littleport schools were highly commended for essays written in connection with the Isle of Ely Road Safety Essay Competitions:—Paul Dunham, Sandra Betts, Jacqueline Chapman.

4--Miss Jean Atkinson, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Atkinson, of The Crescent, succeeded in passing the first State Nursing examination.

6--Littleport and District Motor Cycle and Light Car Club's annual Car touring trial. Dick Kerridge was the winner.

7--The British Legion Band gained two second place awards in the East Anglian Brass Band Festival held at Norwich.

8--Shirt workers employed at Messrs. Hope Brothers' factory received an increase in pay.

9--Members of Ely Rural District Council expressed thanks to Mrs. M. S. Martin for her services to the Rural District. Mrs. Martin had decided not to stand for re-election in the forthcoming Council election.

10--British Legion Women's Section monthly meeting. A demonstration on Skin Care was given by Mrs. Walter Sparrow.

11--Death of Rev. Arthur Ainsworth Taylor, of Farnborough, Hants., formerly Vicar of St. Matthew's, Littleport.,

Meeting of the "Over Sixties" Club. The monthly competition for the "best old fashioned remedy" was won by Mrs. G. Chapman. Her winning recipe was—how to treat chilblains.

At recent examinations held in connection with the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music, the following candidates, all pupils of Mrs. Charles Haines, were successful. Pianoforte, Grade 1 (primary) Avis Langley (passed); Grade 4 (lower) Ann Clift (passed with merit). Theory of music, Grade 1, Rosemary Germeney (passed); Grade 3, Iris Youngs (passed). In a previous examination Avis Langley and Ann Clift were successful in Theory of Music Grades 1 and 4 respectively.

12--Marriage at St. Leonard's Church, Little Downham, between L.A.C. Jeffery

Starling, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Starling, of Silt Road, Littleport, and Miss Shirley Casbon, of Little Downham.

16--Mrs. J. Frost of Littleport, gave a knitting demonstration to members of Burnt Fen Women's Institute.

18--In a handwriting competition held at Black Horse Drove School, Ann Hill and Diana James won first and second prizes respectively.

18--Engagement announced between Lionel, fourth son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Bennett, of Ouse Bridge Farm, and Cynthia, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Easy, of Friars Way, Littleport.

19--Death, at Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, of Mr. Horace Chevill, of Ely and a native of Littleport. He began his working life at Littleport Brewery, later moving to Ely Brewery He was 70.

Collections for the Cancer Campaign, organised by Mrs. W. J. Gill and carried out by members of the Women's Institute realised the record sum of £49/3/1.

20--Cycling—Littleport Wheelers held their first open 25-mile scratch handicap and scratch team time-trial and succeeded in winning the team event. The Wheelers three fastest riders were P. Baumber, O. Barber and R. Murfitt.

21--Annual meeting of Littleport and Prickwillow Nursing Association. It was announced that the new Chiropody service had made a flying start.

23--Mr. B. G. Wright, of Main Street, elected as a county Alderman at the annual meeting of the Isle of Ely County Council.

Death in London, of Mrs. Hannah Hill, aged 83, widow of the late Mr. Jack Hill. She was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. G. Taylor, of Wisbech Road, Littleport.

25--Engagement announced between Bernard Reuben, only son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Price, of Ten Mile Bank, and Pamela Jean, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Elsdon, Black Horse Drove.

27--A Juvenile Mission D.S.O. was presented to Sidney Feltell, a scholar of St. John's Methodist Sunday School, in recognition of his effort in collecting over £5 for the Mission during the year.

28--Mr. and Mrs. William C. Gotobed, of Black Horse Drove, retired from business to make their new home at Downham Market. The old established Gotobed's General Stores was taken over by Mr. A. C. Gillett.

29--The Harry Unwin Memorial Statuette for Ely City's Footballer of the year was presented to Norman South. Norman is the elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert South, of The Crescent, Littleport.

Over 50 donors gave their blood at a local session. This was a record for Littleport.

May.

1--Black Horse Drove Women's Institute meeting. Sister Railton, of Littleport, spoke on the prevention of accidents in the home.

Meeting of the British Legion Women's Section. Miss P. Radcliffe gave a talk on the history and making of a well known brand of corset.

2--Sqn Ldr. L. W. Quick, Officer Commanding R.A.F. Mildenhall, Boys' Brigade. The occasion was their annual display and prizegiving.

3--Re-opening of Victoria Street Methodist Church following repairs and re-decoration.

3--Cricket—Littleport opened the season with an easy five-wicket victory over St. John's College Willows.

4--Cycling—Littleport Wheelers held their Junior 10-mile scratch and handicap time-trial Championship. The winner was Barry Rutterford.

5--Cycling—Peter Baumber, of Littleport Wheelers, finished second in the Reg Cogman Memorial Road Race held near Norwich over a distance of 80 miles.

7--Annual meeting of Littleport Angling Club held at "The George and Dragon."

Rural District and Parish Council Elections held in Littleport. Mr. Horace Cross, of Victoria Street topped the poll in both elections. Voting was low—about 30 per cent.

Mothers' Union meeting. Mrs. Davy gave a talk on the life and experiences of a schoolmistress in the earlier days of the century.

8--Football—Littleport Junior Football Club concluded a wonderfully successful first season by beating Newmarket 3—1 in the County Youth Cup Final.

9--Annual Methodist Scripture Examination. In the third Division, for children aged 12 and 13, Peter Green, of Littleport was successful in passing with honours, the only entrant in the Ely Circuit to do so.

News received of the marriage in Australia, of Miss Gail Gipp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gipp, formerly of Littleport, and Mr. Anthony Collen, formerly of Ely.

10--The Norwich "Christ for Victory" Choir presented a programme of sacred music at St. John's Methodist Church.

Collections organised by members of the Women's Fellowship for the Isle of Ely Society for the Blind totalled £35/8/4.

11--The Lord Bishop of Ely preached at St. John's Church, Little Ouse. Lieuts. D. Ketley and G. Thompson of the Salvation Army, conducted their farewell meetings.

15--Newly appointed Salvation Army Officers, Lieut. Una Marshall and Pro. Lieut. Olive Bailes, arrived in Littleport.

16--Mrs. Elizabeth Cornwell of Eye, a member of the well known Gillett family of Littleport, won £20,300 on Littlewoods Australian Football Pool.

17--Annual Red Cross collections in Littleport and district. £51/16/8 was the result.

Brian Halls, of Globe Lane, Littleport, gained the distinction of winning the Junior Bible Reading Contest at the Covenanters' Union annual rally held at Bristol.

David Clarke, of Hempfield Place, took part in the table-tennis section of the rally. He qualified by winning the junior table-tennis competition in the regional rally held at Bury St. Edmunds.

18--Cycling—Fenland Road Racing Association time-trials held near Wisbech. In the ladies event Carol Driver and Olga Clack, members of the Littleport Wheelers, were second and third respectively.

19--Winning competitors in the recent Isle of Ely Music Festival provided the programme at a concert held in the Constitutional Hall Local choirs taking part were Littleport Ladies (two trophies), Littleport Mixed (two trophies), Littleport Male Voice the Secondary Modern School Choir (all under the conductor-ship of Mrs. C. R. Browning), and the County Primary School Choir conducted by Miss M. Bishop.

23--Official closing of the therapy service at Littleport Red Cross Clinic Victoria Street. The service was introduced in 1947 by the local branch of the Red Cross under the leadership of their Commandant, Mrs. H. Rowell.

28--Annual general meeting of Littleport Parish Council It was reported that the Ouse River Board had provided a chain-punt for the use of residents of New River Bank while the new Sandhill Bridge was under construction. Forty candidates from Wisbech St. Augustine's and Littleport were confirmed at Littleport Parish Church by Bishop G. Walsh. 30--County Show held at Doddington—Mr. F. G. Starling's Percheron horses gained three first prizes.

31--Littleport Boys' Brigade garden fete. It was opened by Mrs. Warden, wife of Col. A. Warden, Commanding Officer U.S.A.F. Mildenhall.

June.

1--Catholic Church—Mass was offered by Father Guy Pritchard in the Odd Fellows' Hall in honour of the Blessed Trinity. The collection for Northampton Cathedral amounted to £2/0/9.

3--Death, at Ely, of Mrs. Emily Oakey, aged 87. A native of Littleport, Mrs. Oakey had lived in Ely for over 20 years.

4--Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Cross, of the Crescent. Littleport, celebrated their silver wedding anniversary.

The Women's Institute annual outing took the form of a visit to a well-known pottery firm at Stoke-on-Trent.

5--Black Horse Drove Women's Institute's tenth birthday party.

6--Members of the Over Sixties' Club entertained friends from Manea at their monthly meeting.

7--Littleport Wheelers cycle and athletic sports—main attraction was the N.C.U. Ladies' 880 yard National Grass Track Championship which was won by Pam Hodson of the Yorkshire Century Road Club. 1,159 people paid to enter the ground.

Marriage, at St. Mary's Church, Ely, between Miss Betty Jefferson, second daughter of Mrs. Jefferson and the late Mr. F. Jefferson, of Westmoor House, Wisbech Road, Littleport, and Mr. Peter Brown, of Pymoor.

Mr F G Starling's gelding Simon won the Percheron championship at the Suffolk County Show.

8--Mr. E. Youngs, of Littleport, was the special visitor at the Soham Fen Methodist Church children's anniversary.

10--In a County Council by-election held at Littleport, Mr. J. H. Martin obtained a substantial majority over his opponent, Mr. L. Brooks.

11--At a meeting of the Ely Rural District Council, Councillor H. K. Cross—vice-chairman for the past four years—was appointed chairman.

12--British Legion Women's Section group meeting held at the Grange. Eight branches were represented.

13--In connection with the Methodist Youth scripture examination Kathleen Smith and Diana James, both of Black Horse Drove, were awarded honours certificates.

14--The Fenland Singers were second in their class in the finals of the B.B.C.'s "Let the People Sing" choral competition held at the Royal Festival Hall, London. Members of the Littleport Ladies Choir who are also members of the Fenland Singers, took part.

Cricket—Littleport defeated Chatteris by 9 wickets. Score: Chatteris 17, Littleport 18 for one wicket. The successful Littleport bowlers were Norman South (5—2) and Sid Stubbings (4-14).

Parents of local Soham Grammar School boys organised a "bargain shop" at the Odd Fellows' Hall in aid of the school's new pavilion fund. The effort realised £27.

15--British Legion County Rally held at Cambridge. The Littleport British Legion Band headed a ceremonial march of the standards.

Annual "old crocks" cycle race promoted by Littleport Wheelers. Mr. Jack Harley was the winner.

16--Special meeting at the Salvation Army Hall addressed by the Divisional Commander, Brigadier Bennett, of Norwich.

!!! 20--183 children and 29 adults journeyed to London Zoo. The occasion was the County Primary School annual outing.

Engagement announced between Kathleen June, only daughter of Mr and Mrs H. Lee, Second Drove, Adelaide, and Christopher John, only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Gilbert, "Broadlands", Wisbech Road, Littleport.

21--Mrs. Dudley Darrell, daughter of the Rev. Canon J. K. C. Payne, opened the Parish Church Garden Fete held in the Constitutional Hall owing to wet weather. Proceeds amounted to £106.

Mr F G. Starling's Simon won the silver challenge cup for the best Percheron horse at Hunts. County Show held at St. Ives.

22--Cycling—Carol Driver of Littleport Wheelers won two first prizes at the annual rally of the N.C.U. Eastern Counties Centre held at Attleborough.

Wally Gilbert won Littleport Angling Club's first match of the season. The first ten anglers caught 94 lbs. of fish.

23--An autocycle ridden by Mr. George Smart of Littleport, came into collision with a pedal cyclist at Upwell. Mr. Smart was taken to the North Cambs. Hospital, Wisbech, suffering from severe head injuries.

24--Littleport Town Cricket Club's annual six-a-side competition. Little Downham were the winners.

25--The County Highways Committee approved a scheme to combat flooding after heavy rain in Main Street. It was stated this problem had existed for almost 40 years.

Presentations made to Mr. and Mrs. William Kennedy at an old time dance held at the Grange Convalescent Home to mark Mr. Kennedy's retirement after 27 years as superintendent. The gifts were an inscribed silver tray from old time dancers of Littleport, and a cheque for £100 subscribed by donors in the town.

Captain J. C. Payne, son of the Rev. Canon and Mrs. J. K. C. Payne, was awarded the Colonial Police Medal for Meritorious Service (20 years) in Southern Rhodesia.

27--The tenant, Mr. L. Ayres, paid £5,000 for Silt Farm, Littleport. The property was offered for sale by direction of the trustees of the late Mr. George Jackson.

28--Her Grace the Marchioness of Cambridge opened a fete organised by members of the Littleport British Legion Women's Section. At a dance following, Miss Doris Baker of Mildenhall Road, was the winner of the "Beauty Queen" competition

Marriage at the Methodist Church, Prickwillow, between Miss Heather Clements, of Prickwillow, and Mr. Alan Cross, only son of Mr. J. H. Cross, of Mildenhall Road, Littleport, and the late Mrs. Cross.

Farewell presentations made to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Martin at Black Horse Drove Community Centre's annual fete. Mr. and Mrs. Martin were leaving the Willow Rows to take up residence at Highfield House, Littleport.

Children of the County Primary School presented their annual musical evening under the conductorship of Miss M. Bishop.

29--"Father Day" meetings held at the Salvation Army Hall.

July.

4--Mrs. G. P. T. Peacock opened the Salvation Army fete. The proceeds were £48.

5--Marriage at St. Mary's Church, Ely, between Miss Mary Oakey, of Ely, and Mr. Colin Garwood, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. Garwood, of Little Ouse.

5--Littleport Cricket Club began a week's tour of the West of England Marriage, at Downham Market, between Mr. Nigel Laws, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Laws, of Ely Road, Littleport, and Miss Ann Pope, of Feltwell.

6--Under Bandmaster Howard Padget, the Littleport Salvation Army Band presented a musical programme at the Tower Hospital Ely.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gill, of Victoria Street, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

Littleport British Legion Band played at Hunstanton. Collections amounted to £38.

8--Cricket tour—Littleport defeated Cheltenham Civil Servants by 48 runs, Norman South taking all ten Cheltenham wickets. Isle of Ely Education Committee accepted a tender of £575/16/5 from a London firm for the provision of stage equipment at the new Martin School.

9--Littleport Primary School juniors annual sports. Champion prizes were presented

to Brenda Malkin, Peter Fletcher, Moira Gotobed and Paul Banyard. The cup for the high jump was won by R. Clarke.

10--Mrs. J. W. Gilbert, of Littleport, was the judge at March St. Mary's Women's Institute handicraft and produce show.

11--Engagement announced between Airman Jerry MacAdams, of Saraland, Alabama, U.S.A., and Miss Emily Morrison, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morrison, of Bell House, Wisbech Road, Littleport.

Mr. and Mrs. John Neal, of Mildenhall Road, Littleport, announced the engagement of their daughter, Helen Barbara, to John W. Elam, of New River Bank, Littleport.

Engagement announced between Mr. Keith Bird, of Beck Row, and Miss Myrtle Gent, daughter of Mrs. Gent and the late Mr. F. Gent, of Camel Road, Littleport.

12--Littleport Cricket Club's tour of the West of England ended with a win over Addlestrop. Their full record was: played 7, won 2, lost 3, drawn 2.

Marriage, at Ely Registry Office, of Miss Jean Mott, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Mott, of Wisbech Road, Littleport, and Mr. Colin Constable, third son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Constable, of Parsons Lane, Littleport.

16--Mr. F. G. Starling's Percheron gelding, Simon, gained yet another first prize at Peterborough Agricultural Show.

18--Littleport St. John's Sunday School succeeded in winning the Ely Methodist Circuit Sunday Schools' Shield at the Circuit's annual sports held at Ely.

20--Annual Church Parade. The cup for the best decorated vehicle was awarded to the British Legion Women's Section's entry Total collections amounted to £77.

22--Mr. and Mrs. H. Howe, of Silt Road, celebrated their silver wedding anniversary.

!!! 23--Jean-Paul Coquelin, a 14-year-old French boy, left Black Horse Drove to return to his home in France. He had been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. James for three weeks.

24--Cricket—Little Ouse won the Black Horse Drove Invitation Cup for the second successive year by beating Black Horse Drove in the final.

25--Cricket—Semi-final at Soham, of the Cambs, and Isle of Ely British Legion Cup — Littleport Happy Wanderers v. Bottisham — Bottisham won. For the Wanderers Peter Scott scored 2, 6, 6, 2, 6, off successive balls and with his three sixes lost three balls.

26--Over 4,000 people attended Littleport's annual show and sports. For the first time

the supreme championship for the best foal in the show went to a Percheron—a grey colt entered by Mr. G. P. T. Peacock, of Littleport. Brian Hawkrige (Woolwich Cycling Club) won the Littleport Wheelers' 100-guinea challenge cup.

The "Clem Six" skiffle group of Littleport won first prize in the skiffle contest at Downham Market Gymkhana. The five members were Paul Cox, David Law, George Law, Geoffrey Eastwood and Roger Misson.

August.

1--Monthly meeting of the Over Sixties' Club. A contest for the most shapely ankle was won by Mrs. S. Dennis.

In the farms competition promoted by the Cambs, and Isle of Ely Agricultural Society, the class for farms of less than 300 acres was won by Mr. James Gilbert, Broadlands, Wisbech Road, Littleport. He was awarded the Pemberton Challenge Cup and silver medal.

Engagement announced between Miss Kathleen Hicks of Chatteris, and Mr. Kenneth Hubbard, only son of Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Hubbard, of Black Horse Drove, Littleport.

The Isle of Ely Education Committee congratulated Miss Davy and her staff of the county primary junior mixed and infants' school on the report of H.M. Inspector.

3--New ripe corn which was placed on the altar at the Parish Church for Lammastide was blessed by the Vicar (Rev. Canon J. K. C. Payne).

3--Littleport British Legion Band played at Hunstanton. The collection amounted to £62, a record.

8--Engagement announced between Mr. Graham Shepherd, of Stroud, Glos., and Miss Brenda Moulding, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Moulding, of Shepherds Drove, Lynn Road, Littleport.

9--The 1st Littleport Scouts returned from a memorable summer camp at Broadstone Waren, Sussex.

10--Scholars of St. John's Methodist Sunday School were presented with awards gained in a recent circuit Scripture examination. Sandra Brightley and Peter Green were awarded special prizes for gaining exceptionally high marks.

Staff and children of St. John's Methodist Sunday School made a presentation to Miss Margaret Atkinson who was leaving Littleport for missionary training.

13--Littleport Women's Institute's annual tea and entertainment for the over seventies. Mrs. Kent (97) was the oldest lady present.

15--Setting themselves up as entertainers in puppet shows, four young children of the Mill Field area raised £3/5/0 in aid of Dr. Barnardo's Homes. They were Norma Maitland, Wendy Vinall, Tony Hoare, and Roger Rudderham.

23--British Legion Band Fete realised £93 for the new instruments fund. The opener was Mrs. J. H. Martin.

27--Mr. Anthony Willett, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Willett, of Main Street, Littleport, was married to Miss Jean Alsop of Haddenham. The marriage took place at the Church of Holy Trinity, Haddenham.

!!! 29--A twin marrow, a freak, joined from top to bottom, 18 inches in length and 10 inches in width, grown by Mr. C. Palmer of Silt Road, was exhibited at the Black Bull.

30--Marriage at St. Mary's Church, Ely, between Miss Miriam Scarffe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Scarffe, of Little Ouse, and Mr. Alan Cross, of Ely. Interment at Wisbech, of Mrs. Eveline Stapley, wife of Mr. Ernest Stapley, of 18, Victoria Street. Mr. and Mrs. Stapley came to Littleport from London about 15 months ago following Mr. Stapley's retirement from business.

31--Cycling—Miss Vivien Convine became the Littleport Wheelers' ladies' 15-mile time-trial champion. She had won the 10-mile event a few days previously.

September.

1--Silver coins to the value of just over £6 were uncovered during excavations on the river bank near Littleport.

The Agricultural Wages Board for England and Wales agreed to an increase of 6/- a week in farm workers' wages. The Board rejected a motion by the National Union of Agricultural Workers for a reduction in the weekly hours worked from 47 to 44.

3--Mr. Samuel Clifton, of Longfield Road, Littleport, received treatment at Ely R.A.F. Hospital after he had fallen from a ladder while working at High Barns building estate, Ely.

4--Ronald Bidwell, of Wisbech Road, Littleport, was sworn in as a police constable for the Isle of Ely at Ely Magistrates Court.

5--Engagement announced between Miss Jill Norman, only daughter of Mrs. A. Norman, of Friars Place, Littleport, and Mr. Geoffrey Papworth, of Stretham.

6--Annual garden party of St. John's Church, Little Ouse. Proceeds exceeded £70.

At a social organised by Ely City Football Supporters' Club, Miss Rita Peachey of

Littleport, was chosen as "Miss Robin."

7--Speaking at the Parish Church, Rev. Canon J. K. C. Payne referred to the new law concerning confetti, the use of which is prohibited in the Churchyard at weddings.

Cycling—Competing in the Fenland Road Racing Association's 25-mile time-trial, John Casey, of Littleport Wheelers, secured the first handicap prize.

9--Mrs. W. Milne Wilson received parting gifts from members of the Women's Institute at the monthly meeting. Concluding a short address, she said: "Be kind, one to another. God bless you all." Dr. and Mrs. Wilson, with their small daughter Islay, were shortly leaving this country for Southern Rhodesia.

Monthly meeting of Little Ouse and Brandon Bank Women's Institute. The President, Mrs. E. Mortimer Rose, tendered her resignation owing to the illness of her husband.

!!! 10--Official opening of the new electrically-driven Whitehall Pumping Station. Built by the Burnt Fen Commissioners, the station stands on Whitehall Farm and drains into the Ten Mile River a mile beyond Littleport. The total cost was over £60,000.

12--Miss Berenice Law and Miss Ann Buckingham, both of Littleport, were awarded second and third prizes respectively at a "Miss Harvest" Competition held at Ely.

14--Harvest Thanksgiving services held at Victoria Street Methodist Church. The preacher was the Rev. W. H. Middleton, of Sutton.

17--Skiffle contest held by the Downham Market R.A.F. Association. The Littleport group—the "Clem Six"—were the winners.

19--Mr. Norman South, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. H. South, of The Crescent, Littleport, was married at St. Mary's Church, Ely, to Miss Hilary Flatt, of Ely.

The Littleport St. John Ambulance Division made a strong appeal for new members.

20--Marriage, at Upper Clapton, of Mr. Keith Smith, only son of the late Mr. Reginald Smith and Mrs. C. A. Benstead, of Parsons Lane, Littleport, and Miss Daphne Mossman, of Clapton.

21--The Rev. R. Pearson, of Stoke Ferry, preached at Black Horse Drove Methodist Church harvest thanksgiving services.

25--Meeting of Littleport Parent-Teacher Association. A parting gift was presented to Mrs. W. Milne Wilson.

!!! 26--Recent cuts in local train services resulted in complaints from local residents.

28--Harvest thanksgiving celebrated by the Salvation Army. Major L. Webb, of London, led the services.

Past and present scholars of the Parish Church Sunday School assembled to make a parting gift and say their farewells to Mrs. W. Milne Wilson. She had been the Sunday School superintendent for 25 years.

30--Mr. and Mrs. W. Gilbert, of Ely Road, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

October.

!!! 2--Miss Kathleen E. Bird, a grand-daughter of the late Mr. Joseph Martin, officially opened the new Martin Secondary School.

Annual meeting of the Littleport branch of the British Legion Women's Section. It was revealed that the building fund had now reached £203.

3--The Littleport fire service extinguished a fire on the premises of Mr. F. G. Harrington, agricultural engineer, Station Road.

4--Mr. Cecil Sallis, of Station Road, with his son John, had a narrow escape when lightning struck one of their nearby farm buildings. The force of the lightning, which knocked Mr. Sallis to the ground, blew one end off the building.

Cresswell House, the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. Milne Wilson, was sold to Dr. A. I. Cheyne.

5--Catholic Church—October Mass celebrated in the Oddfellows' Hall by Father Pritchard.

Cycling-Peter Baumber again won the Littleport Wheelers hill-climb championship.

8--Meeting of Littleport Parish Council. It was agreed that a letter be sent to British Railways asking that some, at least, of the recent curtailed services be resumed.

Dr. and Mrs. Milne Wilson, with their daughter Islay, left Littleport on the first stage of their journey to Southern Rhodesia.

9--Monthly meeting of Black Horse Drove Women's Institute A letter was read from the president, Mrs. C. Rose, thanking members for the message of congratulations on the birth of her son.

10--Mr. J. H. Hawkes, bandmaster of the British Legion Band, announced his retirement at the band's annual meeting. Mr. George Elsegood was appointed to fill the vacancy.

12--Sixteen communicants celebrated Holy Communion at Black Horse Drove. Rev. Sydney Chambers, Vicar of Littleport St. Matthew's, was the celebrant.

Harvest thanksgiving services were held at St. John's Church, Little Ouse. The preacher was the Rev. Gale, chaplain of the R.A.F. Hospital, Ely.

13--Death at the Tower Hospital, Ely, of Mrs. Audrey Reynolds, of Stuntney, wife of Mr. G. W. Reynolds, and formerly of Black Horse Drove.

15--Captain G. H. Robbins, of Little Ouse, conducted Burnt Fen Women's Institute's harvest festival.

Death at Tower Hospital, Ely, of Mrs. Kate Bearcock, a former resident of Littleport. Prior to her failing health she lived at New Road. She was 81.

Mrs. J. Hodson, of Black Horse Drove, sustained a broken thigh as the result of a fall from her bicycle.

Scholars of St. John's Methodist Sunday School gave a performance of a play entitled "His Hands Today".

Death, at Cambridge, of Mrs. Eliza Hill, a former resident of Littleport and widow of the late Mr. W. Hill. Aged 87, she was the third daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. G. Taylor, of Wisbech Road.

16--Mrs. Mary Fletcher was awarded £2,850 damages against Mr. Frederick Roberts, a former Littleport building contractor trading as A. Purdy & Sons. The award followed the death of her husband, Mr. Clifford Fletcher who, while employed by Mr. Roberts, fell from a roof on a farm at Burnt Fen and died 14 days later. At the time of the accident (January, 1956) Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher were living at 20, Friars Way, Littleport. Mrs. Fletcher now lives in North Wales.

17--Mr. Sydney Dye, Socialist M.P. for South West Norfolk, addressed just over 20 people, including 3 children, at a public political meeting held at the Old Fellows' Hall.

17--Mr. Eber Curtis, of New Road, Littleport, was the recipient of a watch presented by the Liverpool and Victoria Friendly Society. The gift was a token of appreciation for 30 years of faithful service to the Society.

18--The body of 70-year-old Mrs. Frances Milson, of Ely, wife of the late Mr. Horace Milson, was found in the River Ouse at Adelaide. Mr. and Mrs. Milson were well known in Littleport where they were residents for many years.

22--Members of the Women's Fellowship Club tried their skill with a hula hoop. Mrs R. Taylor and Mrs. Chase were the most successful.

23--Mr. Horace Cross, of Victoria Street, was sworn in as a Justice of the Peace at Ely Magistrates' Court.

Meeting of Friendly Societies Charities Committee to allocate money collected on Parade Sunday as follows:—£10 each to the Littleport and Prickwillow Nursing Associations, Littleport Child Welfare Centre, S.J.A.B. Central Fund, Red Cross Littleport Detachment, Littleport B.L. Band, Boys' Brigade and the Kitchener Memorial Home, Lowestoft. Five pounds was also allocated to the local Over 60's Club.

24--Annual stacking and thatching competitions held by the N.F.U. (Ely branch). Local prizewinners were Messrs. J. E. Kerridge & Son (2 seconds), Mrs. S. Benton (2 seconds), Messrs. H. Rayner & Son (1 third). The successful stackers and thatchers were Mr. J. Oakey for Messrs. Kerridge; Mr. W. Bassett and Mr. D. A. Barnes for Mrs. Benton, and Mr. E. Rayner for Messrs. Rayner.

!!! 25--For the first time in the history of Littleport, "witches", complete with brooms, paraded the streets of Littleport. This was a preliminary to the Women's Institute's Hallowe'en fair and old time dance. The proceeds amounted to £157.

27--Presentation at Ely Goods Yard, of safe driving awards to railway motor drivers. Littleport recipients were Mr. B. Garwood (ten-year medal), H. Fletcher (bar to five-year medal).

30--Mr. Peter Sutton, of Pontois Hill, was commissioned as licensed lay reader for the parish of Littleport by the Lord Bishop of Ely.

Women's Institute Group meeting held at the Constitutional Hall. The hostess institute was Little Ouse. Guest speaker was Miss Elsie Taylor, a blind and deaf lady from London. She called her talk "Are outsize outcasts?"

Presentation made to Mr. R. Thurlow, of Ely Road, at Messrs. Lloyds Bank. The gift was an appreciation of Mr. Thurlow's long and valuable service to the Bank. He had retired after 41 years on the staff, 35 of which had been spent at the Littleport branch.

31—Engagement announced between Edward Tycer, of Burnt Chimney Drove, Littleport, and Olive Badcock, of Soham.

November.

1--Marriage, at Ely Register office, between Mr. Michael Scott eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Scott of Friars Place, Littleport, and Miss Brenda Sharman, of Manea.

6--At the Constitutional Hall 250 employees of Messrs. Luddington Estates celebrated the recent marriage in London of Mr Edward Luddington to Miss Moya Harrison, of Burton-on-Trent. Mr. Luddington is the eldest son of Major and Mrs. Luddington of Wallington Hall, Norfolk.

7--Engagement announced between Mr. William Fowkes, of Cambridge, Mass., U.S.A., and Catherine Felicity, youngest daughter of the Rev. Canon and Mrs. J. K. Cecil Payne, of the Vicarage, Littleport.

Engagement announced between Miss Barbara Neve, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Neve, of Hitches Street, Littleport, and Mr. Tony Lee, of Ely.

8--Littleport Bowls Club dinner and prize presentation. Mr. Sidney Barrett, president of the Cambs. Bowls Association, presented the awards.

9--A congregation of all denominations attended the Remembrance Day service at the Parish Church.

Littleport British Legion Band led the Remembrance Sunday Church parade at Ely,

Angling—A fine catch of 25lb. 2oz. by W. Gilbert won the Littleport A.C. match. The match was held in conjunction with Leicester British Legion and all proceeds went to the Earl Haig Poppy Day Fund.

10--Annual meeting of Littleport British Legion branch and club. The treasurer, Mr. K. Darby, reported a loss on the year of £250, a situation due to last year's burglary at the club.

11--Littleport Women's Institute members' night. A demonstration on skin care and beauty culture was given by Miss Stokes, of London, with Mrs. C. Easy acting as model.

!!! 12--An appeal to Littleport residents to refrain from flushing waste products, particularly cloth and rags through their lavatories was made at a meeting of Ely Rural District Council.

Mrs Marvin Jackson returned home from America on a visit to her parents at Black Horse Drove. Formerly Miss Peggy Pettingell she is the wife of Sergt. Jackson, of the U.S. Army.

14--Drivers and conductors of the Ely Depot of the Eastern Counties Omnibus Co. received awards made by the Road Operations Safety Council. Littleport recipients were—Drivers: P. Starling, L. W. Fox, G. Washington, V. E. House. Conductors: F. V. Borley, W. D. Murfitt, G. O. Lemmon.

15--Autumn fair held at the Primary School in aid of the school stage fund. The effort realised £133.

Cambs, and Isle of Ely County British Legion Women's Sections' annual conference held at Cambridge. Mrs. Saul and Mrs. Wilson, both of Littleport and prizewinners at Area level, received special congratulations.

Miss Shirley Page, of Ely, was married to Mr. William Thompson, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Thompson, of Little Ouse. The marriage was solemnised at St. Mary's Church, Ely.

17--While digging in his garden, Mr. Frank Halls, of Plains Lane, Littleport, unearthed a beetroot weighing 11 1/2lbs. and measuring 26 1/2 inches in circumference.

18--Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Proctor of The Crescent, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

21--Dr. T. B. Gordon of "The Herons," Littleport, was appointed by H. M. Chief Inspector of Factories as factory doctor for the district of Littleport in succession to Dr. W. Milne Wilson.

22--Marriage at Ely Register Office between Miss Janet Woodruffe, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Woodruffe, of Friars Way, and Mr. Claude Sizer, elder son of Mrs. H. Rollitt, of New River Bank and the late Mr. Ernest Sizer.

23--Mr. Peter Sutton, the parish lay reader, conducted Evensong at St. George's Church

24--Annual meeting of the Littleport branch of the Women's Conservative Association. The speaker was the Isle of Ely Conservative agent, Mr. E. Warner, of March.

26--A concert presented by the Littleport Ladies, Male Voice and Secondary School choirs, attracted a large audience. It was the first function of its kind to be held in the Martin School.

!!! 27--After breaking a window in a Littleport telephone kiosk, Arthur Ringer, of no fixed abode, used the phone to tell the police about it. Asked by P.c. Evison why he had broken the window, Ringer replied "So I can go to Norwich prison for Christmas. Take me in."

!!! 28--News received of the meeting in Canada between Mrs. David Bell, formerly Miss May Brown, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. H. Brown, of Bridge House, Littleport, and Mr. Horace Brown, formerly of the "Rising Sun," Mildenhall Road. Mrs. Bell and Mr. Brown are cousins. Previously Mrs. Bell had paid a visit to Mrs. Keith Williams (formerly Miss Margaret Law), daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Law, of Victoria Street. Mrs. Williams' present home is at Heaslip,

Ontario.
