



## Items of Interest during the Year 1963-64

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Gathered from the Local Newspapers, etc. during the past year.  
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### December, 1963.

- 4--Monthly meeting of Littleport British Legion Women's Section It was reported that in County competitions for hand work Mrs. L. Halls had received a first class award for the best entry in the whole competition, a knitted bed-jacket. Second class certificates were won by Miss Christine Ridgeon, Mrs, B. Wilson and Mrs. H. Saul. Mrs. T. Sallis was congratulated on gaining third place in the standard bearers' competition.
- 6--Meeting of Littleport Swimming Pool Fund Committee. Mr. Rowland Eastwood was appointed secretary following the resignation of Mrs. J. Butcher, who consented to act as assistant secretary.
- 7--Annual Parish Church Christmas Fair raised the sum of £126. The function was opened by Lady Dorothy Spens, of Ely.
- 8--The newly appointed commanding officer of the local Salvation Army Corps, Lt. Robert Ashworth, was welcomed at meetings held in the Salvation Army Hall.
- 11--Children of Little Ouse Primary School and the Coronation School, Black Horse Drove, provided the background of a Carol Service held in St. John's Church, Little Ouse.
- 12--Two one-act plays, "The Mandarin's Daughter" and "The Slippers of Cinderella", were presented at the Primary School by pupils of the Second Form.
- Messrs. A. T. Grain & Sons' Annual Show and Sale of Christmas fatstock. The Championship Silver Challenge Cup for the best fat steer or heifer in the show went to Mr. J. Wilson, of Littleport, with a Hereford steer which also won first prize in class 1.
- 13--Children of the Coronation School, Black Horse Drove, sent £6 to Littleport's former district nurse, Miss C. Biart, to help her with her "hospital on wheels" service in connection with the Zambesi Mission in Nyasaland.

14--Annual Dinner of the Littleport Motor Cycle and Light Car Club. Mr. L. Leonard was presented with an A.C.U. road safety

15--Mr. and Mrs. W. Scott, of City Road, celebrated their Silver Wedding anniversary.

16--Annual Dinner of the Littleport combined choirs held at Lincon's Restaurant. Gifts of appreciation were presented to Mrs. C. R. Browning, their conductor.

17--For the fifteenth year in succession Mrs. W. J. Gill, the popular President of Littleport Women's Institute, was returned to office at the annual General Meeting of the branch.

18--Death of ex-Superintendent Percy Newell, of Ely, a former Deputy Chief Constable. He came to Littleport as a sergeant in 1914.

20--Engagement announced between Miss Valerie Rutterford, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rutterford, of Friars Way, Littleport, and Mr. Brian Skipper, of Brandon, Suffolk.

23--Nurse Biart received a warm welcome on her arrival in Littleport from Nyasaland. She was on leave after 3 1/2 years of missionary and medical work in Africa.

**!!!** 25--An alarming incident in Main Street on Christmas morning brought out Electricity Board workmen and gave about 200 householders temporary fears for the state of their turkeys. A passer-by saw and reported what he described as "blue streaks coming out of the ground". An investigating crew found that overnight rain had soaked into a hole driven through the footpath by workmen using a pick or stake, and was causing short-circuiting of the electricity main.

27--Mr. and Mrs. Shaw, of Apes Hall, Littleport, announced the engagement of their eldest daughter, Gloria, to Mr. Michael Martin of Pymoor.

Engagement announced between Miss Jane Neville, only daughter of Mr. E. Neville, of Ely Road, Littleport, and the late Mrs. Neville, and Mr. Peter Fuller, of Wicken.

**!!!** 29--An intruder who evaded all efforts to remove it at morning service at St. John's Methodist Church was a swallow. The bird was in the church prior to the commencement of the service, and stayed until the end, when it left with the rest of the congregation.

Death, in London, of Mr. John Bell, formerly of March. He also lived for several years in Littleport, where he drove one of the first motor cars to be seen in the town.

January, 1964.

3--Mr and Mrs. R. Oakey, of Hempfield Place, announced the engagement of their only daughter, Lynn, to Gary, eldest son of Mr and Mrs. A. Boon, of Upton Place.

6--First service of the Universal Week of Prayer, observed by members of the local free churches, was held at the Salvation Army Hall.

!!! 8--At a meeting of Ely Rural District Council it was reported that the cost of sewerage improvements in Littleport, estimated last June at £56,800, had jumped to £75,000 as a result of further works found to be necessary.

Funeral at Soham, of Mrs. Lydia Brown, of Soham, and formerly of Littleport. She was 79.

10--Two 20 year old Littleport men escaped unhurt, but wet, when the van in which they were travelling left the bumpy, uneven road to Little Ouse and careered into an unfenced roadside drain. They were Mr. Geoffrey Willett, of Willett's Caravan Site, and Mr. Peter Calladine, of Victoria Street.

Squadron Leader Alfred Basil Charles (R.A.F, recently retired), was awarded the M.B.E. in the New Year Honours List. Mr. Charles is the son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Defew, of High Street, Littleport.

11--For recruiting 100 new members in 18 months to the Littleport branch of the National Union of Agricultural Workers, the secretary, Mr. E. E. Bishop, of New River Bank, was presented with a plaque at the annual conference of Cambridgeshire branch officials.

12--The Rev. E. A. Nobes, assistant chaplain at the King's School, Ely, was the celebrant at the service of Holy Communion held in the Community Centre, Black Horse Drove.

12--Littleport Motor Cycle Club's Les Ayres Trophy Trial was won by Jeff Marsh, of Burwell. Bert Chaplin gained the award for the best Littleport member.

14--Littleport Women's Institute's party night. About 100 members sat down to candle-lit tables at the Constitutional Hall. A special gift was presented to the oldest member present, Mrs. A. Easey.

17--It was reported that Littleport's final Poppy Day total for 1963 amounted to £284 13s. 0d.

Mr. Brian Halls, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Halls, of Globe Lane, Littleport, was awarded his L.R.A.M. degree for the trumpet.

Recent death reported of Mr. Albert Taylor, of Peterborough, Ontario, Canada, a former resident of Ten Mile Bank Road, Littleport. He was 64.

18--Annual Dinner of Littleport Badminton Club.

20--Darts—By winning his semi-final round at Ely, Joe Murfitt, house champion of Littleport Ex-Servicemen's Club, reached the Cambridgeshire finals of the "News of the World" Championships

!!! 22--Members of Littleport Parish Council approved a precept of £3,343 —equal to a 7 3/4d. rate, only a farthing more than last year, despite heavier lighting expenses due to the introduction of the trunk road Grade "A" scheme.

24--Engagement announced between Miss Mary Lovesey and Mr. David Sizer, both of Ely. Mr. Sizer is the youngest son of Mrs J Rollett, of Littleport, and the late Mr. E. Sizer.

25--At a dance at the Constitutional Hall, 17 year old Miss Brenda Malkin was awarded the title of "Miss Littleport". Miss Evelyn Pettit was second and Miss Angela Malkin third. The event was organised by the Littleport British Legion Womens's Section.

## February.

1--Annual party for children of Women's Institute members. A performance by a magician, who produced doves and rabbits from nowhere, was a highlight of the evening.

3--Nurse Biart, home from Nyasaland, gave a talk to members of the Littleport branch of the Mothers' Union.

Funeral, at Littleport Cemetery, of Mr. Joseph Dennis, aged 83, of Wyverstone, Suffolk. A former local resident, he lived for many years at New River Bank, and married a member of a local family, Miss Rose Watts, now deceased.

5--Although it was "anticipated" last October that at least 75 per cent of Ely Rural District Council's tenants would apply for rebates under the revised rent scheme, the treasurer (Mr. T. R. Clark) told the Mousing Committee that in fact less than half did apply. With only half the available grants being used as a result, he suggested that rebates be increased by amounts ranging from five to 15 per cent. according to income. The Committee recommended acceptance of these increases.

St. John's Methodist Church annual "At Home". Miss K. M. Railton's report on Overseas Missions revealed that the splendid sum of £154 had been given to the cause.

Mr. L. Brooks presented certificates for good attendances at Black Horse Drove Coronation School. Jeffery Elsdon was awarded a certificate for the maximum attendance for the year.

**!!!** Ely Rural District Council's Housing Committee recommended the purchase of land off Victoria Street and Hempfield for future housing needs. The area was not to exceed eight acres.

7--The Rev. A. A. Loades, Methodist Minister, gave a talk at a meeting of the Over Sixties' Club.

8--A performance, given by selected groups from brass bands in the area, was held at the Martin School. The conductor was Mr. Stanley Boddington, L.R.A.M., A.R.C.M., conductor of the famous Munn and Felton's Band. The event was sponsored by the Isle Music Festival Committee.

Littleport athlete Robert Jones, running for Cambridge Technical College, won the Cambridgeshire Schools' Cross-country senior (under 20) race at Witchford.

9--Littleport Angling Club's open Gala match attracted nearly 300 entries. The winner was K. Wilson, of Peterborough.

**!!!** Monthly meeting of the Women's Institute. Members took part in a roll call on "How to make a husband happy .

11--Darts-Joe Murfitt won his way into the Eastern Counties finals in the "News of the World" championships for the third time by Winning the Cambridgeshire and West Norfolk area final at the Club Hotel, Ely.

14--For the second year in succession Miss Patsy Garner, an 18 year old brunette, was chosen as Littleport's "Miss Valentine" in a competition organised by Littleport British Legion Band in the Constitutional Hall. Miss Vivienne Harley, of Apes Hall was third.

Littleport Cricket Club's Annual Supper. The guest of honour was Mr. Flanders Morton, of Little Ouse, a past County and Ely City player.

Members of all denominations attended the Parish Church for the Women's World Day of Prayer service. The address was given by Miss K. M. Chell, of Peterborough.

16--Littleport Angling Club completed a "double" in the first Isle of Ely Winter League, winning the final match in the series at Adelaide. They finished top of the league while Arthur Shipp won the individual award.

19--A representative of a well known firm of wine makers gave a talk on Empire wines at a meeting of Littleport Women's Fellowship. Samples of various types of wines were handed round and much enjoyed.

**!!!** 20--10 year old Sandra Hibble, formerly of Caravan Site, King's Yard, Victoria Street, now living at Hunstanton, and 15 year old Robert Hutchings, of White House



Farm, Little Ouse, were presented with Royal Humane Society awards at Ely. They had rescued a 3 year old boy from drowning in the River Ouse at Sandhill Bridge on August 2nd last year.

Darts—The Ex-Servicemen's Club team won the Littleport House Championship by defeating the Plough and Harrow.

25--Drivers and conductors employed by the Eastern Counties Omnibus Co. were presented with awards in connection with the Road Operators' Safety Council. Local recipients were:—Drivers: P. Starling, L. Fox, G. Washington, V. House. Conductors: D. Murfitt, G. Lemmon.

28--Miss M. Boon, area representative of Dr. Barnardo's Homes, visited the schools at Little Ouse and Black Horse Drove. She spoke to the children on the work of Dr. Barnardo.

An open darts tournament staged by Littleport Town Cricket Club at the "Plough and Harrow", was won by local player, Eric Taylor.

## March.

1--A first aid competition held at Outwell and organised by the Norfolk County Police, was won by the Littleport Boys' Brigade Company. The team was Sgt. Tony Roberts (leader), John Phillips, Derek Harrington, Tom Greenacre and Colin Harrington.

3--Annual meeting of the Littleport Branch of the Ancient Order of Foresters. It was reported that substantial loans had been made to members to enable them to purchase houses and land.

3--Death of Mrs. Rosanna Clingo, wife of Mr. John Clingo, of Southery. Mrs. Clingo was born at Littleport and moved to Southery after her marriage in 1934. She was 81.

6--Mrs. Alice Kent, Littleport's oldest inhabitant, celebrated her 103rd birthday.

County Youth Festival of Dancing held at Chatteris. The Martin School gained one first class and two second class awards.

Darts—In the Guide Dogs for the Blind Competitions held at Ely, Littleport Ex-Service Men's team won the teams-of-four event.

7--Athletics—George Willett, of Littleport, set a personal best performance in the invitation junior shot event at R.A.F. Feltwell He won with a fine putt of 51 ft. 11 in.

9--The House of Commons approved the Order merging the Isle of Ely and Cambridgeshire into one administrative county.

11--Isle of Ely Music Festival instrumental session held at Ely High School. Catherine Southall of Littleport, was awarded first place in the junior recorder section.

12--Death, at Southery, of Mrs. Sarah Barrett, aged 88. Mrs. Barrett was a native of Littleport but had lived all her married life at Southery and Brandon Creek.

12--Darts—Joe Murfitt, of the Ex-Servicemen's Club, Littleport, put up a great performance in the Eastern Counties finals of the "News of the World" championship at Norwich. Winning his quarter-final and semi-final matches, he was beaten in the final by the 1962 National champion, Eddie Brown (Magpie, Stonham).

13--For the first time since the Littleport British Legion Band began their annual darts singles competition ten years ago, the Challenge Shield awarded to the winner went outside the Littleport area. It was won by Maurice Hancock, of Sutton.

Annual general meeting of the County Primary School Parent Teacher Association. The chairman (Miss M. Davy) explained to the parents a new system of school reports which was to replace the old system of half-yearly examinations.

14--Marriage at Newmarket, between Mrs. Jean Guest, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lofts, of Crown Lane, Littleport, and T/Sgt. Alex Kolodka, of the U.S.A.F.

14--A jumble sale, organised by Littleport Cricket Club, realised £24 8s. 6d. for club funds.

17--Area competitions in which Boy's Brigade members from Littleport, Wisbech and Outwell took part, were held in the Constitute Hall. In the drill event Littleport were placed First.

21--Littleport Ladies Choir, under their conductor, Mrs. C. R. Browning, competing in the City of Cambridge Festival of Music, were successful in winning the Alderman Banbam trophy. This was the sixth time the choir had gained this distinction.

21--Marriage, at St. Mary's Church, Ely, between Miss Shirley Starling, of Ely, and Mr. John Eastwood, second son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Eastwood, of Lynn Road, Littleport.

Record Result—The record sum of £208 10s. 8d. was the result of this year's Self Denial effort by the Salvation Army. This sum included £47 13s. lid. raised at a flag day in Ely.

23--The need to attract new players and the extra effort needed to attract young players who might be interested in both playing and helping run the club, were stressed by Littleport Cricket Club secretary, Mr. Fred Watson, at their annual meeting.

25--Littleport Parish Council decided to seek the help of the County Council in encouraging light industry in the district.

26--Engagement announced between Miss Hazel Smith, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Smith, of Black Horse Drove, Littleport and Mr. Colin Gasgarth, of Great Strickland, Cumberland.

Darts—By defeating Haddenham Social Club, Littleport Ex-Servicemen's Club became winners of the City League. In the Steward & Patteson Goodliff League, The Three Horse Shoes, Littleport, won the championship by defeating The White House.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Covell, of Hempfield Road, Littleport, announced the engagement of their daughter, Mary, to Mr. Michael Harrison, of Elderberry Farm, Burnt Fen.

28--A collection in Littleport for Dr. Barnardo's Homes realised £25 4s. 7d. The organiser was Mrs. E. M. Chapman.

29--Easter Day—Mrs. Carol Driver, a member of St. John's Methodist Church, was one of the four candidates who witnessed their Christian faith by immersion baptism at West Row Baptist Church.

30--Competing in the East Anglian Brass Band Contest at Norwich, the Littleport British Legion Band under bandmaster George Elsegood, were placed fourth in the hymn tune section.

Football—Cambs. Junior Cup, final—Littleport defeated Sawston United 4—3.

31--Retirement of Mr. Arnold Cross, of Victoria Street, after 44 years service to Ely Rural District Council, first as their sanitary inspector and latterly as chief of the public health department.

## April.

1--A mixed branch of the Isle of Ely Conservative Association was formed at Littleport. This was decided at a meeting held in the Constitutional Hall. Previously, local ladies had been the only official workers for the Conservative cause.

2--Mr. G G Smart of Upton Place, announced the engagement of their second daughter, Veronica, to Gerald, only son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Tuck, of Parsons Lane.

Engagement announced between Miss Janice Lincon, only daughter of Mrs. H. G. Lincon, of 19a Main Street, Littleport and Mr. Michael Brown, of Pymoor.

!!! 2--It was revealed that with recent donations amounting to £216 1s 7d Littleport Parish Church organ restoration fund, opened two years ago with a target of over £2,000. had now reached fulfilment.



3--Annual Vestry and Parochial Church Council meeting. The meeting was informed of the resignation of Mr. G P T Peacock as Vicar's Warden, an office he had held for 24 years, taking over from his late father.

4--Littleport Over Sixties' Club annual spring sale realised £41.

Marriage at St. Mary's Church, Ely, between Miss Doris Baker of Flanders Farm, Littleport, and Mr. Terence Flatt, of Ely.

6--Dedication by the Rev. Canon J. K. C. Payne of the Littleport British Legion Women's Section headquarters. The Rev. A. A. Loades, Methodist minister, gave the address

9--Engagement announced between Miss Patricia Twite, of Ely, and Mr. Anthony Hines, youngest son of Mr. A. Hines, of Mildenhall Road, Littleport, and the late Mrs. W. Hines.

10--Annual enrolment ceremony of Littleport Red Cross cadets. Eight girls were presented and duly made their promises.

11--A Spring sale held at the Victoria Street Methodist Church schoolroom, realised £23 3s. 0d. for Church funds. It was organised by Miss E. Hare.

Football—By heavily defeating Balsham, Littleport Town became champions of the Cambs. League Division 1b.

**!!!** 12--A modern note, introduced for the first time at the Salvation Army Hall, was a guitar group. The instrumentalists were the commanding officer Lt. R. Ashworth and Miss Wendy Padget supported by vocalists Miss Carolyn Cole and John Barber.

14--Monthly meeting of the Women's Institute. Mrs. G. Law was congratulated on her success in a recent Produce Guild Cookery Judges' Test.

17--Eighth anniversary party of the Over Sixties' Club.

18--In the County competitions for Red Cross cadets held at Cambridge the Littleport unit were successful in gaining the Service Cup, awarded to the unit judged to have given most service to the community during the previous year.

20--A fashion show organised by Mrs. J. Frost in aid of the Red Cross realised about £30.

**!!!** 22--Annual meeting of Littleport and Prickwillow Nursing Association. It was announced that the Association would put the " Meals on Wheels" scheme for elderly people into operation as soon as suitable facilities for the necessary cooking could be found.

23--The engagement was announced between Miss Linda Scott, of Friars Place, Littleport, and Mr. Robert Green, of Liverpool.

!!! An outsize carnation measuring five inches across, was grown by Mr. H. E. Gooby, of Lynn road, Littleport.

24--Seventeen year old Soham Grammar School athlete George Willett, of Littleport, gave a personal best performance with the 12 lb. shot to win the senior event in the London Athletic Club's School meeting.

25--Lady Spens, of Ely, opened a Littleport Red Cross Bazaar. She congratulated the cadets on their splendid record of achievements.

26--Fenland Trophy Scramble staged by Ely and District Motor Cycle Club at Old Bank, Littleport. After some terrific duels the trophy was won by Freddie Mayes, the James' works rider.

29--Annual meeting of the Loyal Order of Ancient Shepherds, East Anglia United District, held at Ely. Of the seven lodges showing an increase in membership, Littleport tied for top place with Fridaybridge.

At their meeting at Ely the Littleport and Downham District Drainage Commissioners made a rate of 22s. 8d. in the pound for 1964/65, an increase of 5d.

Death, in Ely R.A.F. Hospital, of Mr. Walter Nightall, of Friars Place, following injuries sustained the previous day when his cycle was involved in a collision with a car at Portley Hill.

## May.

1--Junior girls of the Coronation School toured Black Horse Drove with their May Queen, singing traditional songs. Collections amounted to £9 15s. 0d. towards the school outing.

2--A spring sale, organised by members of Littleport Women's Fellowship in aid of the Isle of Ely Society for the Blind, realised £20.

Members of the Women's Institute collected £49 7s. 7d. for the British Empire Cancer Campaign in Littleport. The organiser was Mrs. W. J. Gill.

6--Ely Rural District Council and Littleport Parish Council elections. Top of the polls were Mr. W. Leggett in the Rural District contest and Mrs. W. J. Gill in the Parish Council contest.

7--Monthly meeting of Black Horse Drove Women's Institute. Mr. D. Speed, of Littleport, gave a talk on keeping fit.

Teachers and children from the local schools attended an Ascension Day service at the Parish Church.

Recent collections in Littleport in aid of the Royal National Life-Boat Institution yielded £22 10s. 9d. The organiser was Mrs. P. Morton.

9---Visit to Littleport of a unit of the National Blood Transfusion Service 114 blood donors attended, a record.

10--Isle of Ely Music Festival. In the vocal and choral session, held at Ely, Littleport Ladies' Choir took two trophies.

Death at Southall, Middlesex, of Mr. Percy E. F. Cooper, husband of the former Miss Vialls of Wisbech Road (now deceased). He was a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. W. Lester and Mrs. J. Lincoln.

11--Annual meeting of the Ely and District Boy Scouts' Association. Mr. C. R. Browning was presented with a medal of merit by Brigadier Duchesne, County Commissioner. Mr. Browning is one of the scoutmasters in charge of the Martin School Troop of Boy Scouts.

P.c. Morton of Littleport visited Little Ouse School to talk to the children on road safety.

Salvation Army meetings were led by Colonel George Lancashire, of London, formerly a missionary in China.

13--Littleport Ladies' Choir Dinner. The occasion was in celebration of their successes in recent music festivals.

15--A large number of visitors joined the members of the Littleport Flower Arrangement Club at their monthly meeting for a demonstration by Mrs. Sheila Macqueen.

**!!!** 16--Thirty-one years of teaching reached its climax for Miss Dorothy Defew, deputy headmistress of Ely High School, when at the High School Old Girls' Association's annual re-union, she was presented with a cheque and other gifts, to mark her retirement. Educated at the school, Miss Defew later returned to teach there for 29 of her 31 years in the profession. The cheque was accompanied by a leather bound album, containing the names of the Old Girls who had subscribed. An illuminated inscription reads: "Presented to Miss Dorothy G. Defew, B.A., as a token of their affection and gratitude by the Old Girls of Ely High School, on her retirement."

18--Whit-Monday Carnival at Soham. In a class for visiting beauty queens, Miss Brenda Malkin of Littleport, was placed third.

19--The new Bishop of Ely (Rt. Rev. Edward Roberts) confirmed nine candidates at Littleport Parish Church.

Councillors, staff members and workmen of Ely Rural District Council, met in the Lamb Hotel, Ely, to make presentations to their former chief public health inspector, Mr. Arnold Cross, who had retired after nearly 44 years' service.

21--Recent Red Cross Flag Day collections in Littleport yielded £39 16s. 0d. The organiser was Mrs. R. W. Howard.

23--Members of the Cambridge and District Association of Organists and Choirmasters visited Littleport Parish Church. They were greatly impressed by the rebuilt organ.

26--The Court of Criminal Appeal dismissed an application by Stanley Vinden 50, general dealer, of a caravan at New River Bank, Littleport, for leave to appeal against conviction at Cambridge Assize on February 21st of unlawfully wounding Mr Vincent McAllister, of High Barns, Ely, at a Littleport dance on December 7th, 1963. He was also refused leave to appeal against sentence of 18 months' imprisonment. Vinden attacked Mr. McAllister, a doorman at a dance, with a bottle and caused him serious injuries.

30--Cambs, and Isle of Ely County Show. Third prizes for floral arrangement were awarded to the Littleport Flower Arrangement Club and Mrs. W. P. Register, of Little Ouse

Marriage at St. Andrew's Church, Soham, between Miss Kathleen Edwards, of Soham, and Mr. J. David Lofts, son of Mr and Mrs. Joseph Lofts, of Crown Lane, Littleport

Cambs, and Isle of Ely County Show held at Ely. Royal Agricultural Society long service medals were presented to the following agricultural workers by Mr. J. H. Martin (president), George Gipp, Reginald Cox, Walter Gotobed, George Shafto, Sidney Bent. 50 year bar to existing medal: James Gaul.

Mrs. Rebecca Saul, of Hempfield Place, celebrated her 90th birthday.

!!! 31--The popular "Chapel in the Valley" radio programme was brought live to Littleport Parish Church by the chief performer. Sandy MacPherson, resident organist of the B.B.C. and his girl singer Hazel.

## June.

2--The Isle of Ely Education Committee placed on record their appreciation of the services rendered by Miss D. E. Cross as a teacher for 15 years at Littleport C.P. Junior Mixed and Infants' School. She retired on August 31st.

4--Local over sixties were guests of the Black Horse Drove Women's Institute at the Institute's sixteenth birthday party.

Recent local collections in aid of the National Children's Home yielded £39 5s. 7d. The organiser was Mrs. A. A. Loades.

5--Pupils of Littleport Primary School, with others from Black Horse Drove and Stretham, gave a display of country dancing at the school.

6--Marriage, at Chatteris, between Miss Margaret Hyde, of Chatteris, and Mr. Dennis Vail, second son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Vail, of Millfield, Littleport.

Boys' Brigade Company annual fete. It was opened by Wing Commander J. K. Oyston, of the R.A.F., Ely. The proceeds were £82 15s. 4d.

7--Members of the newly elected Parish Council attended Mattins at the Parish Church.

9--Mr E C Chamberlain, arts and crafts master at the Martin School, gave a demonstration on pottery making at a meeting of the Women's Institute.

Death of Mrs. Alice Kent, Littleport's grand old lady. She was 103

10--Though Councillor C. H. Martin of Littleport registered a protest because no immediate saving in labour costs was apparent, Ely Rural District Council decided to purchase an accounting machine costing £2,594, together with a special desk for about a further £80.

11--Mr and Mrs Murfitt, of Mildenhall Road, Littleport, announced the engagement of their daughter Gwen to Mr John Howe, of Ely.

11--After rapid progress in the Royal Navy, Walter Pike, a junior rating mechanic, of Gardener's Cottage, Lynn Road, Littleport, flew to Gibraltar to join his first ship, H.M.S. Messina.

Engagement announced between Diana, only daughter of Mrs. H. Bent and the late Mr. S. R. Stanley, of Littleport, and Mr. Alexander Swanson, of Bootle, Lanes.

13--Mrs. J. Allpress of Chatteris, opened Littleport St. John's Methodist Church fete in the Constitutional Hall. Proceeds were about £70.

15--The following pupils of Littleport County Primary School succeeded in passing the 11 plus examination: Boys—To Soham Grammar School—Richard Hart, Michael Angel, Tony Bell, Stuart Cox, Geoffrey Cross, Michael Parker, Michael Thornhill, Gerald Winters, Graham Southall. Girls---To Ely High School---Elaine Taylor, Susan Handley, Valerie Neal, Janet Page, Melanie North, Lynette Smith.

18--First annual meeting of the local Red Cross Members' Group. Mrs. R. Sivell



(leader) thanked members for their work towards the Darby and Joan Club.

Miss Denise Smith, of Hoof Close, Littleport, passed the Royal Society of Health's examination for the Certificate for Health Visitors.

**!!!** 19--Messrs. R. E. Law Ltd., a local television firm, who supplied a T.V. set to a representative and never saw him again, successfully claimed its value, £63, at Ely County Court. Defendant was R. Bygrave, of Christchurch.

20--Littleport Salvation Army garden party was opened by Mrs. J. B. Goodrich, of Ely. Proceeds amounted to £79 12s. 11d.

In spite of incessant rain, Littleport St. Matthew's first garden fete for 21 years was highly successful, resulting in the sum of £78 for church funds.

21--Littleport British Legion Band attended the Norfolk British Legion Rally at Watton.

27--In glorious weather, the Parish Church garden fete, held on the Vicarage lawn, attracted a large crowd. It was opened by Mrs. W. J. Gill.

Over £50 was raised at the annual garden party organised on behalf of the Black Horse Drove Community Centre.

28--The Rev. A. A. Loades, Littleport Methodist Minister, conducted the closing down service at Brandon Creek Chapel.

**!!!** 29--Only eight committee members and two players attended the annual meeting of Littleport Town Football Club. The financial report revealed a loss of £90 on the past season.

## July.

2--Monthly meeting of Black Horse Drove Women's Institute. Mrs. J. Gilbert, of Littleport, gave a demonstration on floral arranging.

2--At the Red Cross centre, City Road, Mrs. R. W. Howard, quartermaster of the local detachment, was presented with the Long Service and Efficiency Badge.

At a meeting of the Over Sixties' Club, the Rev. A. A. Loades gave a talk on stories concerning fishermen mentioned in the Bible.

Miss Doris Strawson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Strawson of Millpit Furlong, obtained the Education Diploma at Reading University.

4--Marriage, at the Register Office, Ely, between Miss Brenda Smart, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Smart, of Hempfield Place, Littleport, and Mr.

Raymond Ashmore, of Sheffield. Both are deaf and dumb and met while on holiday at Great Yarmouth in 1963.

George Willett, of Littleport, became the Southern A.A.A. junior shot champion at Hurlingham, Fulham. His throw of 53 feet 5 3/4 inches broke his own record.

Marriage at St. Mary's Church, Ely, between Miss Eileen Partridge, of Ely, and Mr. Geoffrey Constable, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Constable, of Parsons Lane, Littleport.

5--Mr. Sidney Game was the speaker at Salvation Army meetings. Annual flower service celebrated at the Parish Church.

7--Ely Rural District Council again rejected a memorandum by the clerk (Mr. J. E. Ward) setting out how the public health department could assist individual councillors on housing management. The memorandum, prepared in February, was originally rejected, but was re-introduced by Coun. B. G. Wright, who proposed that it be adopted at parish level, so that any parish so desiring could make use of the assistance.

8--Mr. R. H. Gotobed presented the prizes at the Primary School sports (infants' classes).

9--Children of the County Primary School saw the Royal Tournament at Earls Court, London. The occasion was their annual outing. Outing to Cambridge of the local Darby and Joan Club. They visited Edwinstowe House, the Red Cross Residential Home. Littleport Martin School annual sports.

11--Ely and District Scouts' athletic meeting held at the Martin School playing field. The main Scout group competition for the Ely District Shield was won by the holders, 1st Littleport and in the Cub section Littleport were again the winners.

Members of Littleport Flower Arrangement Club won prizes at Long Sutton Agricultural Society's show. They were Mrs. J Gilbert—one first, one second; Mrs. B. Pilkington—one first, one second; Mrs. W. P. Register—one second, two thirds. Their entry in the inter-club competition was placed third.

12--The morning service at St. John's Methodist Church was conducted by the Rev. M. J. Skinner, from Wesley House College, Cambridge.

The speaker at the Salvation Army Hall was Miss Diane Cole, home on vacation from the London Salvation Army training college.

13--An exhibition was staged at the Primary School under the title of "Our Village". It took the form of a display of work by the pupils depicting aspects of village life and activities connected with that of Littleport.

Littleport firemen were called out to deal with a blaze involving 30 tons of straw and an adjoining timber shed belonging to Mr. Sidney King at Victoria Street. The shed was only slightly damaged but the straw was destroyed.

14--Meeting of Littleport Women's Institute. A short silence was observed to the memory of the late Mrs. S. A. Dennis, one of the oldest members of the branch.

**!!!** The new Littleport Police Station in High Street came into operational use. It cost about £12,000.

15--Juniors of Littleport Primary School held their annual sports. Champions were: High Jump—Second form—Martin Paul and Jane Howard; First form—Raymond Lee and Karen Key. Form Champions—Second form—Martin Paul and Linda Chapman; First form—Trevor Moden and Karen Key.

16--Mr. and Mrs. T. B. James, of Black Horse Drove, announced the engagement of their elder daughter Heather, to Mr. Harry Nicol, of Dunfermline, Fife.

17--Annual prize-giving at the Martin School. The prizes were presented by Mrs. Dorothy Newman, a lecturer at Melbourne University, Australia. She is the daughter of Mrs. B. Dade, of Church Street, Littleport.

18--Littleport Conservative Association's fete was held in the garden of Cresswell House, High Street, the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Bird. Sir Harry Legge-Bourke, M.P., and Lady Legge-Bourke attended.

Marriage, at St. Mary's Church, Ely, between Miss Valerie Sutcliffe, of Ely, and Mr. Melvyn Chapman, only son of Mr. and Mrs. S V Chapman, of Station Road, Littleport.

Soham Grammar School shot-putter George Willett of Littleport, was selected for England Schools against Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland at Cardiff after finishing second in the All-England Schools athletics championships which were held at Hendon.

21--Annual "open day" at the Primary School. A presentation was made to Miss Doris Cross on the occasion of her retirement.

**!!!** Scenes taken at the Primary School during the school's exhibition of "Our Village" were televised on the B.B.C.

22--Littleport Parish Council adopted a recommendation by the Cemetery Committee that burial fees be increased all round.

At a dinner given at the Lamb Hotel, Ely, by teachers of the Ely High School, presentations were made to Miss D. Defew to mark the occasion of her retirement

and in appreciation of the long and loyal service she had given to the school.

23--Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Wright returned to Black Horse Drove from America to visit Mrs. Wright's mother and relatives. Mrs. Wright was formerly Miss Brenda Nicholas and went with her husband to America seven years ago.

24--Golf—Jean Williams and Michael Pratt won the scratch prizes at an open junior tournament at Ely Golf Club. Michael is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Pratt of Victoria Street, Littleport.

25--Littleport's 75th Annual Show. In brilliant sunshine less than 3,000 people attended, 1,000 fewer than the previous year.

George Willett was second in the short putt event at the triangular schools match between England, Scotland and Wales, at Cardiff.

26--Annual Feast Sunday Parade organised by the Amalgamated Friendly Societies Charities Committee. The challenge cup for the best decorated vehicle went to the Littleport Red Cross Youth and Cadet entry. Collections amounted to £102.

31--Marriage at Moreton, Shropshire, between Mr. Anthony South, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert South, of The Crescent, Littleport, and Miss Sheila Gittens, of Crickheath, Shropshire. August.

2--Lively music by the British Legion Band attracted the attention of large crowds on the sea front at Hunstanton.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Day, of Longfield Road, Littleport, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

**!!!** 5--At the Ely swimming pool a 17 year old Littleport youth, Alan Southall, was rescued by Mr. Tom Scott, the pool attendant, after he had collapsed in the deep end of the pool.

7--The Rev. E. B. Wood, Vicar of St. Matthew's, was the special speaker at a meeting of the Over Sixties Club.

11--Special meeting of the local branch of the Ancient Order of Foresters. After members had heard a tribute and stood in silence in memory of the late Chief Ranger (Bro. T. B. Ambrose), the Sub-chief Ranger (Bro. A. Leggett) was installed as the new Chief Ranger.

After 20 years' service with the Red Cross, during 16 of which she had been Commandant of the Littleport detachment, Mrs. H. Rowell, of Ely Road, retired. To mark the gratitude of the detachment, and as a token of their esteem, a presentation was made to Mrs. Rowell at her home in the presence of members of the detachment, by Mrs. E. Thorpe, the newly appointed Commandant.

12--The British Legion Women's Section celebrated their 10th Anniversary. To mark the occasion they were entertained to a supper party by their president, Mrs. G. Peacock.

"Never a dull moment" was the unanimous opinion of the Over Seventies after the annual tea party organised for them by the Women's Institute.

Death reported at Teddington, Middlesex, of Mr. Alfred Spooner, formerly of New Road, Littleport. His widow was formerly Miss Agnes Lee, also of Littleport. Mr. Spooner was 72.

13--Mr. F. G. Starling of Littleport, who was recently appointed a Justice of the Peace, was welcomed to his first sitting of Ely Magistrates' Court.

!!! 14--A jury was told at an inquest in Ely, how James Ryder, a 25 year old Derby steel erector, fell over 100 feet to his death from an electric pylon which he was helping to construct in the Burnt Fen—Littleport area. They returned a verdict of "accidental death".

15--A floral arrangement display and art exhibition by local artists was held at the Odd Fellows' Hall in aid of the Swimming Pool Fund. Proceeds were £22 4s. 0d.

The Littleport Boys' Brigade company returned from a week's camp spent at Freshwater, Isle of Wight.

16--Angling—Arthur Shipp had a fine mixed bag of roach and bream totalling 8-10-11 to win the local club's Butcher Cup.

22--A motor scavenge hunt, followed by a dance, in aid of the Swimming Pool Fund, yielded £70. The organiser was Mr. D. Jefferson.

Mrs. Summers of Littleport, won two third prizes and a reserve with rabbits exhibited at March Rabbit Fanciers' Society's show.

23--A grand parade of decorated floats, with the music of three bands followed by a united open air service at Highfield, marked the opening of Littleport's Carnival Week. Collections for the Swimming Pool fund were £72 4s. 0d.

27--Diana R. Sparrow, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Sparrow, Ely Road, Littleport, was successful in the recent B.Sc.s. Special Chemistry Honours Examination of the University of London and on the result was awarded a D.S.I.R. Research Studentship for further work at Westfield College, University of London.

28--Mr and Mrs. John Fletcher, formerly of Black Horse Drove, now living at Denver, celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary.

With the harvest reaped and the intentional burning of the straw, and with the wind



taking control of the flames, local firemen had many calls.

29--Final day of Carnival Week. Following a non-stop programme of afternoon and evening entertainment at Highfield and a torchlight procession to Ponds Hill, the week closed with dancing to "The Sabres", announcement of the mammoth prize draw winners, and community singing, led by the British Legion Band.

Marriage, at St. Luke's Church, Cambridge, between Mr. Michael Peacock and Miss Jill Kerridge, both of Burnt Fen, Littleport.

Death of Mr. Arthur Townsend, of Mill Pit Furlong, a former licensee of the Plough and Harrow. He died at King's Lynn Hospital after being taken ill on the last day of a holiday at Hunstanton.

## September.

2--Littleport Women's Fellowship resumed their meetings after the summer break. A new member, Mrs. F. Watson, was welcomed.

3--Meeting of Black Horse Drove Women's Institute. Advice on first aid in the home was given by Mr. Bumpstead and Mr. Cross, of Littleport St. John Ambulance Brigade.

5--Ely Allotment Association's Fenland Horticultural Show. Littleport entries gained over thirty prizes, successful exhibitors being Mr. H. Youngs, Mrs. W. P. Register (Little Ouse), Mrs. J. Gilbert, Mr. C. Barber, Mrs. A. E. Oates, Mrs. L. V. Bowers. Mr. Youngs' exhibits gained most points in the show.

8--The Rev. Peter Sutton, a former Littleport resident, was instituted as Rector of Hamerton and Winwick, Hunts., at the Parish Church of All Saints. Mr. Sutton who was ordained in 1962 had been curate at Kippax, Yorkshire.

Littleport Women's Institute's 44th birthday party. Mrs. Peacock and Mrs. Purkis were presented with gifts of savings stamps for their new babies.

9--Littleport Parish Council agreed to increase the fees paid to ministers for burials from 15/- to £1.

**!!!** It was revealed that Littleport and District Nursing Association had decided to operate the "Meals on Wheels" service for the needy in Littleport.

13--Victoria Street Methodist Church harvest festival. Well known visitors were Mr. and Mrs. E. Youngs, formerly of Littleport.

Staff and pupils of St. John's Methodist Sunday School bade farewell to Nurse Biart who was returning to the Zambesi Mission in Nyasaland to continue her missionary work.

19--Garden fete at Little Ouse. The profit of £138 was shared by St. John's Church, Brandon Bank Methodist Church and the County Primary School.

Ian Rose, second son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Rose, of Black Horse Drove, was awarded a second prize in connection with a painting competition, at Heffers Art Gallery, Cambridge.

19--An Autumn fair, organised by the Over Sixties' Club, raised £90.

20--A 75 year old man on a fishing trip at Littleport collapsed and died outside the Black Horse public house, Sandhill Bridge. He was Mr. Ralph Lawton of Leicester.

21--Last day of a Floral Festival held in the Parish Church. The festival, organised by Mrs. Payne, raised £100 for Church funds. 800 people signed the visitors' book.

22--In the amalgamated Cambridgeshire and Isle of Ely County Council elections, Mr. William Leggett of Hempfield Place, Littleport, was elected to represent Littleport East, and Mr. Francis Darby, of Pymoor, to represent Littleport West.

23--Speaking at the centenary dinner of the Cambridgeshire and Isle of Ely Agricultural Society at St. John's College, Cambridge, the President (Mr. J. H. Martin, of Littleport) said the Society's ideal was to acquire a permanent showground.

24--Successful local candidates in summer examinations at the Isle of Ely College of Further Education, Wisbech, were: M. J. Register, A. Cobbin, M. A. Jordan, W. Padget, C. L. Harrison, R. Dixon, J. Stoneman, J. A. Cobbin.

**!!!** 25--Meeting of the Swimming Fool Fund Committee. It was stated that the fund had now passed the £5,000 mark.

G.C.E. Results at Martin School, Littleport, were: "A" level— M. A. Walters, art. "O" level—O. Murfitt, English language; E. A. Harley, English language; A. P. Watson, English language; R. North, commerce; R. Dixon, woodwork; M. Bond, technical drawing; E. A. Clift, mathematics, woodwork and technical drawing; Paul T. Davies, mathematics, art and geometry and building drawing; B. Finlayson, technical drawing; B. Bye, English language; C. Horton, English literature, history, mathematics and needlework; P. Scott, Bible knowledge, history and cookery.

26--Marriage, at St. Mary's Church, Ely, between Miss Jane Neville, only daughter of Mr. A. E. Neville and the late Mrs. Neville, of Ely Road, Littleport, and Mr. Peter Fuller of Wicken.

Littleport firemen fought an extensive land fire at Deepney Drove where 700 square yards of dykeside and drove were alight.

30--Meeting of Littleport Women's Fellowship. Mrs. J. T. Woods, secretary-

treasurer, resigned after a long term of office.

## October.

1--P.c. J. E. Evison, stationed at Littleport, was appointed a detective-constable.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Maitland, of Millfield, Littleport, announced the engagement of their daughter, Norma, to Mr. Paul Wade of Ely.

4--A special harvest organ recital with community hymn singing, followed Evensong at the Parish Church. It was arranged by the organist, Mr. A. L. Covill.

7--Annual general meeting of the British Legion Women's Section. Mrs. T. Sallis was congratulated on retaining the Group "E" standard bearers' cup for highest marks.

10--The proceeds of Littleport Women's Institute's "Scotch Fair", prize draw and bingo, amounted to £140. A preliminary to the opening was the parade led by the British Legion Band.

12--Parishioners of Littleport St. Matthew's made a presentation to the Rev. E. B. Wood, who was leaving to continue his ministry at Balham, London. He had been Vicar of St. Matthew's for two years.

13--"Berenice", a local hair stylist, gave a demonstration of hair styling at the monthly meeting of the Women's Institute.

**!!!** 14--Ely Rural District Council approved an £8,500 office extension scheme, a greatly reduced plan when compared with a previously considered scheme costing £47,000.

18 residents of the Portley Hill area sent a petition to Ely Rural District Council protesting against the plan to make a new rubbish tip in that area.

**!!!** The chief public health inspector told a meeting of Ely Rural District Council that plans were in hand to remedy "unpleasant smells" in the Main Street, Hitches Street and Wellington Street areas of Littleport.

15--General Election—Sir Harry Legge-Bourke was re-elected Conservative M.P. for the Isle of Ely.

The head teacher (Mr. W. P. Register) and staff of Little Ouse County Primary School were congratulated by the Isle of Ely Education Committee on the report of H.M. Inspector following an inspection of the school.

17--Miss Diana Stanley, only daughter of Mrs. H. Bent, of Ely Road, Littleport and the late Mr. S. R. Stanley, was married at the Catholic Church of St. Etheldreda, Ely,

to Mr. Alexander Swanson, of Bootle, Lanes.

Thieves broke into the home of Mr. John Rees, 38a, Wisbech Road. They made off with about £60 in cash and jewellery worth about £40.

19--Funeral at Southery, of Mrs. Edith Greenacre, of Victoria Street, she was 73.

22--Funeral, at March, of Miss Annie Peacock, of Black Horse Drove. She was 73

25--Twenty-three Littleport anglers made a round trip of 160 miles to the river Bure near Great Yarmouth, to fish for their outing trophy. The total catch was a one-ounce dab.

!!! An egg cracked by Mrs H Wilson, of Council Houses, Little Ouse, contained four yolks.

28--The speaker at the Autumn group meeting of Women's Institute's held in the Constitutional hall was Mme.PLanghorne, a French embassy lecturer, from Paris, whose subject was the Resistance movement in France during the last war.

28--It was reported at a meeting of the Isle of Ely County Fire Services Committee at March, that the owner of the site near St George's Church, Littleport, wanted for a fire station and also a clinic, was unwilling to sell by agreement.

29--Senior pupils of the Martin School received news of one of their classmates, Kaye Guest, now living in America. Kaye is the grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lofts, of Crown Lane She left Littleport in June with her mother and step-father Tech / Sgt. and Mrs. Alex Koloclka, for Oklahoma.

31--County Primary School Autumn Fair. The sum of £100 5s 0d was raised.

Articles of clothing were stolen from a clothes line at 49, Wisbech Road. They were the property of Mr. and Mrs. D. Palmer.

## November.

4--A number of highway improvements in Littleport were discussed by the Highways Committee of the Isle of Ely County Council. The road causing most controversy was Upton Lane.

!!! 5--The first of Littleport's voluntary workers for the "Meals on Wheels" scheme set off at mid-day, with delicious hot meals for twelve elderly folk in the village.

6--Mrs. D. Newman, a former Littleport resident home on holiday from Australia, was the speaker at a meeting of the Over Sixties' Club.

7--St. Matthew's Church annual sale. It was opened by Mrs. B. Everitt, of Wilburton,

and realised £118.

8--Remembrance Sunday—Littleport's tribute to the fallen took the form of a memorial parade followed by a united service at the Parish Church.

Fireman G. S. Murfitt, of Parsons Lane, Littleport, represented the Isle of Ely Fire Service at the Remembrance Service in Whitehall, London.

10--Mrs Sidney Game spoke of her holiday in the Holy Land to members of the Methodist Wives' Fellowship.

13--Annual meeting of Littleport Ex-Servicemen's Club. A membership of 400 was reported.

!!! 18--Littleport Parish Council approved the plan for Gashouse Green, which provides for partial grassing of the green and restriction of parking to cars. Previously heavy vehicles had parked there causing a number of complaints from the elderly residents' by nighttime arrivals and departures.

!!! Littleport Parish Council decided that the bandstand on the recreation ground should be demolished to platform level.

19--It was revealed that total Poppy Day collections in Littleport and district amounted to £221. The organiser was Mrs. L. Rowell.

19--News received of the death in tragic circumstances of a former Littleport woman, Mrs. Hilda Moulding. The widow of the late Mr. George Harwood, Mrs. Moulding lived at 19, Friars Place, before leaving for Walton, Peterborough, on her re-marriage eight years ago. She was found drowned in a dyke near her home after being missing for several days.

21--Meeting of the Isle of Ely Women's Institute's County Executive Mrs. G. Law, of Littleport, agreed to allow her name to be submitted as a trainee V.C.O.

St. John's Methodist Church Christmas Fair held in the Constitutional Hall realised £75. It was opened by Mrs D Queieley of Newmarket, formerly of Littleport.

22--Angling—Sixteen year old Tony Feltwell, the youngest member of the Littleport club, won the individual first prize in the first match of the Isle of Ely (S) Winter League at Manea.

26--Engagement announced between Rita, only daughter of Mrs. R. E. Thornhill, of High Street, Littleport, and the late Mr Thornhill, and John, only son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Youngs, of Black Horse Drove.

27--Annual meeting of Littleport Horticultural and Foal Show Society. The balance sheet revealed a loss of about £90 on the 1964 show.



28--Salvation Army Christmas Fair. Opened by Mrs. T. B. James, of Black Horse Drove, the event brought in £44.

Littleport Bowls Club Annual Dinner. Trophies won during the season were presented to:—Mrs. J. Gilbert, Messrs. S. Rogers, P. Morton, Tony George, P. Jackson and A. See. Mr. Geoff. Starling received a prize as best newcomer.

The Cambs and Isle of Ely County British Legion billiards competition was won by Mr. C. Baker, of Littleport.

29--Evening worship at St John's Methodist Church took the form of a dedication service to Sunday School teachers. It was conducted by the Rev. A.A.Loades

30--At a meeting of the Isle of Ely Education Committee it was reported that Mr Patrick Lawrence, of Turvey, Bedford, had been appointed teacher leader at the Littleport Youth Centre as from May 1st, 1965.

It was reported at a meeting of the Isle of Ely Education Committee that Miss M. Davy, Headmistress of Littleport Primary School, had been nominated on the working party for Primary schools in the Ely area, set up for the organisation of and selection for secondary education.

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