My dear Friends,

At the County boundary of Dorset on the road between Ringwood and Wimborne, there is a notice which reads 'Dorset police check speed by radar'.

I wish the Dorset police would check the speed of the cars which come through Bere Regis! They would soon have their note books full to overflowing. Some of the cars come down the hill past the Vicarage at a fantastic pace, one went by me last week which must have been doing at least 60, and many others almost as fast.

It is a sad comment on the selfishness of the age, that people who live in a village such as this are almost afraid to cross their own village street because people have not got the common decency to wait for them.

Winterbourne Kingston suffers almost as badly with the traffic too from Blandford.

It is very odd to think that Winterbourne Kingston is not allowed to have a 30 m.p.h. limit because, so I am told, there are no pavements in the village. I should have thought that this was a reason for a limit not against.

How oddly our laws work sometimes.

May I wish any of you going on holiday during August a very happy time and good weather.

Your sincere friend and Vicar,
Paul Tranter.

BRITISH LEGION
WOMEN'S SECTION, BERE REGIS & DISTRICT BRANCH.

The Branch held a successful garden fete at White Lovington (by kind permission of their President, Miss Llewelin) on June 20th. The sun shone brightly this year in contrast to the weather last year when the event had to be transferred to the W.I. Hut.

Miss E. Lys, Branch Chairman, introduced Mrs. Napier, the County Chairman who opened the Fete - Stall holders did a brisk trade resulting in a Profit of £40 for Women's Section Funds and the Disabled Men's Industries stall sold £16.18.11d. worth of goods.

Competition winners were, Mr. Shrimpton, Mrs. Chaldecott, Mrs. David Hewitt, Miss E. Lys, Mrs. Deakin, Mrs. Knight, Mrs. Herridge, Mr. S. Toop.

The July Branch Meeting was held at Winterbourne
BERE REGIS FOOTBALL CLUB.

Wish to announce a Skittle Tournament on the Car Park of Royal Oak (by kind permission of Mr. D. Powell) on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, August 3rd, 4th, and 5th. Your support is needed.

We are also providing a Dance at the Drax Hall, Bere Regis on Saturday, September 2nd. Music by the 'Flamingo Four'.

BERE REGIS WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

June being a month for flowers, our meeting was enjoyed when Mrs. Herridge gave a demonstration on Floral Arrangements, it was one of our quiet meetings this year, as everyone was so interested in her work.

Mrs. R. Ricketts thanked Mrs. Herridge at the end of the meeting. Mrs. Dawson was welcomed as a new member, then the meeting closed with Auld Lang Syne.

On August 29th the President and Committee's evening will be held in the W.I. Hut at 7 p.m.

Please don't forget our Summer Show on August 19th in the W.I. Hut at 3 p.m.

R. Barnes.

THE SCHOOL.

Some of the pupils took part in the Bovington Folk Dance Festival.

We have also played cricket and rounder matches against Affpuddle School.

Some of the older children visited Poole Pottery and the Old Town Hall, Poole.

A very interesting and instructive talk was given by a Wareham Police Officer on Road Safety and on the care and maintenance of bicycles.

S. J. E.

PARISH CHURCH GARDEN PARTY, 1961.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS.

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Balance - being Extra draw £113. 17. 4. profit £107. 15. 10.

£113. 17. 4.

S. J. Endacott. Hon. Treas.

HISTORY OF BERE REGIS - 2.

KING JOHN'S REIGN, 1199-1216. (continued)

The King's residences at this time consisted not of one large building, but a number of smaller buildings. These were grouped around a court, and formed an enclosure usually bounded by a wall and sometimes a moat, with a gatehouse at the principal entrance. The buildings comprised a hall, King's chamber, Queen's chamber, Chapel, cellar, kitchen, granary and stables, including the King's garden and vivarium or fish pond. All these buildings were quite separate, but were sometimes linked by covered ways. They were not always of stone, especially the less important buildings, but were sometimes of timber construction with plastered panels, rather like the half timbered buildings of the Tudor period. The whole group was known as "The King's Houses" and sufficient evidence of them exist at Gillingham. Cr anborne and elsewhere for a general idea of their layout and general appearance to be deduced.

The site of King John's houses at Bere was obviously Court...
Green, as its name implies, and the existing walls on the South and East sides are built on the site of the original enclosing wall. In fact near the South-East corner some of the original thirteenth century stone and flint work can still be seen. It is a great pity that this wall is in such a bad state of repair as most of it undoubtedly dates from the fifteenth century when the Turbervilles' manor house was erected on this site.

In the South-East corner of Court Green is an excavated area with a spring running into an arched opening which must connect with the river. This must surely be the remains of the vivarium. Court Green seems to have been but little disturbed since King John's time, and I feel sure that systematic excavations would reveal the foundations of this group of buildings, in addition to those of the later Turberville house.

(to be continued). F.P. Pitfield.

BERE REGIS SPORTS CLUB

The Sports Club Committee have decided to organise a "Fete" on the recreation ground on Saturday, August 12th. Commencing at 2 p.m. with Children's Sports. The Official Opening will take place at approximately 3.30 p.m. by Miss Ruby Murray, well known Recording, Stage and Television Star, now appearing at Weymouth. This will be followed by a marching display of the Band of the Weymouth Sea Cadets. At approximately 4.15 p.m. a baby show will be held (3 age groups, announcement later) followed by adult sports. Also amongst the afternoon attractions will be a Showman's Traction Engine and Frogmans Static Display, and up to 15 Sideshows.

Entrance to the field will be: Adults 6d. Children over 5 years 3d. Cars 1/-d. (including driver).

Following the "Fete" a Dance will be held in the Drax Hall commencing at 8 p.m. Dancing to the Music of the Revellers. Entrance 3/-d. Licensed Bar applied for.

I sincerely hope the people of Bere Regis and district will give this venture wholehearted support.

T. Mooney, Hon. Secretary.

BERE REGIS CRICKET CLUB

At the Annual General Meeting held in March, the following Officers were elected for the 1961 Season.

Chairman: Mr. B. Talbot. Vice-Chairman: Mr. W.F. Lys.
Hon. Secretary: Mr. L. Lewis. Asst. Secretary: Mr. R. Howe.
Saturday Capt.: Mr. J. Hyde. Vice-Captain: Mr. L. Lewis.
Evening League Capt.: Mr. C. Barnes.

The Club members through the Parish Magazine take the opportunity to express their gratitude to the officers for the work done on their behalf, also to the ladies who make such excellent arrangements for teas, and to the gentlemen who have donated so generously towards the provision of equipment.

Evening League Results kindly supplied by the Official Scorer.

Mr. R. Howe:

Bere Regis 51. Maiden Newton 50.
" 27. Bride Vale 41.
" 46. Colliton Park 87.
" 65. Puddletown 23.
" 106. Dorchester Wanderers 85.
" 71. A.E. Establishment 71.
" 94. Y.M.C.A. 111.
" 92. A.E. Establishment 75.
" 98. Frampton 91.

Remaining Fixtures for August:
August 5th. Upwey & Broadway. H.
7th. Portland Red Triangle. H.
19th. Wessex Wanderers. H.
26th. Dorchester Wanderers. H.

BERE REGIS MOTHERS' UNION

I hope to re-start this Branch during this autumn, and for this purpose I shall be calling a meeting at the latter end of September, for all those interested.

The time and date of the meeting will be announced in next month's Magazine.

P. J. Tranter.

BERE REGIS CARNIVAL COMMITTEE

At a meeting of the Carnival Committee, held on Wednesday, July 5th, the Treasurer's Report was presented and adopted.

Owing to the indifferent weather the net proceeds were very much lower than in previous years, the total being £86. 2. 4d. From this donations were made to the following:

Weymouth Sea Cadets 5. 0. 0.
Poole Sea Cadets 5. 0. 0.
Dorset County Constabulary 5. 0. 0.
Special Police 1. 10. 0.
Bere Regis Sports Club 20. 0. 0.
BERE REGIS SANCTUARY FLOWER GUILD

August 6th.  Mrs. Talbot.
August 13th.  Mrs. Talbot.
August 20th.  Miss Llewellyn.
August 27th.  Mrs. Goldsack.

J. D. Talbot, Hon. Sec.

CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS - WINTERBOURNE KINGSTON.

Sunday School.

Senior Girls with their Teachers were amongst the large congregation which attended the Diocesan Children's Festival in the Cathedral Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Salisbury, on the 17th June.

It was a very impressive service, and the procession of banners, almost one hundred in number, showed that we were amongst Sunday School representatives from all parts of the Diocese.

The address was given by the Right Reverend the Bishop of Sherborne, whose brother is the Bishop of Gambia and the Rio Pongas, and the Alms at the service were presented for the Bishop's work in that Diocese. An exhibition in the Chapter House portraying the life and work of the Gambian people was of full of interest.

Tea in the grounds of the Old Palace added to the social side of the occasion.

At a later date we attended a Garden Meeting, arranged by the Dorchester and District Deaneries Sunday School Association, at St. George's Vicarage, Dorchester, when we saw a Demonstration Lesson given to a class of Juniors, and this proved to be an instructive as well as an enjoyable evening. Refreshments were provided by Members of St. George's Church.

E. M. S.

WINTERBOURNE KINGSTON MOTHERS' UNION.

I am glad to say our Mothers' Union is flourishing! The May meeting was held, through the kindness of Mrs. Sheppard, at Notting. The Vicar gave the address, after which we all enjoyed a most sumptuous tea provided by Mrs. Sheppard - I hope she will invite us again!

In July we had our usual Quarterly Corporate Communion, and combined Admittance Service when two new members were admitted most encouraging. The Vicar was The Celebrant and Preacher. This was followed by tea in the W.I. Hut served by Mrs. S. Miller and Mrs. D. Legg.

There will be no August meeting, of course, but we shall be starting again in September, with, I hope, large numbers.

P. J. Tranter.

WINTERBOURNE KINGSTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

REMINDER - Send or bring your entries please for the Flower Show Classes to the W.I. Hall - Tuesday 8th August - 6.0 p.m. to 9.0 p.m.

The Garden Meeting at West Acres by invitation of Mrs. R. Thorne was enjoyed in ideal weather.

A collection organised by the W.I. for the Cancer Campaign amounted to £7.10.0d. including £2.13.2d. from Anderson and Tomson.

Thanks are due to Mrs. Barnes, Mrs. Brayshaw, Mrs. Hawker, Mrs. P. House and Mrs. J. Pitcher for collecting.

Future programme: -

August - No W.I. Meeting.
August 12th. - Flower and Vegetable Show and Fete 3.0 p.m. onwards.
Skittling 11th and 12th August.
September 6th. Competition - "Best 3 months programme". This should make for novel ideas for 1962.

E. M. S.

WINTERBOURNE KINGSTON - PARISH COUNCIL.

New Swings for the Children's Playing Corner at the Recreation Field have arrived and the Parish Councillors are doing their best to get these erected as soon as possible. It is hoped they will add further enjoyment to the many of the younger generation.

E. M. S. Clerk.

WINTERBOURNE KINGSTON CRICKET CLUB.

Until this past week the sun has continued to shine on our efforts; although some of us have felt a little dim on occasions.

Watching Test Matches on the "Telly" is very instructive - however, habits are catching and our batting too has been a little
brittle.

After the recent epidemic of split bats we hope that the "middles" of the new ones will be used more frequently.

We hear that the Head Groundsman has asked a certain member to bring his spade and several pieces of turf when next he plays. Are his boots like Clementines?

G.R.

WINTERBOURNE KINGSTON - RECREATION FIELD COMMITTEE.

The Skittle Board is being of great use both at 'home' and 'abroad'. It can be hired within a radius of six miles.

Money raising efforts are being discussed for the upkeep of the Field, under the chairmanship of Mr. G. Richards. It is hoped that further equipment for maintaining the Field will be purchased shortly.

E.M.S.

FROM THE CHURCH REGISTERS.

BERE REGIS.

MARRIAGES.

June 24th. Julian Chase Smith to Beatrice Eva McDonald.
June 28th. William Bertie Wellstead to Kathleen Mary Cobb.
July 8th. Brian Keith Hollingshead to Shirley Ann Coutts.

HOLY BAPTISM

July 3rd. Brian Keith Hollingshead.

BURIALS.

July 8th. Florence Kate Barnes. 76 years.

WINTERBOURNE KINGSTON.

HOLY BAPTISM.

June 18th. Marigold Susan Bentley.
July 16th. Richard Cliff.

BURIAL.

June 17th. Ernest Edward Painter. 56 years.

"SMALL ADS."

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BERE REGIS.