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#### Editorial

#### No future in it.

Because most of us have enjoyed the security of an established home and loving parents we enter the exciting adult world with a sense of adventure but with the comfort of feeling that behind us is a secure haven. All too soon we find that we in our turn must build such a haven from which our children may plan their lives and we find too that in addition to security we must find and hand on a sense of purpose.

It is because both the security and the sense of purpose are vital to our peace of mind, to our day to-day happiness, that most of us to-day have an underlying feeling of unhappiness, of discontent and frustration. Of the two, a sense of purpose is the more important, for in sharing a dangerous and difficult road with others whom one can call "friend" it is the community of strength, goodwill, tolerance and selflessness which makes one forget the hardships and the insecurity in a striving for a common objective. We had such a common objective during the war years and with the "V"

Days we found ourselves, like the donkey, without a carrot to strive for. We forget that there is still much which *we* must do if we are to build a haven from which our children and their children can set forth to achieve the undying purpose of man.

This haven can only be built with the bricks and mortar of personal relationships. The foundations are the relations between members of the family, between friends and neighbours, and it is only when these foundations are strong that the mighty haven of national and World Security can be built.

It is, therefore, encouraging to know that Bookham has made a start by forming a Community Association which can, if the people will it, provide the opportunity for personal relations which in due time will bring forth the sense of purpose for which we yearn and without which there can be no future.

The Leatherhead U.D.C. are preparing a scheme for the construction of public conveniences at The Crown, Great Bookham and Preston Cross, Little Bookham.

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### The Bookham Social Service Bureau

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Some 15 years ago nine wellknown Bookham women met and decided to start an association under the above title. At that time unemployment was rife and the Bureau formed a strong executive committee which resulted in the using of a good number of local unemployed (there were over 100 registered) in the making of the bowling green, as well as the sand pit and swings in the children's corner of the recreation ground. In addition, transport of patients to hospitals and clinics, the provision of clothes for poor children and the maintaining of maternity necessities, etc.

Its journal the "Bulletin," was first published towards the end of 1933. The social service work, including the supply of milk to school children continued year after year, but gradually dwindled until just before the outbreak of war it consisted of two annual distributions of gifts to the poor and other assistance in the few cases that were discovered. The strength of the committee similarly diminished.

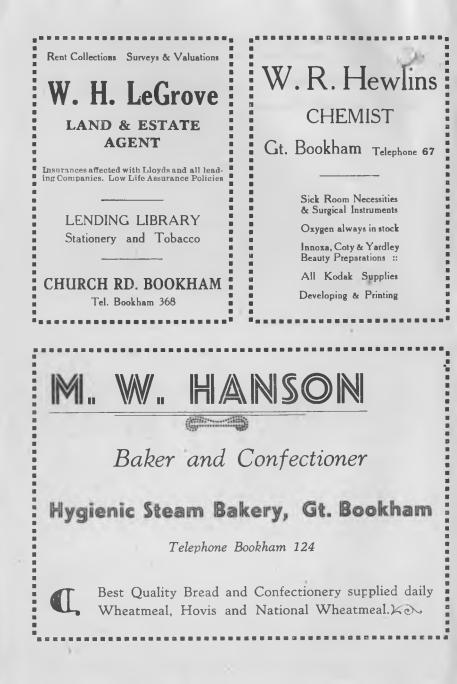
Some years ago it was ascertained that a few people were receiving gifts from three organisations, and in order to obtain a more equable division of the funds available, the Bureau co-operated with Bookham United Charities, British Legion and others.

All work in connection with this journal, except the printing, is voluntary, and the source of income for charitable distribution is the advertisements. It is therefore the local traders who by their kind support keep the Bureau alive. The accounts are made up and audited annually.

Mention has been made of the Bookham United Charities, which body is under the absolute control of the Charity Commissioners, whose local representatives are one life trustee, one ex-officio chairman trustee, three co-optative trustees, and two nominated trustees (nominated by Leatherhead U.D.C.) R.A.

At a recent meeting of the Bookham Social Service Bureau, the first since 1940, the question of the Bureau's position in relation to the newly-formed Community Association was raised. If both are to function fully, there will be considerable overlapping of activities which will call for some positive action for its elimination. R.B.

At this season of the year and with more traffic on the roads than for some years, take every care to avoid accidents. Thoughtlessness is the cause of most accidents.



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#### The Bookham Social Service Bureau

Summary of Accounts 1939-1946

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Balance bt. forward Advertisers' fees Donations	31 317	1 9 11	0 0 4	Printing 28 issues of "Bulletin" Distributions of Coal	250	18	0
United Charities	1	8	0	and Provisions	58	3	5
				Sundries	2	18	2
				United Charities	1	8	8
				Balance	37	1	1
	£350	9	4		£350	9	4

Nov. 1st, 1946 Balance fwd. £37 1 1

> Note by Hon. Treasurer.—This summary is compiled from the detailed Accounts kept for the 8 years, all of which, except the 1946 A/c, have been duly audited and found correct.—W.O.G. May 12th, 1947

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#### **A Bus Suggestion**

Leatherhead U.D.C. have been in negotiation with the L.P.T.B. to alter the terminal point of Route 418 from Preston Cross to Little Bookham Post Office. The Board have refused on the grounds of the inconvenience to their passengers at Preston Cross (? both of them). What would certainly be a considerable improvement is to fix the terminus at the Station, sending buses via Church Road and Preston Cross alternately. This would give an improved service to passengers using Bookham station who are so often exasperated to see a bus drive off before they can get out of the station.

Will it be too much to hope



that with the nationalisation of transport there will be co-operation between buses and trains at Bookham? The last 418 bus to Kingston often waits 20 minutes for the last 432 from Guildford, but very rarely will a bus wait 20 seconds at Bookham station for passenders off a train that is already in !!

#### **Bookham Pie Centre**

The Gt. Bookham Pie Centre was set up by the Council at a total capital cost of £360 and the total net profits to the 31st March 1947 were £385, which are being applied to the redemption of the capital outlay.



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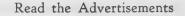
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#### **Brighter Bookham**

What a difference a splash of new paint is making to the shops in the High Street. How much cleanliness and good repair add to the charm and appearance of well being in this village of ours. The shopkeeper on the top road is to be congratulated on his use of secondhand bricks to make a weatherproof path and ornamental flower beds in front of his shop. His example should be followed by the owners of many untidy forecourts to shops in other parts of the village.

It is time something was done about controlling fly-posting in Bookham. Casual visitors must think that we spend half our time dancing at the Church House, judging by the number of posters exhibited at various places. One of the chief hoardings has been cleared away with the demolition of the public air-raid shelters, but with the Leatherhead U.D.C. an offender with its election notices, what can we do about it ?

Another form of thoughtless selfishness is the lack of control over dogs which do much damage to gardens and particularly the Eastwick allotments.

Cycling on footpaths is further thoughtlessness which would be checked if there was a prosecution or two.

What is your pet aversion in this village of Bookham and have you any suggestions for a Brighter Bookham.

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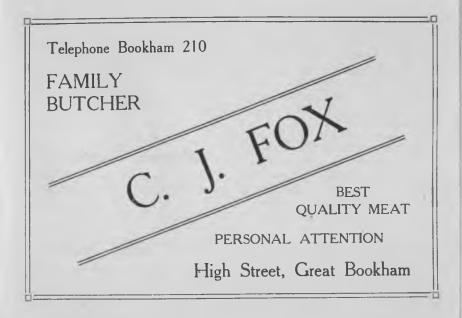
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#### Bookham Community Association

At a public meeting held 30th April, 1947, the formation of the Bookham Community Association was approved and the original development committee re-elected to draft a constitution and set of The meeting was one of rules. the best held in Bookham for a long time and many sides of the question were debated with vigour and applause. No organisation need fear the advent of the Community idea in Bookham. Competition with existing halls and societies need not cause any apprehension to anybody. The Community Association aims to develop a greater community spirit by encouraging groups to work together and increase their strength by co-operating with others in the village. It may overlap the work of the Residents' Association to a certain extent but it is hoped to secure their whole-hearted support and endeavour to secure the greatest good for the village. There are certain questions in village life which should only be solved by using common sense and native wit but which so often are sponsored by a party, political or otherwise, and when a solution is achieved, used for the advancement of the power of that party. If there is a strong representative Community Assoc. local questions will be taken up and solved on their merits not according to any central party behest.

#### **County Library**

Great Bookham Old Barn Hall (Local Librarian—Mrs. White, Grey Tiles, Lower Road). Open Mondays 7-8.30 p.m. and Fridays 2.30-4.30 p.m.

Little Bookham Village Hall (Local Librarian-Mrs. Bottrell, Beer Cottage, Water Lane). Open Mondays 4-5.0 p.m.

#### **Postal Facilities**

The Council continues to press for improved postal facilities in Bookham. The last collection at the post office is now 6 p.m. instead of 5 p.m., but that gives little chance to send a reply away the same night particularly if the post arrives after one has left home in the morning. Bearing in mind that letters still cost  $2\frac{1}{2}d$ ., that the G.P.O. made a very large surplus last year and the number of postal workers has increased, there are very good grounds for securing more adequate postal facilities.

#### L.U.D.C. Cesspool Charges

The charge for emptying cesspools by the Leatherhead U.D.C. will be increased to 30/- per cesspool from 1st July next.

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All alterations and additions should be sent to Hon. Editor, Bookhams Bulletin Jonod, Dowlans Road. Bookham 465

Boys' Brigade

D. G. Čook, J.P. Flushings Farm Bookham 320

Baptist Church Hall Monday 6 30

Boy Scouts

G.S.M. L. R. Hutchison, M.C. Maddox Farm, L.Bookham Tel. 47 Scout Hall Thursday 7 15

Group Committee

G. Balch, Little Place, Meadowside

British Legion (Effingham & Bookham) F. Shrubshall, Ritasoli, Orestan Lane Legion Hall, Lower Road

Bowling Club

W. E. Ebsworth,

- Vigo, St. Nicholas Avenue Dorking Road Recreation Ground
- Brotherhood
  - J. L. Cohen, Winscott, Downsway Bookham 125

Victoria Temp. Hotel Tuesdays at 8 Congregational Church 1st Sunday 3

Camera Club Mrs. Stephens, Newholme, Hale Pit Road Bookham 2758 Co-operative Hall Fridays 7 30

- Chess Club-A. S. Keane, Stepping Stones, Woodlands Road
- Choral Society L. R. Neville, Lone Pine, Lower Rd
  - Bookham 2075 Congrel. Church Hall Tuesdays 80
- Citizens' Advice Bureau 14 Waterloo Road, Epsom Tel. 9205

Civil Defence Sports & Social Club C. T. Burberry, 1 Pretoria Cottages Church House Tuesdays 7

Christian Endeavour G. McIntosh, Sarum, Eastwick Rd Baptist Church Hall Wednesday 7 45

Children's Circle, Co-operative Mrs. Davies, Rosemarie, Howard Rd Co-operative Hall Tuesdays Juniors 6 0 Seniors 7 0

- Congregational Church Guild Congl. Church Hall Thursdays 730
- Folk Dancing R. Lambert, Foure Wynds, Hale Pit Rd Bookham 2202 Church House, alternate Sats. 5 p.m.
- Garden Society Mrs. Niland, Kinwarton, Commonside Annual Show last Wednesday in July
- Girls' Friendly Society & Girls' Club Miss Trickett, Tetbury, Dowlans Rd The Spinney Mondays 730
- Girl Guides Miss Loveless, Chetnole, Eastwick Dv Scout Hall<sup>-</sup> Fridays Brownies 515 Guides 630 Rangers 80
- Girls' Life Brigade
  - Miss B. Etherington, Meadow View Childs Hall Road
    - Baptist Church Hall Thursdays Cadets 5 Juniors 615 Seniors 715
- Goat Society Miss Rigg, Green Acres, The Park
- Hospital Linen Guild Mrs. Chaston, Dolwaenydd, Lower Road Bookham 396
  - Leatherhead Hospital Tuesdays and Thursdays 10 to 4 (Mending Party Tuesdays 10 30 to 12 30)
- Hospital League, W. Surrey & Aldershot Mrs. Barrie, Dundonald, Sole Fm Rd

Hospital Savings Association Mrs. E. A. Bull, Waverley, Dowlans Road Bookham 103 At home 1st & last Monday each month

- Life Boys Mrs. Palmer, Groudley Glen, School Lane, Fetcham
  - Baptist Church Hall Tuesdays 60



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#### **Directory**—cont.

- Literary & Social Society Mrs. Bowen, Sunnycot, Lower Road Bookham 542
  - Church House, Alternate Weds. 815
- National British Women's T. A. Union Mrs. Bradshaw, 2 Merrylands Road Cong'l Church Hall 2nd Tues. at 3
- N.S.P.C.C.—Inspector G. H Ferguson 46 Agraria Rd. Guildford Tel. 5999
- Nursing Association Mrs. Emuss, The Hermitage, Lower Road Bookham 80
  - District Nurses Home Leatherhead Road (near Beckley) Bookham 347
- Howard of Effingham Secondary School Parents' Association
  - L. W. Earle, 4 Fairfield Cottages Meetings at School
- Residents Association (Bookham) F. Cooper, Frantina, Keswick Road Bookham 360
- Bookham Rifle Club D.Rattenbury, Latchington, Drkg Rd Bookham Grove Weekends

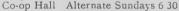
Senior Scouts R. Bishop, Jonod, Dowlans Road Bookham 465 Scout Hall Annexe Fridays 7 30

- Scout Recreation Club J. D. Coomber, Eversley, Blackthorn Road Bookham 2680 Scout Hall Saturdays 7 0
- Social Service Bureau R. Andrews, Five Beeches, Dorking Road Bookham 201
- Bookham Spiritualist Church Mrs. Brooks, Beckley Lodge Tel.281 Co-op. Hall Sundays
- Wolf Cubs R. Lawrence, High Street Scout Hall Tuesdays 5 30
- Women's Institute Mrs. West, Melrose Dawnay Road Bookham 2251
- Women's Fellowship Mrs. Williams, 2 The Park
- Church House Mondays 2:30 Women's Own
- Mrs. G. H. Cook, Mount View, The Mount, Fetcham Baptist Church Hall Mondays 30

- Young Conservatives W. Ashley, Ivy Cottage, Leatherhead Road
- Young Farmers Club John Parrett, Nanjizell, Eastwick Dv Bookham 2784
- Young People's Guild, St. Nicolas H. W. Alexander Church House
- Young People's Society A.W. Halse, High Willows, Lower Rd Baptist Church Hall Saturdays 730
- Co-operative Youth Club W. Cooper, The Croft, Dowlans Rd Co-operative Hall Wednesdays 7 30
- Bookham & Effingham Youth Council Miss Roberts, Preston Fm. Bkhm 130
- Bookham Labour Party Mrs. Harrison Commonend, Eastwick Dv. Tel.2702 Co-operative Hall 1st Mondays 80

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