

Village Notes. For the past nineteen years, everyone in the Village has known that in times of illness or accident, they could confidently turn for help to our District Nurse, Miss Susan Davidson. Without thought for her own convenience, she has, at all hours of the day or night, given unstinted attention to anyone who might need it and in so doing, has gained our respect and affection.

At the end of April, she will retire from District Nursing, and we would like to place on record our heartfelt appreciation of her generous services in Braunston and District, and wish her many happy years of retirement.

Often we hear adverse criticism of the younger generation, but the senior citizens of the Village have reason to be grateful to the Girl Guides for kind gifts prompted by generous thought in December. They presented decorated cups containing crocus corms which have since blossomed, giving pleasure to all the recipients. The Members of the Friendly Club say - thanks again.

In some ways, birds react as do humans. Certain birds like rooks prefer to live only with their own family group. At present, yellowhammers congregate in fairly large flocks - though sometimes sparrows are found amongst them. Yellowhammers pair off in the nesting season, and appear to bring up their offspring independent of the rest of their kind. Similarly, those dainty long tailed tits congregate in flocks.

Jenny wrens seem to stay in pairs all the year round. The lengthening days bring more bird songs, and soon we shall hear the dawn chorus - a little light relief from the stupidities such as we see in Ireland, Rhodesia, Viet Nam, and our own immediate problems of heating etc.

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#### BRAUNSTON VILLAGE NEWS

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BRAUNSTON PARISH CHURCH. Rector: The Rev. W.B. Griffiths.  
The Rectory, Braunston. (Tel. 235).

#### Services in March.

March 5. H.C. 8 a.m., Matins 10 a.m., Sunday School 10.45 a.m.  
Evensong 6.30 p.m. (Dedication of Tapestry - see below).

" 12 Mothering Sunday. H.C. 8 a.m. & 9.30 a.m.,  
Mothering Sunday Service 10.45 a.m., Evensong 6.30 p.m.

" 19 H.C. 8 a.m. & 9.30 a.m., Sunday School 10.45 a.m.  
Evensong 6.30 p.m.

" 26 Palm Sunday. H.C. 8 a.m., & 9.30 a.m., Sunday  
School 10.45 a.m., Evensong 6.30 p.m.

Lenten Services - Thursdays H.C. 9 a.m., Evensong 7.30 p.m.

Holy Week. H.C. Tuesday 9 a.m., Thursday H.C. 9 a.m.

Good Friday. Ante Communion 9 a.m., Childrens service 10.45 a.m.  
Devotions 2 p.m. to 3 p.m., Evensong 7.30 p.m.

Decoration of the Church for Easter. 9.30 a.m. on Saturday,  
1st April.

Dedication of Tapestry. On Sunday 5th March, at Evensong, the Rector will formally accept a magnificent tapestry, over 100 years old, given in memory of Mrs. Alice Mary Hancock, who died in Braunston on Good Friday 1955.

Mrs. Hancock was a Church worker, a member of the P.C.C., the Mothers' Union Committee, and a regular worshipper in the Church for many years. It is hoped that all who remember her will be present at Evensong; when the choir of Willoughby Parish Church will join with our own Choir. The service will include an anthem "Comfort O Lord the soul of thy servant". The organist will be Mr. Horace Hart, F.R.C.O., L.R.A.M. from Rugby.

Electoral Roll. The Electoral Roll is being revised, and we are very grateful to Miss Sheila Rowley for her capability in handling this. Many thanks indeed.



Mothers' Union. Mrs. Read, who should have spoken at our February meeting, was taken ill and Canon S.F.W. Fowell, Rector of Barby, took her place at short notice. We appreciated very much his Lenten Meditation. Mrs. Taylor will be the speaker at the next meeting on March 2nd at 2.30 p.m. The M.U. Service will be held in Church on March 23rd at 3 p.m.,

C.E.M.S. We shall be pleased to welcome the Rev. Peter Westwood, Chaplain of Onley Borstal as our speaker at 8 p.m. on March 20th. We gladly invite all men in the Parish to attend our meetings.

Help the Aged. March 14th-15th. 2 p.m to 4 p.m., and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. At the Methodist Hall, Braunston, the Organisation for Help the Aged will once again appeal for help. Will you do something about it by coming with good clothing, or contributing financially by buying an emblem. Can you help by packing the clothing during the times stated.

Volunteers for Car Transport.

March 5. Mr. J.V. Sanders.  
12. Mrs. E.F. Hall.  
19. Mr. W. Woodall.  
26. Mr. Taylor (The Forge).

Holy Baptism. January 30th. Tina HALLAM

Funerals prior to Cremation.

Peter Robert Hargrave, aged 20 years. Jan. 26th.  
Thomas Hitchman, aged 65 years. Feb. 18th.

Burials.

Andrew Brown. Infant. Feb. 2nd.  
Annie Iris Mary Hargrave, aged 57 years. Feb. 4th.

Our sympathy goes out to Mr. & Mrs. R.E. Hargrave and their family, and to Mr. and Mrs. Coulson, on this tragic occasion. Also to Mr. & Mrs. Richard Brown on the death of their infant child.

We offer condolence to Mr. Fred Hargrave and family in their sad bereavement. Mrs. Hargrave, aided by a lovely disposition, cheerfully endured suffering. To Mrs. Hitchman and family on the death of Mr. Tom Hitchman, who also suffered without murmur. He was a native of Braunston and had taken part in Village Activities.

Braunston Methodist Church.

March 5th. 10.45 a.m., Rev. E. Holme.  
12th. 10.45 a.m., Rev. E. Kenworthy.  
19th. 10.45 a.m., Mr. R. Wright.  
26th. 10.45 a.m., Rev. E. Holme.

Braunston Friendly Club. We regret that owing to the lack of heating because of the Emergency Regulations, we were prevented from holding meetings during February. The March meetings will be as follows, provided that heating will be available by then:-

March 13th. The Rev. Neal, Ashby St. Ledgers.  
27th. Floral Arrangement.

Braunston Womens' Institute. At the meeting on February 1st a talk was given by Miss M.E. Wilson-Smith, of Tyntesfield School. She dealt very thoroughly with the problems of handicapped children and shewed photographs of their many and varied activities. She was presented with sweets made by the members to be given to children of the school. At our March meeting, Mrs. M.E. Jackson will give a demonstration on embroidered Fabric Pictures. The competition will be a decorated Easter Egg.

Braunston Young Wives' Club.

In January, we held our New Year's Party in the Methodist School room, and thoroughly enjoyed a programme arranged by the Dancers from the Rugby Scottish Society. The talk on Blood Transfusion was cancelled at the last minute, and Miss Ashby of Ashby St. Ledgers kindly stepped in to give us a very interesting demonstration of Soft Toy making. A house to house collection will be held during the first week in March in aid of ACTION FOR THE CRIPPLED CHILD. This year we are also holding a Wine and Cheese Party at Southfields House on March 17th, at 8 p.m. to raise funds for this deserving charity. Tickets (25p.) will be on sale from the collectors, and we hope to see everybody there. There will be a LICENSED BAR. Our next meeting will be held in the Methodist Schoolroom on March 9th, when a talk on Resuscitation will be given.