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EDITORIAL

Another new year and another edition of **The Resident**. I am as usual very grateful to our contributors who often without prompting come up with copy in good time. However it would be impossible without our advertisers to publish **The Resident** as costs are as always increasing. Rosemary does a magnificent job in contacting current and potential advertisers and this edition should not now make a loss as was feared. Please support Rosemary in her efforts by supporting our advertisers and tell them that you saw their advert in **The Resident** it might help us, you never know.

It gets more and more difficult to recruit collectors for subscriptions and many of you have never been canvassed for a subscription. Nevertheless, you get delivered to your door, twice a year what we believe is a good local newsletter, you can help us by offering to be a collector or by paying your subscription once and for all by tak-

ing out a Life Membership, the form is on page 2.

We also find the need to recruit new deliverers from time to time. This is not onerous but merely a 20 minute job twice a year, in early March and early October. I am fast running out of friends that I can ask, so why not ask me instead. Currently we are short of deliverers for:

Dorrofield Close, Grove Crescent (part), Harvey Road, Rochester & Lincoln Way, Valley Walk and Winton Crescent. We could also use more help in the area of the Green. Can you help?

We have had many complaints about street cleaning, particularly leaves, about which we can do little in these times of recession. However we can help ourselves by looking after the environs of our own premises, a few minutes work now and again. What about it?

Finally do support our Annual General Meeting and find out more about Three Rivers Museum at the same time.

CROXLEY GREEN RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

AT THE LIBRARY

BARTON WAY

AT 8.00 PM

ON FRIDAY

3rd APRIL 1992

Come and air
your views

Eddie Parrott Chairman
of Three Rivers Museum
Society will speak about
the re-opening of
the museum.

LITTER DAYS

Saturday 4th April

Sunday 5th April

10.00 am - 1.00 pm

Parties will meet at:-

Mill Lane/Watford Road

Harvey Road (Imperial Machines)

The Artichoke, The Green

The Weather House

T.S. Renown, Lavrock Lane

We need you, all of you to tidy

our village, and keep

Croxley Green beautiful

REVELS 1992

Yet once again we are proud to say that the Revels day is fixed. Get out your diary and fill in the date **Saturday 20th June**. Now there is no reason for you to forget it.

This year things are happening already and plans are well in hand, but as usual we need your help. Make your plans now for stalls and floats, the entry forms will be sent out in early April to all those who entered last year. If you were not represented last year then please contact me. Even more importantly we are in danger of making a loss and will need to raise the stall booking fees slightly, they have remained stable for six years, so we do not feel that we have to apologise too much.

However to help to keep the increase to a minimum we are looking for some kind soul who has a caravan, with an awning and calor gas cooker, who would be willing to lend it to the organising committee for the day for use as a headquarters unit and a hospitality facility for our willing performers.

Finally please pray (or keep your fingers crossed) for another fine day.

John Hedges - 222715

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THE RICKMANSWORTH WATERWAYS TRUST

Although we live within a District called Three Rivers and the topography of the area is dominated by the rivers, canal and many lakes there is little recognition of the benefits that these facilities should be providing for the local community. It is against this background that a group of interested people came together in mid-1991 to create **The Rickmansworth Waterways Trust**. The trust is being centred at Batchworth Lock, where an information centre has already been established, but is taking a keen interest in the whole of the watercourses of the area, in particular the length of the Grand Union Canal from Cassio Basin to Harefield.

The Trust has been established as a Limited Liability Company with charitable status "to promote the canal and its environs for recreational, leisure and educational purposes for the benefit of the area."

The main activities of the Trust will include:

- create public awareness and interest in the canal, local waterways and their environment through appropriate means;
- provide educational resources relating to the canal, its history and its current and future uses;
- organise working parties to improve the environment around the canal;
- monitor planning applications and Statutory and Advisory Plans as they affect the canal, local waterways and their environs;
- organise a Festival in Rickmansworth in 1993 to celebrate the bicentenary of the Grand Union Canal.

This last named activity will obviously be a key function in this present year. The Festival will be centred around the Batchworth Lock and the Aquadrome and is being organised on the lines of a small County Show with up to 30,000 visitors being expected over the three days of the event.

The Festival will have five themes:

The Canal would be brought alive with a spectacular pageant of historic craft linked to exhibits outlining the history of the area and current and future uses of the waterways.

The Environment would be strongly featured linking to stockers Lake and the flora and fauna of the area.

Music would play a major role with jazz and folk concerts, school presentations and an evening philharmonic concert with fireworks over the lake.

LITTER DAYS

4th & 5th April

"We preach
Jesus Christ
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Morning Worship: 9.30 a.m.
Family Service: 11.00 a.m. Rev. Derek Fraser, B.D.
Evening Praise: 6.30 p.m. Telephone: Watford 31403

The Community would be involved with sailing and watersports on the lakes and the opportunity for local groups to promote their own activities.

Educational activities would be concentrated on the Friday when special facilities will be provided for schools and activity packs would be prepared for primary school children through to GCSE projects.

The Festival will be a celebration of all that Rickmansworth has to offer.

If you would like to know more about the activities of the Trust and particularly if you would like to be involved in assisting in the organisation of the Festival, please contact me.

Colin Eastman - 0923 771805

RAIL LINK - ANOTHER VIEW

Dear sir, I would like to respond to the article from the Anti-Rail Link Committee published in the last issue of your newsletter.

First of all I would like to say that I do not represent any group or lobby and the following represents my own personal opinion. However I can claim to be a fairly old inhabitant having lived in the area for the last fifty years or more, for the last twenty-eight years within a hundred yards of the railway cutting in Harvey Road.

To start with perhaps it is worth pointing out that Mr Hull does not, in anyway, speak for the people of Croxley Green, only a small, unrepresentative but vociferous minority who live in the area of the proposed rail link. He talks a lot about "reality", I only wish that I lived in the sort of reality which allowed me to pose and answer the same questions.

I do not propose, even to attempt, to answer them all so I will just pick out those I consider to be most outrageous. Firstly, the two with which I agree. I acknowledge that the line would probably be used for a certain amount of freight, there would be little point in joining two major rail networks if it were not so. Also, I would have sympathy for the staff and pupils of Watford Grammar School affected, as they would be, by the closure of Watford Met. Station. However, I do not think that the people in the surrounding area would be much inconvenienced. Anyone who knows the area would recognise that practically every household has access to at least one, if not two cars. Perhaps this could not be said for the much more densely populated area around Watford West Station in Tolpits Lane. This would be given a big boost if the link were built.

Claim 3 states that the BR service is in virtual demise because of its location. Absolutely true! It must be a quarter of a mile from the bottom of the steps to the nearest dwelling house. The "reality" then says "Why build the link?" Simple. Croxley Met. Station, built more or less in the centre of Croxley Green would give far more people much easier rail access to Watford High Street and all stations north. As for cars, there *is* a station car park.

Claim 10 states that trains are the only reliable method of transport. "Reality" describes this as "Arrogant Nonsense." Again true, particularly when you consider from where this statement emanates. Any reasonable person would say that trains are far more reliable than other means of public transport, difficult to argue with

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when one considers our joke of a bus service whose routes and times seem to be altered on a whim (see Parish Council notes). The response to claim 15 states that the bus service is declining due to lack of passengers wishing to use them. The reason that the bus service is declining is the same as it has always been - its total unreliability.

The response to claim 17 states that this link will be used for the diversion of freight traffic and nuclear waste. From where are they being diverted?

I seem to be running out of paper so I cannot keep contradicting Mr. Hull's amazing "reality" nevertheless I would like to pick up two points he makes in his preamble. "The very young will lose their playground...." Frankly I am only too glad that that my four young grandsons are too far away to use this recreation ground, situated as it is on the wrong side of a dual carriageway and a roundabout. "The elderly and disabled will have a building site on their doorstep...." What elderly and disabled? I must say that I have not noticed them thronging around the disused building site, the deserted garage and the Two Bridges PH.

Claim 30 states that Croxley residents are letting their hearts rule their heads. Again the response has the implication that Mr. Hull and his associates are speaking for the people of Croxley Green. Nothing could be further from the truth.

Finally, there is another major reason why I believe that the rail link should be built. Without it there is a distinct possibility that Croxley Green would find itself without a railway station at all. Mind you, that wouldn't stop all those nasty trains rattling along the back of Dorrofield Close.

Dammit! I have run out of paper. Anyway, I hope the foregoing will give some food for thought.

Yours faithfully,

H.E. WRIGHT.
12 HARVEY ROAD

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PARISH COUNCIL

You will, we hope, by now have seen our first edition of *The Parish Pump* which contains full reports of our activities, so that this column will not be as long as it has been in the past.

We welcomed Bill Hassey to the Parish Council in January as a co-opted councillor in place of Jim Evett who as you know has moved to Norfolk. Jim was our Chairman for the first five years and we all miss him greatly but we are sure that he will quickly become involved in his new community and that for our part Bill will prove to be an able replacement.

At the time of going to press we have another vacancy which will be filled shortly. Peter Rennoldson who was a foundation councillor has found that his normal employment has now become so demanding that he can no longer give the time that he feels necessary to his role as parish councillor. Peter served us well in his term of office and among other things was chairman of our planning committee, a task he performed well. We miss his cheery presence and hope that he will keep in touch and lend us his knowledge and love of Croxley Green from time to time.

We have been active since our last report and hope that you will see the results all around you. The Library grounds have already benefitted from a general tidying up and there is more to follow. Many more bulbs have been planted on Scots Hill, look out for the colour in the spring.

We have started a Community bus service on Friday each week for the benefit of our senior citizens, in response to a petition presented to us last year. Much detailed planning has still to be done but it is here to stay.

The Parish Office which we plan to build by the Community Centre has received Planning Permission and we are now busy negotiating the lease with TRDC. This new facility which will we hope open in late spring will give you a focal point where you can meet us and our clerk with your problems and your ideas for the future well being of Croxley Green.

The Rail Link looks likely to occupy a good deal of our time over the next few months and we hopefully have now managed to get attached to a forum where our voice will be heard. The results of the environmental study are due soon and we shall be examining these closely.

We were pleased to provide with a small donation ultra violet proof blinds for the new premises for Three Rivers Museum Society. We make few donations but felt this to be a worthy cause from which we all benefit.

Please do not forget that we are here to serve you but we do need your help in advising us of your views.

Derek Fineberg (Clerk)
John Hedges (Publicity)

LITTER DAYS
4th & 5th April

THE GREEN

The Green has basically changed very little from eighty years ago. To many of us it is still the focal point of the village of Croxley Green. Is this because that over the years it has become so familiar to us or that we just like the look of it today? In any case, it is sometimes difficult to remember that nowadays Croxley Green covers a much wider area and there are localities in the village which must also receive their fair share of local amenities. But the Green is the favourite of we older residents as it holds for us many memories of past celebrations. On the days of national anniversaries and on days when we had reason for great rejoicing, crowds used to flock to the Green. There were Sports Days, Tug of War, Dancing round the maypole, band concerts, etc. I particularly remember the ending of the World Wars.

How grateful we should be to our forebears who have, over the years, tended the Green and ensured its status as a open space. Whilst it is now owned by TRDC it is our Parish Council who arrange for its maintenance. Upkeep is therefore shared by all local tax payers.

When I sometimes look out of my window and see the Green looking quite deserted, I think what a pity that more residents do not visit it. Come and enjoy it! But if you bring your dogs, please bring a lead and the necessary accoutrements.

Kay Raggett

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LIBRARY COLUMN

As I am sure many of you know by now, Bob Sharpe who was the librarian here for almost 8 years has moved to Watford Library as stock and promotions team leader for the Watford region. However do not be surprised if you still see him around occasionally as his new role involves regular visits to all libraries in the region.

I arrived in November and have enjoyed my first few months tremendously as everyone has made me so welcome.

Thankyou all for being so patient while we were having the library windows replaced - it was very noisy and draughty for a while but the majority of our borrowers seemed more concerned about the comfort of the staff rather than about the inconvenience caused to themselves.

I look forward to getting to know as many of you as possible over the months ahead and to keeping you in touch with what is happening in your community library.

Sue Durham - Librarian

THOUGHTS ON HARVEY ROAD SCHOOL

A family school

The building is long past its sell by date. Referred to as *The Log Cabin* by 3rd year pupils in the early 50's, caring heads, caretakers and parents have enabled it to survive. The Building is NOT the school - "so many hearts make a school."

We had a "foreign legion" first at the Old Boys' School on Watford Road and secondly at Rickmansworth (Grammar) School, because HRS was bursting at the seams. On our last afternoon at RGS two members of their staff entertained us with duets on the piano. Mr Morill announced the last number - "The Entry of the Queen of Sheba." One of my young men looked furtively around, questioned later, he replied "I was looking for the Queen."

Obviously, my main interest was with tadpoles who entered anxiously into the pond of the school. Their progress was followed with interest until as frogs they left for larger ponds.

Morning assembly was a satisfying start to the day. During the year each class produced its own assembly.

The 3Rs were priority lessons. Yes, we learned our tables, often as high as 12 times in the 1st year. (I never used or owned a calculator). Reading went on nearly all day; in groups, silently or reading to teacher. Miss Hedges and I held spelling bees. What fun! I remember how we learned about full stops, commas, quotation and question marks. Certainly we wrote letters and learnt to address envelopes.

Every year we went to Whipsnade and such is memory that I cannot recall a wet day. Litter was a dirty word on Zoo day, never a vestige was left behind. Wearing school uniforms made it easier to follow the childrens' movements in the vast park. Many and varied were the pictures in our Whipsnade books.

One of my projects was the making of a Christmas cake. We studied the country of origin of the ingredients. Much mixing, stirring and licking of fingers followed. Then the cake was baked; Iced! Eaten!

Every Christmas we celebrated the Nativity with carol and drama. Last year, I think, the crib celebrated its Ruby anniversary. At the conclusion of every performance two of the youngest children, wearing school uniform, took gifts to the baby truly bringing the meaning of Christmas to us all.

During the summer term, we organised an evening of country, maypole and morris dancing. The ever willing parents joined in. Again great fun.

The swimming gala was made possible by the hard work of the PTA in raising money to buy the pool. A very noisy after

noon, with intense competition among the four houses - Baldwin, Copthorne, Dickinson and Scot.

What happened in the inter-house verse speaking competition? We enjoyed reading and learning poetry.

The project which produced the "European Evening" involved the whole school. We chose Germany and learned a little of its geography, culture and music. I was deeply moved as my class left the hall singing "Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht."

Fired by the Headmaster's enthusiasm, the entire staff walked the length of the Chess on a bright spring Saturday morning. The river was divided into sections for exploration by the children. We had the Scotsbridge reach. Alas, we caught no tiddlers! But we paddled, drew pictures and wrote in our work books, telling what we had seen and done.

I have happy memories of visits to museums, the ballet, St. Albans and Windsor. Can you guess who was in the Garter procession when a child said "Mike Yarwood's here.?"

During my last year I met a former pupil bringing her child to HRS.

Happy memories. A happy family school.

C. Audrey Warner

I never knew which child stopped the cloakroom taps with wedges of soap!

CROXLEY GREEN ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE

At its recent Annual Meeting the Road Safety Committee reluctantly accepted the resignation of the last serving founder member, Miss Kay Raggett. The Committee came into existence about twenty five years ago and for a substantial part of that time Kay acted as its treasurer.

The Committee expressed its thanks to Kay for her long service and on their behalf the Chairman, Mike Humphreys, presented her with a floral arrangement as a further token of appreciation.



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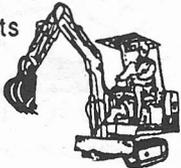
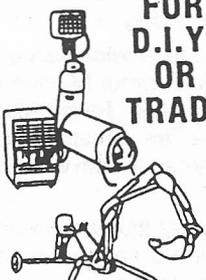
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CRIME LINES

We trust that you all had a Merry Christmas and are looking forward to a Prosperous New Year.

Unfortunately last year was a little bit too prosperous for our light fingered friends who specialise in stealing other peoples possessions.

We realise that there will always be criminals and crime but we look to minimising these incidents. A committed member of the criminal fraternity will always carry out crime but by making it harder for him to gain access to your possessions, be they in your home or in your car, he will look elsewhere. Crime prevention advice is freely available and all you have to do is contact your local Police Station. Now we come to the breakdown of last years crime for the area of Croxley Green. There was a total of 384 recorded crimes. It is no surprise to us that about one third of reported crime concerns the theft or attempted theft of Motor Vehicles or possessions from within. The figures are as follows:-
 Theft from Motor Vehicle.....92
 Theft of Motor Vehicle.....23
 Attempted Theft of or From Motor Vehicles.....47

The next category and the most disturbing offence for the person concerned is that of Burglary in the Home. There have been 35 break-ins to domestic premises a reasonably low number considering the density of housing in Croxley Green. The majority of these offences have been in the vicinity of the local railway station and major routes through the area, which tends to indicate the offenders are not locals.

Burglary of Business premises appears to be on the increase and there have been a total of 65 offences mainly at shop premises.

A number of persons have been detained in connection with these offences and enquiries are in hand.

The third category is of Theft. There are two headings in this category firstly theft of pedal cycles with a total of 25 bicycles being stolen. A large majority of these have never been postcoded, another freely available service from your local Police Station (preferably on a Sunday Morning).

The Parish Church of St. Oswald Malvern Way

SUNDAY SERVICES

Holy Communion 8 am
 Family Eucharist 9.30 am
 Family Praise (last Sun. in month) 11am
 Choral Evensong (1st Sun. in month) 6 pm

WEEKDAY SERVICES

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 Tiny Tots 2 pm Tuesdays in school term
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Post coding serves two purposes, it discourages theft because the cycle becomes identifiable and secondly should the cycle be stolen and recovered then we are able to return it to the rightful owner.

The other category is theft other which covers all minor offences of theft and that amounts to a total of 52 reported incidents.

Criminal Damage is our next topic. There have been a total of 26 Criminal damages reported in Croxley Green, whilst some of these instances are as a result of hooliganism a number are as a result of attempted burglaries.

The final category concerns that of offences against the person.

It is all too clear in our memories of the tragic death of CORDELIA LOVETT and this serves to remind us that whilst we live in a basically safe area, no one can foresee the future. We would like to take this opportunity through the 'RESIDENT' to re-express our condolences to her family and friends.

Lets pray that this never happens again in Croxley Green because despite what has happened, there are still children and young people wandering the streets at all hours, contrary to good sense.

There have been 12 assaults of varying degrees including assaults on the Police. These again tend to be alcohol related.

The concerns that we have expressed above and in the September issue, still hold true and we would encourage you all in the words of Shaw TAYLOR "Keep 'Em Peeled" and not only that but to let us know when anything out of the ordinary is happening as you may prevent or detect a CRIME.

Pc's Harry HALE and Bob COBEY.

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CHURCH ARCHIVES

You may remember, that in the last issue of the Resident, I mentioned that I was collecting copies of the Rickmansworth Historian and I asked for help in locating some missing copies. I am happy to say that the response was excellent and I would like to thank you all for the many telephone calls offering help. With assistance of Mr. Dunkley, Miss Dorothy Glasspole, Mrs. R. Humphrey, Mrs. S. Herbert and Mr. W. Broughton I now have a complete set from number 2 to 38 inclusive. I have still to obtain a copy of number 1 but I was told recently that I will soon have a copy.

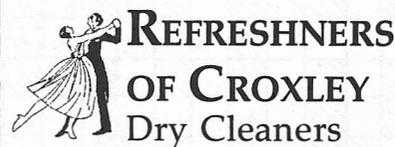
I have heard that many of you are interested in the extracts from the Kelly's Directory so here are some from 1937. Croxley Green was growing fast for the population had increased from 3,295 in 1931 to an estimated figure of 9,320 in 1938.

Private Residents.

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 Clare Cottage, The Green
 Hayward, Mrs, Holly Cottage, The Green
 Oddie, Samuel Ingleby MBCM,
 Chess Side, Copthorne Road
 Woolrych, Lt. Col. Humphrey Stephen
 Parrotts, The Green

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115 New Road

Whalley, Arthur, Confectioner,
230 New Road

I am sure that many of our male readers and quite a few mums will remember Eddie Evans where you not only had a haircut but heard all the village gossip. Now he, like Godfrey Cornwall, came from Wales and though, on many occasions we called them immigrants, they always maintained that they were missionaries.

Houses were being built at a great rate and in the Frankland Road area, for example, were priced at £725 for cash or £100 deposit and then 16/2d per week (just over 80p in today's money) for 25 years. The rates required by Rickmansworth Urban District Council were 9/6d in the pound; with the property being assessed at £22, the half year rates were £5.4.6d.

The railway fares to Baker Street were
1st Class £2.13.9d for one month.
3rd Class £1.12.3d for one month.

On Revels Day I am hoping to stage an exhibition at All Saints Church Hall which will include photographs and other items from the Church Archives.

Norman Spring.
Archivist - All Saints Church
Tel: 0923 776933.

LOUIE HEDGES

I have been asked to write a few lines on Louie Hedges, who passed away on August 12th 1991, after a comparatively short illness. She was one of those robust people who enjoyed good health all her life, so her death came as a great shock to many. The Hedges family is one of the few original well known Croxley Green families who have lived here all their lives.

She was a great character, always busy; doing ambulance work, attending various meetings, helping at the Methodist Church and Girl's Brigade or looking after the sick and elderly. She loved people and gave her life to helping others.

Louie was born in 1911 and had lived in the same house in New Road all her life. She attended the Girl's School in Yorke Road from where she left to work at the Sun Printers. But this was not rewarding enough work for her, so it was that her love of children led her on to pursue a teaching career and she was appointed to Harvey Road School in 1950, retiring in 1976.

What wonderful memories of those days come to mind. Everyone knew of Miss Hedges' moral and Bible stories. Surely some of you will remember the one about Bill Stickers and countless others. Her repertoire was endless. She had her own style of relating stories. What a pity that she did not record some of these and her experiences of Life, for only Louie could do them justice and it would have made enjoyable listening.

Besides being a very popular teacher, with staff and pupils alike, she was very interested in nursing, having served in the

Nursing Division of St. John's Ambulance Brigade for 45 years and became Divisional Superintendent for 15 years. Then in 1968, Miss Hedges was invested as a Nursing Sister, in due recognition of her long and valuable service to the Nursing Division.

When Louie was only 18 years old, she founded the Girls' Life Brigade at the Methodist Church and was their Captain for 52 years. She devoted a great deal of time in training the girls, leading, organising and attending Church Parades, led by their own band at one time. She regularly took them on summer camps and generally prepared them for their future life.

Louie was a staunch Methodist and was tireless in working for her church in New Road. She was an able Sunday School teacher and secretary for many years. She was the regular church organist for 40 odd years and was still playing a few months prior to her death. She certainly helped to keep the church alive by her remarkable energy, forward outlook and devoted loyalty to her faith.

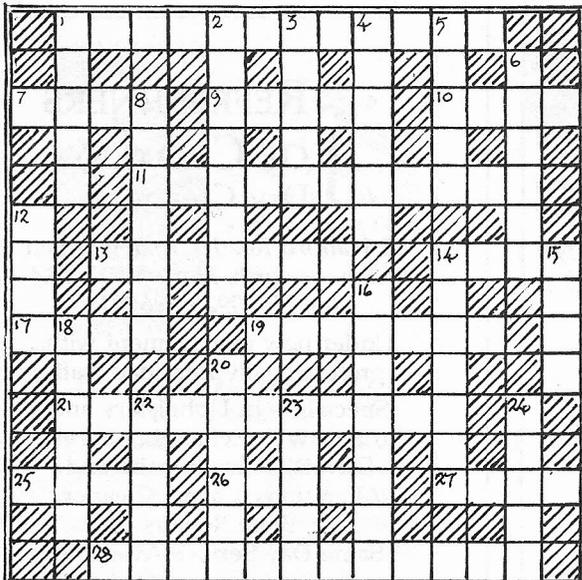
She was interested in the village and all its activities. She was a committee member of Friends of the Green and of Shaftesbury Court, working hard for both organisations.

With all these interests she still found time to work in her long garden, from which she produced her own fruit and vegetables.

It was Louie's keen sense of humour, absolute loyalty and complete honesty that I shall remember most. She was indeed a real friend.

Mildred Green

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Across:

- 1d, 3 15, 11, 13, 14a, 17, 19, 21, 24 and 28 identify (7,5)
7. The lady's second fragrant plant (4)
9. Dressed and worn (5)
10. Pane in the neck? (4)
11. Arm wore mail about the cenotaph (3,8)
13. Scales and lines on shelves (7)
14. A common backroom (4)
17. 1 of 3 including 1 and 24 (4)
19. Gold fish died to provide fruit trees (7)
21. Our farm is murderous on chalk uplands (11)
25. Found in 28 or barrels (4)
26. Create muddle without a vertical (5)
27. Part confounded lore (4)
28. Heart in spasm alright in male for hostelry (3,9)

Down:

1. River game (5)
2. A railway on illuminated eastern region would describe 13. (8)
- 3,15 Take a door key to open up a way (5,4)
- 4 Receivers may be transistorised (6)
5. Boredom results from classy number (5)
- 6 See both ways after Welsh son of God (6)
- 8 Painter is delivering with energy but without gravity (7)
- 12,15 A circular route is around the houses (4,4)
- 14 Soldier and right seafarer (7)
- 15 See 3 and 12
- 16 Measures a measure in 28 (3,5)
- 18 The French descended haphazardly into low joints (6)
- 20 It is back in the same nice theatre (6)
- 22 Tree teases Charles without end (5)
- 23 A singular scholastic course is terrific (5)
- 24 Reverse flow within often locates the third river (5)



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