Burton in Lonsdale Reminiscences From World War II

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Jenny, Marjorie and Frank Brown, Halfway House Farm

Land Army Tractor Base Castle Hill Farm





Wedding of Jennie Edmondson and Eddie Lyell



Local Transport





Nelson Garage, now Nelson Court



Albert Edmondson and the Paraffin Man



Phil and Peter Edmondson



David Edmondson and captive



David and Lilian Edmondson, Alec Bradshaw, Albert Edmondson and Arthur Bugby



Maurice Bradshaw





Alec Bradshaw





Ken Brown DFC



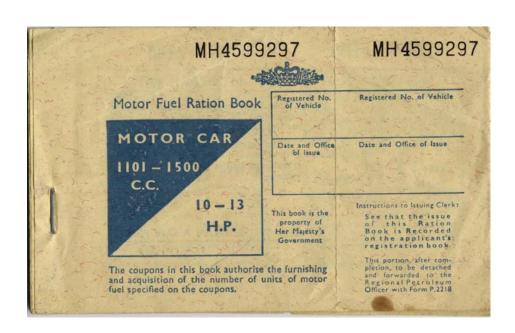
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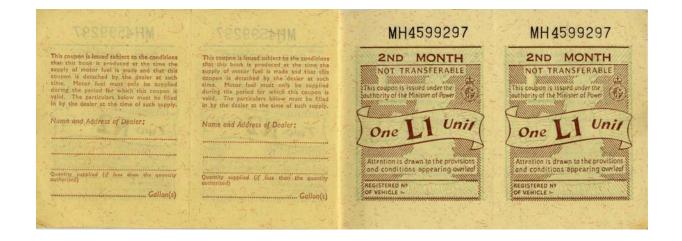












Items From Parish Council Minutes

1939 November 6: No more wood to be taken out of Recreation Field.

1940 January 19: Public Meeting about Allotments. July 4: Request to County Council to use their yard for collection of scrap iron.

1941 February 10: Village collection of £27 for Lord Mayor of London's Distress Fund. November 26: Agreed to call a Public Meeting to discuss differences that had arisen in connection with the Soldiers' Return Fund.

1942 February 10: Agreed to help the China Fund. Protest sent to West Riding Agricultural Committee about ploughing of the Recreation Field without consultation.

1943 March 18: Agreed to write to Minister of Agriculture about Recreation Field.

April 22: Childrens' Playground behind Barton Cottage let as an allotment. 1945 February 19: Agreed to write asking the War Agriculture Committee when the Recreation Field would be available for games.

Items From School Log

1939 August 21: School reopened with 155 children on roll. August 31: closed to prepare for receiving 20 children evacuated from Bradford district on September 1; reopened September 11. Children over 11 from the eight local Lancashire parishes cease to attend.

1940 July 19: Closed for 2 weeks restricted summer holiday; August 30: closed for 1 week holiday; October 4: closed for 1 week autumn holiday. November 11: Summer Time continued through winter so school to start at 9.30am. November 15: Air Raid Warning, children sent home 2.15-2.45pm and work resumed 2.50pm.

1941 November 18: Windows covered with anti-splinter netting.

1943 May 28: Exhibition by Form III girls of War Time Cookery, with special reference to potato cookery and fuel saving; open to the public and 30 attended. July 2: closed for 5 weeks summer holiday, reopened August 9 with 84 on roll. 1944 October 4: Midday meal service commenced, supplied by the Central Canteen of Victoria Institute, Low Bentham; 41 out of 66 take the meal.

1945 January 31: 4 cases of scarlet fever reported, 3 other children excluded. May 8,9 Victory in Europe holiday and August 15,16 Victory in Japan holiday. 1946 January 28: Children over 11 from the eight Lancashire parishes resume attendance, 62 in all.