

ASTORIA
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Revised Prices: Stalls 4d, 9d, 1s, 1/3. Circle 1/3, 1/6.
 Reduced Matinee up to 3 p.m.—Stalls 6d and 9d. Circle 1/-

TO-day and Saturday—And So They Were Married and Crime and Punishment.

MONDAY, APRIL 5th, for three days—
 Doors open 1.45. Programme commences 2.0 p.m.

ROBERT TAYLOR & BARBARA STANWYK in HIS BROTHER'S WIFE (Cort. A.)
 Also ROSS ALEXANDER in **HOT MONEY** (Cort. U.)

THURSDAY, APRIL 8th, for three days—
 Doors open 1.45. Programme commences 2.0 p.m.

RALPH LYNN & NELSON KEYS in IN THE SOUP (Cort. U.)
 Also ANN HARDING and WALTER ABEL in **WITNESS CHAIR** (Cort. A.)

Next Week—Monday, April 12th—EVERYTHING IS RHYTHM.
 Thursday, April 15th—TEXAS RANGERS.

EMBASSY CESHAM
 Phone 104

TO-day & Saturday—ROBIN HOOD OF ELORADO and TWO IN A CROWD

MONDAY, APRIL 5th, for 3 Days—

SYDNEY HOWARD in CHICK (Cort. U.)
 from a story by Edgar Wallace

Also CHESTER MORRIS, MARGOT GRAHAM, MARIAN MARSH in **COUNTERFEIT** (Cort. A.)

THURSDAY, APRIL 8th, for 3 Days—

RANDOLPH SCOTT, BINNIE BARNES, HEATHER ANGEL in THE LAST OF THE MOHICANS (Cort. U.)
 Also WILL FYFFE in **WELL DONE, HENRY** (Cort. A.)

CONTINUOUS PERFORMANCE DAILY from 3 p.m.
 Prices (including tax): Stalls, 6d, 9d, 1s, 1/3; Circle, 1/6, 2/-.
 Reduced Matinee, 3 p.m.—Stalls, 6d, 9d, 1s.
 CAFE OPEN DAILY TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC. LARGEST FREE CAR PARK

COUNTY TOWN ECHOES.
 (By Aylesburian.)

Water Company and County Council.

The Chiltern Hills Spring Water Company's petition against the Bucks County Council's Bucks Water Bill, 1937, in view of the fact that the Council's scheme which consists of sinking a well and erecting a pumping station in the parish of Wendover, was referred to by Dr. T. G. Parrott, chairman of directors, when presiding over the company's half-yearly meeting at Aylesbury on Thursday week. Presenting the directors' report and the statement of accounts, and proposing their adoption, Dr. Parrott observed: "It is generally known, I think, that the Bucks County Council have promoted a Bill in Parliament, in order to provide water for many parishes in the county. Part of their scheme consists in sinking a well and erecting a pumping station in the parish of Wendover, which is in the statutory area of this company. The directors considered that in view of this fact and also in view of the fact that the water consumption of the company is likely to increase considerably in the near future, some steps should be taken to help to secure at any rate some portion of water from this site. Negotiations have been carried on between the County Council and the directors in order to secure that a certain proportion of the water raised at this site will be available for the use of the company. It might be mentioned, too, that the directors have lodged a petition against the Bill, but if a satisfactory arrangement can be made, the petition will be withdrawn. It is, therefore, in taking this course, have been influenced solely by a desire to safeguard the interests of the water consumers of the company."

The directors' report stated that the accounts for the half-year ended December 31st, 1936, showed a net surplus of £143/17/4, to which had been added the balance of undivided surplus, £278/5/4, brought forward from the last account, making a total available balance of £1,170/2/8, which the directors recommended should be appropriated as follows: To pay a dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum (less income tax at 4/6 in the £) for the half-year ended 31st December, 1936, on £339 fully-paid "A" shares of £10 each, £127/10/10; to pay a dividend at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum (less income tax at 4/6 in the £) for the half-year ended 31st December, 1936, on £1,100 fully-paid "B" shares of £10 each, £263/17/3; leaving a balance to carry forward to next half-year's account of £143/17/7.

Easter Football.

In a month which blinding snowstorms alternated with occasional bursts of sunshine, Aylesbury United beat Hitchin Town in a Spartan League match at the Stadium on Good Friday by a goal to 1. In spite of the inclement weather there was a good attendance and the game was particularly interesting. Before the snowstorm added to the players' difficulties, Aylesbury just deserved their win, for they had a forward line that worked well, and in fact, though their defence tottered occasionally, it rarely seemed as likely to fall as Hitchin's.

United were thoroughly outplayed in their return Spartan League game at Hitchin on Easter Monday, and were deservedly beaten by 6 goals to 2.

Hitchin were the superior team and were probably taking the game somewhat more easily.

Unaltered Rural District Rates.

At the meeting of the Aylesbury Rural District Council last week, presided over by the Chairman, Mr. F. J. Davis, the report of the Finance Committee and the statement considered the statement and estimate of rates required during the ensuing half-year, and it was resolved that the general rate of 3/11 in the £ for the half-year ending September 30th, 1937. The rate of 3/11 is the same as the preceding half, that the committee considered that the Council had reason to congratulate themselves. The committee's recommendation was adopted.

No R.D.C. Elections.

The Clerk Mr. A. R. Kerrell-Vaughan reported, in regard to the R.D.C. nominations, that the retiring

ENTERTAINMENTS

THE ASTORIA, CESHAM.
 Commencing Monday, April 5th, for three days, Barbara Stanwyk and Robert Taylor in "His Brother's Wife," a story that switches dramatically from New York to fever-ridden jungles, and contains in itself all the ingredients of popular success—comedy, drama, and thrills. The other picture in the programme is "Hot Money," featuring Ross Alexander and Beverly Roberts: a really funny comedy romance. On Thursday, April 8th, and for the remainder of the week, those new great stage stars, Ralph Lynn and Nelson Keys, in "The Soup," really good entertainment: a big laugh, and nothing to end. The supporting picture is "The Witness Chair," starring Ann Harding, with Walter Abel: a tense court room drama in which a beautiful woman is forced to watch her lover tried for the murder she herself committed. Next week, On Monday, April 12th, for three days, Harry Roy and his Band with Princess Pearl in "Everything is Rhythm"; and on Thursday, April 15th, Fred McMurray and Jack Oakie in "Texas Rangers."

THE EMBASSY, CESHAM.
 Commencing on Monday, April 5th, for three days, Sydney Howard in "Chick" from a story by Edgar Wallace. The same old Sydney Howard keeping you in fits of laughter from beginning to end. See him as a college porter, a director, and finally as a peer in the House of Lords. The supporting picture is "Counterfeit," featuring Chester Norris and Margot Graham. A thrilling drama of fighting T men. On Thursday, April 8th, for three days, Randolph Scott, Binnie Barnes, and Henry Wilcoxon in "The Last of the Mohicans," a mighty drama bursting with the excitement of America's most exciting days. The grandeur, excitement, and adventure sweep of this remarkable story has been captured with such striking realism that it will become one of the long-remembered masterpieces of screen romance. The other picture on this programme is "Well Done, Henry," starring that great stage comedian, Will Fyffe. A very entertaining and uproariously-funny comedy.

THE REGENT, AMERSHAM.
 Commencing Monday, April 5th, for three days, Max Miller in "Educated Evans," with Nancy O'Neill: the best comedy ever screened. Max Miller as the famous dancing master and his made world-famous by the late Edgar Wallace. The supporting picture, "The Case of Mrs. Pembroke," with Humphrey Bogart and Beverly Roberts: gripping, up-to-the-minute melodrama. On Thursday, April 8th, for three days, that grand actor George Arliss in "His Lordship," a brilliant stage star, then Lord; is humorous, then pompous, finally engineering a political coup that leaves his brother hero of the hour. The other picture in the programme is "Dangerous," featuring Bette Davis and Franchot Tone: a powerful and realistic, emotional drama in which Bette Davis as a fallen stage star whose strange personality seems to have an unlucky influence upon everybody she meets—and particularly Franchot Tone.

THE COURT, BERKHAMSTED.

That talented company, the Berkhamsted Amateur Operatic and Dramatic

Councillors for Boarstall, Oving and Pithcott, Shabbington, Westcott, Weston, Uxbridge, Lynton and Lower Wycombe, and Wotton Underwood, had been re-elected. Sir James Lochore had been returned unopposed for Chesham, and Mr. G. H. Hunt, and H. Royle, who had resigned, and as no nominations were received from Creslow, Whitchurch, and Worminghall, on the last prescribed date, the councillors were taken to be re-elected.

Lady Rider as O.B.H. Champion.

Miss Norah Walker, who is well known to followers of the Old Berkeley Hunt, was a very successful competitor in the O.B.H. trials at the Hunt Trials at Great Westwood, the residence of the Master, Mr. S. G. R. Barratt, last week. Miss Walker won the championship cup presented by Sir Albert Barratt. Mrs. Stanley Barratt distributed the awards, including a special prize to Master John Webber, in the hands of Capt. G. H. S. Webber, the Hunt secretary, who made a clean round on "Skipper." There were about 180 entries, and the judging was carried out by Mr. G. Boyd Thomson, Hunt secretary to the Whaddon Chase, and Mr. J. Rew.

BALLINGER.

SOCIAL EVENING.

One of the most successful social gatherings ever arranged by Ballinger Hall Entertainments Committee was held last week when there was a programme of fun presented by the committee which enabled everyone to take part in the proceedings. The Ballinger Band was in attendance, this comprising: Mr. Kemp, piano; Mr. Bowler and Mr. C. Hearn, violins; Mr. C. Dixey, drums and effects; Mr. Morris, piano-accompanied. Mr. Pyppe made an efficient M.C.

HOLIDAY DANCES.

There were two dances during Easter at Ballinger Memorial Hall, one on Saturday and the other on Monday. The first was organised by the local Dramatic Club, and the first Acet Dance Band played, with Mr. Jack Lofthouse officiating as M.C. There was a good attendance.

Monday's function was outstandingly successful. The Ley Boys were in attendance, and Mr. Bowler was M.C. Ballinger Scouts were responsible for this event.

REGENT AMERSHAM
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Continues From 5.15 p.m. Mats.: Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday 2.15 p.m.

TO-DAY & SATURDAY—THE GREAT ZIEGFELD

MONDAY, APRIL 5th, for THREE DAYS—

MAX MILLER in EDUCATED EVANS (Cort. U.)
 BY EDGAR WALLACE
 ALSO
THE CASE OF MRS. PEMBROKE (Cort. A.)
 with HUMPHREY BOGART and BEVERLY ROBERTS

THURSDAY, APRIL 8th, for THREE DAYS—

GEORGE ARLISS in HIS LORDSHIP (Cort. U.)
DANGEROUS with MARGARET LINDSAY and ALISON SKIPWORTH (Cort. A.)

BETTE DAVIS and FRANCHOT TONE in

PLAYHOUSE THEATRE, AMERSHAM.
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THE REPERTORY PLAYERS
 (Full London Company) present

To-night and To-morrow Afternoon and Evening
ROOKERY NOOK By BEN TRAVERS

Monday, April 5th, and all the week
PRIVATE LIVES
 By NOEL COWARD

Nightly at 8.15. Matinees Thursday and Saturday at 2.30 p.m.

Prices: 3/6, 2/6, bookable at G. Arthur Coleby, Tobacconist, Hill Avenue, Amersham. Phone Amersham 630. 1/2 Unreserved.
 FREE CAR PARK AT STATION HOTEL

SUNSHINE, SNOW AND SLEET.

COLD-FACED EASTERTIDE: YET CHEERFULNESS.

Rather than an out-of-doors holiday, the Easter-tide vacation was an indoor one, and the picture shows and such amusements through a roaring trade. One of the pleasantest features of the holiday was the sun, when it did favour us, lit up town and countryside, made everybody cheerful, and all things genial. In the early morning of Monday, when the sun was shining and smiling and smiles were plentiful. In the town there were some football enthusiasts all bestirring themselves. Holmer Green, awaiting their cue. They were in cheerful mood: the passers-by reciprocated their cheerfulness; and there was a happy holiday feeling. Sunshine did not prevail through the holiday, for we had snow and sleet and cold as well, but conditions were such that you leave the theatre still laughing. The patrons who indulge in Repertory this week-end are going to emerge in all next week: "Private Lives"; April 12th, "A Murder Has Been Arranged."

PRESTWOOD.

CRICKET CLUB'S LOSS.

As we mentioned recently, Prestwood Cricket Club suffered a severe loss by the death of the assistant secretary, Mr. R. Arman, and at an annual meeting, which took place the day before the funeral, the members observed a minute's silence. Four cricketers volunteered to act as bearers at the funeral, and their services were accepted. They were: Messrs. E. Gibbons, J. Cummings, W. Dell, and A. Chilton.

MR. J. ARMAN MARRIED.

Mr. J. Arman, of Prestwood, a local sportsman, was married at Cadmore End on Saturday.

BRITISH LEGION.

Prestwood British Legion held a social evening on Friday. At this gathering, Lt.-Col. Gore accepted an invitation to speak.

DANCE.

Cecil Saunders and his Band were in attendance at Prestwood Village Hall on Saturday. There was a good attendance.

WINCHMORE HILL.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Members of the Holmer Green Wesley Choir gave a concert in the Winchmore Hill Methodist Church on Good Friday. Mr. C. Bunce, of High Wycombe, took the chair at the concert, which was a sacred one, and consisted of solos, duets, quartets, etc., sacred music. The proceeds were for the New Schoolroom Fund.

COURT THEATRE, BERKHAMSTED.

Now Showing—O.H.M.S.

Monday, April 5th, for 3 Days—
 Berkhamsted Amateur Operatic and Dramatic Society

Family Affairs

Commencing 7.45 p.m. Matinee Wednesday, 12 p.m.

THE LAST OF THE MOHICANS

starring Randolph Scott, Binnie Barnes, Henry Wilcoxon and Heather Angel

thanks for her services and her unaltered interest in all forms of religious work, accepted upon the proposition of Mr. Herbert Viner, seconded by Mr. William Darvell. Mrs. Carter, in her reply, spoke of her husband's interest and help in the matter of the church.

With equal enthusiasm a vote of thanks was accorded to the Rev. J. R. Mitchell, the "genius of the piece," the result of which was the matter of the church. Stanley Cox, and seconded by Mr. George Keen. Speaking feelingly, Mr. Mitchell expressed his sense of the high standard of skill attained, and the burden of his theme for the children, as well as that of Mrs. Carter. The Rev. T. Powell, was congratulatory in the matter of the church service. The audience had the cream of the Eisteddfod to entertain them, repeating their vocal and piano solos, recitations, and unison song. It was noticeable here, as it was at the Eisteddfod, that these youngsters at first, the contributors were so clearly and distinctly, and give emphasis where emphasis is needed, and one little tot got a very fine reception for her recital. The contributors were as follows (the matter in parenthesis indicates the section in which these children were successful in gaining first prize): Pianists (under 12); vocal solo, Miriam Darvell (under 10); recitation; Miriam Darvell (under 12); vocal solo, Rhoda Parrott (over 12); pianoforte solo, Edward Glott (under 12); pianoforte solo, John Patterson (under 14); vocal solo, Marie Dear (under 12); recitation; Kathleen Deland (over 12); pianoforte and vocal, Woods (over 15); unison song, Broadway.

LITTLE KINGSHILL COLLECTION.

The sum of £2/11/4 was collected in Great and Little Kingshill by Dr. Barnardo's Homes.—Miss J. Jones, £1/0/7; Miss E. Bedford, £1/0/5; Mrs. A. H. Brown (in charge), £1/1/4.

FILM SERVICE.

There was a film service at Little Kingshill Baptist Church on Good Friday. "The Passing of the Third Back" was the title. The operator was Mr. Stevens, of High Wycombe.

Small Advs. for Value

12 words 1/-; 3 times, 2/6

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