



Milton Road looking north, c1925 89.97

c.44.6 : Milton Road area between Histon Road and Scotland Road

Includes

Chesterfield Road, Chesterton Hall Crescent, Cowley Road, Downhams Lane, Fraser Road, George Street, Gilbert Road, Green End Road, Gurney Way, Herbert Road, Highworth Avenue, Hurst Park Avenue, Kendal Way Kings Hedges Road, Lovell Road, Mortlock Road, Nuffield Road, Oak Park Drive, Ramsden Square, St George's Church. Science Park (selection), Trinity Hall Farm, Union Lane, Warren Road, Woodhead Drive

1898 10 14

The eccentricity of a horse at Chesterton last night caused its driver and a fare some alarm. It bolted along Chesterton lane at a furious rate, resisting all the efforts of the driver to get it under control. The animal made a tour of Old Chesterton in record time and returned by the Milton Road. At this point the driver came to the conclusion it was quite useless trying to hold the horse in any longer and advised the gentleman inside the cab to "quit". He took a flying leap into the darkness and grazed his face somewhat severely. The driver fell off the box and the off wheel passed over his legs. Continuing his career the horse came into collision with a gatepost at Northampton Street which knocked it on its hindquarters

1900

1900 03 06

Sir – At present gates cross the railway line on Milton Road, Cambridge, and a sub-way is provided for vehicular traffic. After heavy rains it is flooded some feet deep and a few days ago the driver of a carriage containing an invalid lady found over five feet of water there, and no room to turn round. The invalid and her attendant had to sit up to their knees in water, and in their saturated clothes had to proceed to the Hospital. – Viator

1902 01 28

A rabbit coursing and whippet race meeting was held in a field near the Milton Road, Cambridge and some good sport was witnessed. There was a smaller programme than on some former occasions. A

good entry was received and some fine dogs were in the field. A proposal has been made to organise a coursing society for Cambridge and the idea is receiving considerable support

1902 12 06

Messrs Scruby and Wright sold by auction four brick-built and tiled cottages, nos. 195-199 High Street, Old Chesterton, with outbuildings and gardens, price £310. Two adjoining houses, 64 & 76 Sturton Street, Cambridge, made £330. The family residence, Primrose Croft near Victoria Road with over an acre of land, and the windmill and cottage on the Milton Road were not sold.

1903 06 26

Local sportsmen will be sorry to hear that the provisional committee of the proposed Cambridge Town Football Club have been unsuccessful in securing a ground for the coming season. The ground near the Cattle Market belonging to the Corporation was not available and negotiations were entered into for a ground at the corner of Milton Road. Mrs Gurney, the owner, has not been able to see her way to allow its use as it is too close to her private garden. She offered a ground near Dant's Ferry but the preparation would cost about £100 for draining and was out of the question.

1904 05 09

The Association of Managers of Sewage Disposal Works inspected the Cambridge pumping station destructors where all kinds of refuse turned out from households daily, sweepings and other undesirable matter is tipped into huge trucks and burnt, giving off heat used whose steam is used to pump sewage. During winter months some 40 tons of refuse is burned each day. The disinfector was examined with interest; it was installed in 1902 and during the smallpox of 1904 was of great service in disinfecting a great number of articles using super-heated steam. They then moved to the Corporation sewage farm, Milton Road, for a practical demonstration of sewerage analysis

1906 05 08

Mr E. Finch was delivering milk on Milton Road when a motor car ran into his cart and horse. They were thrown upon the path, the cart was badly damaged and the horse severely cut about the knees. The lad in charge of the cart was also thrown out. The car, which was travelling at a good pace, did not escape without injury: two lamps and a mudguard were broken and the fore part considerably bent about. An amicable arrangement has been agreed whereby the motorist will defray all damages. 06 05 08b

1908 08 21

The magnificent new schools at Milton Road, Chesterton have been equipped with every facility for instruction. Instead of sitting in cramped positions at unsuitable desks the tiny tots will be accommodated with seats to suit their various sizes and their lessons based on the Froebel principle, combining amusement with instruction. They mark a distinct advancement on elementary educational methods and the County Council is to be congratulated. CWN 08 08 21 p4

1908 09 04

See the children assemble in the great hall at the new Milton Road School. From the classrooms come files of boys and girls, not in perfect military style but in very fair order awaiting an instruction that playtime has arrived. The word given, the boys swing out of one door, the girls out at another and the paved playgrounds, separated by an iron partition, resound with merriment. Boys learn woodwork under Mr Holt and the girls commence cookery instruction under Mrs Walker of Cheveley. CWN 08 09 04 p5

1908 12 25

Allegations that a feud exists between the boys attending Milton Road and St Luke's schools is not entirely borne out by investigation. When the Milton Road School was opened a number of boys attending St Luke's migrated. Installed in the new school they 'put on side' which was too much for their late friends and some small battles ensued. This reached the ears of the authorities and they were

punished. Since then rival feelings exist only in the breasts of two or three lads and possibly a snow storm will enable both sides to wipe out all accounts. CWN 08 12 25

1908 12 25

Chesterton school feud – Milton Road v St Luke's – case 08 12 25

1910

1913 09 12

Milton Road school evening classes

1913 09 19

Aird & co Cambridge contracts – laying pipes to sewage station on Milton Road and water mains in Cambridge and from Fleam Dyke works to Fulbourn

1913 11 28

A demonstration of the humane slaughtering of animals for food was organised by the RSPCA. The instruments employed were their own cattle killer and the Behr captive-bolt pistol. Three sheep, two pigs and a large bullock were despatched. Mr Rose, butcher of Milton Road, said he had used the humane killer for four years and it had never gone wrong. He kept a poleaxe in case of emergency but had never needed it. Several butchers ordered the new instrument. 13 11 28 p8

1913 12 19

Milton Road council school prize giving

1914 06 19

Whippet Racing. The Cambridge Whippet Racing Club held a meeting on the clubs grounds,, Milton Road, Chesterton last evening. The attendance was up to the average, and some keen racing was witnessed, especially in the finals.

1914 08 07

Mammoth show double parachute descent from balloon owned by Spencer Brothers; descended in field near Milton Road level crossing; balloon landed near Baitsbite Lock. Ascents for passengers

1915 09 17

Palmer, Herbert Street six sons fighting

1915 12 29

S.B. Andrews of Milton Road awarded Medaille Militaire – photo – 15 12 29d

1918 06 12

Lieut Frank Banks, Milton Road, killed on first solo flight – 18 06 12e

1920

1920 03 30

Housing scheme land on Chesterton & Milton Roads, Mrs Gurney will sell her land

1920 07 21

Football Tournament. Among the local attractions arranged for Bank Holiday is an interesting six-a-side football tournament which is being organised by the Committee of the Cambridge Town Football Club. Magdalene College Ground, Milton Road, has been secured as the venue for the competitions and 16 teams have entered. Refreshments and teas will be provided on the ground, and during the afternoon musical selections will be given by the Cambridge Borough Police Band. Dancing will wind up in what should prove an enjoyable and unique Bank Holiday function.

1921 07 27

A serious position has arisen in connection with the scheme for the erecting of houses by Cambridge Borough Council at Chesterton Road & Milton Road. The site was purchased some time ago and prepared for erection of 60 houses by direct labour. Construction of roads and sewers put in place. But Minister refuses to sanction other work unless whole of expense is borne by local rates. Work to stop and town will have a building site which cost over £14,000. It is impossible to proceed with building scheme without Government assistance – 21 07 27c

1921 08 03

Milton Road level crossing gateman's cottage burnt to ground – photo – 21 08 03a

1921 10 12

Cambridge Town Football club new ground Milton Road – photo across site – 21 10 12a1

1922 02 02

Cambridge Town Council Housing Committee ... approve the lay-out proposed of thirty houses next Milton Road and Union Road with white brick facings, solid walls & slated roofs. The windows to be sash ones with larger squares of glass.

1922 11 24

The first dairy in this part of the country to obtain a Ministry of Health licence is the Stetchworth Dairies Certified Grade A Dairy Farm, Union Lane, Chesterton, which claims to be the largest private retailer in the Eastern Counties. The herd consists of 12 cows, six of them being pedigree Guernseys. The cows are accommodated in large, airy sheds, without stalls or partitions of any kind. Our representative was shown several bottles of milk which had been bottled for eight days. One of these was opened and the contents found to be only just beginning to "turn"; certified milk will keep perfectly fresh for four or five days

1922 12 08

The urgent need for carrying out schemes of public importance in order to relieve the unemployment situation in the Borough were admitted on all hands at the meeting of the Cambridge Town Council. During the past two years they had been endeavouring as far as possible each winter to find work for those men who unfortunately were out of employ. Last year they were able to place 200 men on the Sewage Farm. That work had nearly come to a close. It was stated that there were 800 men out of work in the Borough which was an increase of nearly 100 over last year. Suggestions for further work included underground lavatories at the junction of Victoria Road, Chesterton Road and Milton Road, a bridge across the Cam at the bottom of Walnut Tree Avenue and a recreation ground on the Rock Estate

1923 01 12

After a long discussion the Cambridge Town Council today decided to embark on a scheme for the erection of 239 houses on the Chesterton Road and Milton Road site, viz 30 houses of the parlour-type, 165 houses of the non-parlour type with three bedrooms and 44 houses of the non-parlour type with two bedrooms

1923 05 24 c

An attendance of upwards of 5000 at the first athletics meeting held on the Town Football Club's ground, Milton road, may be regarded as entirely satisfactory. The first part of the day was taken up with six-a-side football. The various races were keenly contested on a track which made the cyclists very cautious. In two of the races there were two nasty spills. Sir Douglas Newton presented the Invicta cycle to Mr Fuller of Shelly row, who was the fortunate winner of a handsome machine given to the purchaser of a ticket before the day of the event. The proud processor was apparently not a cyclist, for he wheeled it around the track, notwithstanding that the spectators invited him to "jump on and ride".

1923 07 24

Central School scheme – Milton Road school, p3

1923 07 26

Milton Road School opposition closure, p3

1923 11 30

Milton Road bus service, p5

1924 02 09

As a motor lorry, owned by Mr Parnell of Stretham and laden with 500 cans of petrol was approaching the Milton railway level crossing at a very slow speed the driver found the gates were closed to allow trains to pass. He applied his brakes, but they would not act and the lorry, which carried a very heavy load, smashed through the nearest gate, and stopped with the back part blocking the line. A coal train was approaching from Histon and a light engine from Chesterton Junction and quick action was necessary to avoid a serious accident. Gatekeeper Ernest Carter seized some fog signals and was able to stop the coal train and similar action taken by Patrol-Leader F.B. Pearson. The line was blocked for over an hour by which time the lorry was, after a small repair, able to proceed on the journey.

1924 05 28

Sir - it is only quite recently some considerable amount of public money was spent for labour and material on Milton Road, Cambridge, and today the passage of a traction engine or heavy vehicle of some kind has simply torn the road up, and the expenditure is to all intents and purposes rendered useless. Surely the authorities whose duty it is to control the highways should take some drastic steps to stop this sort of thing happening – A.H. Reed, Cambridge

1925 02 06

Cambridge Housing and Town Planning committee recommended the council purchase land at the junction of Milton Road and King's hedges road for £2,400. It was light soil, very suitable for the erection of houses. The Council had never bought land at such a cheap rate. Ald Starr said a very serious objection was that Milton Road was not sewered up to that point and it would cost something up to £8,000 to lay the sewers required.

1925 08 20

Members of the veterinary and medical sciences cemented feelings of professional friendship with the laying of the foundation stone of the Field Laboratories, Milton Road, in connection with the Institute of Animal Pathology which is to be erected in Tennis Court Road, Cambridge. Recent benefactions to the University of £100,000 from Mr Gates, the Rockerfellow Foundation & the Corn Repeal Act Fund are to be drawn upon for the erection of the new unit. The vice-chancellor remarked jestingly that he was relieved that it was proposed to keep the greater number of animals here, "some little distance from Cambridge & from where I live" (Laughter)

1925 12 02

The overnight frost in Cambridge was sufficiently severe to ensure another day's sport for skaters. At the Cambridge sewage Farm, Milton Road, where the ice had a thickness of about two inches, skating was continued with safety and there were quite a number of people, chiefly Varsitymen, "making gay while the ice holds". The popular plus four suit and warm pull-over, is just the thing for this kind of sport, but one noticed a number skating in ordinary suits.

1925 12 05

Lively scenes took place at an intended auction sale of goods distrained on the instructions of the Ouse Drainage Board for non-payment of the rate. Some 30 men attended the sale at Scales' Hotel, Milton Road, Cambridge. As soon as the auctioneer opened the sale there was loud cheering, followed

by a continued hubbub. Accordions were played more or less melodiously, the shriek of penny whistles rent the air, and mouth organs and toy trumpets added to the general pandemonium. A Welsh pony was trotted out from the stable, it's back covered with a large Union Jack and was run to and fro to the sounds of much music amid a constant flow of racing terms. It was also sternly admonished to 'keep its tail up' and was confidently dubbed next year's Derby winner. No bids were forthcoming.

1925 12 18

Sir – regular users of the main road between Milton and Cambridge have occasion to complain of the unsatisfactory working of the Milton Road Level Crossing. The gates are practically never open to the users of the road, the average being about once in twenty that one can get through. The L.N.E.R. say that on account of the heavy traffic on the line 'the gate-keeper is justified in keeping his gates across the public road in the normal position'. The dangerous and almost prehistoric state of the avoiding cutting is utterly unfit for modern traffic & is nothing short of a public disgrace. – P.W. Essex

1926 04 23

Lady Newton, wife of the Cambridge MP, opened the new hall of the East Chesterton Ward Conservative Association, situate in Union Lane. It is completely equipped with cloakrooms, kitchen, stage etc with electric light and ventilating fans and other modern appliances, and an excellent floor has been laid for dancing. They are going to cater during the summer for flannel dancing and during the winter will run the hall for dances, whist drives and a smoking concert. A gentleman had promised a full-sized billiard table and another given them a cheque for a piano.

1927 02 19

The newly-formed Cambridge Housing Society has lost little time in getting to work. It has obtained a site in Green End Road, Cambridge and plans for 22 houses have been approved. The houses are to cost about £420 each and are to be let at a weekly rental of 5s.6d. It is hoped to have them complete by September.

1927 05 12

The foundation stone-laying in connection with the new houses being built by the Cambridge Housing Society at Green End Road, Milton Road was performed by the Master of Trinity. The Society was formed to provide houses for people with larger families who are not in a position to pay council house rents. Overcrowding produced bad results and in Cambridge there were 200 condemned houses which could not be scrapped because there were no other houses in which to put the occupants. It was hoped that what was spent on these houses would be saved on gaols, workhouses, hospitals and other institutions.

1927 11 26

Chesterton RDC received the layout submitted by Cambridge Estates Ltd for a new building estate in the parish of Impington. They had acquired 30 acres of land. The estate a considerable frontage to Arbury Road. It could be drained mainly into Milton Road by a new road to be called Hurst Park Avenue. It would be developed uniformly on garden suburb lines with wide roads & grass verges.

1927 12 27

Many of the main roads in the county were blocked with snowdrifts from six to ten feet deep over Christmas. Trains, motor buses and cars were held up and travellers stranded. The wheels of the mail vans were equipped with chains with the result that hold-ups were uncommon, though one van on the Histon – Milton Road had to be dug out. A thatched cottage at Melbourn collapsed about seven o'clock in Sunday evening. The bedroom end of the house fell out, but, happily, Mrs Greig was in the bottom room and escaped injury. She would not move however until the policeman came on Monday morning. She is now living in a cottage just opposite.

1928 01 27

Cambridge council discussed recommendations to build a bridge over the river at or near Abbey Road. An inner ring road would circle the town on the outskirts which was necessary in view of the

ever-increasing traffic and congestion in the centre of Cambridge. They suggested that a direct by-pass road be constructed by linking Chesterton Road with Milton Road

1928 02 04

Justices turned down an application for the removal of the licence of the Elm Tree, Orchard Street, Cambridge to premises proposed to be erected at the junction of Milton Road and Green End Road. The Elm Tree was redundant and not necessary for the needs of the locality and there were over 100 people in favour of the new site. Large numbers of houses were being erected in that area which would be inhabited by people who would not be able to afford a wine cellar of their own and have to go to a public house for their bottle of beer. But the residents were people who had been taken from the slums; their incomes were very small and there was no margin for drink in their budget.

1928 02 04

The first annual report of the Cambridge Housing Society shows they have built 22 houses at Green End Road to be let at an average rent of 5s.6d. per week. Twenty-two families with 91 children are accommodated and thus given the chance of growing up in healthy surroundings in houses with three bedrooms, modern sanitation and good gardens. But there are still problems of providing modern houses for poor families at rents they can reasonably afford

1928 02 06

The football fraternity in Cambridge will regret to hear of an accident to Mr Cecil Cannon, the Town goalkeeper, who was overcome by fumes from a geyser in the bathroom of his house. He is greatly concerned about being indisposed in view of the Town's amateur cup-tie with Stockton at Milton Road next Saturday. Although this is only his first season he is a goalkeeper of exceptional ability, his name having been suggested more than once for international honours. All readers will wish him a speedy recovery and hope soon to see him in his accustomed position between the "sticks".

1928 04 07

The sun worked overtime to make Good Friday a glorious harbinger of Easter-tide and all Cambridge was out of doors. Parker's Piece proved a popular children's playground, and the East Road end, where the quaint survival of Good Friday skipping is to be seen every year, was alive with the babel of children's voices. The inevitable ice-cream carts and sweet stalls did a good trade, and so did the stalls selling gaily-coloured windmills. A 6,000 crowd, which broke the Milton Road ground record, saw the Town beat Ipswich in the Southern Amateur League, while there was a very good attendance at the whippet races at Station Farm.

1928 07 09

Close to the windmill on the north side of Milton Road, opposite Chesterton Hall Crescent, occupying one of the highest and healthiest sites in the locality and surrounded by spacious lawns and trim walks stands the new open-air school for defective and sub-normal children. It is an ideal school, admirably adapted to its purpose and planned and equipped on a generous scale, a veritable children's paradise. The opening ceremony was an open-air function. Open air schools for delicate children have come to stay and in the future all schools will probably become open-air

1928 09 14

About 50 children from Milton Road school, Cambridge journeyed by special Ortona bus to visit the industries of Sawston. Two groups called on the paper mill where the various processes were explained while another was piloted through the glove factory by Mr Hutchings whose patience in giving so many simple explanations calls for commendation. They joined forces to visit the works of Messrs Thomas Evans to see the various processes skins go through. During the journey home childish voices exuberantly declared that they would live in Dixie, where the hens lay omelettes. School was reached at 8 pm

1928 12 08

Ramsden Square lamps, p5

1929 02 02
Milton Road pub, p6

1929 03 02
Cambridge Justices approved a hotel of a 'superior improved modern type' on land adjoining no.203 Milton Road. It would meet the needs of people as a social club and be a house for travellers as well, with a dining and tea room. The luncheon room should be open all day and the manager be a man of catering experience who should be encouraged to sell non-alcoholic refreshments and food. Opposition was forthcoming from the Master of Magdalene College who have a sports ground nearby and from various temperance, religious and welfare bodies.

1929 06 17
Town council sensation – price of land, Milton Road, p6

1929 09 24
Green End Road land needed for housing inquiry, p8*

1930

1930 02 14
Large crowds gathered for the stone-laying of the new Arbury Road Baptist Church Hall and School. The new church will have the support of the Old Chesterton Baptists who will vacate their present chapel when the new building is complete. It will serve the needs of inhabitants of Green End Road, Milton Road and the Hurst Park & Chesterton Hall Estates and will be able to welcome members of other denominations. The ceremony was one of the most unique ever performed, there being six foundation stones laid. 30 02 14

1930 04 25
Sensational scenes were witnessed when Cambridge Town met Ipswich in a vital football match at Milton Road. The crowd, numbering over 7,300, were annoyed by some disputable rulings by the referee. At the final whistle they surged on to the field and surrounded him. The situation looked very ugly when Cambridge players and police with drawn truncheons went to his assistance. They got him to the pavilion but the crowd tried to storm the building. When the Chairman, W.R. Paige, tried to gain order with the aid of a megaphone he was shouted down. But for the quick work of many police, both uniformed and plain clothes, players and officials, the referee might have been very roughly handled. 30 04 25

1930 05 15
Green End Road houses, p3

1930 07 25
Cambridge councillors have received consent for a new road from Milton Road to Histon Road at a cost of £18,135. St John's College would give the land which was required for housing purposes, it would be one of the best estates and the frontages would sell at very high price. Grants have been received for King's Hedges and Green End Road as part of the unemployment scheme with one-third of the labour being imported from the distressed areas. 30 07 25d

1930 08 20
Milton Road new road, photo, p8

1930 10 20
The 'Westland Wessex' three-engined six-seater cabin monoplane de luxe arrived at Marshall's aerodrome. A CDN representative, seated in a padded brown leather seat with arm and head rests found it glided so smoothly that he could scrawl down his experiences in his best hand. From the air

the new estate at Milton Road gave the appearance of a toy town, King's College chapel was a landmark and the white-fronted Central Cinema very prominent. There is no vibration and the businessman can take his secretary, for letters and notes are typed with ease. 30 10 20

1930 12 01

Milton Road heroes – football cartoon – 30 12 01a

1931 05 08

Why do tramps prefer Cambridge? Councillor Edwards had given lifts to men on the road from London. They told him that its casual wards offer a great measure of comfort to the gentlemen of the road and it is a convenient jumping-off ground for tramps en route to Newmarket races. "If we carry on as we are, we shall get casuals and plenty of them", he told councillors who were considering a scheme to build new accommodation for 150 casuals at Union Lane. They agreed to reduce the size of the building. 31 05 08c

1931 09 04

Cambridge Town Football Club's £4,000 stand was officially opened by the Mayor as Milton Road took on again its usual Saturday afternoon activity. In the centre of the pitch the Railway Band played crowds into the new stand and the lily badges of the Town Supporters' Club were well to the fore. The new dressing rooms were not in use and players used the old pavilion. Cambridge won 4-3. 31 09 04f

1932 03 30

Described by its builders and furnishers as 'the ideal home at the ideal price on the ideal terms' there is a newly built house in Kings Hedges Road which all prospective purchasers should inspect. With two receptions, three bedrooms, a bathroom and large garden it is on sale at the remarkably reasonable price of £625 freehold or for £35 deposit and 19/6 (97p) weekly. Robert Sayle has completely furnished it at a price of £140.10s. Lucky will be the wife whose husband presents her with this home. 32 03 30

1932 05 28

St George's church appeal – (detailed) – 32 05 28 & 28a

1932 06 11

St George's church foundation stone – 32 06 11 [3.6, 6.7]

1932 06 16

The new Trinity Hall Estate off Milton Road is one of the highest, healthiest and more popular residential districts of Cambridge. It has been developed on garden suburb lines with grass verges and street lighting. The rooms are airy and spacious, hot and cold water is supplied to the bathroom, and there is a good garden with space for a garage. The first seven houses were sold before they were complete. 32 06 16b

1932 09 23

On the Kendal Way Estate 375 new panels had had to be put in the front doors as they had cracked badly and fallen out on the mats. To put them in workmen had nailed pieces of wood at the back of the doors and nailed the new panels on to them. Such bodged-up doors should be taken out straight away and replaced with new ones. In every house one can find one or more of the ceilings and walls cracked. Jobs were only done properly when the clerk of the works was around. 32 09 23e

1932 09 23

Green End Road school photo, p12

1932 10 14

The new church of St George, Chesterton, was packed for the dedication by the Bishop of Ely. He welcomed those from the local district: it was for them that the church had been built. It was only a hall at present but he wanted them to see to it that an actual church was built in due course. 32 10 14a

1932 11 04

The Rev Herbert Appleford was a notable benefactor to the new parish of St George that covers the new housing estates in the Milton Road district. It has been an open secret that his enthusiasm and generosity made possible the work of the church. He provided money to purchase a site, he laid the foundation stone and was present at its dedication. He also furnished the sanctuary and gave half the cost of the clergyman's house. The new church practically owes its existence to his generosity. 32 11 04

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1932 12 23

A sanitary inspector visited a house in Green End Road where he found eleven people living in the three bedrooms. It was a very bad case of overcrowding. One family told him they had moved to Cherryhinton Road but after they had carted the furniture in various perambulators the new landlord said he would not have them in the house, so they went back. But after six months something should have been done. 32 12 23f

1933 01 27

St George's church – why not move St Michael's – 33 01 27g

1933 02 03

The Mayor, (Ald Mrs Keynes) expressed her appreciation for the support her fund for providing work for the unemployed is receiving. There are 1,600 unemployed men in Cambridge but 120 who have done no work for a year are now making the path on Long Road and levelling Coldham's Common. Another 80 will level the building ground in Brook's Road and the site of the new school and playground in Gilbert Road. 33 02 03e

1933 05 08

A motorist had a narrow escape at the Milton Road railway crossing subway. A medical student was driving towards Cambridge when two boys ran out into the road. One was knocked down. The car continued on a short distance before crashing into the fence and being left with one wheel suspended over the ten-feet drop. 33 05 08b

1933 04 06

While those living on the outskirts of Cambridge had many advantages in the way of fresh air and beautiful surroundings they did suffer certain disadvantages such as facilities for book-borrowing. Now two branch libraries have been opened in Morley Memorial Schools on the Rock Estate and Shirley Schools in the Green End Road districts. Each contains four hundred modern novels (mostly entirely new) and 100 popular non-fiction works and are open one evening a week from 6-8. This pioneering service could spread, if successful. 33 04 06

1934 03 08

A plastering contractor said he'd been told there was "a bag of money for plasterers in Cambridge" and had come from Sutton Bridge with £900 to his credit. There was a strike on at the time and he

started on 20 houses in Huntingdon Road for Mr John Brignell then contracted to plaster 212 houses in Kendal Way. But another workman's strike arose – a strike that never ceased. His last contract was for houses at Harston, Eversden and Coldham's Lane. He attributed his failure to other people's bankruptcy and bad debts. 34 03 08

1934 04 30

Three houses were damaged by one flash of lightning in Lovell Road, one of the new roads off Milton Road. The house which sustained the greatest damage was fortunately unoccupied; it struck the chimney stack and ripped a large hole in the roof. The flash spanned the road, missed no.113 but broke windows at nearby properties. It was seen by Mr Dale who was putting up curtains at the time and was thrown from one side of the room to the other. 34 04 30

1935 04 17

In a little cottage in Union Lane, Chesterton, men on the way to the Institution can now, for a few hours daily, experience something of the comfort of home life. The once rather dilapidated house has been transformed into a cosy Wayfarers' rest. Brightly-distempered walls and a roaring fire make it a comfortable place. On arrival they are given tea and a cigarette. Upstairs is a tiny chapel where prayers are said with a bible reading for any who care to attend. 35 04 17

1935 06 26

The proposed Cambridge town planning scheme envisages a ring road to encircle the whole town with the construction of by-pass roads and the improvement of dangerous junctions. The level crossings on the Milton and Cherry Hinton roads will be replaced with bridges. An area of 190 acres on Milton Road opposite the sewage farm acres is reserved for a municipal aerodrome with a municipal golf course off Trumpington Road 35 06 26a

1935 09 26

New estates – Storeys Way & Gilbert Road – 35 09 26a

1935 10 25

The new Senior School off Gilbert Road, Chesterton contains separate departments for senior boys and girls, each with its own assembly hall fitted with a stage and cinema projection room. The boys department has science laboratory and woodwork and metalwork rooms while the girls' includes provision for cookery, laundry and dressmaking. A changing room, fitted with shower baths, has been included in connection with organised games. 35 10 25a

1936 03 06

The Star Brewery want a new pub, The Golden Hind, on Milton Road, an area of 1,010 houses of which the majority had been built since 1927. It was not ribbon development but housing estates on each side and practically built up to the railway gates. King's Hedges Road would form part of the new Ring Road so further development might be expected there. If granted the brewery would surrender the licence of the 'Racehorse' on Newmarket Road and the 'Plume of Feathers'. The Women's Total Abstinence Union opposed the application. Licence applications Elm Tree, Hare and Hounds & Dog & Pheasant. Licence of Bowling Green Chesterton transfer to new Golden Hind. 36 03 06

1936 04 25

The Wayfarers' Rest at 3 Union Lane, Chesterton has been open for a year. It provides an opportunity for those on their way to the Casual Ward to spend an hour or two in homely surroundings during which they are given tea, scones and a cigarette or tobacco. They can write letters, read magazines and join in the small chapel for prayers and a short Bible reading. More than 4,700 men and 120 woman have used it so far 36 04 25a

1936 08 22

Cambridge has sent its sons and daughters to places all over the world. Miss Freda Mary Sennitt, 27-year-old daughter of F.O. Sennitt of Milton Road, received training in nursing and midwifery and has now been appointed to the charge of one of the hospitals in Nigeria under the Methodist Missionary Society. She will be the only white woman at the hospital where her first spell of duty, owing to the climate and conditions, will be for only 18 months. 36 08 22d

1936 10 05

Six people were injured following a collision near Milton Road level crossing. A passenger train struck a light engine which was stationary on the reception goods line and its driver and fireman had a fortunate escape from being buried under tons of coal from the tender. The crossing-keeper said the passenger train was on the wrong line. Its front was badly smashed and a coupling broke but it did not leave the track. The passengers received a severe jolting. 36 10 05

1936 10 15

More than 737 new street lamps had been installed and from Milton Road to Northampton Street there was excellent lighting. But the council had deliberately left a big black patch along the Backs. Discussions had taken place with the Cambridge Preservation Society and Heads of Colleges; Queen's Road was unique, they had to reconcile its beauty and character with the efficient lighting which would protect life 36 10 15

1936 11 07

Model liners built by F.W. Thiem floated in tank in garden at corner Chesterton Hall Crescent – 36 11 07d

1936 11 09

Gas demonstration platform at Premier Hall, Union Lane – photo – 36 11 09

1937 03 01

A horse attached to a milk float belonging to Messrs W.H. Onyett, dairymen of Chesterton, bolted while standing outside a house in Ramsden Square. After a run of about three hundred yards during which it rounded two sharp corners, distributing pieces of harness, milk crates and bottles, it came to a halt in King's Hedges Road when the near-side wheel was wrenched off the cart 37 03 01b

1937 07 27

Milton Road railway crossing bridge proposed – 37 07 27

1937 10 20

The Bishop of Ely says money is needed for building new churches in rapidly developing centres of population, such as St George's off Milton Road, Cambridge, and the maintenance of church schools. But many old buildings are in serious structural difficulties due to subsidence or dry rot. Some such as Upwood and Croydon are already 'hospital cases'. Inhabitants of Balsham, Caldecote, Benwick and Carlton do their best but are unable to meet the expenditure necessary to put their churches into repair. Soon an Appeal Fund will be launched. 37 10 20e

1937 11 04

Milton Road railway bridge over level crossing proposed – 37 11 04

1937 12 08

Sir – two months ago I visited Kings Hedges Road and was surprised to find that an entirely new, first class road has been constructed, sewered, channelled, kerbed, grass verged. This has been done by the council under an agreement with the owners who threw into the highway just under half an acre of land, worth £50. The total cost of making the road was nearly £1,500. The building speculators have received a substantial gain, a splendid road, enhanced price for the houses erected, resulting in a bigger profit for them at the expense of the ratepayers – Geo. Edwards 37 12 08

1937 12 16

Back in 1924 Green End Road and Kings Hedges Road were narrow country roads with hedges on each side and a narrow carriageway in the centre with rough grass margins on either side. Then the Cambridge Town Planning Scheme began to evolve and development started to take place. The Corporation built some wood framed houses on the west side of Kings Hedges Road and the housing society erected houses on the same side of Green End Road. Gradually houses began to appear on the opposite side and then the proposed ring road was agreed. Builders told to keep their houses far enough back to enable the required width but then the council purchased the land and constructed the ring road in front of the properties without any cost to them. The same procedure was followed on King's Hedges Road from Milton Road to the old borough boundary 37 12 16c

1937 12 28

Christmas festivities at Cambridge, Ross Street Children's Home, Home of Mercy – 37 12 28

1938 01 08

Mill Road Infirmary, Harvey Goodwin Home, Mill Road Sanatorium, Church Army Home, Union Lane Institution 37 12 28a Two wayfarers of the Public Assistance Institution, Union Lane were summoned that, being persons habitually wandering from place to place, they took a five-year-old child with them, thus preventing it receiving elementary education. They admitted they had no fixed abode and the boy only attended school for a few weeks at Long Sutton. The small solemn-faced lad was led into the court and lifted on to one of the benches for the magistrates to see him. He was well-nourished and well looked-after. He had never been neglected. The boy was taken into care though the father could see him once a month. 38 01 08

1938 02 03

Kings Hedges Road was shown as a private carriageway under the Inclosure Award of 1840, so why was it now repairable by Cambridge ratepayers, Councillor Edwards asked. The Town Clerk said that in 1912, when the Borough was extended, part of Kings Hedges Road was handed over by Chesterton Urban District Council as a highway repairable by the inhabitants at large and in 1934 the County passed over the remaining portion on the same terms. It seemed Chesterton UDC had simply begun repairing the road thus making it a public highway. It was a mistake made in good faith and it would be a waste of time to consider it further. 38 02 03b

1938 03 24

Kings Hedges Road controversy – no further action – 38 03 24c

1938 04 14

Gurney Way, p6

The old brick windmill in Hurst Park Avenue was built in 1855 by J.M. Mann and ended its working days some 60 years ago when the sails were removed. The mill was last operated by William French from Hildersham whose family have been millers for four generations. It is now used as storage by S.A. Rose, the butcher, whose slaughterhouse once stood close by.

1938 04 15

Go house hunting this weekend. See the new attractive labour-saving houses at Gurney Way, just off Milton Road. Four bedrooms, bathroom (h & c), two reception rooms, large kitchen with 'Cozy' stove, garage and nice garden. Prices from £1,150 freehold, main sewerage and no road charges (about £66,000 at today's values). Builders S. Ginn & Sons, Herbert Street – Advert 38 04 15a

1938 04 23

Huge crowds turned out to welcome the Princess Royal when she laid the foundation stone of St George's new church on Milton Road. The building with its 107 ft tower is visible for several miles around and has become a new landmark in the northern part of Cambridge. The ceremony took the form of an open-air service conducted by the Bishop of Ely. Practically all the local clergy came

together with the Lord Lieutenant, the Mayor, architect (T.H. Lyon) and the builder (Mr C. Kerridge)
38 04 23, a & b, 25

1938 09 29

Calmly and without fuss, Cambridge people have started to collect their gas masks in readiness for 'come what may'. A steady stream of callers arrived at all distribution centres. Schoolmistress and volunteers showed each caller the simple method of fitting the masks on. Tragic was the contrast at Milton Road School where during playtime small children shouted 'We want peace' while adults waited outside to be fitted with their masks. It drove home Mr Chamberlain's words "How horrible that we should be digging trenches and trying on gas masks because of a quarrel in a far-away country between people of whom we know nothing" 38 09 29aa

1938 10 08

At long last a start is to be made on the construction of a railway bridge on Milton Road in place of the present level crossing. Ministry of Transport approve has finally come through and work is expected to take 18 months. The crossing is frequently closed to road traffic and the adjacent subway, which has not sufficient head-room for larger vehicles, is narrow with steep gradients. Now there will be a bridge 44ft wide with a 30 ft carriageway and two footpaths. In 1935 2,000 motor vehicles and 1,000 pedal cycles used the road each day 38 10 08

1938 10 13

St George's church consecration – 38 10 13b

1938 10 24

A sixteen-year-old boy was injured by an explosion in a shed 'laboratory' in his garden at 132 Ramsden Square. Neighbour C.F. Brown said "There was a terrific bang like the explosion of an eighteen-pounder shell. Seeing that the shed had been wrecked I jumped over the fence and looked for the lad among the ruins. Then I heard his mother scream. He had been blown through the door of the shed and managed to stumble into the house". Only the frame of the hut remained, the sides and roof was blown away, some being flung 20 yards. Flames and smoke shot 40 feet into the air. The lad had been making fireworks. 38 10 24

1938 11 24

During the recent gale the roof of St Barnabas' Institute was damaged, bricks blown from a chimney stack at Hawkins' shop on the corner of Gold Street and a chimney pot lifted clean off a house in Sturton Street. Extensive damage was also caused to two shops at Green End Road. Haystacks, especially those unthatched, suffered badly and a furniture lorry was blown over near the Swavesey turning when the gale was at its height. 38 11 24a

1938 12 21

RAF plane crashes in snowstorm near Milton Road railway crossing – picture – 38 12 21Parts of Milton Road branch library are unsafe and re-building is the only cure, the Library Committee was told. It was constructed on the site of an old brickyard and there has been a serious settlement. Every cove cornice in every part was cracked and the whole library should be pulled down. A new building a short distance away was erected a short time ago and when the foundations were exposed it was found they had no bottom. It had to be built on piles that went 15 feet down to get a foundation. 39 03 23a

1939 05 09

Milton Road Library – surveyor's report on site; some movement but hundreds of houses have been built on sites excavated for gravel or coprolite – 39 05 09. But cracking continues – 39 05 11b

1939 09 01

An experimental gas mask drill was held for Ramsden Square children. Over 100 assembled and were instructed in the proper use of the gas masks by the senior warden, Mr E. Winkworth. They were told

a whistle would sound in the event of an air raid, that the sound of a rattle would indicate a gas attack and a bell would sound when it was safe for them to come from their shelters. Aeroplanes roared overhead as the children were instructed 39 09 01b

1939 09 13

Milton Road school ARP trenches – 39 09 13

1939 10 09

The small new Roman Catholic chapel on the corner of High Street, Old Chesterton is a corrugated iron structure but its lines are good and the interior fittings and decoration are in excellent taste. After the Reformation there was no Catholic church in Cambridge. Then Mass began to be said in the room of a house and in 1841 a small church opened in Union Lane. This was supplanted in 1890 by the fine building in Hills Road. Now there are large congregations at four Masses every Sunday and two other chapels of ease beside the one now opened. 39 10 09

1939 10 13

First vicar of St George's – 39 01 13

1940

1940 05 17

Charles Lovell Naylor was estate agent, set up Cambridge Building Materials Supply Co, built houses in Scotland Road and Kings Hedges Road but war caused problems; purchased Rendezvous Cinema in 1930, rebuilt it after fire 1931 but sold due ill health and lost money – 40 05 17

1940 06 07

Milton Road Library – surveyor to place further paper strips over settlement cracks, parts should be taken down and rebuilt; it should have been built on piers – 40 02 02b

1940 06 07

R.A.F. Man's Rescue. A Royal Air Force man, Cpl. R. A. Laxton, effected a river rescue at Cambridge on Sunday afternoon. Seeing a man in the water, near the Fen Causeway Bridge, he dived in from the bank and brought him to safety. It is understood that the man, Mr. P. C. Phillips, of Milton Road (Cambridge), had fallen into the water from a punt. 40 06 07

1940 07 10

Air raid shelter constructed by two neighbours in Milton Road – photo – 40 07 10bMilton Road library slight movement on one side caused by sub-soil, not to underpin at present due shortage pf material – 40 10 09a

1941 07 15

ARP exercises Milton Road area – photos – 41 07 15

1940 07 16

Warren Road shelter interior – photo – 40 07 16a

1941 07 21

Milton Road library wall underpinned; problem with clay – 41 07 21

1942 09 25

Did he escape from Singapore? Among the Cambridge men reported missing when Singapore fell was Sapper William Hall, of 178 Kings Hedges Road, Cambridge. His wife has now received news from a Mrs. Harradine of 13 Owlstone Road, Cambridge, that her husband was amongst those who made their escape from the Japanese. It will be remembered that the escape of Mrs Harradine's husband. Lt. R. R. L Harradine was reported last March. Mrs. Harradine has now received a letter from her

husband saying that Sapper Hall was with him when he got away from Singapore. Mrs. Hall, however, has heard nothing from her husband, and is endeavouring to get in touch with him

1943 07 06

Kendal Way children help Red Cross – named photo – 43 07 06

1944 08 11

Holiday gala. An easy first in popularity with the stay-at-home Bank Holiday crowds at Cambridge on Monday was the big programme of sporting events on the Town football ground at Milton Road. Some 7,000 people made this event their mecca, and partly forgetting, at least, the troubled times of the moment, lapsed back for a few hours into the traditionally-English Bank Holiday spirit. Arranged by the Borough Entertainments Committee, the events included a continuous four-hour sports programme, an A.T.S. physical fitness display, a spectacular display of flags of the United Nations, a variety entertainment and a beauty show. 44 08 11

1945 07 07

Woman shot through heart by coloured sentry at American camp in Milton Road; said she had spent the night in the camp, called guard names, refused to stop – 45 07 07 1945 07 11

Two girls slept in Home Guard hut opposite American camp on Milton Road, had blankets got from an American – 45 07 11

1945 08 29

VJ Parties – Eden St, Cherryhinton Rd, Chestnut Grove – 45 08 29; Queen Edith's Way, Ditton Fields – 45 09 04; Young St, Petworth St, Geldart St, Marshall Rd – 45 09 04; Darwin Drive, Stretton Ave, Victoria St, Hobart Rd, Adam & Eve St – 45 09 07b; Gloucester St, Castle St, Ashfield Rd – 45 09 10; Gilbert Rd, King's Hedges Rd, Ditton Fields – 45 09 11; Lichfield Rd, Cromwell Park estate, Hawthorn Rd – 45 09 12; Catharine St, Kendal Way – 45 09 14; York St & York Terrace, Brooks Road, Gold St – 45 09 17d# Bateson Rd, Garden Walk, Argyle St, St Philip's Rd, Sedgwick St, Holbrook Rd, Mowbray Rd – 45 09 18; Akeman St, James St, Parsonage St, Vinery Rd, Kingston St, Kingston St, Mowbray Rd, Hurst Park Estate – 45 09 20; Eastfield, New St, Kelvin Close – 45 09 24a; Hertford St, St John's Rd, Norwich St, Alpha Terrace, Sherlock Rd – 45 09 27a# c.45.7
Premier Travel take over services of F.E. Weeden of Chrishall – 45 08 30; Silverwood Close, Newmarket Road, Fallowfield, Fen Rd, Water St, Mowbray Rd – 45 10 04a; Cavendish Rd, Stourbridge Grove, Fulbourn Rd, Bradmore St, Petersfield, Gwydir St, Newnham Croft, Scotland Rd, Scotland Close – 45 10 08; Suez Rd, Hale Ave, Harvey Goodwin Ave, Glebe Rd, Radegund Rd, Golding Rd – 45 10 10; Selwyn Rd, Abbey Estate, De Freville Ave, Stanley Rd – 45 10 12a; Milton Rd, Thoday St – 45 10 18

1947 06 13

The road was partially blocked and a single line of traffic caused at Milton Road crossing, Cambridge, yesterday when an engine loaded with tanks at the army camp, G.23, ran into the buffers and was carried on to the road. It came to a standstill with the engine projecting across the grass verge. It is understood that the engine began to move whilst each of the 12 trucks was being loaded with a Sherman tank. We understand that the front wheels of the engine were buried in the ground and that the rails are being burnt up. It may be some time before the engine can be lifted off the road by crane.

1948 02 04

In the Commons yesterday, Mr Leslie Symonds (Lab., Cambridge) asked the Secretary for War how many persons the former U.S. Army camp at Milton Road, Cambridge, was built to accommodate and how many persons were accommodated there now. Mr Shinwell replied that the camp was built to accommodate 850 troop on a war basis. On a peace-time basis it could accommodate 700. The unit at present occupying it totalled some 400 and the surplus accommodation was earmarked for another unit which would move in this month

1948 04 28

The Mayoress of Cambridge (Mrs G.F. Hickson) paid an official visit to the Open Air School in Ascham Road, off Milton road, Cambridge. The school is composed of a number of small, single storey buildings with windows extending nearly to the floor. It comprises classrooms, surgery and shower room, kitchens, dining hall, laundry & practical rooms and the quarters of the headmistress. These are set in attractively designed and well-tended ground surrounded by a playing field and kitchen gardens which the children help to cultivate. The school is for delicate children for whom it is thought that a course of special treatment and open-air life would be beneficial. There are also maladjusted children and a few cases of some form of paralysis

1948 07 29

D.E. Knapman, telephone manager of the Cambridge area told Rotarians that there were 4,000 people in the area waiting for telephones. He said there are two separate wires running from the exchange right back to your house which are yours and only yours. It would be impossible to run out a separate pair of wires every time somebody asked for a telephone. They try and forecast 30 years ahead the number of subscribers they will get and then lay cable under the ground. In Sidney Street are seven or eight thousand wires serving Chesterton and the Milton Road districts

1948 08 30

Pleading guilty to taking a US Army truck belonging to the American Graves Registration Command of Milton Road, Cambridge, because he wanted to attend a Saturday night dance in a neighbouring village, a 35-year old Newmarket labourer was sentenced to three months imprisonment. The vehicle was an open type of truck used to convey Newmarket workmen to Cambridge. Defendant took it from Newmarket and drove to Dullingham. But as he parked the vehicle he ran the nearside wheels into the ditch.

1948 09 18

"I feel the club has served a very useful purpose. Even if it dies now, the effect will not die for many years. It has made Gilbert Road a sociable road. So said Mr D.I. Piggott (chairman) when announcing that the Gilbert Road Social Club, which was formed out of the friendships made at the VJ party at the end of the war is in the process of being wound up. The secretary said "We have 308 adult members, but the greater part of them do not come to any ordinary functions". The proposal to wind up the club was carried unanimously

1948 11 01

The vanguard of the "Vanguards" has arrived in Cambridge. An example of this fine new Standard car is on view at Messrs King and Harper's Milton Road depot and is attracting a steady stream of visitors. The model will not be available until early next year but it is one of those cars which is worth waiting for. First there is the price. For £425 plus £118 16.7d. purchase tax you get a five to six seater car with bold, thoroughly modern lines, a 17 h.p. engine capable of speeds in the region of 80 m.p.h. and a petrol consumption of 22 miles per gallon. The engine is a four cylinder one with a three-speed gearbox and gives fine performance

1948 12 08

Cambridgeshire is the home base of some 50% of the RAF aircraft and crews at present bringing help on the airlift to Berlin. Oakington, one of the war-time Pathfinder airfields, and Waterbeach, are the two stations on which Dakota squadrons taking part in the lift have their home base. Another Cambridge link is that the commander of the squadron equipped with Hastings transport aircraft is a Cambridge man, Squadron-Leader P. J. Finlayson of Milton Road. He was the first man to pilot a Hastings carrying coal into Gatow, one of the Berlin termini of the lift.

1949 07 25

The Ministry of Transport's refusal to accede to their application for a grant towards the cost of building a ring road from Coldham's Lane to Ditton Walk was attacked at the meeting of the Cambridge town council. Ald. Raynes said they had decided in 1938 to proceed with a ring road on the East side of the town to link up Milton Road, over the river and railway on the north side, and the

Hauxton and Hills Road on the south side. It was a tremendous job financially, and would obviously serve the nation and not merely the ratepayers of Cambridge.

1950

1950 04 01

17-years-old Joy Carter of Newmarket Road, Cambridge was by popular vote last night chosen as Miss Cambridgeshire, 1950. She was one of four entrants who reached the finals of this fifth annual contest held at the Rex Ballroom. The others were Angela Barker of Gt Shelford, Jean Hickman of Histon and Dorothy Sampson of Ramsden Square, Cambridge.

1950 07 03

Several properties changed hands at auction. The Station Garage, Linton, sold at £2,750. Nos.54 Herbert Street & 231 Victoria Rd, Cambridge, made £1500 and £1,110 respectively. No.91 Mawson Road, Cambridge, sold for £900 and no.8 Selwyn Gardens was withdrawn at £5,750 and is now for sale by public treaty

1950 07 26

Cambridge Council is considering purchasing sites for industrial purposes at Brooklands Farm, between Cromwell Road and the railway and at Union Lane. The committee recommends the Union Lane site is more suitable for housing, Brooklands Farm is unsuitable for industry owing to drainage difficulties and that the Allotments Committee's views be sought on the Cromwell Road site. They also reject proposals for a site off Clarendon Road for the University Press printing works owing to traffic difficulties and the need to preserve the existing green wedge.

1951 03 14

Approval of the layout of the new housing estate between Gilbert Road and Arbury Road is to be recommended by Cambridge council. Sites are provided for three-storey flats, semi-detached and blocks of four houses, a church, community centre, shops, cinema, public house and a nursery school

1952 01 18

After years of planning, working and hoping, members of Chesterton Methodist Church have at last a building of their own, a new church on the corner of Green End Road and Scotland Road, which was officially opened by Mrs Elliot Ridgeon. Now they have a light and bright building and the friendliness of the many members at the ceremony reflected joy and thankfulness at the completion of the new church. But their struggles are not yet over for they plan to build a school hall and hope one day to build a bigger church

1952 06 21

Mr Lloyd Stokes, owner of land at Trinity Hall Farm, Milton, said there were 140 armoured vehicles on the land waiting to be shipped. He wanted an access from Green Park because he had a number of tanks coming through the back and wished to enlarge the front entrance on to Milton Road. It was dangerous and an agricultural machine such as a 12-foot combine could not get through. The County council suggested the city should buy this piece of land and put there light industry, not likely to cause any nuisance.

1952 11 10

In swerving to avoid a dog in the road a 101 bus being driven along Green End Road, Cambridge on Sunday morning crashed into a house. The conductress, E. Chalker, who was taking an 11-year-old girl passenger's fare, was slightly injured. The girl, Marilyn Hall, was also injured when she was shot forward almost into the house. As she was being lifted into the ambulance Marilyn asked her mother "Can we have our fares back now? We didn't go anywhere".

1953 08 01

A Pageant for Coronation year is to be performed in the grounds of St John's College in aid of the Cambridge Residential Home for Old People. In this enterprise Town and University combine. About 150 people take part from a distinguished historian to a little girl of six. It includes a genuine ancient broadsword lent by Prof G.M. Trevelyan, Master of Trinity and greatest of living historians. Amongst those taking part are Michael Cogman, a nine-year-old pupil from Milton Road School, Charles Batts, Timothy Roach and David Bartlett.

1954 03 09

Mr L.W. Hallen started his motor cycle trading 21 years ago in a low-roomed malting shed opposite Union Lane corner and shortly afterwards acquired premises in Hawthorn Way. During the war Government contracts for repair work on RAF vehicles helped the firm to expand and premises which were a dance hall were converted to the use of the business. They have now opened a spacious new showroom on the site of former almshouses that jutted on to Union Lane. Their empire now occupies an extensive stretch of Chesterton High Street.

1954 03 25

Mr John Gambling of Milton Road Cambridge who has died at the age of 82 was the oldest active magician in the British Isles. A member of the Inner Magic Circle since its earliest days he first became interested in 1881 when he acted as assistant to 'Signor Bosco' and later performed on land, sea, in the air and down a coal mine. During the First World War entertained nearly every evening at the First Eastern General Hospital. After retirement from his post of Borough Road Surveyor he lived a life of adventure. He made many trips to Morocco and was the only white magician known to have performed in a harem. The Moors learned to recognise his pointed moustache and would gather round him clamouring for an on-the-spot show.

1954 07 27

City planners discussed 13 acres of land to the east of Milton Road which had been earmarked to meet the needs of industrial concerns whose existing premises were incapable of expansion or intended for residential use. The land, owned by Trinity Hall, was on the market in 1951 but the council could not acquire it at the time. It was bought by Mr Stokes but he was refused permission for it to be used for industrial purposes. The council envisaged that two or three acres should remain in his ownership but that they should acquire the remainder and divide it into plots for sale or lease to industrialists

1955 06 25

Sawston residents objected to the 'obnoxious smell' that would be caused if a sewerage disposal station were constructed near their homes. One said that he had never known a sewerage works not to smell and referred to the 'terrible stink along the Milton Road'. Experts said the smell did not come so much when the winds blew as in wet, warm muggy weather. 55 06 25b-c

1955 12 03

The first of the new M.G.A. 1½ litre sports cars has appeared in Hallens showrooms, Union Lane. It combines traditional craftsmanship with modern race-bred performance and in racing trim can reach 112 mph. At a price of £595 plus £299 purchase tax it is an attractive proposition to any enthusiast and it is unfortunate that there is a long wait for those who wish to enjoy it. 55 12 03

1956 04 26

Since the Cambridge sewage purification works at Milton Road were first built, over 60 years ago, treatment has consisted of settlement in tanks followed by passing the sewage to land areas from which is drained into the river. Now new extensions are being built, all sewage will be properly purified and land treatment will be ended for ever. At a later stage gas driven off during the drying process will be burnt to drive electricity generators for the works and for a new pumping station at Cheddars Lane. 56 04 26a

1956 05 25

A Cambridge man was injured when he fell with a rotten electricity pole on which he had been working at the Milton Road Army camp. Several poles had blown down in a storm in March 1953. The Clerk of Works said that as that one had withstood the gale he had assumed it was safe. 56 05 25a
A Lambretta Service Station has been opened by King and Harper at their Milton Road branch. It features all the necessary service tools and equipment. Now routine checks can be completed in a matter of minutes with even the most extensive overhaul carried out within a week. Cambridge people have been quick to adapt to this modern form of transport and already own many hundreds of machines. For many housewives, typists and office workers the scooter is here to stay. 56 11 02b

1957 02 25

Keys to a bungalow at 246 Green End Road House were officially handed over to its first occupants, Mr & Mrs L. Hart, by the Mayor. It is the 4,000 council house completed since 1945- an average of 353 houses each year. The 1000th was opened in Peverel Road in December 1948, the 2,000th in Whitehill Road in May 1953 and the 3,000th in Colville Road, March 1952. The site had been an eyesore, now it is a tremendous improvement. 57 02 25c

1957 04 04

Bulldozers are clearing the ground for house building in Hurst Park Avenue where the hundred foot windmill and Mill Cottage are to be pulled down. There has been a mill on the site since the 16th century although the present building is about 120 years old. It has been a landmark for aircraft from local aerodromes and for many years has been a home for pigeons. 57 04 04a

1958 03 13

The foundation stone was laid of the new Roman Catholic Church of St Laurence the Martyr in Milton Road, Cambridge. Since the Rev Father P. Oates was appointed in 1951 he has worked hard to make the building possible. Already £4,000 has been raised, but there is still a long way to go. 58 03 13

1958 06 07

Trinity Hall Farm appeal – needed for displaced industries – 58 06 07a & b

1958 08 22

The new Roman Catholic Church of St Laurence at Milton Road is one of the most modern Catholic buildings in the diocese and replaces the existing church in Chesterton High Street. Heating is of the ‘underfloor’ electrical type and the lighting is also by electricity. The pews are of polished mahogany and the altar is made of stone. Much of the money has still to be raised and a local football pool is being run between the parishioners. 58 08 22a

1958 08 23

James Ison of Girton is a well-known stonemason who has worked on many college buildings including King’s college chapel, where he made the pinnacles, and Caius where he assisted William Topper with the carvings on the Gate of Honour and Gate of Virtue. He also made the foundation stone for the new Catholic Church in Milton Road. Now he started his own business and has carved the gargoyles and medallions that are going to help restore the second court of St John’s. 58 08 23a

1958 09 01

A 70 year-old Cambridge grandmother was the oldest of 18 Jehovah’s Witnesses who received baptism by total immersion at the City Football Ground, Milton Road. They radiated confidence and seemed in very high spirits as, wearing bathing costumes, they stepped into a bath which contained two feet of luke-warm water and were immersed one at a time. It was part of a three-day Assembly attended by over 700. 58 09 01b

1958 11 12

A Chesterton Bridge was proposed over 50 years ago but no work had been started. A Ministerial ruling had decided in favour of the route from Milton Road to Trumpington Road via Haig Road,

Cam Road and Walnut Tree Avenue and this would be designated a Trunk Road in due course. However funds were limited and other works had priority. 58 11 12

1959 02 26

The memory of the night the lights that were turned on at Milton Road football ground will live for a long time judging by the way the inaugural match between Cambridge City and West Ham United was received by the 11,000 crowd. Even though the First Division club beat their hosts to the tune of five goals to two, they endeared themselves to all the spectators by the manner in which they did it. They even had the courtesy to allow the City to be the first to score under the new floodlights – although perhaps it wasn't intended! Barry Kin drove the ball hard from the wing and it matter not that the West Ham goalkeeper helped the ball into the net. 59 02 26b

1959 06 23

Cambridge Model Engineering Society's new premises and railway track in Fulbrooke Road was officially opened by Sir Vivian Fuchs. He praised the craftsmanship of the models, including one of a 'Sno-cat', the vehicle on which he had made his trans-Antarctic journey. The Society had started in Union Lane, then Mr Banham allowed them to build a track at The Willows before they acquired this site. 59 06 23

1959 06 23

Planning permission has been granted for flats, maisonettes and 346 houses on three fields in Kings Hedges Road while the site of the prefabricated bungalows will be suitable for a further 32 dwellings when they were eventually removed. There should be a through road to Arbury Road as soon as possible. Now the Council may buy the land from the University. 59 06 23a

1959 09 01

A Ring Road was proposed for Cambridge before the war. It was to run from Trumpington Road and Brooks Road to Coldham's Lane, then on across Milton Road, Huntingdon Road and so to Hills Road. Thousands of pounds were spent to make a dual carriageway from Coldham's Lane to Ditton Walk with a ramp six feet high to start the viaduct across the river. This section was completed and only required the final tarmac surface. Now half of the dual carriageways have been dug up and the ramp bulldozed. It cost many thousands of pounds to make and over £34,500 to destroy. 59 09 01

1959 11 27

Milton Road new athletics track opened – 59 11 27d

1960s The Cambridgeshire Collection has newspaper cuttings files form this date

1960

1960 01 20

Supermarkets are undercutting smaller shops – an identical tin of coffee varies by as much as sixpence. But Mr L.C. Cherry of Milton Road has banded together with several other grocers to buy goods in bulk, enabling him to give customers special offers. A high percentage of orders are now taken over the telephone, credit is given and goods delivered. At Sutton Mr L.F. Lindsell has seen no decline since the opening of a supermarket at Ely: the customer saves a bus fare, get good service and can always come back and complain. Several housewives praised the supermarket but others said it tempted them to buy rather more than they first intended 60 01 20

1960 11 02

Many roads were flooded following a torrential downpour. Policemen with red warning lights patrolled parts of Queen's Road which was covered to a depth of 18-inches in parts and the roadway at Chesterton Hall Crescent was also under water. Wilberforce Road was the most seriously affected where water poured off a nearby playing field and fences were pulled up to divert the flow away from

houses. The Wheatsheaf Inn at Harlton and a cottage at Barton Road Haslingfield were also inundated. This has been one of the wettest years recorded in Cambridge. 60 11 02b

1960 11 22

Land between Kings Hedges Road and the Arbury estate may be bought by the city for housing – 60 11 22a

1961 02 01

An 18-inch-long canister marked 'Explosive' was found lying in the gutter near the Milton Road roundabout at Mitcham's Corner. It was removed by the RAF who said it was probably a mortar type bomb. Recently Swastikas and the words 'Juden Raus' were daubed in bright green distemper on the cream entrance to the University Pitt Club in Jesus Lane. This was formed in 1835 as a political club but is now one of the most exclusive and expensive social clubs in Cambridge 60 02 01 60 02 15
Milton Road cottages opposite school demolition photo – 61 02 14b

1962 01 19

A Scandinavian-style house at 7, Hurst Park Avenue, built five years ago, is well insulated and centrally heated by a boiler featuring a small bore system with circulating pumps thermostatically controlled. The lounge has French windows opening to a terrace while the dining room has a serving hatch from the kitchen. The four bedrooms have built-in fittings with full-length wardrobes and a glass door. It is a good example of contemporary architecture on a small scale 62 01 19b

1961 02 24

Houses in Chesterton High Street and Green End Road have been subject to a demolition order since January 1960. Their occupants have gradually been re-accommodated and their homes abandoned. Now only two families remain. It is an eerie feeling to have empty houses on either side, especially when they are broken into, the wallpaper ripped and the boarded-up windows damaged. Once they have been rehoused the rickety four-roomed homes with their primitive sanitation will be pulled down for re-development. 61 02 24

1962 01 31

An experiment to prevent traffic jams at Mitcham's Corner was judged a success. It reroutes traffic along the Milton Road junction road island around the houses, and makes several of the nearby side streets one-way only. One-way traffic means cars could use the whole of the road and motorists would soon get used to it. Only three policemen would be needed to help control the traffic if the scheme was put into operation. 62 01 31

1962 02 23

Sir – I admire the paintings of Edward Vulliamy and hope there may be an exhibition of his work. I have two examples of his genius. One, dated 1929-31, is a superb watercolour of a drainage windmill that stood near Wicken Fen, the other is a pencil sketch of the windmill on Madingley Hill. They hang alongside other fenland etchings – R.W. Macbeth's 'Fen Flood', 'Potato Harvest in the Fens' and Robert Farren's 'Holywell' and 'Sunrise on Wicken Lode'. I hope I shall find somewhere that Cambridge people may enjoy them as I have done – William Farren, Milton Road, Cambridge. 62 02 23f & 24

1962 04 02

Police are searching for a silver-grey American car which smashed down level crossing gates in Milton Road. Crossing keeper, Edward Dyson, had just closed the gates ready for the train when a large American car coming from the Milton direction rammed them. It reversed and headed back the way it had come. Members of the Cambridge City Reserves football team returning from their evening match at King's Lynn left their coach and helped drag parts of the broken gates from the rails. Mr Dyson telephoned Chesterton Junction and had a goods train diverted through Ely. 62 04 02a

1962 04 16

The parish of St George, Chesterton, has practically doubled in the past five years. Twenty four members of the congregation were engaged in welcoming new families on the new King's Hedges Estate. But the need for the appointment of a curate to assist the Vicar, the Rev J. Degwel Thomas, was urgent. Amongst those elected to the Parochial Church Council were Donald & Derrick Flory. 62 04 16a

1962 05 01

An experiment at Mitcham's Corner designed to speed up rush hour traffic brought protests from road users and residents. Cars and lorries were brought to a complete standstill for up to ten minutes in Chesterton Hall Crescent which was used to siphon off traffic from Milton and Gilbert Roads. Residents protested saying it was a fiasco and the scheme should be abandoned. There were 16 children under ten years of age living in the Crescent and they felt strongly for their safety 62 05 01a

1962 08 28

Piped television begins in Cambridge on Saturday when 30 Arbury Estate subscribers tune in to receive three television and four radio programmes via a 170 ft mast in Kings Hedges Road. The British Wireless Relay Company says the cost of laying a complete underground network was prohibitive but wherever possible the cables were being put in the least conspicuous places. People can hire sets for between 7s6d and 13s a week 62 08 28a

1962 10 29

More than 200 people in the 'No War over Cuba' march around Cambridge. The marchers were mostly students but included 87-year-old Mrs Clara Rackham, 87, and were led by Robert Davies, the Prospective Labour Party Candidate. Four undergraduates carrying placards 'Hands off Cuba' distributed leaflets to the thousands of spectators streaming into the City Football ground on Milton Road. Members of the Amalgamated Society of Woodworkers, who were meeting to discuss safety in the building industry, petitioned Mr Gaitskell and the TUC over the moves made by President Kennedy 62 10 29

1963 01 04

Milton Road 'Mayflower Court' flats to be unfurnished – 63 01 04

1963 02 27

Clearing ice at Milton road football ground – 63 02 27a

1963 02 28

Down Your Street article by Erica Dimock on Union Lane – 63 02 28

1963 05 23

Down Your Street article by Erica Dimock on Milton Road – 63 05 23

1963 07 05

People in Kings Hedges Road thought a bomb had dropped in the street when a thunderbolt hit no.39 and shattered the windows of houses hundreds of yards away. After crashing through the house it flashed along electricity cables the length of the street. All the pipes in the house split open as well as the asbestos walls and ceilings. Light switches were pushed out of the wall and all the light bulbs in the house next door dropped out. The gas meter caught fire, lumps of concrete and plaster shot out across the room. 63 07 05d

1964 03 04

Houses in Walnut Tree Avenue have been bought by the Ministry of Transport for demolition when the dual-carriageway for the proposed Chesterton bridge route is constructed. One side of Cam Road will also have to be demolished. It is expected that negotiations for the 30 properties involved will take a year to complete. The first part of the scheme will link Newmarket Road with Chesterton and

Milton Roads. Later the existing roads of Lensfield Road, Gonville Place and East Road will feed into a roundabout at the junction of Sun Street and Newmarket Road 64 03 04b

1964 03 18

Herbert Lowe, who runs a grocery shop in Herbert Street, decided to give up selling cigarettes and tobacco when the American Medical Association published their report on the link between smoking and lung cancer. He claims he has lost no customers, none ask for cigarettes though they still come in for sweets and other things they used to buy. But a stranger did ask for some and commented 'Good Gracious' before walking out. 64 03 18

1964 04 22

Green End Road derelict land subject planning application – photo – 64 04 22

1964 12 14

King & Harper showrooms in Bridge Street to be sold to Trinity College with a new sales centre built at Milton Road says Oliver Rix who acquired company in November 64 12 14c

1965 05 06

Oban Court flatlets for elderly people in Union Lane; have kitchenettes, bed-sitting room and dressing room with washbasin and lavatory. The double ones have bathroom. To be officially opened – 65 05 06

1965 07 27

King & Harper new Milton Road garages revealed by demolition – photos – 65 07 27a

1965 08 18

Milton Road railway gates hit by lorry – 65 08 18a

1965 10 02

Stokes wall blocks access Trinity Hall Farm industrial estate from Milton Road – 65 10 02b

1966 11 22

First new 'blended' petrol pumps installed at BP garage, King and Harper's, Milton Rd – 66 11 22

1967 04 27

Cambridge City and Cambridge United directors consider merger of clubs; one condition the selling of the Milton Road ground- 67 04 27, 67 04 28

1967 11 07

Chesterton Bowls Club was founded in 1931 with HQ in Milton Road. The lease expires next year; now found new site on St Andrew's Road – 67 11 07a; 67 12 30

1968 01 06

Trinity Hall Farm industrial estate entrance on Milton Road to be blocked, Stokes protests – 68 01 06a

1970

1970 04 25

Trinity College plan 13-acre Science Park – 70 04 25a

1970 06 16

Birch's Garage began Victoria Road in 1956, moved Milton Road – feature – 70 06 16

1972 03 22

New signals Milton Road / Gilbert Road, p16

1972 05 15

The story-book world of Bambi the baby deer came to Gilbert Road, Cambridge, yesterday when Mr Roy Wing looked over his garden fence. He couldn't believe his eyes. A small, brown, bright-eyed young deer was sitting calmly among the foliage in his neighbour's garden at 142 Gilbert Road in the middle of suburban Cambridge, many miles from the known haunts of deer, p11

1972 05 24

Two homeless, unsupported mothers have taken over a house in Milton Road, Cambridge, as squatters and intend to make it their home. They expect to be joined by four more mothers and another nine children. The mothers, who refused to give their names, are members of a group who call themselves the Cambridge Squatters, formed only a week ago. They want to bring greater recognition to the social problems of unsupported mothers, p12

1972 07 29

The Department of the Environment have squashed a plan to develop a 20-acre industrial estate in Milton Road, Cambridge, opposite Trinity College's proposed 13-acre science park. Bitter controversy has shadowed the scheme from the start. It was first approved by Cambridge City Council but later vetoed by the County Council who said they had already earmarked sufficient land for industry. The planning permission was for construction of roads and sewers as a first step to an industrial estate being sought by Stokes of Cambridge Ltd. When they were turned down by the County council they appealed to Whitehall and a public inquiry was held in February this year

1972 08 05

The long-awaited Cambridge Transportation Study was finally published yesterday. It is two years overdue and has cost £113,000 - almost £1,000 a page. It was jointly commissioned in 1967 by the Cambridge city and County Councils and the University. It was to be carried out by R. Travers Morgan and Partners and was estimated at that time to cost £78,000. Its major proposals include a Railway Road leaving the A10 south of the Trumpington street traffic lights, hugging the northbound railway track all the way to Newmarket Road. After crossing the Cam the new road would veer sharply west to follow the St Ives railway line along to the A10 Milton Road before linking up with Arbury Road. The Railway Road should be largely dual two-lane carriageway. Full construction could take many years

1972 10 21

Fears of another prolonged power dispute this winter have led to panic buying of every type of candle in towns throughout Mid-Anglia. Stores report that candle stocks are low or run out and emergency heating and lighting lines are rapidly dwindling. The rush for stock started last week, and now that the electricity power workers have given October 27 as Disruption Day demand for emergency heating and lighting equipment are so great that stores are having difficulty in coping. The manager of Hatters Hardware in Milton Road said his lamp trade had gone up by 60 per cent this week. But he was sorry for the shoppers. "There may not be a strike. If not, the £3 or £4 they spend in here seems rather an expensive insurance policy"

1972 11 30

Cambridge City Council's Trinity Hall Farm Industrial Estate looks more like an army practice ground than a land of golden opportunity for trade and commerce. The only thing that is conspicuous by its absence is industry. Although it is now 10 years since the 12.6 acres off Nuffield Road were designated for industrial use there are still only two firms with premises there. Only firms displaced by council re-development or public works can be sited there. At last week's council meeting members agreed to seek permission from the Department of the Environment to change the re-location criteria in order to allow other firms to take up sites on the estate 72 11 30

1973 03 20

Laser-Scan Ltd, who will become the first Cambridge company to move on to the Trinity College science park at Milton Road, are a typical science-based concern. Founded in 1969 the Company was the brainchild of three Cavendish Laboratory scientists. They could not afford the type of equipment which could do the work they wanted, so decided to design their own apparatus and get it made. Within two years they had established firmly the principles they wished to follow, within two further years they had built the necessary working equipment, known as a "sweepnik". However a firm cannot stand still and the firm hopes to be in their 5,000 square feet factory on the Science Park by the end of the summer. As a high-technology business Laser-Scan are precisely what the planners have in mind for the science Park. Work on laying the spine road and sewers began this month and developers hope to have the first phase completed by August. When fully developed the 13-acre site is planned to provide up to sixteen factory units. Trinity College expect the final development to provide jobs for up to 1,000 people

1973 04 14

When 80-year old Louis Sylvester died a secret died with him. For more than sixty years Cambridge people marvelled at the irresistible ice cream that "Lew" of Milton Road, Cambridge, made in the family business he took over from his father. His son Tony said, "Nobody has ever made ice cream like dad. He won diplomas at Olympia for it. I used to help him but only he knew the secret. It is the end of the line now". No other people in Cambridge run that sort of business. When Mr Sylvester left his shop four years ago his departure marked the end of 100 years of the Sylvester ice-cream business

1973 04 26

The scheme to build a hypermarket for Tesco on the outskirts of Cambridge has been rejected by the city council. The scheme was put forward on behalf of Tesco by Stokes of Cambridge Ltd. They asked permission to build a 100,000 square foot hypermarket with a car park for 900 cars on land off Milton Road next to the railway line. The store would have been one of the largest in Cambridge. In turning it down the planning committee said it was outside the area allocated for development, would encourage extra traffic on a fast trunk route and was against the shopping policy for Cambridge in which large scale development is aimed at the Fitzroy Street - Burleigh Street area

1973 10 19

A £13,000 facelift for Mill Road branch library in Cambridge has been shelved by the city council to leave their architects free to concentrate on housing schemes. The Library Committee were forced to postpone the modernisation plan after hearing that it would be caught in the Government's current economic policy to cut back local council's capital spending. Mill Road was to have been the first of three branch libraries in the city to be modernised with new lighting, decorations and layout. Those at Rock Road and Milton Road were to follow. Members agreed to contact the new Cambridgeshire County Council, who will take over libraries in April, to ask them to consider the three schemes sympathetically

1973 10 19

Laser-Scan Laboratories Ltd, a science-based Cambridge firm set up four years ago, made history when they became the first tenants of the new Cambridge Science Park this week. The Trinity College scheme is being developed on land off Milton road. The Senior Bursar, Dr John Bradfield said they believed it was the first science park in England. "We are 99 per cent certain on signing a contract with a second tenant and we have two more in advanced stages of negotiation", he said. "The idea was first mooted four years ago by the Mott committee and I think we have done very well to get this far in four years". He said the college were looking for a commercial return on their venture, but not necessarily in the usual financial expectations of recovering costs in a given number of years 73 10 19

1973 11 22

It was the Second World War which boosted the trade in used agricultural machinery at Cambridge cattle market. Now, after 30 years on the Hills Road site, it is hoped that the move to the new sales area down Milton Road will give a similar fillip to what is generally regarded as one of Europe's

outstanding second-hand implements market. The cattle market developed over the years and continued unchanged until 1966 when the advent of an £8,000 new corn market proved more or less a flop from the start and received negligible support from farmers and auctioneers. There have been frequent prophecies that the cattle market will eventually go the same way. Obstinate though, it refuses to die

1973 11 27

Cambridge greyhound stadium moves from the dog racing backwoods in February next year when their twice-weekly meetings will come under the auspices of the National Greyhound Racing Club. At present their meetings at Cambridge City Football Club's Milton Road ground are continuing on Wednesday and Saturday during the floodlighting ban with the aid of a generator installed at Milton Road.

1974 02 19

Cambridge city council are negotiating privately with the University to buy 20 acres off Milton Road which could provide space for up to 400 council houses. The council's Conservative leader, John Powley, denied any behind-the-scenes deal with the University on planning permission for the new Robinson College in exchange for the housing land. The 20 acre site lies behind the council housing estate at Ramsden Square. It is occupied by a number of university departments. Some of the land is used for genetic experiments with plants.

1974 03 27

Chesterton Rural Council (1894-1974) began its final journey into the history books of local government when chairman, Coun. Frederick Read, removed his chain of office to mark the end of the council. It disappears next Monday when the area will be taken over by the larger South Cambridgeshire District Council. It was created in 1894 when the poor law guardians of the Chesterton union of parishes were reorganised. The new council met in the Poor Law Institution, now Chesterton hospital in Union Lane, Cambridge.

1974 06 25

Ramsden Square modernisation, p13

1974 08 01

Cambridgeshire Football Association's annual attempt to improve their position as one of the poorest of poor relations where coaching is concerned gets under way at Cambridge City's Milton Road, ground. Freddie Barrett, the county's head of coaching, has been running short, intensive annual courses for 25 years since he qualified as a full-time FA coach, but despite his considerable efforts, coaching in Cambridgeshire is still in its infancy. Over 6,000 people turn out every weekend in Cambridgeshire to play football which puts in perspective the figure of 32 for attendance at last year's coaching course

1974 09 11

Cambridge city football club have submitted plans for a £500,000 night club at their Milton road ground. It is planned that the 1,000-seater cabaret theatre will be built at the Milton Road end of the ground on a site that present houses the supporters' club. "Modern football is in the doldrums and will never pay for itself again", said the chairman. If the club get the go-ahead they intend to engage international stars and provide first-class food and drink

1975 01 02

A petition calling for the replacement of the hundred-year-old St Andrew's school, Chesterton, is to be presented to a Minister at the Department of Education. Efforts to get the school replaced have been going on for at least ten years. They were lent greater urgency when, last October, a young teacher was injured by a lump of plaster falling from the ceiling of one of the classrooms. Children at the school make a ten-minute walk along a dangerous road to go to lunch each day at the Shirley School in Green End Road 75 01 02

1975 06 11

The River Cam is not only so polluted as to be a bather's health hazard, but in recent years has had to be artificially aerated to keep fish alive, an Anglian Water Authority spokesman has confirmed. He spoke of children who suffered "diarrhoea and tummy upsets" after accidentally falling into the river in the Clayhithe area, and of skin divers who were ill after a sponsored Cam swim. He agreed that via Milton Road sewage works some 8 million gallons of effluent were going into the Cam daily. 75 06 11

1975 06 25

Cambridge Science Park was officially opened by Sir Alan Hodgkin, President of the Royal Society and Fellow of Trinity College. The park came from an idea by Sir Neville Mott, who led a committee which first proposed the setting up of a Science Park in Cambridge to further scientific industrial development in the city. Trinity College has spent £650,000 to date on developing the centre. The site has four tenants so far.

1976 03 15

The possible closure to through traffic of Arbury Road, Cambridge, will be discussed by the city council. Some councillors have been pressing for years for the road closure as a way of improving the environment for people living in the Arbury area. The road is, at peak periods, one of the busiest in Cambridge with commuter traffic. The suggestions are certain to cause a storm of protest. The main objection will centre round the claim that a lot more traffic would be pushed on to the already busy Gilbert Road.

1977 03 09

Cambridge City Football Club's move to quit the Southern League for the Isthmian League third division brought a blazing Milton Road mutiny last night. City chairman Laurie Boost was presented with a petition of 221 names calling for the directors to reverse their decision – or resign. Manager Roy Johnson announced he would quit at the end of the season, club secretary John Aves, groundsman and trainer Bill Brignell and even ball-boys Paul Craft and Philip Butler said they would follow suit if the directors stick to their decision. The players also repeated their view that none of them would drop into the Isthmian League with City.

1977 12 06

Cambridge City Council should consider linking with a private developer to build a skateboard park & look at providing a beginners' skateboarding area and practice runs from the rates. A report says that contrary to some people's beliefs skateboarding is not just a passing phase. Areas like the Romsey recreation ground and the King George playing fields at Trumpington would be suitable introductory areas and Kings Hedges recreation ground and the disused bandstand on Christ's Pieces could be suitable for practising. But it would be difficult to get permission to use the Elizabeth Way roundabout

1978 03 03

No public libraries in Cambridgeshire will be closed this year – and books stocks will not be depleted – although the County Council is facing a continuing financial crisis. The council had threatened to close the Milton Road and Mill Road libraries in Cambridge, village libraries at Stapleford and Milton and two libraries in Peterborough. The threats caused storms of protest and now financial experts have discovered the council has saved £60,000 on last year's spending which can be used to buy new books.

1978 03 29

A Cambridge businessman, Lloyd Stokes, has submitted plans to build a 21-acre industrial estate just north of the old railway on the A10. It is opposite the Trinity Hall Farm science park which he developed from farmland worth about £130 an acre and has recently sold for £200,000. Mr Stokes is

still involved in a four-year planning wrangle over what the District Council considers an illegal road at the rear of the Milton Industrial Estate.

1978 04 18

It would cost nearly £300,000 for Cambridge United to move to the Cambridge City club's ground in Milton Road – and the facilities would be no better than those at the Abbey Stadium. The suggestion had been made repeatedly over the years by supporters of both clubs and has come to a head again with United's plans for expansion and a skateboard park. Directors know their plans to take over common land would be an emotive issue, but it is a waste area and they would pipe a stream which is usually nothing more than a foul ditch.

1979 02 22

As the rubbish collectors' strike continues it seems we are a tidy lot. Those now familiar piles of black shiny plastic have been kept in excellent order. A few 'hot tips' have burst into flames but as the strike goes on each dump begins to acquire a character of its own. At Arbury Court the residents' loyalty to the Beehive supermarket gives the tip a distinctive orange glow, but it is piled up against the side of the men's lavatories, blocking the air vents. In Glebe Road loose potato peelings and carrot tops spoil a tidy dump but probably the worst is the one in Nuffield Road.

1980

1980 01 10

Customers at Cherry's Stores in Norwich Street, Cambridge, have said goodbye to the couple who have run the shop for 34 years. Lionel Cherry and his wife Kathleen took over in 1946 and built up a business which, in days when petrol was cheaper, offered a free delivery service to Newnham and Arbury. The shop was the place where Robert Sayle started as a draper and has been a grocers for more than 100 years, owned in all that time by just three shopkeepers. It will be the end of a long family connection with the trade. Mr Cherry's uncle had a shop on the junction of Arbury and Milton Roads which became known as Cherry's Corner

1980 06 28

Two hundred children from St Andrew's Junior School, Chesterton watched the Bishop of Ely laid the foundation stone for their new school in Nuffield Road. What they did not see was that after the ceremony workmen knocked-down the specially-built wall and carried off the foundation stone for use another day. It will stay in store until somebody decides where in the school walls it should go. 80 06 28

1980 12 30

Thomas Orbell, the owner of a garage in Milton Road Cambridge for almost 50 years has died. He was widely-known in motor-racing circles because of his son, David, who won the second round of the Clubmans Register Championship at Brands Hatch in April. He was still involved in engine development for his son's present venture in Formula Three racing. 80 12 30

1981 04 08

Cambridge City Football Club hopes to set up an ice rink at their Milton Road ground using synthetic ice. It would be housed in a semi-permanent aluminium and heavy-duty PVC structure which could also be used for five-a-side football, tennis and exhibitions. They hope it will be in place by June and prove a licence to print money. 81 04 08

1982 01 05

Secret wartime experiments involving the production of deadly anthrax serum were conducted at the Institute of Animal Pathology on Milton Road. Now doubts remain about the safety of a piece of land where the carcasses of 12 horses were buried. Details have emerged as the university has applied for planning permission for housing on land close to the Dunn Nutritional Laboratory. The risk of infection is minimal and they plan to cover the immediate area with a concrete slab. 82 01 05 & 05a

1982 02 06

A second burial site thought to contain anthrax-infected carcasses is a stone's throw away from a school for severely-handicapped children says a man who worked at the Milton Road Institute of Animal Pathology during the war. He remembers tight securing precautions after heifers from Newmarket were found to have the disease and buried by council workmen. 82 02 06

1982 04 28

Radioactive rats that had been used in experiments by biochemists were buried on the anthrax site on Milton Road, Cambridge, 25 years ago. Council officials who inspected the land with Geiger counters have found no more radiation than elsewhere. But they had to rely on the memory of a university employee who helped bury them to identify the spot. Samples of soil were sent to Porton Down, the Government's chemical research centre for analysis. They show the site is safe for housing. 82 04 28

1982 05 07

A small sprig of yew to help ward away evil spirits was placed in the concrete during the ceremonial topping out of a futuristic new building at Cambridge Science Park. It will become Napp Laboratories central research and medical centre bringing facilities from four other bases. Around 200 people will work at the new complex which stands in a landscaped site with the main access provided by way of a plaza and a bridge across a canal. 82 05 07

1983 04 25

Hallens of Cambridge is celebrating its golden jubilee. It was founded in 1933 as a used motor-cycle dealership soon moved to premises in Chapel Street, Chesterton which it shared with a haulage business, fish and chip shop and furniture removal firm. Today these premises still house the motorcycle service and parts centre. It then moved into a former dance hall in Union Lane which became the first car workshop and stores. During the war it was requisitioned with a new workshop and an air raid shelter underneath. 83 04 25 supp p10

1983 05 10

Cambridge University is planning to build a £6 million sports complex in the Grange Road area with a new eight-lane athletics track, swimming pool and sports hall. They have long argued that the Kelsey Kerridge sports hall and Milton Road athletics track are too far away from the centre of undergraduate activities. They hope to sell the Milton Road site for housing. 83 05 10 p5

1983 08 31

The so-called 'radio-active anthrax site' off Milton Road has been officially declared safe and not a health risk, Scientists say there is no reason why it cannot be developed for housing. But the areas where animal carcasses said to have been infected with anthrax were buried 40 years ago should be concreted over and made into car-parking areas or garages. 83 08 31 p1

1984 02 01

Planning permission has been given for a £10 million redevelopment scheme for Cambridge City Football Club's ground at Milton Road. The present pitch, greyhound track and stands will be demolished and be replaced by a three-storey block of research and development buildings with an underground car park. The development will guarantee the future of the club. 84 02 01 p1

1984 05 22

One of the landmarks of Cambridge's skyline has gone. Cambridge City football club's floodlights were pulled down as demolition men clear the ground in preparation for the construction of a science park. West Ham played at Milton Road to mark the erection of the lights when City entered the Southern League in 1958. Work has also started on pulling down the two stands as the club moves its ground to an area at the far end. 84 05 22 p34

1984 09 05

Cambridge City Football Club's expanding Thursday market moved to its new base in Cowley Road. Started as part of the club's solvency drive it has developed to become a popular city attraction that has survived the sale of its old site – part of the club's ground in Milton Road. The 70 market traders are hoping to take their regular big crowd to the new site. There will be special buses run by the club from various points in the city. Since it began three years the quality of merchandise has steadily improved. 84 09 05

1984 10 26

The symbol of Cambridge City Football Club's rebuilding programme has risen from the ground at Milton Road. The new pitch is down, the lights are up but there won't be soccer action there until the turn of the year. Then there will be the prospect of real comfort for the 400 or so who will be able to watch from the new stand. In addition to changing and other rooms there will be a social club and café and even a glass-fronted viewing room for directors and guests. 84 10 26 p44

1984 11 20

Cambridge's Hills Road bus depot is to be moved to the outskirts of the city in a multi-million pound swap deal between Cambus and the Stetchworth-based Unex property group. Cambus will exchange its one-acre site for a much larger section of the former D & H Contractor's site in Cowley Road. In return Unex will get control of the bus depot virtually next door to the former Heffer's printing works site which they successfully redeveloped as Botanic House, headquarters of Cambridge Electronic Industries, BBC Radio Cambridgeshire and Betjeman House which was subsequently sold for more than £4 million. 84 11 20 p1

1985 01 23

Hundreds of farmers and traders flocked to Milton Road sale ground for the biggest traction auction in the country. Yilmaz Alademir had come all the way from Farmagusta, Cyprus looking for a tractor he could ship home as they were much cheaper in England. A more typical buyer was Gavin Hamilton of Manor Farm, Great Chesterford. He was looking for wheels and rollers among the dozens of machines and implements at the back of the saleground. The sale was started in the early 1940s by Mr Henry Grain & Cambridge auctioneers Cheffins, Grain and Chalk have been pulling the crowds ever since 85 01 23b

1985 02 11

Cambridge Innovation Centre, designed to provide facilities and support services essential to small companies during their initial development, was opened by the Duke of Edinburgh at the Science Park. For three companies, Cambridge Robotics, Torus Systems and Prelude Technology Investments it represents expansion from previous Science Park premises. Altek Automation and Data Analysis and Research have come from outside Cambridge while Synoptics, which is involved in image processing, has been established by two Cambridge University academics. 86 02 11a # c.27.1

1985 03 11

King's Court, four research and development blocks on the site of Solus Electronics in Kirkwood Road, is a further step in the creation of a silicon belt near Trinity College's Science Park. Others are St John's Innovation Centre and a 20-acre Cambridge Business Park. Plans which have failed to gain permission are for a 60-acre Cambridge Technology Centre off King's Hedges Road and St John's 'teardrop' site on Milton Road. There is a tremendous demand for high-tech property with half the new development under offer before it has been advertised. 85 03 11d

1985 04 25

A major jobs bonanza is being predicted for Cambridge following a decision to give the green light to a new high-tech development on the outskirts of the city. Up to 750 new jobs may be created at the massive development in Cowley Road where a mixture of high-tech units and warehouses are to be built on the eight-acre site formerly occupied by d & H Contractors. Part of the site will be occupied by Cambus who will move from its Hills Road depot 85 04 25

1985 06 03

American football came to Cambridge with all the razzmatazz and fun which makes it a real family affair across the Atlantic. The air was filled with the smell of quarter-pounders, the sun blazed down Californian-style and even the lady selling fan club paraphernalia was saying 'Have a nice day' as Cambridge Cats made their home debut against Basingstoke Cavaliers at the Cambridge City Stadium in Milton Road. No-one had thought to provide any popcorn and there were no Budweisers but the 600 spectators enjoyed the game. 85 06 03

1985 08 08

Cambridge could soon get a third new superstore competing with Tesco at Bar Hill, Sainsburys in Coldham's Lane and the Beehive complex off Newmarket Road. Asda plans to build a huge new complex on Milton Road opposite the Arbury and King's Hedges housing estates. It would take up almost half of the Cambridge Business Park and include a 750-space car park 85 08 08

1985 10 22

The new park-and-ride service from Cowley Road to the heart of Cambridge has met a slow response. The experimental service which also runs to the Grafton Centre has been laid on in time for the build-up to Christmas with buses every ten minutes and a return fare of 35p. The first day was very quiet but Cambus expect it will get a great deal busier with about 20 passengers per bus. They are also improving the regular service between the cattle market & the city centre. 85 10 22a

1985 11 07

Cambridge planners have thrown out three major proposals that would have created 1,500 new jobs for the city. Out went a scheme to build an Asda superstore in the new Cambridge Business Park in Milton Road and out went plans for a big new shopping centre between King's Hedges Road and the northern bypass. Also rejected was a Unex scheme for a giant complex for high-tech research on the site of a disused vegetable warehouse site between Hills Road and Brooklands Avenue. Planners say it left no room for landscaping and minimal room for parking. Appeals will be made against all the decisions. 85 11 07c

1986 01 22

No developments companies have expressed interest in building and running a small row of shops on the junction of Buchan Street and Kings Hedges Road. The restricted site would be expensive to build and not yield high rents. In addition there has been extensive publicity about possible supermarket building schemes in the area. The city council may build the shops itself in the hope of finding tenants. 86 01 22

1986 01 23

Major structural faults have been discovered in St George's Church, Chesterton – less than 40 years after it was built. The front wall is leaning away from the roof and cracks have been found on the arches inside the building. An architect's inspection has advised that the problem areas are roped off, but services are still continuing as normal. Built in 1938, St George's was the last Cambridge church to go up before the war. It was designed by Henry Lyon, the man responsible for the chapel at Sidney Sussex College. 86 01 23. May need demolition [9.15]

1986 03 18

Two city libraries are again under threat of closure, only years after a successful survival battle. Mill Road library is on the wrong side of the railway bridge while Milton Road library is only half-a-mile from Arbury Court. But Councillor Janet Jones describes the plans as disgraceful and says many children and elderly people will be devastated if Milton Road is closed. However Bar Hill and Milton villages are fast-growing and need some library facilities, a report says. 86 03 18

1986 04 22

Campaigners protesting against the threatened closure of Mill Road and Milton Road branch libraries are to lobby councillors when they visit the buildings. A report that says libraries are now in the wrong situation to give the best service to the community. But Mill Road local councillor Anne Campbell said "It is an essentially facility for the area. Many of the present users cannot visit the central library in Lion Yard". 86 04 22

1986 04 24

Employment at Cambridge's booming Science Park has gone up 30 per cent in a year and now stands at around 1,940 jobs. And this does not take account of the growing army of temporary and ancillary staff who keep the park cleaned, fed, serviced and patrolled. Four companies have left over the past year, but 17 new ones arrived. The biggest growth has been shown by Cambridge Life Sciences where staffing has risen from 28 to 50, LKB Biochrom, Napp Laboratories and Torus Systems. Further growth will come by GEC's Marconi Underwater Applied Research Laboratory and the London International Group which is building a research laboratory. 86 04 24a

1986 04 25

Two Cambridge libraries threatened with closure are facing their second crisis in eight years. The axe first loomed over Milton Road and Mill Road branches in 1977 but they were saved together with others in Milton and Stapleford. Now a report says they are old and in the wrong position to provide the best service. But Cambridgeshire Labour councillors have started a campaign to save them and Alliance councillors are organising a petition against closure. 86 04 25

1986 06 06

Camtech's plans for two giant supermarkets at Arbury Camp would fit in with the Unex Group's proposal for a major supermarket and non-food shops on a retail park off King's Hedges Road. But it would offer competition to other schemes currently under discussion. These are the giant Marks and Spencer / Tesco plan for two superstores, a 300-bedroom hotel and multi-screen cinema at Trumpington, Asda's ideas for a supermarket at the Cambridge Business Park on Milton Road and the proposed Tesco store in the Milton Park housing development 86 06 06

1986 07 28

St George's Church, Chesterton is crumbling so badly that it may have to be pulled down – even though it is only 48 years old. Already the front door has been closed because the gable ends are being pushed outwards, tiles need replacing and two flat roofs need resurfacing. Arches inside are cracked and the brickwork needs re-pointing. Rev Peter Tamplin says the congregation would have to raise the money for rebuilding and residents are being asked what they would like to see in a new church 86 07 28

1986 08 01

One of Cambridge's better-known private hotels, the Suffolk House in Milton Road, is for sale at £250,000. The main structure was built in about 1930 by a Cambridge doctor and later owned by a professor of botany who stocked the garden with many kinds of trees and shrub. Outbuildings include a summer house and two-bedroomed timber chalet for the owners' occupation. It was converted from a private house in 1970 and is primarily used by business clients connected with Pye group of companies and firms on the Science Park 86 08 01a

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1986 12 12

Milton Road Infants is one of eight Cambridgeshire schools linked through a modem to an electronic mail system, the 'Times Network System'. Using word processors the children begin a story which is then finished by children at the Beeches School in Peterborough where 70 per cent of the pupils are Pakistani. They are also hoping to link up with Newcastle and America or a kibbutz in Israel. If teachers use the links imaginatively the pioneering new project will prove its worth. 86 12 12 & a

1987 03 07

An Alliance county councillor's plans to close Milton Road public library and sell off the site for redevelopment has staggered his party colleagues. He claims the closure together with another in Lt Downham and two in Peterborough would be in accordance with plans to 'rationalise' the number of libraries. But other councillors say they will start a campaign to keep them open. Robert Rhodes James, MP, has also vowed to fight 'tooth and nail' to save Milton Road library from closure 87 03 07, 12a

1987 03 13

Milton Road library is not to be closed – 87 03 13

1987 06 23

The controversial 'anthrax' site off Milton Road is to be sealed off under a giant new office block complex. Cambridge University plan to build a biotechnology research park covering 10 acres where the bodies of infected animal carcasses were buried during the war. Extensive testing has proved that the site is safe and no trace of the killer disease was found. Now it will be covered with concrete to provide a car park 87 06 23

1987 08 10

The search for somewhere to live is becoming increasingly desperate. Yet more than 400 council homes in the region are standing empty. In Cambridge – where the council housing list tops 4,000 – one house in Fen Road has been empty for a year, another in Long Reach Road for nine months and a property in Oak Tree Avenue for 20. At Girton four police houses have been empty for almost two years. Officials say some need repair, campaigners claim it is down to inefficiency. 87 08 10b & c

1987 12 01

Cambus has bought the entire coach operation of arch rivals Premier Travel. Premier, founded in 1936 has dominated the Cambridge travel scene in recent years and is expecting record profits. It has a fleet of 75 coaches based in Kings Hedges Road and all 129 employees in the coach division will become employees of Cambus. Earlier this year the two companies started a joint venture involving a travel centre at Drummer Street bus station. 87 12 01

1988 01 02

Premier Travel, one of Cambridge's biggest coach firms, has been bought out by its management after an earlier deal with Cambus fell through. Its founder, Arthur Lainson is delighted the company will be retaining its identity. Premier Travel, founded in 1936, has dominated the local travel scene with a fleet of 75 coaches based in Kings Hedges Road. The travel part of the business, which includes 14 travel agencies across East Anglia, is to be sold off separately. 88 01 02

1988 04 21

House-starved Cambridge is to get two massive new housing developments. More than 170 properties will be built on Milton Road near the Science Park, part of a 38-acre scrubland site owned by Cambridge University, where Trend Housing plans to construct 102 houses costing from £55 - £120,000. The King Street Housing Society has also bought two acres where H. Rose (Builders) of Stretham will start 69 properties on Monday. Some will be sold to first-time buyers on a shared ownership basis. 88 04 21

1988 10 18

Hallens have converted their Shell garage at Mitcham's Corner to become self-service with the latest electronic pumps. There has been a petrol station on the site for many years. Previously it was operated by Oliver Rix and sold Texaco fuel. Hallens has sold petrol since the 1930s and until now has maintained the traditional attended service. This will continue at its garage in Union Lane for customers who value the personal service. 88 10 18e

1989 05 11

Labgear Cablevision, the television communications equipment company. It makes good profits but its business in the area of satellite dishes, aerials and cable TV distribution systems does not fit into CEI's new strategic plans. It employs 125 people on the Cambridgeshire Business Park at Ely with 100 more at its main base at Abbey Walk, a site being considered for redevelopment for housing. It is one of three that Cambridge Electronic Industries plan to sell, leaving Cathodeon Crystals at Nuffield Road, Newmarket Microsystems, PED & Varelco at Newmarket in the local area. Cambridge Interconnection Technology, which used to be on the Cambridge Science Park has moved to Scotland 89 05 11

1989 05 17

A light railway may be built, with private cash, linking the centre of Cambridge with the main line station on the outskirts. It could form a part of an extensive park-and-ride network based on a light railway system around the northern and eastern industrial sections of the city. County Councillors have also asked experts to consider building a gigantic car park under the Butts Green end of Midsummer Common. A new road system to relieve the heavily congested areas of Milton Road and Elizabeth Way are also being examined to sort out the growing traffic chaos quickly 89 05 17

1989 05 19

The A10 will be dualled from Cambridge to Ely as part of an unprecedented Government roads programme. The A1 is to be made a continuous three-lane motorway from London to Huntingdon, the M11 is to have three continuous lanes from London to Cambridge and the A604 is to be dualled with three lanes on each side from Cambridge to Huntingdon. The A11 will be made a dual carriageway from Newmarket and to Norwich and the Northern bypass will have three lanes from Girton interchange to Milton Road. It will all save lives and make industry more competitive. 89 05 19

1989 07 28

Fifteen people were taken to hospital and a dozen evacuated from their homes after a major chemical alert in Cambridge. Forty firemen battled to prevent an explosion after highly toxic chemicals overheated at the Cleanaway plant. One was rushed to hospital when a safety wall collapsed crushing him against drums on the site in Cowley Road and three police officers were hurt as they helped families to escape the toxic fumes. Emergency services stopped all trains and the nearby Cambus depot was also affected. 89 07 28

1989 10 01

The controversial Cambridge park and ride scheme has started with a whimper. At peak commuter time there were 17 cars at the 400-space Cowley Road and even fewer at the 150-space car park on Clifton Road. Users were enthusiastic: Sophy Moxley of Willingham, a sales assistant, said "It will save me money because it only costs 50p which is cheaper than parking in the city centre though Steve Field from Stretham says it is inconvenient as you don't have access to our car during the day. Councillor Andrew Duff said the area around Castle Hill, where residents-only zones have been introduced, was 'almost pastoral' though Canterbury and Benson Street were packed with cars. 89 10 01

1989 10 09

Cowley Road park and ride site taken over by auction – 89 10 09

1989 11 21

Co-op chiefs have been forced to sell off the freehold of their Burleigh Street store to fend off a cash crisis. The Victorian building has been sold to a London Investment Company and they will lease back the premises. The Co-op began trading in Burleigh Street in 1908 but has been hit by soaring interest rates on loans taken out to cover major projects such as the massive Beehive Centre. It has already put branches up for sale in Mill Road, Milton Road, Waterbeach, Duxford & Cherry Hinton. 89 11 21

1989 11 23

A giant 600-home council estate could be built on allotment land off Histon and Kings Hedges Road in a bid to ease the desperate housing crisis in Cambridge. The allotments are under-used and could be relocated. The land and a huge acreage bordering the A45 Northern Bypass is in the 'Green Belt' which is protected from development. But the Government has indicated it wants this removed so it could be used for hi-tech purposes. Some councillors are unhappy with the number of homes being suggested and would prefer fewer to be built 89 11 23

1989 12 21

Cambridge's Park and Ride scheme is failing to attract its major target – the city's commuters. Yesterday morning there were only 15 cars parked at Cowley Road while queues of vehicles drove bumper-to-bumper down Milton Road. But it is drawing off-peak shoppers and tourists. The County say it is too soon to draw conclusions. A similar scheme in Oxford had taken a long time to become established. 89 12 21a

1990 01 19

Science park feature – 90 01 19a

1990 01 24

Heffer's opened a brand-new one-stop business centre at Cambridge Business Park, Milton Road, bringing their commercial stationery, office equipment and office furniture departments under one roof 90 01 24a

1990 02 26

Trinity Hall Industrial Estate in Nuffield Road was developed in 1982 housing firms such as Cathodeon, Camlab, Serck Services, Allgoods and Andrew McCulloch. Now it includes Dan Morley Engineering, Platonoff and Harris and TeleTape Video which produces commercial videos. The estate is located on land formerly owned by Cambridge businessman, Mr Lloyd Stokes, who also owned the site on which the adjacent Cambridge Business Park is still being developed. 90 02 26a

1990 03 01

Super high speed bus lanes are to be built alongside roads in a bid to ease Cambridge's traffic chaos. Experts hope this will give a boost to the flagging park-and-ride scheme. Buses would be equipped with a special electronic 'eye' to change traffic lights in their favour. The first would run from Cowley Road to the city centre and later most main roads would incorporate them. At present buses are held up in traffic jams and passengers take just as long as they would have done in their cars. On some peak time journeys buses have only five passengers but large numbers of shoppers have been using them– 90 03 01

1990 03 23

Development plans that could have brought 1,000 new jobs to Cambridge have been thrown out by council planners worried about increased traffic congestion. Opposing the scheme for more offices on the Cambridge Business Park one councillor said 'Cambridge does not need 1,000 jobs'. Crown Estates wanted to build 15 new units on the Cowley Road site but the scheme was rejected since they felt it would bring firms from outside which would further worsen the housing problem. 90 03 22a

1990 12 23

New checks ordered on anthrax site, Milton Rd – 90 10 23, a

