

## 1926

Jan 7 **Buckie Amateur Dramatic Society** (of Main's Woin' Fame) are to present three plays in the Fishermen's Hall . The plays are :- The Crystal Set, Campbell of Kelmhor and When The Cat's Awa'

**Cars for hire** - Apply to George Webster, The Garage, High Street.

**Poem on page three**, column 5 - "Rob and Jean Tobogganing" by 'Rob Roy'

**Opportunities for Scotch (sic) families in Canada**

Jan 14 **Opening announcement** - Buckie Electric Welding Coy. Cluny Harbour.

**Big sale at Bridge Place** - A sale is to take place at 4 Bridge Place, of the property and shop fittings belonging to George Stevenson, Butcher. Alex Forbes, Baremuir Farm, bought the property.

Jan 21 **A poem is found on page 2 column 3**, written by 'Rob Roy'. It is titled "Jean and Her Bike".

Jan 28 **Football** - Buckie Thistle drew with Dumbarton. Likely to have been a Scottish Cup tie. It was seen as being a great feat.

**Milk down in price from 2/- to 1/8 per gallon.**

**Shore of Buckie Burns Club anniversary dinner** took place in the Gordon Richmond Hotel Spey Bay. The Immortal Memory was given by the county MP. Mr Templeton.

**A poem is found on page 6. column 6** written by 'Rob Roy'. It is titled "The Buckie Buroo"

Feb 4 **Football** - Fochabers were beaten by three goals to one by the Wanderers in the Buckie and District Junior League.

**Fochabers team** was - Glass, Wilson and Morrison; Nicol, Strachan and Harrold; Thain, Legge, Slorach, Thomson and Hogg.

Feb 11 **A poem is found on page 2 column 5** written by 'Rob Roy'. This is titled "Jean and Me at the Cup-Tie"

**Cartoon** - This shows the problems facing Britain's Agriculture - Land Monopoly, Poor Standard of Living, Insecurity of Tenure - all shown as 'Millstones' around the farmers' neck.

**Plans for a stable** - Even at this late stage some people still saw a future for the horse and cart. The Town Council had plans before them from Mr Geddes, Sutherland Street, for a stable.

Feb 18 **Advertiser** - Charles Robertson Boot and Shoe repairer, 194 Portessie. His price for the repair of men's boots, soled and with iron heels - 5/-; women's shoes, soled and with leather heels - 3/6.

(Mr Robertson was the father of Charlie 'Poosie' Robertson who had a Cycle and Radio Engineers business on East Church Street and also the Central Garage on West Church Street for some time in the early 1950's. )

**Another cartoon** - This was again concerned with the problems facing agriculture. Farmers were asking for an improvement in the terms of tenure "They ought to be allowed to own the land which they worked", was the cry.

**A poem is found on page 2 column 3.** Written by 'Rob Roy' this one is titled - "Jean's Brose Day Splore".

**Buckie Horticultural Society AGM** - Rev Monsignor McIntosh was appointed Hon President, with Mrs McLean, Mill of Rathven, P. G. Shee, Letterfourie, Ellis Gordon, Cairnfield as Hon. Vice Presidents. President - W. F. Samuel, Vice President. - Wm. Smith, Hon Secretary - George Smith, 196, Portessie.

**A poem is found written on page 5 column 2.** This is titled "The Apprentice Surveyor" by S.O.B.

The poem was written after it was learnt that an apprentice surveyor had been appointed in Buckie at the princely salary of £10 per annum or 4/3 per week.

**Cartoon** This shows the Liberal Party sitting on the quayside holding a lifebelt (though making no effort to throw it) to a person representing the sinking British Agriculture.

**A poem is found on page 2, column 4.** Written by 'Rob Roy', this is titled "Rob and the Rent".

**Advertisers** - A.R. Wilson, Shoemaker, Portgordon

C. Harler, China Merchant, Main Street, Buckie. Her first advert since 1919.

Mar 4 **A poem is found on page 2, column 5.** This is titled "Jean Buys Her Russian Beets", written by 'Rob Roy'.

**You mauna play cards on a Sunday.** Some members of the Town Council were getting upset about loons playing cards on board drifters, lying in the harbour on a Sunday.

**New daily bus service to Keith** - Miller's Motors are to begin a new daily bus service from Buckie to Keith, going via the Enzie Braes and Fochabers alternately. The fare to Keith to be 1/6 single.

**Fatal accident** - Helen Porteous Hector, the two year old daughter of Mr and Mrs Hector, Mains of Gollachy received burns, which proved to be fatal, when she fell into a pail of boiling water.

**Deskford Mutual Improvement Association** held their last meeting of the season in the school on Friday evening. In 2001, Fochabers remains one of the very few places where this organisation still operates very successfully, though they were found over much of the country at one time.

**Opening announcement** - George McBeath, Radio engineer and Wireless Operator, late RAF, Gordon Street. Wireless receiving sets and all spare parts supplied.

**Opening announcement** - R. Fraser, Ladies Hairdresser, near to the business of Captain Nunn, Optician, Cluny Harbour.

**A poem is found on page 2, column 3,** written by 'Rob Roy'. This is titled "Jean in a Thinking Mood".

**Plans for a billiard room** - the Town Council received plans for a billiard room to be erected at Marine Place for Joseph Iannetta. These were passed.

**The Danish Dairy, Shanks Lane** - They had put forward plans to have a lamp erected outside their premises. This was also passed.

**Buckie to Keith railway** - Town Council received a letter from L.M.S. which stated that unforeseen circumstances had prevented the re-opening of the railway link.

\*\*\*\*\* **Town clock time to be changed** - The Town Council agreed that the town clock, on the tower of the North Church, should only be kept two minutes ahead

of railway time and not five minutes ahead as had previously been the practice.  
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Mar 18 **A poem is found on page 2 column 2.** This was written by 'Rob Roy' and is titled "Oor Jock"

**John 'Diles' Cowie** - The former Thistle player who was signed by Falkirk, the first division league side after a month's trial, was a spectator at the Thistle 'v' Dumbarton Scottish Cup game.

**Advertisers** - Keep rabbits for profit - For information contact Bostock Smith, Canterbury.

Liptons, High Street - Jams and Jellies, Tea from 1/10 to 2/8 per LB.

Mar 25 **Cartoon** - Slogan - "A man on the land is worth a queue out of work".

**A poem is found on page 6, column 2,** written by 'Rob Roy'. This is titled "The Keith An' Buckie Railway".

**Advertiser** - - Try Alex Cowie (Cashier with Moray Firth Fishselling Coy.) 4 Wallace Avenue, for wirelesses.

Apr 1 **Application for public bar license** - George Gabriel, Grocer, made application for a public bar license at 83 Main Street.

**Wanted** - Men required for the City Dairy, Baron Street, . Apply to Gardiner Dawson, Solicitor.

**A poem is found on page 7, column 2,** written by 'Rob Roy'. This is titled - "Jeans Fitewashing".

\*\*\*\*\* **The 'History of the Rathven Parish' written by Rev Symington, Rathven church minister. This is found on page 8, column 1 and 2.**

Apr 8 **Harbour Bar, Main Street, changes hands,** - Wm. Hosie former owner of the Harbour Bar, Main Street, received the license for the Victoria Bar in Portknockie. George Gabriel, Grocer, is the new owner of the Harbour Bar.

**For sale** - The stock and shop fittings belonging to W.C. Flann, Bridge End is advertised for sale.

**Wallpaper sale** - by James Duncan, Painter, West Church Street, also by Charles Nicol, 33 High Street

**A poem is found on page 2, column 3,** written by 'Rob Roy'. This is titled "Freuchny Side".

**Billiard tables** - The King Restaurant, owned by Louis Iannetta, has now two billiard tables in operation.

**Alney Villa, Great Western Road, Buckpool,** has been bought by Captain Nunn, Compass Setter and Optician.

**Easthaven, West Church Street,** owned by Wm. Smith, Draper, has been sold privately.

\*\*\*\*\* **"The Parish of Rathven".** The second part of this article, written by Rev Syminton, is found in this edition. He says how the word Enzie was formerly called Ainie and on a map of 1479 was spelt as Ayneg. \*\*\*\*\*

**The Cullen to Fochabers road** . The road we know today (2001) as the A98 was only constructed in 1805. Previous to this time the road running westward from a point near the present Toll Bar Junction went over the Buckie Burn near to the farm of the Hillocks, then on via Arradoul, Tarwathie, Leitcheston, Clochan . Spurs led off to Preshome and to Tynet.

Apr 22 **A poem is found on page 2, column 3**, written by 'Rob Roy'. This is titled "Jean's Waxcloth".

**Advertiser** - R. Hay, House Furnisher, High Street, Elgin, had had a regular advert in the B. A. for a number of years.

Apr 29 **Victoria Park grazing** - Buckie Thistle were offering the grazing on Victoria Park during the close season.

**Displenish Sale at Easter Gollachy** - This was a pig farm during the Second World War ran by the Town Council Following the war it was incorporated as part of the 'dung depot' or rubbish dump at the western end of Buckpool Golf Course. (Today, in 2001, there is nothing to show that any buildings ever existed.) The farmer rousing out is Charles Stewart .( He was to later open a butcher shop on High Street.) Among the items for sale are three horses.

**Grocer to move** - George Gabriel, who had a grocer shop at Bridge Place sold the business as he is to move into the bar trade, having bought the Harbour Bar.

**A poem is found on page 2, column 4**, written by 'Rob Roy'. This is titled - "Long Long Ago".

May 6 **Advertiser** Kinnaird and Cowie, 5 Titness Street, Millinery for Ladies, Maids and Children.

**A poem is found on page 2, column 3**, written by 'Rob Roy'. This is titled - "Jean and Her Doggie".

\*\*\*\*\* **A postcard arrived in Buckie 23 years after it had been posted. It was posted in Portsmouth on 4<sup>th</sup> June 1903.**

**Shift for Enzie postie** - James McQueen, postman at Enzie P.O. for the past seven years, left for a new post at Torphins. He received a presentation from the people of the district. Monday saw the start of a motor van to be used to deliver mail from Rannas to Enzie, meaning the loss of two postmen. One went to Perth with the other going to Cumienstown.

**Bought over** - James Mackay, Draper, 5 East Church Street, had bought over the stock of many drapers who had fallen on hard times from Wick to the 'Borders', was giving notice that he had done the same again. The two firms involved on this occasion, being B. McKenzie, Square, Cullen and R. Turnbull, Auchtermuchty. The total value of the joint stock coming to £899.15.11.

**Elgin Bus Company who ran a bus service from Portgordon to Cullen**, via Buckie, were advertising the fact that they had a new bus on the route and had offered Buckie Town Council the opportunity of having a run in it.

\*\*\*\*\* **National Strike** . With the coal industry being heavily involved , this caused problems for people on a national scale, with even Buckie feeling the brunt.

May 13 **Large sale at 74 East Church Street.** The property is owned by Mrs Mitchell, Ben Reay, Temperance Hotel, Seaview Place. (Ben Reay was later sold to Anton, Solicitors, before becoming the home of Dr Eric Hendry, later to become the Medical Centre for the local Group Practice. The doctors moved from Ben Reay to a purpose built Medical Centre at Ardach, Highfield Road, Buckie, which

was opened on Monday 7 October, 1998. Since that time Ben Reay was converted into a number of individual flat-lets.)

**Cluny House** - (formerly Cluny Hotel) - plans have been submitted to change the rooms previously used by the Labour Exchange, into 2 shops.

**May 20 Reprint of the book "Days of Yore". The Banffshire Advertiser has begun to serialise the book of this name, written by George Hutcheson. The first extract is found in this edition.**

**A poem written by 'Rob Roy'** is found in on page 2, column 5 of this edition. This is titled "The Braes of Strathlene".

**Football - Buckie Wednesday won the Junior Football Cup (Brown Cup)** when they beat Strathlene by three goals to two in the final .

**Wednesday** - Jappy, Reaich and Stewart; Geddes, Knowles, and Green; Murray, Grant, Hector, Dawson and Gray.

**Strathlene** - Smith, Bruce and P. Smith, Pratt, J. Smith and J. Murray; S. Smith, Simpson, Cowie, W. Thomson and W. J. Thomson.

**Enzie Tennis Club A.G.M.** The treasurer reported that financially the club was in a very satisfactory position. With the departure of J. C. Johnston, Rev D. C. Mackay, Preshome, was appointed president in his place. J. H. Duncan was appointed vice president, with John Bonnyman returned as secretary/treasurer. The committee to consist of Mr E. D. Sim, Mrs Robertson, Misses, Sim, Bonnyman, Grigor and Smith.

**Retiral presentation** - Rev R. Howie, who has been minister of the Enzie Parish Church for 28 years has retired. He received a presentation from the congregation.

**May 27 A poem is found on page 2 column 3.** This was written by 'Rob Roy. It is titled "Oor Holiday".

**Thomas McPherson, Tailor, Bridge End .** The name was given in a news item. There had been a Thomas McPherson in business as a Tailor in Buckie since before the turn of the century.

**Plans were passed to site a stone-crushing plant at Spey Bay.** Fears are being expressed that this will have a detrimental effect on Spey Bay as a tourist resort.

**June 3 A poem is found on page 3, column 2.** This was written by 'Rob Roy' and is titled "An Upsetting Experience".

**Football - Strathlene won the Juvenile Football Cup (Thomson)** when the beat Ramblers by three goals to one in the final.

**June 10 The Buckie water problem** – The scarcity of water remains a problem. The public are asked to conserve it very carefully and to guard against waste.

**Advertisers** - Alex Dallas, 68 West Church Street, Grocer, Ironmonger and China Merchant. (Corner of West Street .)

City Dairy, Bank Street. "Buy Sweet Gollachy Milk".

**A poem is found on page 3, column 1,** written by 'Rob Roy'. This is titled "Jean's Jealousy".

**A dry spell in Buckie?** . A news item said how Buckie welcomed the rain which came with thunder.

**Long serving distillery employee** - George Clark retired this week after working at Inchgower Distillery for 42 years.

**Claim against the Town Council** - Wm. Wilson, Carter, 3 Seaview Road, rendered a claim after his horse had fallen into the harbour, arguing that the Council was responsible since there was no guard rail. This was repudiated.

June 17 **A poem is found on page 2, column 5**, written by 'Rob Roy'. The title is "Is Marriage A Failure?"

**New tatties** - The local paper were given a 'bilin' of new tatties, from Mr Smith, of Badrockleys, Croft and grown on his land there. (His croft once stood near to the pathway through the Golf Course leading to the towards the Gollachy Burn) The tatties, Duke of Yorks, were lifted on Monday.

**Houses to be demolished as being sub standard** - Numbers 3, 5 and 7 Wilson's Land, Buckpool.

\*\*\*\*\* **The Town Council received a letter from John Geddes, 3 Bridge Place, about the unsavoury state of the Buckie Burn due to people dumping rubbish into it. Provost Shearer said that while recognising what had been said he was of the opinion that some of the rubbish was being carried downstream from the 'dump' at West Church Street (now the Victoria Bowling Green). He said that the Cluny Estates were concerned about state of the land there also.**

**Can I please be your Town Crier ?** The Council received a letter from Norman Fraser, Fochabers, who was requesting that he be appointed the official Town Crier. The letter was left lying on the table after members had said there had never been such a post.

June 24 **A poem is found on page 7, column 2**, written by 'Rob Roy'. This is titled "Jean's Sewing Machine2.

July 1 **Advertiser** - Miss Kate Skinner has taken over the butcher's shop on Low Street previously occupied by George McKenzie. In her advert she invites customers to give her a try. (The Northern Tyre Company now occupy the site of her shop, next door to the Anchor Bar.)

**You cannot draw the dole and work too.** A number of Buckie labourers, many with weel kent names, thought otherwise. They were fined £3 each for drawing the dole while they had been employed unloading a coal boat.

July 15 **A Ladies Football Match is to take place at Victoria Park**, involving Rutherglen Ladies Football Club versus Edinburgh Ladies Football Club. Admission 6d.

**For sale the Fishcuring and Kippering Plant and stock at 90 Main Street.** This belongs to Joseph Flett who has gone bankrupt. The main office of the firm is in Stornoway.

July 22 **A big sale is to take place at Pitfour House, Mintlaw.** Then a stylish mansion, the building was a ruin in 2001.

**Advertiser** - Liptons, High Street - Ham, Bacon, Cheese, Jam and tea.

**Opening announcement** - Wm. Black is to open at 18 East Church Street 'Dickson's Building' as a China Merchant.

Aug 5 **Jack Sevi is back in town.** He is to hold a big sale in the Fishermen's Hall, selling all kinds of clothing.

\*\*\*\*\* **Millers Motors to move** - The firm has taken over the premises on Cluny Square and garage on Cluny Lane formerly occupied by D. McLachlan, Motor and Electrical engineer. Their advert said how they would be able to give an increased service. (The building involved is part of the block built for L. T. McGarth at a cost of £1,400 before the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. The two shops which make up the block have passed through many hands,. On Monday October 21, 1998, Malcolm Smith who formerly had a shop called 'Gents' at 68 West Church Street, moved into what was at one time McLachlans, then Millers, then Wm. Alexanders, Bus office etc. etc. finally a 'cleaner's' before Smith took it over. In 2001 his shop was titled 'Gent elle, catering mainly for the younger set of both sexes. In 2004 Malcolm Smith sold up but the new owners sold the same stuff.)

Aug 12 **The hairst has started** - . Among the first to start harvest operations was the farm of Mill of Rathven who had the binder yoked this week. A number of farmers, and workers too, liked to be able to say that they had started hairst when they met at Keith Show. This is always on the second Tuesday in August. In 1926 there was a crowd of 11,00 present.

Aug 19 **Field of corn for sale** - A field of growing corn, amounting to two and a half acres, on the lotted lands, belonging to the Commercial Hotel was for sale.

**Why not have yourself a cruise?** A 12 day cruise to the Caribbean from Southampton costs from £90 upwards.

**Enzie inventor** - A news item in the local paper spoke of the death of a celebrated native of the Enzie, John Thomson, who was noted in America as the inventor of the Zenith Water meter. He started his working life as a jeweller but turned to engineering. He is a nephew of George Thomson, farmer at Mains of Gollachy and Mrs Ross, Howe Core. He left Britain with his parents for America at the age of one.

**Carrie and Co.** Though the firm had never been seen to advertise in the local paper it is known that they had a shop on West Church Street at number 25. This became known when the manager of the Buckie shop, J. A. Grant was leaving to open a shop in Inverness and received a presentation. In the report it said that the Buckie shop was opened in 1921.

\*\*\*\*\* **A poem by J.S.B. titled the "Singing Sands of Cullen"** is to be found on page 6, column 2

**Photograph of buses** - The local paper has a picture of Miller's fleet of buses, (5) in this edition.

Aug 26 **Advertisers** Edward Geddes, 18 East Church Street, 'Dickson's building', Bookseller, and

Stationer has a big stock of pens and compendiums for sale.

James Gordon, Motor Hirer, has now left the Cluny Hotel and is operating from

74 East Church Street. His charges are 6d per mile.

Mrs Murray, Proprietor of the Cluny Hotel has a saloon for hire.

**Gordon Castle Games** - There was a record crowd. . Jim Maitland, Raemore, Deskford, broke more records. In the open Heavy Events.

In the Heavy Events, open only to local competitors, George Clark, Grange came first in all the events.

Sept 2 **Buckie District Horticultural Flower Show.** There were the following sections - Pot Plants, Cut Flowers, Fruit, Vegetables. Wm. Imlah won the Popular Gardening Certificate for most points by local exhibitor. Dairy produce - Butter, cheese,(two kinds), eggs, hens and ducks, oatcakes with extra and oatcakes without, cream scones, buttermilk, crumpets, gingerbread cake, jams, different kinds, potatoes boiled in their skins. Mrs Milne, Carnoch, won the prize for most points. There was a closed and open sections for Cut Flowers, Vegetables and Fruit, with competitors being present from Huntly, Elgin and elsewhere.

**The price of milk rose from 1/8 per gallon to 2/-**

**Advertiser** -George Smith, Draper, North High Street, is to hold a big summer sale.

**Death of Buckie Engineer** - Ross, Engineer, who took over the business of Martin at Cluny Harbour in 1920, died this week, he was only 49 and came from Banff to Buckie.

**Football** - The Thistle team for Saturday is - Dawson, Geddes and Burgess; L. Knowles, Smith and Ross; Kay, Gowie, H. Esslemont, Newlands and McIntosh.

Sept 9 \*\*\* **The launch of a new motor drifter** - 'Veracity' took place at Lowestoft where it created considerable interest.

**Advertiser** - George Webster, The Garage, 18 High Street, can supply a Morris Cowley at a cost of £148. He can also supply a Saloon Landulet for £325.

**£3 fare to Canada** - Experienced farm workers can travel to Canada for £3. They are wanted there by the Canadian Pacific Railway.

**New psalm tune 'Strathlene'** written by Mr Dallas, conductor of Langside Parish Church, for the 'League of Comrades Choir'.

Sept 16 **Huge shoal of herring.** A shoal of herring stretching for 6 miles was discovered 6 miles off the island of Tiree. The local boat, Coreopus lost her nets due to the weight of fish but still managed to land 18 cran which sold for 33 a cran at Oban.

**Owner of Ben Reay emigrates** - Mr John Mitchell, who owned the Temperance Hotel, Ben Reay, on Seaview Place, left for New Zealand with his family.

**\*\* A Memorial plaque and water fountain designed by Birnie Rhind**, who also designed the Buckie War Memorial, are to be erected on North High Street, near to Cluny Square. The plaque is to the memory of Rev Robert Shanks and the fountain to Bailie Charles Davidson. The total cost of the two features is to be £304.9. The council who had been debating the subject of memorials to the two men for some time saw the erection of their erection as part of their plans to have the Square tidied up.

**Plans passed** - James Mackay, Draper, had his plans passed for 7 dwelling houses on Shanks Lane. Two of the houses are to be of three rooms with the other five of two.

\*\*\*\*\* **The new Buckie High School is to be opened on Wednesday 6 October 1926** by Principal Sir George Adam Smith, Aberdeen University. It is to be open for inspection by the public all day following the official opening.

**Letter to the B. A. complaining about the quality of the water supply.** The writer suggested that one could eat it rather than drink it. He/she continued by saying that if one was to put a filter on the tap one could take a pick of all the things which came along with the mud, some with many legs.

Sept 30 **Band taken over** – Following the death of A. I. Morrison , his band has been taken over by Wm. Lobban after coming to an arrangement with Mrs Morrison. The instruments in the band, include , piano, violin, saxophones, a cornet, trombone and drums.

**Promotion for local man** - Walter Imlah has been confirmed as a Captain in the T.A.

**The new minister for the Enzie Parish Church** is to be Rev Charles McDonald, who is to move from Lorn in the parish of Appin. He is a native of Inverness.

Oct 7 **New hall for All Saints Episcopal Church** - The foundation stone for the new hall is to be laid on **November 1 1926**. The church, itself, has been repainted and reventilated.

**A report is give on the opening of the new Buckie High School** - The architect James Wood, of Banff County Council. The contractors were :- Mason work - J. A. McBoyle, Portknockie, Joiner - A. Hendry and Sons, Buckie, Plasterer - James Scott and Son, Aberdeen, Reinforced concrete - James Scott and Son, Aberdeen, Plumber- G.G. Bremner, Banff, Heating Engineers - Taylor and Fraser Ltd, Glasgow, Slater - Charles Dickie and Sons, Turriff, Furnishings - Bennett Furnishing Company, Glasgow.

The school has a cavetto at both ceiling and floors to reduce dust accumulation. Total cost of the school - £33,000

**The Seafield Peerage Claim was abandoned - see story on page 7, column 3**

Oct 14 **A notice in the local paper from the LMS craving the indulgence of the people in Buckie and Keith concerning the delay in the re-opening of the railway link. The present industrial crises ( National Strike) said to be playing an important part in the delay.**

**Clochachan youth killed by falling tree** - report from the local paper- - On Saturday 9 October, a terrific gale led to the death of a Clochachan youth of 17, Alex Sim . He was killed by a falling tree some 100 yards west of the Swiss Cottage on the main Fochabers to Cullen road. He had taken part in a football match at Fochabers and was cycling home with 3 companions, William Lyall, Portgordon, John Coull, 12 James Street and John Duthie, Cliff Terrace, also Buckie.

Duthie, being the youngest of the three was lagging behind having difficulty pulling his bicycle round the roots of a large beech tree which had already fallen. As he struggled to get it free a second tree came crashing down on the others trapping Sim by the neck. Help was soon got and he was removed to Elgin hospital where he died on Sunday from a fractured skull. He was the son of Mr and Mrs Robert Sim,

Oct 28 **Business notice** - Leask and Co. Marine Place had information for drifter owners that they could scrape and chip steel vessels.

**Death of F. F. Angler** - Watchmaker and Jeweller , West Church Street. Representatives of the late Mr Angler intended to carry on the business.

**Wedding** - Buckie Thistle player, John McIntosh, 'Toshy' was married to Miss Annabel Thomson, only daughter of Mr Andrew Thomson, Midway Cottage. The ceremony took place in the St Peter's Church. The bridesmaid was Miss Margaret Wilson, Glasgow, while Wm. McKenzie, Forres Mechanics player was Best Man.

**Keith player, Jimmy Cowie, signed for Raith Rovers**

Nov 4 **The foundation stone of new church hall** - The Countess of Seafield laid the foundation stone of the All Saints Church Hall on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 1926. The church, itself, was opened in 1886.

**Chance for boys and girls to emigrate to New Zealand** - L. T. McGarth, Travel Agent, had a notice in the local paper directed at boys between the ages of 14-17 and girls from 15-18 the children of seamen killed or disabled during the Great War. They were to be given a free outfit of clothing, free passage to New Zealand and free training followed by situations with wages all found guaranteed.

**Feu subjects for sale at 6-12 Land Street**, consisting of a dwelling house and stores also large piece of ground belonging to Arthur George.

**Football** - Thistle team for Saturday - Wood, Nicol and Cormack; Gowie, Smith and Ross; Esslemont, Murray, Coull, Kay and McIntosh.

**Damage caused by gale** - Extensive damage was done in both the town and the countryside this week by gale-force winds.

Nov 18 **The Buckie drifter, 'Glenlivet' was shipwrecked.**

Nov 26 **Sale to take place at 7 Cluny Lane** of sweets, biscuits and shop fittings belonging to Miss A. Morrison who signed the Trust Deed.

**Music tuition available** - Gavin Porter, Violinist, c/o The Temperance Hotel, Low Street.

**Displinish sale of goods** belonging to the late George Sutherland, Boot Merchant.

**A roup** is also to take place of goods belonging to the late Walter Imlah, 12 High Street.

**Wrong place to spend a penny** - A boy of 6, Alex McIntosh, ('Mackie') 107 Main Street, swallowed a half-penny and had to be rushed to Aberdeen for an operation. ('Mackie' as he was popularly known was still hale and hearty in 2005 and a regular attendee at the Probus meetings.)

**A concert took place in the Enzie Public School** on Tuesday evening to raise funds for the pupil's Christmas treat.

**Boats were returning from Yarmouth this week.** It hadn't proved to be too profitable a season, with boats only averaging £400.

**Nov 25 1926 The first ever wedding photograph to appear in the Banffshire Advertiser was sent home from Honolulu from the local couple who were wed there.**

**The bride was Jeanine Stewart, adopted daughter of Alex Coull, Glamoragan, Cliff Terrace who married George Mair, eldest son of Mrs George Mair, 11 Seafield Street, Portknockie., and nephew of G. G. Wood, Post master.**

Dec 2 **Football** - Although a notice appeared earlier on inviting teams to join the Junior League for the new season nothing further was printed regarding teams or games played.

**Poor East Anglian fishing bad news for hired men from the west highlands** - (Report copied)

Several west highland fishermen found themselves destitute. They had formed part of the crews on hire at Yarmouth and when this ended they could not raise the cost of the fare home. They got free passage home to Buckie where parish

authorities took them in hand providing food and railway tickets to their homes.

Dec 9 **Annual dance** - The Portessie Railway men held their annual dance this week.

**For sale** - The fishcuring station at 90-92 Main Street.

**Chemist's shop changes hands** - J. E. Balfour, Chemist bought the shop of Miss Stewart, Chemist in Ianstown.

**A. B. Hendry, Solicitor, signs the Trust Deed**

**Bobby retires** - - Sergeant Peter Clark, the oldest bobby in Banffshire retired this week. He joined the police in Lanark in 1892 before moving north to Banff in 1895. He has been five years in Buckie, arriving in 1921. He is to be replaced by Sergeant Hutcheson from Keith.

Dec 16 **Opening announcement** - James Cowie has taken over the shop at 7 Cluny Lane formerly occupied by Miss A. Morrison. He intends to sell Confectionery and Tobacco.

**Advertisement** - Alex Dallas, 68 West Church Street - Holly wreaths

E, Davidson, Florist - Holly wreaths.

George Geddes .

**Christmas Day closures - The following grocer shops** - James Paterson , 22 Main Street.

Carrie and Co., 25 West Church

Street

Globe Stores , East Church

Street

Lipton's Ltd High Street.

T. Paterson, 23 High Street.

A. Imlah, 10 High Street.

R. J. Watson, 26 East Church

Street

**Notice** - The following two shopkeepers signed the Trust Deed - Wm. Paterson, Draper, St Peter's Place and George Wright, Merchant, St Peter's Place.

**Closed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day** - Alex Esson, Tailor and Outfitter, Cluny Square.

**Shoe shops closed on Christmas Day, New Year's Day and Wednesday as usual** -

George Sutherland, 21 West Church Street

D.E Equitable, 10 West Church Street.

The Scot Shoe Shop, West Church Street.

Frank Simpson, Bank Street.

Alex M. Duncan, 26 East Church Street.

Hugh McKenzie, 17 West Church Street.

John Calder, Cluny Terrace.

**The following butcher shops will be closed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day** -

John Stewart, South Land Street

John A. Wilson, Gordon Street.

George McKenzie 41 West Church Street.

James Mair 22 West Church Street  
 Wm. Turnbull, East Church Street.  
 C. J. Skinner, Low Street.  
 Alex Forbes, Bridge Place  
 Wm. Geddes.  
 Wm. Smith  
 Alex Laing. 16 East Church Street.

**Two Buckie brothers lost at sea.** Alex Cowie and Peter Cowie were washed off the deck of the trawler, Sansent.

**Sail to New York from Glasgow by the Anchor Line** - Second class £28.10; Third class £18.15.

Dec 30 **Buckie doctor goes abroad** - Dr Peter Reid, Kimbrace, East Church Street, received an appointment in Peru.

**Football** - Teams playing in the Buckie and District Junior League in 1926 are - Buckie Slipway, Portsoy, Garmouth, Fochabers, 6<sup>th</sup> Gordon, Portgordon, Cullen and Bankers.

**Slipway team** - Craig, Smith and Burgess; Cowie, Murray and Hay; Calder, Grant, Sinclair, Murray and Hay. They beat the Bankers by five goals to three in a game in December.