

1929

Jan 3 **Why don't you keep rabbits?** A long running advert was that of E. Bostock Smith, Canterbury which read, " There's money in rabbits" referring to angoras etc.

Enzie Tennis Club held their annual "At Home" in the Clochan School
As usual it was well patronised and much enjoyed by all.

You dinna dee that - A Buckie loon had his hand badly injured when a squib went off as he was holding it. He was Norman Geddes of 16 New Street.

***** **Far will we gang noo?** The Town Council who were having to vacate the premises at 1 Queen Street, belonging to the United Free Church, were considering the purchase of the Masonic and Literary Institute as council chambers. Lodge Gordons, who owned the property, were keen to sell to get rid of the debt of £2,800, which they had outstanding on the building.

Jan 10 **Buckie Catholic Association Dramatic Society** was to present a comedy in 3 acts called the Castle in the St Andrew's Hall. The members of the cast were - George Smith, Vincent McWilliam, George Paterson, Alex Garden, James McGrory, Madge Brown, Dora Green, Dolly Webster.
Admission charges - 2/4 reserved, 1/10 and 1/3 inc. taxes.

Property for sale on Main Street - Mrs Charlotte Harler was selling a number of properties on Main Street, which included both shops and dwelling houses. Two and 4 part of which had been a chemist's shop for many years; 5 and 7 which had a garden and stables; 9-11, a house and shop where a china business had been carried on for the past 30 years after being first established by the late Mr Peter Williamson.

Lipton's were selling cocoa at 3d per ¼ lb.

The first part of a new serial - The Phantom Years - was to be found on page 2, columns 1,2,3,4. This was written by Frank Gilbert.

Jan 17 **Buckie Thistle were to meet Queen's Park**, then a first division club in the first round of the **Scottish Cup**.
Price of admission - adults 1/- Juveniles 6d.
Grandstand 7/6, 5/- and 2/6 inclusive of tax. Reserved enclosure - 2/6.
Kick off at 2.30 p.m.

The dances could not have paid all that well - A notice told of the sequestration of John Smith, farmer at Greencraig, Drybridge. He will be remembered as the man who first ran buses from Buckie to dances at the farm some years before this.

Ted Lawson, the Buckie born runner was still performing well in the United States.

Adverts - Sales - Edward Geddes, 18 East Church Street, Stationer and Fancy Goods, also J. Anderson, Shoemaker, Shanks Lane was having a Great Clearing Sale.

Schemes to construct a tunnel beneath the English Channel to France were again being put forward.

Jan 24 **Advert** - Arthur Campbell, Jobbing Joiner and Carpenter, 21 Seaview Road, Buckpool.

Death of Mrs Gordon, late of Cairnfield, in Elgin. She was the widow of John P. Gordon.

***** **Buckie Thistle was beaten by three goals to nil by Queens Park** at the Victoria Park. There was a gate of 4,000 with gate receipts of £237.
The team was - Wood, Geddes and Knowles; Reid, Kidd and J. Ross; Newlands, Esslemont, Milne, Murray and McIntosh.

Golden anniversary - Charles Bonnyman, Portgordon, was advertising being in business for fifty years from 1879 to 1929 celebrating the event with a big sale.

Jan 31 **Dundee Equitable** who had never been known to advertise having a sale had had an advert in the paper all through the month of January. They were still at 10 West Church Street.

***** **The last remaining part of the 'Auld Ha' still standing was demolished by dynamite this week. The stones are to be used for building purposes.**

Streets are being improved but not fast enough - Though improvements had gradually been taking place with regard to the streets of the town some were still in a bad condition as could be gathered from a letter received by the 'Advertiser', which spoke of the state of Cluny Lane and Blairdaff Street.

Feb 7 **Ed. Hillocks, Draper, Cluny Terrace**, of whom little had been heard of for a long time was still in business and advertising his annual clearing sale.

The Shore of Buckie Burns Club - A letter spoke of two anniversaries going past of the birth of Robert Burns without the Shore of Buckie Burns Club being in any way involved. It spoke of trying to raise more interest.

The grocer line, he found, was not to his liking - Ian Hector who had taken over the premises at 68 West Church Street, formerly occupied by Alex Dallas, where he was carrying on a grocer and provision merchant's business was having a clearing sale. Not long after it was noted that another person now had the shop.

Sales adverts included - John Sandison, James Green, and George. Geddes, Alex Esson, John Munro, Co-op, Alex Hay, Robert. Grant's and Edward Hillocks. These were all drapers. George Sutherland, the D.E. and A.Thomson, Seaview Place, shoemakers, were also having sales.

Feb 14 **To come to the aid of** - It was announced that a Boxing Match was to take place in the Drill Hall held in aid of Buckie Swimming club. There was to be 8 contests including bouts between the Terriers and the Scouts. In addition a challenge contest between Councillor John Milton and Jimmy Ross. Milton put up a good show but it was Ross who triumphed.

***** **The Freemasons accept Council's offer** - The Town Council had received a letter from the secretary of Lodge Gordons accepting the offer made by the Council to purchase the Masonic and Literary Institute at the price of £2,800 agreed. The Council would take over all furniture and furnishings with the exception of the furnishings of the temple and ante rooms, which would pay the debts on the buildings.

Plans were submitted by A. Milne and Son, Builders, for 2 semi-detached cottages on Cathcart Street.

***** **It was stated that under the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act of 1892, it was an offence to wantonly set fire to and throw any firework in a street to the danger or annoyance of the residents or passengers. (Many people were plenty annoyed by the noise that seemed to go on for night after night in 2005.)**

What's a the fuss about rabbits? - There had been some correspondence regarding butchers etc selling rabbits whether this was that they weren't fit for consumption at the time or whatever but a number of poems were written on the subject -

The first was found on page 7 column 3 title 'Rabbits' by Omnia Bona Bonio

Feb 21 **A poem was to be found on page 7 column three of this edition in answer to the one above** - titled - 'A Reply To Rabbits' by Bunny

Feb 28 **Opening announcement** - R. Fraser who had for some time carried on a ladies' hairdressing business at the entrance to the LNER station advised that he was to start doing for men also.

Poem on page 5 column 3 was again titled 'Rabbits' an answer to the one above and by Omnia Bona Bonio.

The poems were written with no little skill and well worth reading

Mar 7 Advert - Misses A & C Mitchell of 1 Bank Street spoke of showing the new season millinery

Meetings were called in both the Enzie and Buckie to consider the union of the Free and Established churches. Neither of the two churches in the Enzie had ministers at this time.

The Co-op take to the streets to advertise - A huge motor display van belonging to the England and Scottish Co-operative Wholesale Society Ltd paid a visit to Buckie on Thursday of the previous week. It attracted a lot of attention being, as it was, a travelling showroom displaying a wide variety of goods of all kinds.

Elgin Wednesday played Buckie Wednesday at Victoria Park when the score line was two goals each. Hector and Grant scored for Buckie.

Poem on page 6 column 3 continued the saga of the rabbits this was a further contribution from Bunny and titled 'Rabbits Etc'

***** **The death took place this week at his home on Main Street of George Smith, Shipbuilder.** He served his time as a carpenter with his father who had a business where the firm of Herd and McKenzie is located before commencing on his own account at the West End of Main Street. Here he operated from for fifty years during which he built a great number of scaffies, fifies, zulus and drifters.

Mar 14 **Slatehaugh and Hill of Maud, crofts on the Cluny Estate were to let.**

Get cracking in your garden - Garden seeds of all kinds could be had from A. Smith, Seedsman, and 22 Low Street.

The shop at the corner - An advert told that the shop at 68 West Street was now occupied by James McCann. Ian Hector had followed Alex Dallas but didn't stay very long.

Mar 21 **A school changes at Fochabers** - Milne's Institution was to be taken over by Moray Education Authorities.

Mar 28 **This was to be the first of many applications** - Robert Smith, 27 Rannas Place was in for a licence for a Public House at the same address.

Drink licences sought by the following two men - Alex McIntosh, Elgin, applied for a licence for a Public House at 22 Bridgend. Robert S. Taylor, St Andrew Hotel, Buckpool, **applied for a licence to sell Porter and Ale at 5 Great Western Road,** the premises belonging to the representatives of the late Miss Elsie Gibb.

More draper's stock bought over - James Mackay, Draper, Buckie, bought the stock of two Glasgow shops and one in Grangemouth at a total cost of £2,000 and intended to have a 12 day sale.

The new Postmaster of Buckie was James Cordiner, a native of Peterhead who had started his career in the P.O. there.

Apr 4 **Plans were submitted and passed for a surgery for Dr Paterson on Queen Street.**

A cake and candy sale (a common event at the time) was held in **Enzie Public School** and raised £36 for school funds. The event was opened by Rev. Father Mackay. The stall holders were teachers, Miss Reid, Miss Paterson and Miss Clark while Mrs Urquhart served tea.

Apr 11 **George Webster, Garage, 18 High Street,** was advertising the following cars - Wolseley, Standard, Rover, Morris and Jowett. The Wolseley mentioned was a six cylinder of 16-45 hp. selling at £365.

***** **Town Council are to flit** - The Town Council were to transfer all their various offices from 1 Queen Street to the Masonic Institute on Cluny Place which had been acquired for burgh chambers. Ratepayers were asked to note that the collectors office was now located in the new premises.

No ye canna big yer garage there - James Gordon, motor hirer, had made more than one application to have a garage built on East Church Street between the houses of Craigard and Freuchie but this did not meet with the approval of the Council who wanted the area left vacant as a place 'where old chaps could meet and have a chat' They were to meet with the estate proprietor to put forward this suggestion.

***** **Shanks' Memorial and Davidson Fountain** - The subject of the memorial to Rev Shanks and the fountain to former Councillor Davidson on Cluny Square (North High Street) came in for discussion again at the Town Council meeting. The work was now all finished including the steps. Provost Merson spoke about both men and said of how they were worthy of being remembered in this way. **His report is given on page 5 column 1 while a further report on the memorials is given on page 8 columns 3 and 4.**

Apr 18 **We have bargain for you** - Outside firms continued to call regularly with the latest fashions etc during this week being the Dunfermline Linens who were to hold a three-day sale in the Fishermen's Hall in which all kinds of drapery would be for sale.

A rather unique form of advert was found on the front page -

Grand Business Concert
At McCann's, 68 West Church Street

Programme

Grand Selection of Hams and Bacon	-	By Best Curers
Recitation - Try Mac's Jam	-	By A. Jar
Solos (Solow) - My Prices	-	By Comparison
Sketch - Finest tinned Pears	-	By A Shilling A Tin
Song - 'Off To McCanns'	-	By One and All
Recitation- 'I'm Going Back Again'	-	By Mrs Every Body
Chorus - 'Let Them All Come'	-	By the Staff
Grand Finale - Satisfaction Given	-	By My Goods
Accompanist	-	P.L.A. Fair
Conductor	-	J.McCann
Doors open - 8 a.m. daily - Admission Free		

Teams entered for the Junior Cup were – Findochty Ranters, Yardie Hibs, Portsoy United, Portknockie Seafield, Portgordon Ramblers, Buckie Wednesday, Strathlene, Ianstown Buckie Rangers, Portgordon Gordons, Wanderers, St Andrews Athletic, Drybridge Hearts, Rooks.

And for the Juveniles – Cullen Eyeopeners, Celtic (Portgordon), Buckie Rangers, Bow Fiddle Rovers, Seafield Reserves.

**** **The cost of buying the Masonic and Literary Institute to the Town Council was £2,586 to be purchased with a £3,000 from the bank.** One could read in the Minutes of the council that it was agreed that the building hadn't been bought but rather stolen. The total bill came in the end to £2,611. **After discussion on the name for the building it was decided by 7 to 5 that it be called the Town House.**

John McIntosh - 'Toshie' was to have a 'Benefit Match' with a game to be played between the Thistle and Lossie Rangers, then a crack Morayshire Junior team.

Apr 25 **For sale a cottage of three rooms and a garden at Farnachty** apply to a solicitor in Blairgowrie.

Notice - Boxing Tournament to take place in the St Andrew's Hall. Among the boxers there were the following from Buckie - James Lyon, James Ross and George Wood. **The event didn't take place after the magistrates failed to give permission.**

A difference but nae fit wis winted - Shingle had been spread on both the north quadrants of Cluny Square but this wasn't at all pleasing and it was decided that the shingle be blinded with ash and then rolled to stop grass from rising up through.

May 2 **C.W. Thomson, Headmaster of Buckie High School was the owner of Cluny House.** At this time 8 rooms within the building, formerly occupied by the Inland Revenue, were for let either as a whole or in lots.

May 9 **Advert and my first pair o 'langers'** - Robert Sim, Tailor and Clothier, Clochan was advertising made to measure suits and also ready made suits. (I got my first 'langers', a brown shade with a faint stripe, here. I can remember them being bought by my mother in 1944, when I was 14)

Weel if nae there fit about Newlands Lane - James A.Gordon who had had his plans for a garage on the north side of East Church Street, knocked back by the Council now had new plans in for a garage and petrol pumps on Newlands Lane.

Disease - its spread has it got boundaries? A letter in the paper spoke of the local schools being closed because of an outbreak of diphtheria while places of amusement were still open. He felt that this was defeating the object.

May 16 **Great Australian Circus and Lion Show to pay a visit to Buckie**

The price of milk from Rathven Dairy was one and fourpence per gallon.

Andrew Donaldson now had a garage on Newland's Lane and was advertising that he was in a position to supply any make of new car or commercial vehicle. Inquiries were solicited.

Rathven School head dies - The death of John Taylor headmaster at Rathven School and father of Willie Taylor, former chemist in Buckie, was reported this week.

Drifters left this week for Ireland and the west coast, travelling via the Caledonian Canal.

***** **Folks in Ianstown to lose their gardens** -The T.C. proposed that the gardens in front of the houses bordering the through road in Ianstown be removed in the interests of safety and the needs of modern traffic. Provost Merson said that the householders would be compensated if it came to compulsory purchase but he preferred to reach agreement with the feuars on reasonable terms. Once the gardens were removed pavements would be laid up against the houses. **Among the householders affected 16 were in agreement with the proposals, 2 doubtful while 4 were against.**

May 23 **Inverness Thistle won the Highland League with Buckie Thistle coming fifth this time.**

The Thistle team in the last game was – Wood, Geddes and Nicol; Reid, Knowles and Morrison; G.Newlands, J.Newlands, Corporal McIntosh (V.C.), Murray, and Milne.

The Rovers won the Junior Cup (Brown or Sunlight) by beating Findochty by 4 goals to 2.

May 30 **Another circus for Buckie** - Bostock and Wombell Jungle and Wonder Zoo to pay a visit to Buckie

Opening announcement - R. Fraser, Hairdresser, was advertising that he was to move from his place at the railway station to the shop on the Bowling Green Brae which had been formerly a music salon and later a draper's shop owned by George Smith.

Rathven Dairy (McLean's) were advertising that milk for children – 1/3 pint - could be bought at Mrs McDougal, St Peter's Place, Mrs Campbell, West Church Street, and Wright's Saloon.

June 6 **Circuses galore** - Bailey's Circus was to pay a visit to the town

**** **The law was an ass** - A letter in the paper from a commercial traveller spoke of being spoken to by a policeman for leaving his car parked at a shop door for 20 minutes while he was inside on business. At the same time as this took place a road roller and scarifier had sat on the same street for days on end.

June 13 **Medals for local singer** - Miss Nen Paterson, daughter of Alex Paterson, St Peter's Road, won silver and gold medals for vocal solos at Banff Music Festival. She sang soprano.

The Glasgow heating firm, Taylor and Fraser, who had put the heating into Buckie High School had won the contract to put heating into the Town House at a cost of £247.16, exclusive of boiler and jobbing work.

Did a buy-over take place? In the advert for R.S.McColl, the well-known sweetie shop etc. their address was given as 18 East Church Street. This was also the number of Edward Geddes, Stationer and Fancy Goods Merchant, perhaps he had been bought over.

Colonial House - The building at the corner of Cluny Square and West Church Street, formerly the home of Dr Duguid and now bought over by L.T.McGarth was to be called Colonial House.

June 20 **LNER started a bus service between Elgin and Macduff going via Portgordon and Cullen.** The buses to run every two hours beginning at 8.15 a.m. through until 9.45 p.m. Seven different buses from Elgin and 8 from Macduff.

June 27 **Advert** – P.Geddes and Sons – Ladies and Gents Tailors – 1-3 Bridge Place.

I am retiring - Barbara Wood, Ladies and Children's Outfitter, 13 Baron Street, was to give up business and was advertising a clearing sale.

For the attention of budding Joe Donaldsons

evening

required

**Town House Buckie
Billiards – 4d per half hour
Cards 4d per person per**

No membership tickets

J.L.McNaughton, Town Clerk.

Early tatties from Bogside - An item in the paper spoke of the farmer at Bogside, Mr Legge, having dug up new tatties in a field for the past week. This was the earliest known in the district although others had been dug in a garden plot.

July 4 **Attention bus users** - Alex Miller Bus Service – Buckie to Peterhead

Advert – Boot Repairs – A.Thomson, Seaview Place `2 minutes from the bus`.

Estimates were wanted for extensions to Rathven Parish Hospital.

To take over from the late Mr Taylor - James S. Milton, late of Buckie High, became headmaster at Rathven . He was presented with a fine oak bookcase as a parting gift.

I mine on him, do you? – He taught at Buckie High School - James `Jimmy` Green, Portgordon, graduated from Aberdeen University with 2nd class Honours in French and German.

The Sheilburn `Heidie` to retire - Mrs Badenoch retired as headmistress of Shielburn School at the end of the term.

July 11 **Chemist's shop changes hands** - John Donaldson, Chemist, Portknockie, sold his business to George W. Findlay, Cullen.

A draper's sale at Clochan - Robert Sim, Clochan, Complete Outfitter, Tailor, Draper was advertising his Summer Sale.

Improvements at Portessie – a footpath leading to the public hall.

Other improvements made in the burgh - High Street was coated with tar-grouted metal, Cluny Square was tar sprayed also Great Eastern Road and a stretch of March Road leading to Portessie.

***** **`We dinna want it – you can hae it`**- The triangular piece of land at Gibbs Lane between the railway and Seaview Terrace was given to the Town Council by the Buckpool Estates as an open space. Subject to formal conditions. (They weren't giving away much, its an awkward shape and very steep. In 2005 it was a place of stunted tress and bushes and a dumping place for rubbish.)

***** **Other offers of more value** - The Trustees of the Cluny Estates also offered the piece of ground on East Church Street opposite to Harbour Street at a feu duty of £1.1, The T.C. agreed to accept both offers and also agreed to accept the park near the housing scheme (Mill Crescent) at a rent of £4 and 30/- rent for the piece of land use for the footpath from Cathcart Street to Wallace Avenue.

Permission given for Swimming Gala - The Town Council agreed to give facilities to hold a swimming gala at Cluny Harbour on Wednesday 24 July in aid of the Swimming Club, Chalmers Hospital, local Nursing Association and Town Band.

July 18 **Touring car for hire** - McBeath's Garage were advertising for hire a commodious open touring car at a charge of 5d per mile.

Opening announcement – Clark and Son (Photographers) were advertising that they were to open a new branch as a Sports Outfitters. Their shop stood opposite the Post Office on East Church Street.

Big shoe sale on Bank Street - John Simpson a long established Boot and Shoe Shop on Bank Street was advertising a big sale.

A Mr Mop required - St Peter's School were looking for a man to clean the school part -time at a salary of £60 per annum.

The manager of Buckie Thistle, A.L.B. Melvin had a note mentioning that the **Thistle had started training** for the new season, 1929/30.

Dumbarton Prize Band is to give a performance in Cluny Square on Saturday. Included would be a number of vocal solos.

Poem on page 8 column 2 "Come and Hear The Pierrots by C.M.

July 25 **The Doocot near the Buckie Burn -** A letter spoke of the 'Dooocot' near the Buckie Burn going to ruin. It was asked what purpose the building had served and whether it would have had anything to do with the 'Auld Ha' that stood only a short distance away to the west. (Contrary to what most people believe the Doocot mentioned was located to the east of the Burn on the estate of Buckie. It is understood that they were built as near to the boundary as possible so that the pigeons could well feed on the crops of the adjacent laird.. The farmer of Mill of Buckie always called the field east of the burn the Doocot Park.)

Aug 1 **A major fire on way home from Peter Fair -** Report said that while McIntosh of Forgue with his steam wagon was travelling home from Peter Fair on the Saturday after towing behind a trailer with tents a spark from the engine set the whole ablaze. Considerable damage to the value of £300 was done before the fire could be put out. With this being the height of the tenting season he was thought to be seriously handicapped.

Peter Fair took place on Friday when glorious weather welcomed the thousands who flocked there. There were plenty fortune tellers to please the 'flapper' and also merry-go-rounds for the kids, coconut shies, shooting galleries, dancing while vendors of ice-cream did good business.

Peter Fairs an optimistic look into the future - On page 7 column one had been written an article on Peter Fair in a very optimistic frame of mind as to the fair continuing in the future despite the many changes which had taken place over the previous 30 years.

(Could he have looked back from 70 years later would he have still been as confident of the fair continuing? Tremendous changes have taken place in recent years concerning what people expect from life, brought about in part by WWII but also higher wages, more leisure time and relatively cheap world - wide air travel.)

Aug 8 **The property of 6 West Street was for sale -** This was later to be the home of my in-laws Jimmy and Peggy Gordon.

Poem on page 3 column 4 by G.T. Gordon titled "The Fisher Lad". This was copied from the Banffshire Journal.

The price of bread goes up - The 4lb loaf went up from 10d to 11d.

Aug 15 **Poem on page 3 column 4 - "The Tennis Girl" by J.S.B. Cullen**

It would be known as Joe Dawson's Garage - The plans submitted by J. A. Gordon for a garage at Newlands Lane were passed with the stipulation that the lane to the north between the garage and the house should be as wide as Newlands Lane. Mr Gordon said that he had a charter, which said that the space left need only be 5 feet wide.

Golden anniversary - Alex Esson , Draper, was celebrating 50 years in business.

Buckie Thistle drew with Elgin City in the first game of the new season , the score being two goals all. The team was - Wood, Knowles and McKenzie; Milton, Bowie and J. Ross; Newlands, Murray, G. Ross, Hay and Milne.

Aug 22 Bostock's Royal Italian Circus is to put on a performance in the Commercial Park on Saturday. Their blurb speaks of appearing on three occasions before the King and Queen at Buckingham Palace. It had been described as the Wonder Show of Europe.

Opening announcement - William Smith, General and Fancy Draper at 38 East Church Street, the shop formerly occupied by Wm. Ingram, Draper.

Thistle in the black - At the Thistle AGM those present heard that under the new arrangements there had been a surplus of £53.14.71/2 on the year's workings. Revenue had been £860.12.91/2 with expenses coming to £806.18.2

The retiring directors - George McKenzie, Butcher, Buckie, Douglas Marshall, Bank Agent, Invergordon; James Mellis, Superintendent, Cumnock; Dr Smith, Buckie were all re-elected.

An access road to the hospital is required - The Town Council heard that a row had developed regarding the only access to the Parish Hospital this being in via the cemetery or by permission of the tenant farmer at Baremuir. There was a need for a new entrance to be constructed, since people didn't like having to go through the cemetery.

Aug 29 **A sale of tatties and oats on the lotted lands of Buckpool owned by William Dyker.** The field was near to the Auld 'Ha, which stood only some distance in a north west direction from the farm of Mill of Buckie.

The scything competition - A thank you notice was found in the paper following a scything competition that had recently been held at Quarryhill where the tenant was Mrs Allan. This was now seen as an uncommon competition but had often taken place in earlier years. There were 21 competitors with the first four being - James Webster, Greenwells, Charles McIntosh, Arradoul, William Milne, Redburn, William Dalgarno, Puttingbrae.

The Quarryhill Scything committee offer a big thank you to all those who so kindly contributed to the prize list.

Jack Sevi , Glasgow, Draper etc is back in town - Despite there being a large number of drapers and general outfitters in the town Jack Sevi still found it profitable to come to Buckie from Glasgow, year after year and to hold a three day clothing event in the Fishermen's Hall.

The LNER is to run a bus to the Braemar Games from Buckie via Cullen at a fare of 15/- or with breakfast and high tea included, £1.

A further accident took place at the Toll Bar, this time between a car and a horse drawn lorry. The horse driven by Joseph Scott, fishmerchant, Buckie had to be destroyed.

The 1929 Buckie Flower Show was opened by the Duchess of Gordon after being introduced by the president E.L.S. Gordon, Cairnfield.

Sept 12 **Norman Woods the Thistle 'keeper was to have a benefit match** with a game against Aberdeen.

Feu duties settled - The T.C. received a letter from the factor of the Cluny Estates stating that in the event of the Queen Street Park being feud the charge would be £25. The feu duty for land on West Church Street (where the Victoria Bowling Green now is) would be £12.10.

The Town Council were to proceed with a town planning scheme,

A public convenience is to be built at Portessie. The contractors are - mason work - Wm. Douglas and Son at £142.4; plumbing and slater work, John Barclay and Son at £57.2; joiner work, Wm. Geddes and Son at £14.7.6. estimates for painting and drains put at £15.

The Palace Cinema - Andrew P. Wilson's Company of Scottish Players are to present a three act comedy - 'The Bogey Man' Admission prices 4d, 8d, 1/-, 1/3 and 1/6.

An United Open Air Service is to take place on Cluny Square on Sunday first.

Adverts - J. McCann, 68 West Church Street, 'The Good Provision Shop'.

R. Tindall and Sons Ltd. 1 High Street, Complete House Furnishers.

Sutherland's Furnishing Store, High Street.

John Munro, Draper, 30-32 West Church Street.

Globe Supply Stores .J. Grant and Co. P. Geddes and Sons, Tailors , Bridge Place. W. J. Smith, Tailor, 19 Land Street.

John Symon, Painter, Gordon Street.

George Geddes Outfitter, 14 East Church Street.

Gramophone Records - McHardy, Mackay's Buildings off East Church Street (Shanks Lane)

Andrew Donaldson, 6 East Cathcart Street , James Gordon, 74 East Church Street and McBeath's Garage, Pringle Street - **all motor hirers.**

Sept 19 **Jack Sevi, a regular visitor to Buckie**, was advertising a big sale of clothing of all kinds in the Fishermen's Hall.

Buckie Women's Unionists - A meeting was advertised to take place in the Town House - Miss Beale, Organiser.

Dances - A dance is to take place in the Masonic Hall, Portgordon of Friday to music supplied by McQueen's Band. Admission charges - Gents 3/- and ladies 2/- Tea to be served.

And also in the St Andrew's Hall, Buckpool, on Saturday from 8 till 11.30pm Admission charges 1/- and 6d. A good band in attendance.

A poem is found on page 6 titled Sunset at Sea Eulogy by George R. Ronald.

Sept 26 **A new club** - St Andrew's Badminton Club to commence play on 3rd October.

Films are to be shown in the Town Hall, Cullen, 28 September. -'Talkies' and full supporting programme.

Dr Walford Bodie, Hypnotist and Electrical Feats performed - to put on a show in the Fishermen's Hall.

House for sale at 3 Duncan Lane, Buckpool - apply John Hendry 11 Land Street.

Harbourmaster at Findochty - John Flett, 3 Commercial Street.

Two cruisers of the Fleet were lying off Buckie this week where they were engaged in operations -

Oct 3 **The death took place this week of Mrs Elizabeth Riddoch (91) at Hornes Croft.** She and her late husband had previously been at Badenhausen for a long time.

Cleaner for Bogmoor School - £20 per annum

101 years not out - Mrs Jean Rose, Lennox Place, Portgordon celebrated her 101st birthday.

Loanhead Farm Rathven was a 'drome for a day - Five aeroplanes involved in manoeuvres in the Moray Firth caused a sensation when they landed in a field at Loanhead, Rathven, on Thursday. They had been having difficulty in finding the carrier because of fog. Three other planes later landed with fuel from HMS Furious before all eight planes flew to Invergordon. The bairns of Rathven School nearby were taken along to see the planes.

Oct 10 **Buckie Miniature Rifle Club** - A meeting is to take place within the range. R. Johnston, secretary.

To resume dancing lessons - Lexy Wilson 'Morren School' is to resume dancing classes in the Town House.

Fishing industry facing problems - The profitability of the herring fishing has been becoming less and less during the past six of seven years until it has now become really serious. Some drifters have already been condemned with one recently being sold as scrap for only £60.

Oct 17 **Death of Buckie Shipowner** - Charles Malcolm, Shipowner of Burnside House, Queen Street died this week.

There is room in Cluny House - C. S. Thomson, Schoolhouse, West Church Street Headmaster of Buckie High School and owner of Cluny House, formerly hotel, was advertising that there was accommodation in the Cluny House suitable for offices, warehouse or residence.

Advert - George Webster, 18 High Street, agent for Wolsley, Jowett, Triumph and Ford cars. Cash or on easy terms.

A' Run Ashore' - Navy men off the fleet lying off shore were in Buckie over the weekend enjoying a 'run ashore'.

Opening announcement - George Barber, Butcher and Greengrocer, at Bridge Place.

First defeat of season - The Thistle was beaten for the first time this season by Nairn County at Nairn. The Thistle team was - Wood, Morrison and McIntosh; Milton, Knowles and J. Ross; Newlands, Reid, G. Ross, Murray and Milne. Changes were to be made before the next game with Garden and Nicol at full back and McLennan at centre forward. (Sandy McLennan from Lhanbryde was to become a prolific goal scorer.)

Five bob a light - Frank Burgess, Woodcutter, Burnside, Drybridge, was fined five shillings for having one of his lights missing.

New houses to be built - The Town Council were inviting tenders for 20 houses to be built at Linn Crescent.

Cluny Square - changes - Material was taken off Cluny Square and carted to Victoria Park to be used as banking around the pitch. Pavements to be laid on the side of the carriageway around the Square which will be much appreciated in wet weather. The sections of the Square on the south side to be tarred and made smooth to walk on.

Dinner for McIntosh and other VC's - George McIntosh V.C. has been invited to London to take dinner with the Prince of Wales. The dinner to take place on November 5th to be served in the Royal Gallery of the Houses of Parliament. Mr

McIntosh and all other V.C's who were to attend the dinner were given free passage on the railway.

Oct 24 **United Church Services are to take place in the Fishermen's Hall** - The speaker will be Rev. Donald G. Booth MC, Inverness. Redemption Hymnbook to be used.

An end to the drudgery of wash days! The Globe Supply Store was advertising something, which must have been a boon for housewives. 'Kwick Wash' 15 min. wash - no rubbing or scrubbing, simply boil. Cost 3d a tablet

Pupils should stay at school longer - It was proposed raising the school leaving age to 15. This did not come into effect until the 1940s

Advert - The new BP petrol will put new life in your car.

Thistle drew with Nairn County at Buckie - The Thistle team was - Masson, Garden and Nicol, Milton, Knowles and J. Ross, McIntosh, Newlands, McLennan, Reid and Milne.

Oct 31 **Death of well-known bellman** - The death took place of Robert Ross, Bellman and Bill-Poster. 4 St Peter's Terrace where he had lived all his life. His father was a joiner. Robert Ross started life as a bellman and billposter when he was 19 and carried on this duty for something like 60 years. Robbie's most famous announcement was reputed to have been made in connection with the 'Buckie Riots' of 60 years before. Fishermen were required to stay ashore and Robbie's cry was to the effect that, "every boat that went to sea that day would be stoned to death". He never said who had put him out with this 'cry' only to say that it was Mr Cash.

The Palace Cinema were to show 'Uncle Tom's Cabin' a film that had been 2 years in the making. It was described as a Mammoth Motion Picture.

Enzie WRI are to hold a Fancy Dress Dance in the Clochan School on Friday 8 November. Admission - Ladies 2/6 with Gentlemen 3/-

Buckie Bankers are to hold their Annual Ball in the Gordon Richmond Hotel, Spey Bay. Tickets cost 6/6 can be had from the committee. Music by the Ross Orchestra.

Nov 7 **An Assistant Janitor and Attendance Officer was required for Buckie Elementary School.** J. A. Penwright, 26 Wallace Avenue was later appointed.

Nov 14 **Arradoul and Enzie W.R.I. Singing Class** under the Carnegie Trust Scheme were to commence practice in the Arradoul Rural Hall. The secretary was N.M. Urquhart.

Enzie Rural held a Fancy Dress Ball in the Clochan School.

Do you know where Central Park is? The new children's park between Newlands Lane and Mill Crescent to be called Central Park. Many of us knew it as Cowie Park.

Plans for a new shop on High Street and the junction with Cluny Lane, for the heirs of Walter Imlah, Grocer and Seedsman were passed.

A gate at the level crossing to be constructed - With an agreement having been reached with LMS a level crossing with gates is to be constructed at the head of the pathway leading to Wallace Avenue (Hamilton Path) work to be done as quickly as possible.

The Thistle drew with Keith in the Aberdeen and District League
The team was - Wood, McKenzie and Nicol; Milton, Knowles and Ross; Newlands, McIntosh, S. McLennan, Gordon and Milne

Nov 21 **Buckie Oratorio and Operatic Society to present the Mikado in the Palace** . The cast was – James Burr, Balnacoul, Robert Johnston, James McCann, George Smith, Ed Hillocks, Miss B. Cowie, Miss A.Duncan, Miss N. Taylor , Miss V. Hillocks. Costumes were by Ashmore Glasgow Scenery by Glover, Glasgow.

They're your rats and costing me money - The farmer at Stripeside took the Town Council to court because of the rats from the refuse dump eating his crops

Nov 28 **Farmer and Miller entertains employees** - Mr and Mrs Thomson Braes of Enzie entertained the employees at Braes, Mill of Tynet and Burnside at their home, Burnside House.

Child killed by van at Rathven - A child of 18 months, Jean Rumbles daughter of Charles rumbles, cattleman at Loanhead was killed when ran over by a baker's van. It is thought that she had sat down near the back off side's wheel and when not seen had been hit as the van moved off.

Dec 5 Chemist's shop changes hands - John R .Pearson acquired the chemist's business at 46 West Church Street formerly owned by R .Stewart (of James Stewart Chemist).

Old wall feature found at Cairnfield - A wall believed to have been built some 280 years before has been found at Cairnfield running at right angles to the burn. It was found to be a double wall built of red sandstone filled with rubble giving a total width of 9 feet. There were holes in the wall that may have been for posts. Why it was built and for what purpose is not known.

Advert - Edward D.Geddes was still at 18 East Church Street where he was advertising Columbia Gramophones at £3.10.

Dec 12 **A show of Cage Birds took place in the St Andrew's Hall**. It was said to have been the best in the North of Scotland ,with a large entry of birds present.

A concert took place in Enzie Public School in aid of hot dinners for school children. The concert party was organised by Major Hutcheson, itinerant music teacher and featured among other Mr Burr, Balnacoul and Charles Skinner, Buckie.

Advert – Millers Garage, West Church Street, Gramophones and a big selection of new records by various companies.

Dec 19 **New signing for Buckie Thistle** - R.Logie, Lhanbryde F.C. has signed for Buckie Thistle to play at Right Back. His club mate, Sandy Mclennan, had already played for Buckie for some time.

The Buckie 'A' team was named as– Jappy, J.Newlands and G.Smith; J. Garden, J. Cowie and J. R. Reid; J. Coull, Grant, Hector, Hay and W. Smith. Reserve Burgess.

New Town Councillor - Canon McDonald was appointed to the Town Council

The 20 houses on Linn Crescent are to be semi-detached, single storey with 8 of them having lofts for fishermen.

House for Town House caretaker - It was recommended that a house be built to the rear of the Town House for a caretaker.

Notices were to be put up to tell strangers where the parking places in the town were to be found.

There was now an on-going programme to up grade the various streets in the town. This week the surveyor could report that Blairdaff Street and Blantyre Street had been metalled.

Dec 26 **The programme over the New year at the Palace was as follows** – Hogmanay – **Through the Breakers** featuring Margaret Livingstone and Holmes Herbert
New Years Day – **You Know what Sailors Are** with Cyril McLaglen and Alf Goddard ; plus **A Dozen Socks**.

Ploughing Match at Mains of Gollachy - Enzie, Rathven and Bellie Ploughing Association were to hold a ploughing match at Mains of Gollachy.

In the champion's class first was Wm. McPherson, Auchinreath while Wm. Palmer, Dallachy came first in the local section. He had won this section for three years on the trot and lifted the Miss Gordon, Cairnfield Challenge Trophy.

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