

1958

Jan 2 **Headline on front page** - 21 boats launched from the Buckie yards during 1957. George Thomson and Son led the field and equalled his 1956 production with nine vessels taking to the water. Six of them were motor fishing boats and the others consisting of two 52½ harbour launches for the Admiralty and a 36 foot long launch for river work in Nigeria.

At present the yard has three fishing boats under construction and a third harbour launch. Messrs Jones and Sons launched 7 vessels with Herd & McKenzie, five.

Arradoul Youth Club is to hold a Carnival Dance in the WRI Hall on Thursday 2 January. Music to be provided by Bill Geddes and his band. Admission 2/6

Advertisers in this issue - Alex Esson, Draper and Tailor, Cluny Square. Thomas W. Lang. Ophthalmic Optician, 18 West Church Street. (Next to the Playhouse) Alex Cowie, Plumber, Baron Street. D.E. Shoe Service, 26 East Church Street. C. I. Shearer, Outfitters, 6-8 East Church Street. Cluny Cleaners, 3 High Street. F. Ritchie, Drapers and Outfitters, 72-74 East Church Street. Wm. Douglas and Sons, Builders, Plasterers and Fireplace Specialists, Showroom Bank Street, Office Portessie and the Highland Railway Yard. George Robertson, Draper, Cullen. Hendersons for Carpets, 253 High Street, Elgin. W.F. Johnston and Sons, 13-15 West Church Street. All forms of Photography.

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Flett, Ladies Hairdressers, 17 Park Street, Portknockie. Robertson's, Firth Furnishers 37 West Church Street and 13 - 15 High Street. Millbank Garage, 18 High Street. Esso Blue Paraffin - George E. McGregor, 11 Campbell Street. Portessie. James Robertson and Son, Holburn Granite Works, Aberdeen. Floral Art, Christie's Florists, 10 High Street. James Mackay, Drapers and Outfitters 5 East Church Street. Funeral Undertakers - Joseph Sutherland, 8 Netherton Terrace, Findochty.

A. Campbell and Sons, Seaview Road, Buckpool. A. Hendry and Sons, Land Street, Buckpool.

James Henderson, Elgin Granite Works

Smith's records Tickle The Ivories - Winifred Atwell Oh Boy -
The Crickets

Pearly Gates - The Clyde Valley Stompers

Let's Have Another Party - Winifred Atwell. Alone - George
and Violet

Dod Osborne obituary - This was written by WSC (the Poet) who gave a first class appreciation of the life of Captain Dod Osborne. Reading the account Dod Osborne was a real character in all senses of the word with experiences which were far more worthy of acclaim than that which he gained for his reckless stealing of the fishing boat Girl Pat. The report is on page 7.

Jan 9 **On this week at the Playhouse** - 'Gone With The Wind' back for a repeat showing.

Smith's records Play The Music - Loraie Desmond

I'm Left You're Right, She's Gone - Elvis Presley Fralein - Steve
Lawrence

Swiss Canton Polka - The Big Ben Banjo Band

Just As I Am - Billy Graham and the All Scotland Crusade Choir

All That Thrills My Soul is Jesus - The Scottish Festivals of Male
Voice Choir.

Fox shot - While out rabbiting with his dog, Ian Middleton, son of the farmer at Whitefield, Drybridge shot a make fox. Three young foxes were caught in the area some time ago.

Advert - Annual Sale - Wm. Mustard and Sons, Bootmakers, established 80 years, sole proprietor Peter Mustard 16 Grant Street, Cullen.

Advert - Sandisons Annual Sale, 22 East Church Street.

Jan 16 **A photograph on page 5** shows the petrol tanks being put in place at the Regency Garage on Marine Place.

Smith's records Footprints in the snow - Jimmy Duncan and The Blue Grass Boys

Kisses Sweeter Than Wine - Jimmy Rodgers

Be My Girl - Jim Dale Man on Fire - Frankie Vaughan

My Special Angel - Malcolm Vaughan

Jan 23 **Smith's records** Great Balls of Fire - Jerry Lew Lewis How Do You Think I Felt - Elvis Presley

Let Me Be Loved - Tommy Steele That'll Be The Day - The Crickets

Baby Why? - The Vipers

He Leadeth Me - Billy Graham London Crusade Choir

Fochabers Boxer on TV - Alistair McKenzie, 'Sniper' was seen on TV in Amateur Boxing International contest between Scotland and Finland. He won his individual contest with a point's win over his opponent.

McKenzie, now twenty years old, has had 162 fights to date and has only been defeated in 12. He won the Scottish Amateur Welterweight title in 1956 and later won for Scotland against the Golden Gloves team from the USA when he fought the formidable Sammy McCarthy. He fought Chic Calderwood for the Scottish Middleweight Championship and lost narrowly on points.

For a considerable part of the day prior to his fight against Finland he was busy sitting the entrance examination for the Police.

Portsoy Town Improvements committee have chosen a permanent site for its open air theatre. This is to be at Aird Street, Chapel Croft. Mr Gauld of Damheads Farm has spent a considerable time with his tractor and machines getting the ground ready.

Worst storm of the winter - On Sunday night we had the worst storm of the winter when snow to a depth of 8 inches fell in the Buckie area, the deepest since 1955. Many roads became impassable. It was impossible to get to Portgordon from Enzie Cross Roads so that the coast buses were re-routed along the main road past Arradoul and entering and leaving Buckie via the Toll Bar road. A local bus was in operation along the coast.

Jan 30 **The six day snow-storm over** said the headline on the front page of the Advertiser. This said Buckie and district were left in a mess of blocked and impassable roads choked with ditched and stranded vehicles. The thaw that had started is causing its own problems.

Boat launch - The fishing boat, Wave Crest at 73 feet long was launched this week from the shipyard of Messrs Jones and Sons. She has been built for Alex Campbell Senior and Junior (Skipper), Findochty, also Robert Milne and Son, Charles, Buckie. As has been the practice for some time with Jones the boat is complete and fitted with a 152 hp Gardner engine and all modern equipment in the wheelhouse.

Burn's Suppers - On page 7 one can read of all the local organisation that held Burn's Suppers in 1958. Rathven WRI, Buckie OES, All Saints Church, Literary

and Debating Society at Buckie High School and Buckie Labour Party. Arradoul WRI postponed their Supper on account of the bad weather.

Some of the people who gave the Immortal Memory were – Wm. Anderson, PT English at Buckie High School, David Porter, Headmaster, Lady Cathcart School, Rev J. Stewart, Ex Councillor John Milton and James Murray, senior pupil, at Buckie High School.

Snow pictures - In this edition one will find some good pictures taken of the snow and stuck vehicles.

Feb 6 **Smith's records** - Peggy Sue – Buddy Holly All The Way – Frank Sinatra
 Treat Me Nice – Elvis Presley Whistling Rufus – Chris Barber
 and his Jazz Band
 Doin' My Time – Chris Barber Skiffle Group
 My Anchor Holds – Bill Grant All Scotland Crusade Group

Feb 13 **Arradoul Youth Club Open Carnival Social** - Friday 14 February at 8pm.
 Members 2/- non 2/6.

A photograph on page 6 was taken at the Townswomen's Guild Burn's Supper.

Feb 20 **Buckie's Valentine Queen** - Miss Alice Barclay, 22, of 33 East Church Street was chosen Buckie's Valentine Queen at a dance held in the Fishermen's Hall on Thursday 13. The front page carries a photograph of the 'Queen' and also one of the crowded dance floor.

Arradoul Youth Club is to hold a dance on 26 February in the WRI hall. Music by Geddes's band. Admission 2/6. Free buses to Portgordon and Buckie.

Smith's records - Raunchy – Ken McIntosh and his Orchestra
 Alone - The Southlanders Goodnight Irene – Johnny duncan
 Put A Light In The Window – The King Brothers
 At the Hop – Danny and The Juniors
 Beautiful Isle of Somewhere – Jo Stafford and Blue Grass
 Boys

A photograph on page 11 shows Thistle supporters taken at Montrose.

Feb 27 **Application for license for St Andrews Hotel and bar** – Robert Middleton, Farmer, Whitefield, Drybridge.

Football Buckie knocked Montrose out of the Scottish Cup when they won the replay at Victoria Park. In the 3rd round they were drawn to meet Falkirk, the cup-holders at Victoria Park.

The game is to be played on Saturday 1st March. Admission to the ground 2/- Boys and OAP's 1/- . Stand and Enclosure extra.

Liptons, Grocers, 17B, High Street - Some prices - Coloured processed cheese- 1/ 4 per lb.

Creamery butter- 2/6 per LB
 Corned beef -11d per ¼ LB
 Strawberry jam – 1/9 per LB
 Fruit salad – 2/4 per LB
 Whole green peas – 9d per LB

Opening announcement - Regency Filling Station, Marine Place, Monday 3rd March 1958

Smith's records The Prayer of Love – The Jacks Catch A Falling Star – Perry Como

Beat Petite – Jackie Wilson Peggy Sue – Buddy Holly
 Aikey Brae – George Elrick with Anne Shand Scott's Band
 Inside Those Pearly Gates – Gleaner Quartet

Pie In the Sky, or was it mince? A note in the local paper said how an American tool firm was supposed to be looking for a site for a factory in the north east that would employ 100 people. Buckie makes a bid!

New Zealand bound - A photograph on page 7 shows the Gordon clan (16 James Street) out in force at Buckie railway station to bid Robbie and Moira Bon Voyage as they set off on the first stage of a journey to New Zealand. In addition a wee report is given.

Football - Buckie Thistle beat Montrose 4-1 after extra time had been played in the 3rd round of the Scottish Cup.

Mar 6 **Opening announcement** - Alex J. Slater, Complete House Furnisher, Cluny Harbour (next to the railway entrance) This was the building formerly occupied by J. T. Campbell Plumbers etc. (Home address – Rome Villa, East Church Street.)

Smith's records - Oh, Oh I'm Falling In Love Again – Jimmy Rodgers Get
 A Job - Silhouettes

My Special Angel – Malcolm Vaughan
 Sugar Time – Alma Coogan
 We Are Climbing – The Crystal River Quartet

***** **Football - See page 11 - Headline** reads – Cup Holders Win But It Was Sheer Robbery

***** Buckie Thistle 1 Falkirk 2 The **report is worth reading**
 (Scottish Cup)

Mar 13 **Councillor resigns from town council** - Rev W. D. Moffatt resigned from the town council after stating that he was unable to give the time or thought to the job which was unfair to both the electorate and his fellow councillors.

Smith's records Oh Boy – The Crickets In Love- Michael
 Holloway

Needs Tae Pluck – George Elrick with Anne Shand Scott's
 Band

Footprints In The Snow – Johnny Duncan
 Lead Me Gently Home – Billy Graham's All Scotland Crusade
 Choir

It Is No Secret – Helen Barth and Al Small

Buckie's biggest launch - Last Thursday, despite the storm, Mrs Alice B. Hendry, widow of the late provost, launched the 152 foot long HMS Woolaston from the shipyard of Herd and Mackenzie into the sheltered part of the harbour. HMS Woolaston is the largest ship of any kind to be launched from any yard north of Aberdeen.

HMS Woolaston is the 16th minesweeper to be built by Herd and McKenzie. During WWII the firm built 11 minesweepers, 8 measuring 105 feet and 3 of 126. In the post war period they have built 2 inshore minesweepers and 3 coastal minesweepers of the Woolaston class, which marks the last in the present contract with the Admiralty.

Buckie and District Welfare League (football) - At the AGM the officials learned that only four clubs had entered so far – Buckie Rovers, Portsoy, Arradoul and Findochty.

The officials elected - President, J. L Hay, Portsoy, vice president, John B. Reid, Buckie Rovers, secretary and treasurer, Norman Taylor. Additional committee member George Innes, Arradoul.

Mar 20 **Cost of building and furnishing Netherha' Home** - It was learned that the final cost of building the Old Folks Home on Elsley Place (sic) had risen to £37, 776 well above the original figure which was £28,000.

Unemployment in Banffshire - The number out of work was 753 and rising. The Buckie figures - 164 men and 43 women. The figures for 1957 were 169 and 52. The Banff area was the worst.

Victoria Park grandstands - Buckie Welfare Society are inviting contractors to tender for work on upgrading the grandstand at Victoria Park. The stand was originally built in 1919 though improvements have taken place to it since then

Smith's records - Mandy - Eddie Calvert Sail Along Silvery Moon - Billy Vaughan

Curtain of Tears - Slim Whitman You Are My Destiny - Paul Anka
Ma He's Making Eyes At Me - Johnny Otis Show

Portessie to remain dry - Though the police had no objections to Cecil Smith being given a drinks licence for property on Great Eastern Road 20 householders had and the application was turned down. Cecil Smith, by himself, had made several applications for a licence while members of the same Smith family had similarly done so over many years.

Grandstand at Victoria Park - The work that the Welfare Society wish to do to the grandstand at the present time is to repair and improve the dressing room accommodation for visiting teams. The boardroom will also have a different location in the building.

The previous year the grandstand was re-roofed and the outside harled.

Mar 27 **No apathy shown in either Buckie or Cullen as they prepare to go to the poll.** Three newcomers have thrown their hats into the ring. They are - Mrs Helen Imlach, James S. T. Smith and Alex T. Cruickshank, local bus inspector with Alexander's. All three are active members of the local Municipal Tenants Association.

Nellie Gets presentation - Miss Nellie Gordon, 16 James Street, Buckpool, a member of the staff of the St Andrew's Hotel was presented with a record player and radio on her approaching marriage. Ian Sutherland presided at a small ceremony held in the hotel on Saturday night.

The gifts, which were subscribed to by the staff of the hotel and Mr Andrew Donaldson, were handed over by Mrs Currie proprietrix of the hotel and her daughter Isobel. Speakers at the function included Mr James Taylor and Mr J. Young. **(See front page)**

Boat launch - The 70 foot long, seine net, fishing boat 'Elegant' was launched on Thursday 21 March from the shipyard of Messrs Jones and Sons for Wm. Mair, skipper and part-owner of 11 Geddes Avenue, Portknockie, and Messrs T. Dunlop and Sons, Glasgow.

As has been the practice for some time with fishing boats launched from the shipyard the boat is fully equipped and ready for fishing operations apart from undergoing trials.

The 'Elegant' has been fitted with a 152 hp Gardner diesel engine She also has a Hughes echo sounder, radio telephone, and modern style cooking and heating stoves.

There is a large fish hold while the accommodation provided for the crew is spacious and finished in polished mahogany while the wheelhouse and galley have been built of aluminium moulded on a steel poop deck.

Another boat launch - The fishing boat, 'Rose' was launched from the shipyard of George Thomson and Son also on Thursday. She was built for Linas Clark and his three sons of Mussleburgh.

Smith's records - Whole Lot of Woman – Marvin Rainwater La Dee Dah
 – Jackie Dennis
 I Beg of You – Elvis Presley The Locket - Faron
 Young
 Lonely Travels – Al Jones
 The Clouds Will Soon Roll By – Tony Brent.

Advert - G. Packman and Sons - Visit our new showrooms at 23-25 East Church Street. Plaster and Cement Work, Concrete and Harling.

Apr 3 **Fishing boat 'Elegant' The** vessel ran her trial on Monday and left late for the fishing grounds. Her first catch of 40 boxes was landed at Buckie before being taken by road to Aberdeen where the whole was sold for £190. The first box off the new boat was bought by E. and A. Bruce fishmerchants for £9.15.

Reapers' Hotel - It was not yet sold but in this edition there was a closing date fixed with the upset price of £2,000. The rental was £50 and feu duty £3.7.6.

Norwood St Peter's Road was also for sale. (R. Jameison, who had a Cycle Radio business on Seaview Road for many years, bought it. One of the front rooms, the one nearest Sutherland Street, was used as a showroom.)

Smith's records - Hand Me Down My Walking Cane – King Brothers
 Magic Moments – Perry Como Nairobi – Tommy Steele
 Don't – Elvis Presley
 Oh, Oh I'm Falling In Love Again – Jimmy Rodgers
 Two Little Orphans - Mickey and Mary Carton

Football – Portgordon United are to enter Buckie Welfare League. This was the decision taken at a meeting held in the village this week. The following office bearers were appointed – Hon President- Ed Esslemont, Hon Vice President – Elias Sudding, President, Vice President, James Shewan, Secretary D. Harper, Treasurer J. Davidson.

The club will have no problem with a ground with Mr Archie McHardy, Mains of Tannach, giving them the use of a piece of land to the west of the village.

Apr 10 **Buckie Town Council decided to add their support for a strip mill to be built in Central Scotland.**

Advert - Chimney Sweeping – H. Niven, 23 Yuill Avenue.

Smith's records – Why Don't They Understand - John Fraser
 Swinging Shepherd Blues – Ken McIntosh
 Plant A Little Seed – Johnny Ray
 Bless Your Pea Picking Heart – Tennessee Ernie Ford
 The Light Still Shines In My Window – The Johnny Otis Show
 Walkin' Home From School – Gene Vincent

Portessie Methodist Church Wesley Guild is to present 4 one act plays.

Buckie Amateur Operatic Society (Continuation Class Session) are to present 'The White Horse Inn'.

Buckie North Church Amateur Dramatic Society are to present 'The Cure For Love', a three act play by Walter Greenwood.

Learn To Drive in a Morris Minor - James Gunn, 53 Crown Terrace, Portgordon.

Nellie and Bob's wedding photograph is found on page 6

Portknockie Town Council to support Scotland's Strip Mill.

Boat Launch – The 65 foot long Danish type fishing boat, The Solveig Borum built for Grimbsy owners was launched from the shipyard of George Thomson and Son this week.

Former Buckie Thistle player dies . Mr George 'Doodah' Clark son of Wm, Clark, Photographer, died this week. He worked for many years as a painter at Jones' Shipyard.

A fellow worker at the yard, William Reid, 37 Barhill Road described Mr Clark as one of nature's gentlemen. He was ever ready to joke and laugh off the troubles that beset us all at times and always willing to offer advice to those in the profession in which he followed. Although he had a long experience as a footballer he never criticised those of the present time but always said, "Give them a chance". Added Mr Reid, George had learned that which many of us have failed to grasp namely – **He who neglects to drink of the spring of experience may well die of thirst in the desert of ignorance.**

We will long miss a fine workmate, he said.

He leaves a daughter, Thelma, who works with Banff County Council.

Football - As was mentioned previously Portgordon have re-joined the Welfare League along with another former team, Buckpool Celtic. It is understood that the Boys Brigade is also to enter a team.

Apr 17 **Buckie Town Council election** - Dr Cameron, who resigned from the last council came top with Wm. Thomson second. Following these two came Dr Peter Reid, new man James Slater, an Insurance Manager, Adam Gowie, Thomas Lang and Albert Doran, The last two returned after resigning from the previous council.

Mrs Milne and John Burnett who were members of the previous council failed to be re-elected also Mrs Imlach, Mr A. Cruickshank and James S. Smith who were standing for the first time.

Smith's records - Neon Signs – Tommy Steele To Be Loved – Malcolm Vaughan

Scottish Country Dance – Jimmy Shand Green Grow The Rashes – Tex Ritter

This Little Girl of Mine – Everley Brothers

In The Sweet Bye and Bye – Hallelujah Skiffle Group

The first ever all steel trawler built on the Moray Firth, 'Star of Lorretto', 130 feet long, sailed from Buckie late on Monday to join the Aberdeen fleet

Football - The Buckie Juvenile Football League is to start again after a lapse of several years.

Teams which intend to play are – Seafield Albion (Portknockie), Findochty Wanderers, Buckie Victoria, Buckie Wanderers, Buckie Spurs, Buckpool United, Portgordon Rangers.

Office bearers - President – Charles Milne, Secretary – William Leask. Committee – Emil Wojcik and Ian Doran.

The last three houses of the latest Buckpool housing scheme have now been occupied (Netherha' Road)

Apr 24 **Council shock** - Buckie Town Council members were stunned on Monday night to hear Dr Reid say that he was standing down from the position of provost. It had been assumed there would be contest between himself and Dr Cameron. Dr Cameron was elected provost in his place

Smith's records - It's a Sin – Bill Hayley
 Toquila – Eddie Platt
 Group
 Nobody Loves Like an Irishman – Lonnie Donnegan

New managers for Strathlene Hotel - Kenneth Ross and his wife came from Inverness to be manager and manageress of the Strathlene Hotel, owned by the town council. There were 28 applicants.

Last of the line – The last minesweeper of 7 to be built by Messrs Jones and Sons, Shipyard, HMS Thatcham, sailed from Buckie Harbour with all trials completed, and with a naval crew bound Hythe.

May 1 **Shift of premises** - Alex J. Slater, House Furnisher, moved from Commercial Road to 23-25 East Church Street.

Smith's records - All I Want is Your Love – Johnny Otis Show Party Pops – Russ Conway
 At The Hop – Danny and The Juniors The Prayer of Love – The Four Jacks
 How Do You Think I Feel – Elvis Presley
 Mary Mary Lou - Bill Hayley and His Comets.

'Tappies' launch - An Admiralty launch was launched from the shipyard of George Thomson and Son last week. It measured 52 ½ feet long.

Football - Buckie Thistle won the Highland League for the second successive year after beating Inverness Caley by three goals to one in Inverness. The Thistle had now won the Highland League 8 times since season 1919/2 and the second time that they had won the league twice in successive seasons.

May 8 **Rathven Church Minister to move** - Rev A. T McKenzie who has been five years at Rathven is to move to Parkhead East, Glasgow.

Buckie Harbour Pilot – George Cowie, 5 Hall Street is to retire from the job as pilot at Buckie Harbour. During WWI he was a drifter skipper on the famous Dover patrol and at one time was a part owner of the drifter, Thrush.

A photograph on page four shows my father-in-law, Mr James 'Jimmy' Gordon, West Street, handyman at the St Andrew's Hotel, handing over a wedding present to Miss Isobel Currie on behalf of the staff.

Smith's records - Wonderin' and Worryin' – Guy Mitchell Click Click - Dicky Doo
 Are You sincere – Andy Williams Wait and See – Fats Domino
 Rock and Roll Is Here To Stay – Danny and The Juniors.

Whooping Cough - Twenty-one cases of whooping cough were reported in Buckie.

**** **Production of gas to cease** The production of gas at both Cullen and Buckie ceased last weekend, the **May 3 1958** with the bringing into full use the piped supply from the Scottish Gas Board's Works in Elgin.

May Day Hill- Top Service - Nearly 50 people were present at the service that took place on the summit of the Bin Hill on Sunday past. There the group of young people led by Rev Walter W. D. Moffatt welcomed in the dawn with a short service and the singing of a number of hymns as daylight broke. The weather was excellent for the occasion and a number chose to make the return journey by foot while the others returned home by bus.

Members of the Buckie North Church Youth Fellowship organised the first May Day trip to the top of the Bin Hill a few years ago and it has now become an annual event and a regular feature of the season's programme.

Article on Christian Aid – written by Rev H. Gerrard.

Football - A photograph on page 11 shows the Juvenile Football team – Buckie Spurs. The players and official named are – Sandy McQueen (manager), D. Slater, J. Noble, E. Corsie, K. Stewart (keeper), I. Wilson, H. Milton, W. Lawson, D. Doran, J. Macdonald, and W. McGoldrick.

May 15 **Differential Rents Scheme** - Buckie Town Council have now given their backing to this controversial scheme which was scrapped by the last council after it had led to a number of councillors resigning.

Advert – Jam Making - Orders are now being taken for all kind of soft fruits, Calder, Central Fruit Stores, High Street.

Smith's records Fraulein – Bobby Holms Good Golly Miss
Holly - Little Richard
Stairway of Love – Michael Holloway Itching For My Baby –
Johnny Duncan
Lollipop – The Chordettes Who's Sorry Now –
Connie Francis

May Queen - Miss Isobel Stewart, Auchenthalrig, was chosen as May Queen at Arradoul Youth Club's well attended dance held last Wednesday in the Arradoul WRI Hall. The May Queen was chosen by a party from Cullen including Bailie Bain of Cullen Town Council.

Buckie's Prefabs - The town council received a letter signed by 43 residents in the Stripeside area who complained about the condition of their houses, which they said were falling apart. (It is strange to read this for the writer saw the same kind of prefabs in Bristol in the year 2000 still occupied and in fact were being refurbished with new roofs etc. to give them an ever longer life.)

Juvenile Football - Buckie Wanderers won the first trophy in this resurrected football league, when they beat Seafeld Albion by seven goals to two in the Inter Section Cup. Bill Murray had three goals for the winners.

Highland League Football - Buckie Thistle ended the season with 46 points. They won 22 games, drew twice and were beaten four times. They scored 103 goals and lost 23. Elgin City came second with 40 points. Deveronvale were bottom of the heap with 12 points.

A Change of Tattie Man - I. R. Macfarlane, 29 Barhill Road has disposed of his tattie business to Clem Welch, 70 Mill Crescent.

Smith's records Red River Rose – Wally Scott The Girl He Left
Behind – Anne Shelton
My Bucket's Got A Hole In It – Ricky Nelson Breathless – Jerry
Lee Lewis
Tom Hark – Elias and Iris Zig Zag Jive Flutes

Christian Aid Week in Buckie During the week the total amount raised was £41,7.9. this is the first time the appeal has been made in Buckie and the townspeople are to be congratulated on their most generous response to the appeal. It shows that the people are aware of what the church is doing for million of refugees throughout the world.

Boat launch - On Saturday morning the first boat ever built by George Thomson and Son for the Isle of Man was launched. This was the 50 foot Manx Maid that

had been built for Wm. C. Waterson of Port Erin. It is to be used for trawling and scallop dredging.

It will have a 6 cylinder 114 hp Gardiner diesel engine fitted and will also be equipped with an echo sounder and radio telephone and be ready to sail for home within a month.

Fines for lighting offences - No rear light - £1 or ten days.

Juvenile Football - Two more trophies have been recovered. The Grant and another trophy had been kept in a local hotel for some time. There are now five trophies all together to be competed for.

May 29 **Arradoul Youth Club** is to hold a dance in the Arradoul Hall on Wednesday 4 June with music by bill Geddes. Admission 2/6. Free bus to Buckie and Portgordon.

Advert - Don Flett - Furniture Showroom, 28 Station Road, Findochty, (near the Town Hall bus stop)

Advert - George Packman and Sons - Let Us Modernise Your Home . All classes of reconstruction and renovation work carried out. We do the complete job.

Smith's records - Return To Me - Dean Martin Big Man - The Four Preps
A Very Precious Love - Slim Whitman Sweet Sixteen - Chuck
Berry

I May Never Pass This Way Again - Ronnie Hilton
Twilight Time - The Platters

The Start Of The Cod War? Iceland is to ban all trawlers from within 12 miles of its coast beginning on September 1.

Morayshire Junior Football - Fochabers lose by five goals to nil in the final of the Connon Cup, played at Borough Briggs, Elgin on Saturday. The Fochabers team was - Logan, D. Harold and Roy; R. Cowie, L. Cant and **Joe Fraser**; W. Cowie, Malcolm Slater, Sutherland, G. Riddel and W. Forsyth

June 5 **Big Adventure** - Twenty-eight ladies of the Women's Guild Work Party of Buckie West Church are to leave on Saturday 7 June for a nine-day holiday in Switzerland. For the majority this will be the first time out of the country and it all started as a joke.

Smith's records - The Barnyards of Delgaty - Bobby Macleod
Maybe Baby - The Crickets Big Guitar- Frank De Rosa
Nearer Home - George and Violet Hill
Love Divine - Billy Graham and the Greater London Crusade Choir.

Advert - **George Cowie, Electrician and Cycle Agent**, 13 Main Street, Findochty and 74 Seatown. All kinds of wiring done.

Duxes of Portknockie J.S. School - Secondary - Wilma Wood. Primary - David Holley.

Duxes of Findochty J. S. School - Secondary - Ronald Phimister. Primary - Elaine Smith.

Dux of Lady Cathcart School - Ian Cole.

Dux of Buckie High School - Chrissie Souter

Dux of Deskford J. S. School - Secondary - Anne B. Newlands. Primary - Isobel T. Currie.

Victoria Park - The (original) covered enclosure on the south side of Victoria Park cost Buckie Supporters Club £1000. (It was replaced in 1989)

Work has started on improving part of the east corner terracing by stepping it evenly with concrete blocks. The work is being done by volunteer labour under manager Jim Leask.

June 12 **Buckie man killed in Gibraltar** - William O'Kane, 29, a Buckie man employed as a tunnel foreman was badly injured in an accident while working in a tunnel in Gibraltar and died there on Monday.

Mr O'Kane was a native of Northern Ireland but married to a local woman had made his home in Buckie. He leaves his wife and two young girls.

Smith's records - A Wonderful Time Up There - Pat Boone Kewpie Doll
 - Frankie Vaughan Train To Nowhere - The Champs Slow Down - Larry
 Williams The Girl He Left Behind - Anne Shelton Sharin' - Jill
 Westlake

June 19 **Improvements to the Station Brae** - Improvements are to be made to the Buckpool Station brae to facilitate the re-routing of buses through the upper parts of Buckpool.

Portessie Gala Queen - Margaret Grant, 12 Samson Avenue, on the staff of the Inland Revenue has been chosen as Portessie Gala Queen for 1958. Her attendants are - Jean Duthie, 36 Samson Avenue and Mary Farquhar, 6 Hope Street. The girls were chosen at a dance held in the Portessie Public Hall by Glasgow visitors. One of the judges being Mrs Greaves or Ellen Miller a contralto singer with BBC and Scottish TV.

Advert - C. Smith 26 Land Street, Buckpool. A large selection of ladies, gents and children wear at the keenest of prices. It will pay you to shop here.

Dance in Keith - Saturday Night Dance in the Longmore Hall, Keith. Free bus from Buckie. Admission 2/6.

Other dances advertised - Spey Bay Hall, dance in aid of hall funds. A free bus will run from Buckie going via Portgordon and Fochabers, returning after the dance. Music by Bill Geddes. Admission 3/-

Fishermen's Hall - Monday from 8 p.m. till 1 am. Music by the Billy Henderson Sextet. Admission 3/6. Buses from Kinloss and Elgin and to Portsoy and Portgordon after the dance.

Saturday from 8pm until 11.30pm. Music by Bill Geddes. Admission 2/6. Free buses to Portgordon and Portsoy after the dance
 On both Monday and Saturday nights all rights of admission are reserved.

Marquee Dances at Linkbraeheads, Portsoy on Friday and Saturday 27 and 28 June. Fordyce Ploughing Association. Great Annual Event don't miss it.

Smith's records Who's Sorry Now - Connie Francis Tulips From Amsterdam - Max Bygraves

That's All I Need To Know - Sam Cook Casey Jones - Laurie London

Make Ready For Love - The Vipers The Grand Coolie Dam- Lonnie Donn.

A photograph on page 6 shows the ladies of the Methodist Church on hands and knees during the annual spring clean.

Proposal dumped - The town council decided to abandon the cycle rack plan for Cluny Square. The Burgh Surveyor was of the opinion that the demand did not justify the expense.

Boat launch - The 55 foot fishing boat, 'Favonian' built by Messrs Jones, Shipyard for Alexander Mair, 14 Addison Street, Portknockie and a Glasgow company of insurance brokers, Messrs Thomas Dunlop and Sons was launched this week. She is completely built and powered by a 114 hp Gardner diesel engine.

Death of Buckie tunnel foreman - Mr O'Kane who met his death while working in Gibraltar was badly injured when a heavy stone fell on his head. He was working on a tunnel in connection with a new reservoir. He leaves a wife and two young daughters. He was a native of Londonderry and previously worked for the same firm on Hydro Electric work in Inverness-shire.

Photographs of the Portgordon dux winners are given on page 12

June 26 **Dux of Cullen J. S. School** - Ian Paterson

Front page headline - More out of work in Banffshire - dole queues getting bigger all the time

Jumble Sale - To raise funds Buckpool United, football team, are to hold a Jumble Sale in the **Catholic Institute, St Andrew's Square**. Silver collection

In Aid of Shielburn School funds - A dance will take place in the Shielburn School on Wednesday 2 July with music played by the Moonlight Band. Admission 3/-

Smith's records -
 Tumbling Tumbleweeds - Billy Vaughan
 Ballad of A Teenage Queen - Johnny Cash
 All I Have To Do is Dream - Everley Brothers
 I Dig You Baby - Marvin Rainwater
 Itching For My Baby - Johnny Duncan and his Blue Grass

Boys

Open Thy Merciful Arms - Eddy Arnold

A photograph on page 6 shows Anne R. Ewen Secondary Dux of Deskford J. S. School

Boat launch - The 66 foot long Danish-type fishing vessel, Taarnborg, built by George Thomson and Son for a Hull firm was launched this week. She is the fifth boat built by Thomson's for the same company with a sixth on the stocks. The Taarnborg will be ready to sail in about a month's time, fitted with all items of modern equipment and powered by a 152 hp Gardner diesel engine.

A photograph on page 7 shows Jean Geddes, Primary Dux of Cullen J. S. School

Big catch - 60 cran of herring was landed at Wick by the Buckie fishing boat, 'Fragrant Rose' and sold for 97/- per cran.

Buckie Thistle Supporters Club - John Moar who has been president of Buckie Thistle Supporters Club was re-elected for a further term.
 Vice president - Albert Bond, Secretary, Alex Curran, Treasurer, Alexander Hendry. Committee - J. Leslie, J. Cowie, Ian Hendry and Wm. Milne.
 Members of the women's committee are - Mrs S. Milne, Mrs Wm. Milne Mrs A. Thomson and Mrs G. Legge.

Birth announcement - The birth of Keith Fraser at Seafield Hospital is announced in this edition.

July 17 **A photograph on page one shows Margaret Grant being crowned as Portessie Gala Queen.** The reproduction of this photograph and others at this time was unfortunately quite poor. There was a crowd of 500 present to watch the crowning ceremony. "It's a great week for Portessie- the most ambitious gala programme yet." (So read the headlines in the Buckie paper.)

Smith's records - The Buchan Plooman – George Elrick and Anne Shand Scott
All The Monkeys Ain't in the Zoo- Tommy Collins
The Drunken Driver – Ferlin Husky
Manhattan – Ella Fitzgerald
Grand Coolie Dam – Lonnie Donnegan
I Could Have Danced All Night – Sylvia Syms

Councillor Mrs Milne - A report in the B. A. on the doings of the town council spoke of Councillor Mrs Milne complaining about the amount of weeds there was in the town. (I had not noticed that she had been returned to the council having been unsuccessful at the last election.)

Morayshire Junior Football - A note said how though Islavale, (Keith) were facing grave financial difficulties they intended to continue.

Boat launch - A 52 ½ foot long launch built for the Admiralty took to the water from the shipyard of Messrs Jones this week. The vessel is complete and ready to sail. This was the second of an order for three to be built by the firm.

Auchiefow Croft, Clochan - Although Auchiefow had been a ruin for some years by the year 2000 a notice in the local paper on this date in 1958 was advertising a number of articles for sale by the family of Mitchell who lived there.

Smith's records- Endless Sleep – Jody Reynolds Candy Kisses –
Slim Whitman
The Purple Heather Eater – Sheb Wooley
The Army Game – Michael Medwin, Bernard Bresslaw, Alfie Bass and
Leslie Tyson.

Peter Fair – Then and Now - An article written by W.S. Cowie, a native of Buckie and presently a lecturer at Jordanhill College in Glasgow. **This is found on page 9.**

July 31 **Peter Fair -** A small piece on Peter Fair was written on page 7. The writer said that the day was fine after four days of rain, which had the effect of making the fair stance like a quagmire. This did not deter a large crowd who gathered from a' the airts to be present. As usual the writer also mentioned what originally happened at Peter Fair and spoke of some of the changes which had taken place. There were no photographs.

"Battle of Peter Fair" - so read the headline in the local paper. Three men were sent to prison for 60 days for their part in an affray which saw seven policemen and one policewoman struggle in the mud to overpower four men who were fighting. Some of the police were hurt in the melee.

Football - Grant Craigie, from Garmouth, who had been with Buckie Thistle for a few seasons moved to Elgin City.

Litter Act – The government has decided to step up the war on litter louts. As from today August 7 1958 anyone throwing litter around is liable to a fine not exceeding £10.

Aug 14 **Smith's records -** Music From Salad Days – Julian Slade Witch
Doctor – Don Lang
On The Street Where You Live – Ronnie Hilton Book of Love –
The Mudlarks

Aug 21 **Retiring notice** - Owing to ill health Alfred E. Steel, Draper and Newsagent, Portessie is to give up the newspaper part of the business, which has been taken over by J. McIntyre, Post Office, Portessie.

Smith's records - The Only Man On The Island – Tommy Steele
I'll Always Be In Love With You – Michael Holloway
When The Boys Talk About The Girls – Valerie Carr
The Drunken Driver – Ferlin The Husky

A photograph in this edition shows Bill Cecil, 10 Cluny Terrace (GM3KHH) and Elrich Fleig (DJ1VE) of Oberhausen, Dusseldorf, two amateur radio enthusiasts. Mr Fleig was on a tour of Britain and staying with fellow 'Hams' all over the British Isles.

Aug 28 **Football** – Buckie Thistle signed Harry Yorston, the 28 years old, ex professional player with Aberdeen who retired from football in 1957 to take up employment as a fish porter.

Dances in the Fishermen's Hall - The Welfare Society are still running dances in the Fishermen's Hall on Saturday and Monday nights as they have done now for many years. Bill Geddes provides the music on a Saturday from 8 until 11.30p.m. On Monday different bands play but on Monday of next week Alex Sutherland and his Sextet will be on duty. Admission on Saturday is 2/6 with Monday's being 3/6.

Arradoul Youth Club continues to run dances in the WRI Hall at Arradoul on Wednesday evenings with music by Bill Geddes. Admission 2/6.

Smith's records - Think It over – Crickets Sally Don't You Grieve – Lonnie Donnegan
I Know Where I'm Going – George Hamilton IV Rave On – Buddy Holly

To keep a child – A notice reads that to keep a child in the Aberlour Orphanage cost £5 per week.

Death on the roads - **The** number of people killed on the roads of Britain in 1957 was the highest ever recorded. Deaths amounted to 550, a post war record with casualties totalling 273,858.

A photograph in this edition shows the cobbles on Commercial Road being covered with tarmacadam.

Presentation for clerkess - **A** photograph in this edition shows Miss Elspeth Slater, clerkess with the joiner firm of Arthur Campbell and Sons being presented with a gift from the staff prior to laving to take up a post with Banff County Council. Bill Murray handed over the gift.

A photograph on page 8 shows boys getting the autograph of Pte Willie Grant, Gordon Highlanders, part of a team who were on a recruiting drive. Willie, 'King Willie' as he was later to be known, plays in the Highland League with Rothes at centre forward.

Sept 4 **Wanted a copy of 'Days of Yore'** - **George** Smith, 43 Duppa Street, Berhampton, Wellington New Zealand has a notice in this week's edition saying that he would like to purchase a copy of the book 'Days of Yore' if someone could provide him with this.

Another Peter Fair casualty - For being found drunk and incapable behind a beer tent at Peter Fair a man from Grange was fined £1 at Buckie JP court this week. He pleaded guilty by letter. Smith and Milton were on the bench.

Smith's records - Just Say I Love Her – Toni Dalli
Piano' Henderson

Trudie – Joe 'Mr

Boat launch - The 71 foot long fishing boat 'Bon Ami' built to replace the 'Active' which went on the rocks last October was launched from the shipyard of Messrs Jones on Monday. The owners are – Skipper, George S. Jack, James Young and Wm. McPherson all of Hopeman. She has been fitted with a 152 Gardner engine and all the up to date equipment. She is ready to leave for the fishing grounds almost immediately.

Spike's column - 'The Day's Work' – "Knifey" has turned into a game for cissie".

A report – Where have the herring gone? - What has been described as the poorest herring season on record virtually closed for Peterhead and Fraserburgh fishermen last weekend.

Fishermen who have spent a lifetime in the North Sea cannot recall such a famine as on the local grounds this summer. Average gross earnings for a season of 12 weeks is estimated at £2500 a boat compared with an average of £4000 per boat for 14 weeks last year.

Sept 11 **where have the visitors gone?** A report spoke of the local hotels having a lean year with the town council being told that Buckie is not popular now with visitors. "We must boost ourselves more", says Treasurer, George Smith.

Rise for new Rathven minister - The next minister appointed to Rathven will get a total stipend of £750.

A refrigerated lorry - A photograph on page 8 shows the first refrigerated lorry in Buckie. This is owned by the newly established firm, Buckie Fish Company. It has been set up by George Smith, Honorary Treasurer of Buckie Town Council and his son George. The lorry is capable of transporting 9-10 tons of fish in prime condition from Buckie over long distances to markets in the south. The headquarters of the new firm are at 11 Low Street in a building formerly occupied by Miss Chalmers. The building has been fitted out with a refrigerated or chill room capable of holding 10 tons of fish until they can be moved out. The registration number of the lorry is CHG804

Buckie Rifle Club- Following a well attended meeting held in the Drill Hall this week the Buckie Rifle Club which had been in abeyance for a number of years was brought back to life. Inspector F.S. Anderson who recently moved from Keith to Buckie was chiefly responsible for arousing new interest in the rebirth of a club which was once very popular.

Office bearers and committee elected were as follows - Hon. President – A. W. Macdonald, President – S. S. Fowlie, Vice President – D. L. Fowler, Secretary/Treasurer- Charles Middleton. Committee – John Burgess, Forbes Young, Alex Wilson, Inspector Anderson, John Murray, Allan Fraser, William Burnett and George Smith.

Sept 18 **Advert** - Charles Geddes, 22 Seaview Road aim to carry on the sale of paraffin previously supplied by R. Jamieson. Delivery service arranged.

How good are you with a fork? Experienced harvest hands are wanted. Apply Young Arradoul Mains.

Smith's records - Carolina Moon – Connie Francis
True – Pat Boone

If Dreams Came

Johnny Duncan

Tip Toe Through The Tulips – Russ Hamilton

Geisha Girl –

Martin

Yakety Yak- The Coasters

Return To Me – Dean

A photograph on page 11 shows some of the Buckie Wanderers' team, unfortunately the reproduction is poor.

On the same page a photograph shows Danny Fearn, captain of Buckie Rovers being presented with the County Cup by Jim Findlay, a former referee in the Buckie and District Welfare League. The Rovers beat Arradoul in the final.

Oct 9 **A photograph on the front page shows the crew of the fishing boat 'Enterprise'** making things ready for the East Anglian fishing.

Smith's records - Ask Me a Question - Jeannie Carson Mad Passionate Love - Bernard Bresslaw

More and More - Johnny Duncan Georgie - Kathie Linden

Nora Malone - Ruby Murray (This is the first time she had been mentioned)

Stupid Cupid - Connie Francis

'The Mannie' (The name is was later to be christened.) Findochty Town Council is to acquire a piece of sculpture depicting a grizzled old fisherman in jersey and seaboots. It is the work of Sheena Cowie, of Fyvie a DA in Sculpture who made it while attending Gray's School of Art in Aberdeen. It was Councillor Alex S. Flett that proposed that the council should acquire it and received much support from his colleagues. One councillor said that it would add dignity to Findochty.

Boat launch - The fishing boat, 'Fredrickborg' built by Messrs George Thomson and son for Hull owners, was launched this week.

Tourist Association - Places along the Banffshire coast are becoming concerned about the dramatic decline in the number of tourists visiting the area. At a joint meeting of representatives of the councils it was agreed to form an association with the aim of trying to promote tourism.

Floodlight football - Buckie had its first experience of floodlight football on Wednesday night, with close on 100 people turning up to watch the spectacle. Sandy McQueen, postman and football enthusiast borrowed two old floodlights from Buckie Thistle, formerly used for training and had them fitted to the pavilion at Merson Park Pavilion. Two further lights were purchased from a local electrical firm. It was quite possible to follow the game that was played between Arradoul and the Spurs in which the Welfare side won by three goals to nil though really further lights are needed for the far side of the park. A further game took place on Friday night, 'under the lights', when the Spurs took on Buckpool Celtic, to go down by three goals to one.

Highland League football - Harry Yorston was Buckie's 'Golden Boy' after he had scored twice in a 4 goals to 2 victory over Elgin City.

Oct 16 **What a turn about.** After long years when the scarcity of water was a recurring theme Buckie now has water to sell. With water now being piped from the River Spey there is now water in abundance.

Smith's records - Elvis Golden Records LP

Cowboy's Lament - Gordon Macrae LP

We Get Letter - Perry Como LP

Irma La Douce - Elizabeth Seal LP

Keith Mitchell - Clive Revell LP

Highland Pageantry - Black Watch LP

The Songs of the Pioneers - Favourite Cowboy LP

Note the term LP = Long playing (This is the first time that this has been advertised)

A photograph on page 7 shows the piece of sculpture of a grizzled old fisherman in jersey and seaboots, which has been acquired by Findochty Town Council. It is to be erected in an appropriate place in the town.

Advert - Mr and Mrs Hill, Ladies and Gents Modern Creative Hair Stylists. Gent's Salon, 14 Baron Street with the Ladies at Seaview Place.

HMS Woolaston, a coastal minesweeper, left Buckie Harbour on Friday, under the command of a naval crew, bound for Hythe. She was one of the largest class of ships ever built in Buckie and was the third of the kind built by Herd and McKenzie. She was launched some months before but since that time has been undergoing sea trials.

Differential Rent Scheme - The controversial rent scheme that led to a number of resignations from the previous council was rejected at the recent meeting of the town council.

No parking - The town council are to ask permission to inhibit parking on the Stroup Brae, Low Street and Baron Street 100 yards east and west of Bank Street.

Football - Rothes were proving to be the shock team in the Highland League, taking over at the top from Inverness Clach. (At the time they had a close tie up with Stirling Albion and had had a number of players on loan of these Willie Grant and Tommy Martin was very important.)

An amusing incident - During the football game played under the lights at Merson Park last week between the Spurs and Buckpool Celtic, the referee, Jim Findlay, lost his whistle. Play was suspended for 10 minutes while players and spectators with torches and bicycle lamps combed the field. Finally the vital piece of equipment was found and the game continued.

Oct 23 (**Headline**) – **Findochty prefabs to be pulled down.** At the recent meeting of Findochty Town Council the decision was taken to take down all the prefabs and replace them with traditional houses. This decision was taken following the complaints, which had been received concerning their condition. They were only meant as a temporary solution to the housing problem with a life time of ten years so they were now well past that date.

Marine Hotel gets a new licensee - Thomas Murray, Hotelkeeper, Queen Hotel, Elie, Fife has been granted the license for the Marine Hotel, Marine Place.

Alterations to the St Andrew's Hotel - The council approved plans for alterations to the St Andrew's Hotel.

Riding School proposed – Robert Middleton, proprietor of the St Andrew's Hotel, aims to start a riding school in April next and recently took a consignment of 10 ponies to be used in this venture.

Smith's records - Contrasts in Hi Fi - Bob Sharples and his Orchestra
Fifty all time hits – Winifred Atwell Glen Miller
The Lass with the Delicate Air – Julie Andrews
Songs to Remember – Charlie Kunz
Songs from the Student Prince –

Above records are all LP's either 10 or 12"

Boats launched - In two days the three yards in Buckie contributed four new vessels to the fishing fleets of Britain. While the shipyard of Herd and McKenzie completed the unusual achievement of launching 3 fishing boats on three successive days, bad weather conditions spoilt what would have been an unique occurrence with all the three yards putting their latest products in the water on the same day.

With the benefit of launching into the quiet waters of the inner basin Herd and McKenzie were able to launch the 68 foot long fishing boat 'Argosy' on the appointed time and day. This was built for Wm. Campbell, Lossiemouth, skipper of

the Mb 'Acorn' The 'Argosy' is the 6th boat to be built by Herd and McKenzie for the Campbells since 1934. The previous boats have been – Argosy, Comet, Arnhem, Alliance and Acorn.

At the shipyard of Messrs Jones the 60 foot seine netter 'Delightful' was let down the slipway to touch the water before being pulled back again. She has been built for three Banffshire brothers – Messrs – John, James and Findlay Mackay of Sandend. The brothers previously owned the fishing boat 'Achieve' that was sold to Irish owners.

George Thomson and Son were to launch the 51 foot long Danish type 'Dunhelm' on Wednesday but like the launch at Jones this had to be delayed owing to rough seas. The 'Dunhelm' has been built for Hartlepool owners. She will be fitted out and ready in about six week's time.

On Thursday the 72 feet long seine net vessel, 'Sceptre' was launched from the shipyard of Herd and McKenzie, being built for Shetland owners. Two days earlier H & M had launched a Danish type fishing boat 'Britta' from their branch yard at Peterhead.

The 'Sceptre' is fully equipped with engine and all modern equipment fitted and leaves to join the Shetland fishing fleet this week.

Oct 30 TV for Clydeville bairns - It seems likely that the children in care at Clydeville Home, Queen Street, will be soon be getting a TV set of their own. This will be good news for Mr Gordon who has responsibility for the children. Boys had gone missing from the Home and had been found watching TV in one of the local chip shops. A fund was started some time ago to help purchase a TV set for the Home with donations coming in from a variety of sources, including Buckie Rotary Club and Keith Town Council. To date Mr Gordon could report that £43 had already been gathered.

New venture - John Sutherland, late of Sutherland's Furnishing Store, High Street had an advert in the local paper saying that he had opened a China and Glass shop at 1 Commerce Street, Elgin.

Smith's records - Julie is her name – Julie Andrews Carousel
Day in Hollywood – Doris Day
Songs of the Fabulous Forties – Rodger Williams

The Reapers Hotel - Mrs Currie, the new proprietor, had a large illustrated advert in this edition.

Pinefield Camp- Elgin was vacated in February of this year (1958) with a rumour going the rounds that it was to be used as a transit camp.

An indoor swimming pool for Buckie ? This was discussed at the latest meeting of the town council with the Parks Committee instructed to examine the possibilities.

A wedding, loons. Will there be a 'scramble'? The photographer was on hand at St Peter's Church waiting for the appearance of the bride and groom. He took the opportunity to take a picture of a large crowd of youngsters waiting eagerly to see if the groom would throw a handful of pennies to them, as is commonly the practice. As this led to much scrambling to pick up as many as one could it has been given the name of a 'Scramble'.

Nov 6 Something new - Under the auspices of Modern Dancing Enterprises North of Scotland HULA HOOP GIRL Championships, Cullen Heat, will take place in the Town Hall, Cullen on Friday 7 November 1958. Music by Jimmy Sutherland's Orchestra. Free buses from Huntly, Keith, Macduff, Banff and Buckie.

Harvest Queen - 19 years old Miss June Marshall, a Buckie shop assistant, was chosen Harvest Queen at the Meal and Ale Dance held in Arradoul WRI Hall. The runner up was 17 year old Maureen Rodger, also of Buckie. The judges came from Keith.

Nov 13 **Hula Hoop Competition** - The winner of the Cullen heat was 12 year old Jennifer Mair.

Front page headline - The Jobless Problem .

Spike - "Everybody's Crazy About The Hula Hoop".

Smith's records - This is Fats - Fats Domino Rhapsody in Blue - Winifred Atwell

The Student Prince - Mario Lanza
Bing and The Dixieland Bands - Bing Crosby
Folk Songs of the World - The Rodger Wagner Chorale.

Playwright and producer - Mrs Pearson, St Peter's Road, saw the play she had written and produced, *Women Must Weep* staged in the Fishermen's Hall last Friday. This was the first public performance of the play although it had been seen at Huntly in a competition with other Townswomen's Guilds.

The play is based on the loss of the fishing boat Loyal at the mouth of the Buckie Harbour in the early 1920's. The cast were - Mrs J. Campbell, Miss Helen Campbell, Mrs D. Geddes, Mrs H. Grieve, Mrs C. May, M. Geddes and J. May.

Nov 20 **Another launch from 'Tappies'** - The ninth boat to be launched this year by the shipyard of Messrs George Thomson and Son took to the water on Wednesday. This was the Danish type 'Gladnes' built for Grimsby owners. One of the features of the new vessel is the variable pitch propeller. Thomson's have now launched 8 fishing boats and one harbour launch this year, which equals the record of launching achieved in each of the past two years.

Football - Malcolm Slater of Iainstown, who is meantime doing his National Service, has signed for Glasgow Celtic. His brother Andrew recently signed for Keith.

Nov 27 **TV's becoming more common** - The Head Postmaster said how the number of people who had applied for a TV license in Buckie had increased by 200 in the last 6 months.

Notice - addressed to the people of Portgordon from Crown Gordon Estates - The feu duties and rents of Acred lands, stances and gardens at Portgordon will be collected within the Richmond Arms Hotel on Wednesday 3 December from 10am till 1pm.

Smith's records - Sing Me A Blue Song - Hank Williams
Evening Vespers - George Beverley Shea
Songs of the Emerald Isle - Michael O' Duffy
Presenting Patrick 'Hagan
Pat Boone Sings - Irving Berlin
Barber's Best - Chris Barber

A photograph on page 9 shows the cookery class at Buckie RC School in 1913. All those in the picture are named with Christian name initial. (The reproduction could have been better)

*** **Football - Buckie Thistle won the Qualifying Cup.**

Advert - Walker and Smith were now at 20 West Church Street. Their advert was on TV's and Radios with the names of a number of different makes given.

Dec 4 **Front page headline** – Buckpool Golf Club (say) “We Will Not Take Over The Course” They aimed to seek a meeting with the town council.

Smart girl wanted for chemist’s shop – A. Gauld, 7 East Church Street.

Smith’s records Jim Cameron
 Roaming In The Gloaming – Harry Lauder
 Tang O’ the Heather – Robert Wilson
 Elvis Presley’s Golden Records
 New Tricks – Bing Crosby Slim Whitman

A letter to the local paper by visitor to nearby hotel – Do something about the Strathlene Swimming Pool . It would need an army of men to put the place in order. The place is crying out for immediate attention but could be an attractive amenity.

Tarbuckie Croft on fire - A fire took place at the deserted croft of Tarbuckie, near Victoria Park, this week.

A photograph on page 10 shows the bungalow of Braehead being demolished. The house on East Church Street was rendered unsafe after a large landslide earlier in the year took away the whole of the back garden earlier in the year.

Football – Sixteen year old Jim Clark of Seaview Road, Buckpool made his debut for Buckie Thistle against Huntly this week. His father is a former Thistle player.

George ‘Ruf’ Stewart, the former Buckie Thistle player who moved to Dundee then St Mirren before crossing the border to Accrington Stanley, signed for Coventry last week for a transfer fee believed to be in the region of £3000. He scored a goal for his new club on Saturday in a six -one victory over Chester.

Dec 11 **Front page headline** - Aid Demanded for Industry in the North

A Hula Hoop Competition will take place at a dance in the Arradoul Hall on 16 December ran by the Arradoul Harvest Home Committee.

Smith’s records - Elvis Christmas Album Come Fly With Me –
 Frank Sinatra Merry England – New Symphony King Creole – Elvis
 Presley Orchestra of England Hymns – Tennessee Ernie Ford
 Highland Pageantry – The Black Watch (Royal Highland
 Regiment)

Sale of Work - The North Church Sale of Work raised £588.

Football - George Andrews who signed for Buckie Thistle at the start of last season and was then top goal scorer has signed for Fraserburgh. This season he has only made rare appearances in the side.

Dec 18 **Tragedy at Clochan** - Stephen Reid Forsyth , five year old and only son of Mr and Mrs Alan Forsyth, the croft Clochan died of injuries he sustained after his clothing had caught fire. A pupil at Enzie Public School he had been off with the flu for two days. His mother left him sitting by the fire in his pyjamas and dressing gown reading a book while she went to the nearby shop for an errand only to find his clothes on fire when she returned. He was rushed to hospital in Buckie by car but died shortly after arrival.

Advert – A. Campbell and Sons intimating that they are now undertaking building work.

Dance at Arradoul on January 2nd 1959. Music by Hebbie Gray and his Keynotes.

Smith's records - Songs to remember – Charlie Kunz Now the carolling season
– Fred Waring
Party Packet – Big Ben Banjo Band Nearer the Cross –
Tennessee Ernie Ford

Boat launch - The 70' seine net fishing boat 'Coline' was launched from the shipyard of Messrs Jones this week for Tom Gault, Lossimouth and Geo. Mackay, Lochinver. The 'Coline' is the second boat to be built for Gault in two years by Jones. The last one was named 'Olympic'.

Smith's records – Hymns We Love – Pat Boone Russ Conway
Scottish Country Dances – Jimmy Shand Let's Go To The
Church
The girl from Donegal – Bridie Gallacher Star Carol – Tenn.
Ernie Ford

An illustrated advert shows the refurbished Marine Hotel – Cocktail and public bars.

Cycling offences – For riding a bicycle without neither a red rear reflector nor a rear light a person was fined 30/- or ten days. For riding a bike with a rear light but no red reflector the fine was £1 or five days. A person with no lights at all but a red rear reflector got off with 30/- or ten days in the clink. It would seem the red reflector was the important thing to have.

Football - Buckie Thistle are to field two new wing men in their next game . James Clark , who previously played against Huntly will be on one wing while 19 years old W. J. Cowie who has been playing with Fochabers will occupy the other wing berth.

