

SHELTERS DISCUSSED BY CITY COUNCIL SUGGESTIONS BY MEMBERS

The general question of air raid shelter accommodation and the proposal to provide additional shelters for 51,000 people were subjects of discussions at yesterday's meeting of the Stoke-on-Trent City Council.

Suggestions were made that street shelters should be placed in the care of the Housewives' Service, or in charge of people residing near them.

The discussion arose when the Emergency Committee reported that steps were being taken to provide additional accommodation for 51,000 people, following a meeting with the Regional Technical Adviser.

Dr. Stross asked why this additional accommodation was necessary, in view of the fact that it was supposed there were enough shelters for everyone in the City.

The Lord Mayor (Mr. A. E. Harty), who is Chairman of the Emergency Committee, replied that the Regional authorities were not satisfied with the present completed shelter accommodation in the City.

Mr. A. A. Wain said he wished to know the views of the Council on public shelters generally, as he was heading a deputational committee on the subject.

Alderman W. A. Holdcroft said that while he was Lord Mayor, he had shelter accommodation provided for about 300,000 people in the City.

Mr. P. Williams, noting the Committee's decision to refer to their previous proposal to remove all gates from street shelters, asked if they would again reconsider this.

The Lord Mayor said the Committee had already reconsidered this question, but proposed to adhere to it.

Alderman C. Austin Brook said street shelters were very little used, and asked why, if there was already provision for the whole population, the Regional Commissioner should insist on more shelters.

Mrs. Ford said one reason why the shelters were not used was that they lacked heating, gas-protective blankets and so forth.

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LATE MR. ARTHUR WILD, OF LONGTON

Many members of Normacton Parish Church, with which he was actively associated for many years, and former colleagues of the late Mr. Arthur Wild, were present at the funeral at Normacton yesterday.

Mr. Wild, who was 71, was well-known and highly respected in the Longton area. He spent 20 years in the service of the North Staffordshire Railway Company, where he was appointed a school attendance officer.

HOME GUARD DINNER

Mr. G. Williams, Mr. J. A. Thomas, Captain W. B. Green, D.F.C., Mr. P. Rowley and Mr. W. L. A. Willis in a group of officers at a Home Guard Company dinner in Hanley.

Advice on Wartime Problems

The importance of Citizens' Advice Bureaux in North Staffordshire being efficiently staffed and equipped for dealing with problems that might arise out of any enemy air action was emphasised at a meeting of bureaux members, held at Hanley Town Hall, yesterday afternoon.

Mr. A. E. Bennett (Chairman) presided, supported by the Rev. C. J. Tribe, who initiated a review of the Citizens' Advice Bureaux organisations in Stoke-up-Trent and Newcastle, and urged that the fullest preparations should be made for dealing with any possible local emergency.

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WORKERS NEEDED

Replying to the Rev. S. F. Linsley (Vicar of Tunstall), Mrs. Morris said bureaux were established in Tunstall, Burslem, Hanley, Stoke, Newcastle, Neustadt, Meir and Milton, while contact was maintained with the Kidsgrove, Newcastle and Uttoxeter centres.

STATIONARY CAR'S HEADLIGHT

Motorist Fined £5 at Stoke

Leonard H. Thompson, of Dane Cottage, Bosley, was fined £5 at Stoke Police Court yesterday, for permitting a light to be displayed from the headlamp of a stationary motor-car.

"NO SEX BAR"

The Chairman said he had previously suggested an appeal should be made for men help, but the Committee apparently considered that women would hesitate to discuss personal problems with men, and would prefer to deal with women.

LEGAL ADVICE

Reference was also made by the Chairman to negotiations with the North Staffordshire Law Society concerning the provision of free legal advice on a poor person's basis. At the moment, the only lawyer giving such service to the local bureaux was Mr. G. V. Swann of Newcastle, and he thought that other legal members should co-operate.

BROADCASTING TO-DAY

Kathleen Long, the pianist, will appear with the B.C.C. Scottish Orchestra at 9.35 to-night, and at 10.55 there will be a chamber music concert.

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CITY ARCADE, HANLEY

Stanton £2,172 Estate

Edward Tomkinson, of Newcastle, was fined 10s. at Hanley Police Court yesterday, for cycling on Victoria-road, Hanley, on January 13th without a properly authorised front light; and for a similar offence in the same road on the same date. Harold Burton, of 89, Corporation-street, Stoke, was also fined 10s.

CYCLISTS FINED

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