

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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"Outrage" in Luddenden

76, Godfrey Road,
Halifax.
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Sir, — Mr. Warne's attitude towards "beauty" as applied to townscape is to be discovered in his words "There is not more than a 200-yard stretch of straight road through the village." With this criterion, a large percentage of English villages will be automatically eliminated from a "beauty" contest.

On behalf of the Art Sub-committee of the Halifax A.E.A., of which I am secretary, I join with Mr. Coning in criticism of the planning authorities who should be representing the public and constantly watching for violations of appearances.

"The garages are the only smart things in the picture." So they are, Mr. Warne, and that is why they are out of place and out of character.

The fault lies with the authority whose responsibility it should be to see that Luddenden is well kept, that the tumbledown buildings are removed (completely), that the broken windows, doors, etc., are replaced or repaired. The qualities Mr. Warne does not like in Luddenden are poverty and neglect; these should be condemned. But the attractive features are there, quite visible to those who see further and deeper, with or without glasses.—Yours,
P. BUSHELL.