

Garages

Mr. Wormald said that because of the demolition and subsequent treatment of the sites a little of Luddenden's character had been lost.

Social life

"On the whole we are not too badly off. Generally speaking this is a village of satisfied people," said Mr. Wornald.

But the shoppers of Ludden, like everyone else, have to pay a lot more for what they want than in years gone by. Mr. Wornald has a price list which belonged to his grandfather and the offers include: Oatmeal 1½d. lb., butter 1s. lb., tea 1s. 6d. lb., and tins of salmon at 8d. and 10d. each!

His son became Edward IV of England. Owing perhaps to the unsettled times—the wars of the roses were in full fury—it was not until 1472 that the first census of the kingdom was taken, and other services were obtained.

Mr. Kings told me: "I have the place and the people—they are marvellous. And there is a certain charm about the village. If it were looked after a little better this could be a place where tourists could find a great deal of enjoyment."

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By a Special Correspondent

Once the but there non-conformist, and at one time five chapels in the Luddenden parish is ^{long} by modern standards. The boundary stretches from Wadsworth once covered the

Another tradesman in Lud-
denden is 24-year-old Mr.
Brian Sellars, who opened his
own butcher's shop there 18
months ago. His establish-
ment is at 61, High Street.

He went on: "I thought this was a good place to start. I get on very well with the people and really enjoy running my own concern. Of course, there are drawbacks, and I don't think I am any better off, but it has always been an ambition to work for myself."

In between

Mrs. Gertrude Moore, of Lynton House, has lived in the village for 27 years. Her husband, Frank, is a trustee of Luddenden Working Men's Club and works at Thornbrough Brothers Ltd., Mytholmroyd.

Not long ago the members of St. Mary's bought an old public-house — the Murgatroyd Arms — and have now converted it into a church house. The Mothers' Union, Men's Fellowship, youth group, Brownies and Sunday school all contribute and the building is also used for staging other church activities.

Enthusiasm

Mrs. Moore has a daughter, Gillian (20), and a married son.

Lock-ups

Miss P. Oakley, the head-mistress for the last six years, said, "We have 54 children, two part-time teachers and myself.

Miss Oakley went on, "The pride and joy of our school is the library. It is quite outstanding for a junior school with hundreds of books on many different subjects.

The Vicar of Luddenden, the Rev. J. A. Kings, is a man of action—even when it comes to doing repairs to the church. Above he is seen with churchwarden Mr. A. E. Hurl at work on a repair job. Luddenden's present Parish Church is the third to stand on the same site.

The books are classified under various sections — history, geography, general knowledge, Scripture and nature study.

Miss Oakley added: "We do some group work here but the teaching is mainly individual work. One of the sheer joys of being here is the family atmosphere, and the relationship between the parents and the school is a very happy one."

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BELOW: A view taken in High Street, Luddenden. The working men's club is on the right. This club is a popular part of village life and provides a variety of social activity.

Individual

Miss Copley said: "Because it is a village school the pupils get individual tuition. There is a wide range of ability but the aim is to bring them all up to the same level."

"And you get a nice type of child at this kind of school. Their backgrounds are good."

Although both village schools are certainly not modern structures alterations have been carried out at both places and now they fill the latest requirements.

The village of Luddenden has no real problems. Because of its quaint old-world architecture it could be made a popular spot for visitors. No doubt this will come under discussion in the future.

