

THE VILLAGE HALL (continued)

In the Second World War, farmers came to the hall to attend War Agricultural meetings. V.E. day was celebrated with a dinner dance.

THE Management and Social Committee
of George Tweedy & Co., Ltd.,
Chipping, invite you to be present on the
occasion of a Dinner and Dance to celebrate the
Victory in Europe which they are holding on
May 25th, at 6 p.m. prompt, in the Oddfellows'
Hall, Chipping.

R.S.V.P.

In the 1940s and 1950s, there were popular Wednesday and Saturday evening cinema shows. Also at this time, the hall was the venue for well-attended election meetings with parliamentary candidates.

After the Second World War, ownership of the hall passed from the Oddfellows to the trustees of Chipping and District Memorial Hall Fund. £1500 had been raised by subscription from the inhabitants of Chipping and Leagram with Little Bowland so that they could buy the hall to use as a Village Hall subject to the Oddfellows being allowed to hold 13 meetings a year in it. The purpose of the Village Hall was to use it 'for social meetings or other social or recreational purposes' for the inhabitants of the two parishes, for their 'social, moral and intellectual development'.

A Village Hall management committee was set up and each local organisation had a representative on this committee. In April 1946, they were -

John Berry	Chipping Parish Council
F.Seed	Bowland with Leagram Parish Council
J. Smithies	St. Bartholomew's P.C.C.
R.E. Howson	Member of Prefects St.Mary's Church
A.Parkinson	Council of Deacons Congregational Church
R.Walsh	Brabins Endowed School
Miss Price	St. Mary's School
Mrs J.W.Towers	W.I.
J Woods	Oddfellows
M.Hoyle	Young Men's Club
R.Walmsley	Amateur Dramatic Society
R. Ellison	Chipping Show
A.Preston	Football Club
J. Berry Jnr.	Cricket Club
H.Sandham	N.F.U.
J. Bradley	Y.F.C.