

Bridge history

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**Date:** Mon, 11 Dec 2000 01:51:43 +0000

**From:** "L.L.Boyle" <L.L.Boyle@ukc.ac.uk>

**To:** mmr@cwcom.net

Maurice - I have acquired the auction particulars of the house, butcher's shop, slaughterhouse and outbuildings with 2 cottages and a grocer's shop which were sold on 23.1.1883. The slaughterhouse was then "recently erected". I also have the prices attained and the names of the buyers. Let me know if you have not already seen this gem. Laurence

Re: Tell me more

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**Date:** Mon, 5 Mar 2001 22:39:03 +0000 (GMT)

**From:** llb <L.L.Boyle@ukc.ac.uk>

**To:** Maurice M Raraty <mmr@cwcom.net>

Well, John Bargrave was buried in the south chapel of St. Mary's Church, Patricbourne on 24th October, 1624 so the ?1625 guess of Bann and his followers was not far off.

You may remember I told you that the key to the Bargrave story lay in Virginia. It turns out that his younger brother, George, who was born in 1586 was also on these jaunts to Virginia and married the daughter of John Martin of Sandwich who was one of the pioneer planters in Virginia as well as a ship-owner.

As for the Taylors in the late 18th century, more work is needed. So you'll have to wait!

Laurence

Re: Bridge Place

**Subject: Re: Bridge Place**

**Date:** Sat, 7 Apr 2001 13:15:44 +0100 (BST)

**From:** llb <L.L.Boyle@ukc.ac.uk>

**To:** Maurice M Raraty <mmr@cwcom.net>

Thanks, Maurice. That's good information. I suspect Mrs Ethel Penn was the widow of Frank Penn who died at Bifrons in December 1916. She could have died in 1940 or the Place could have been requisitioned for military use. The daughter, Nancy Myrtle Penn was living at Bridge Place in the early 50s when she married in Patricxbourne church (age 46, spinster, father Frank Penn).

Do you know where I can find out about requisition orders? I've tried the PRO online catalogue and drawn a blank.

The saga of the college system being totally demolished is very real. See <http://www.ukc.ac.uk/estates-local/EstStrat1.pdf> for the gory detail. Given that some colleges will have no academic staff working there, there will be no need for an SCR and so on. It's all very grim and sad. Laurence

On Fri, 6 Apr 2001, Maurice M Raraty wrote:

> Laurence,  
> I have some information on Bridge Place, tho' incomplete.  
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> Seymour L Harries 1913-1915. 1940-1954 unknown, but then bought by the  
> Hon. Mrs Neame, who sold to Malcolm Pinhorn and thence to Peter Malkin.  
> Any use?  
> Yes, we shall be sorry to see Sue go. What was I hearing about  
> Rutherford being turned into a Hall of Residence, with the academics  
> being turfed out?  
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Re: Bridge Place

**Subject: Re: Bridge Place**

**Date:** Mon, 9 Apr 2001 02:08:04 +0100 (BST)

**From:** llb <L.L.Boyle@ukc.ac.uk>

**To:** Maurice M Raraty <mmr@cwcom.net>

Maurice - here is some new information to add to your database:-

Blue Book 1919/20 Occupier = R.H.B.Hammond-Chambers

Kelly's 1925 Occupier = Mrs Ethel Penn

Kelly's 1940 ditto

Register of Electors Qualifying Date 30/6/1948 Voters = Ethel Penn and Nancy M.  
Penn

Kelly's 1949 Occupier = Mrs Ethel Penn

Kelly's 1952 Occupier = Miss N. Penn

Register of Electors Qualifying Date 10/10/1954 Voters = Harold & Mayblossom  
Wyles

Kelly's 1955 Occupier = Harold Wyles

So Mrs Ethel Penn disappeared from the scene in 1950 or 1951 and her 46-year old daughter, Nancy Myrtle Penn, then got married to unburden herself of the upkeep of Bridge Place.

We need Burke's "Landed Gentry" 1914 edition to chase up Hammond-Chambers: I also need it for another query. The Beaney is not well endowed with complete runs of directories or registers of electors so a trip to the Family Records Centre may be necessary.

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WWW = Wealthy Widow Women

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**Date:** Thu, 3 May 2001 23:11:41 +0100 (BST)

**From:** llb <L.L.Boyle@ukc.ac.uk>

**To:** Maurice M Raraty <mmr@cwcom.net>

Maurice - do you know anything about Elizabeth Nash and Eleanor Thompson, WWWs of Bridge 1802-9 - they lent 500 pounds each to Capt. Edward Taylor? I was wondering who were their deceased husbands and what they did or where they lived. Laurence

Re: WWW = Wealthy Widow Women

**Subject: Re: WWW = Wealthy Widow Women**

**Date: Sun, 6 May 2001 16:37:03 +0100 (BST)**

**From: llb <L.L.Boyle@ukc.ac.uk>**

**To: Maurice M Raraty <mmr@cwcom.net>**

Sorry but I can't find any Penny Quicks or variants thereof. I tried [www.old-maps.co.uk](http://www.old-maps.co.uk) and also my notes on the stuff at Whitfield which occasionally has lists of parcels. I suspect that land was in the hands of Austen Gardner for many years.

The Rev. Edward Taylor's work on Bridge Hill was presumably before 1791. I hadn't heard of what were presumably public works in 1829. The road which was closed in 1830 was presumably the one clearly marked on Hasted's map.

Laurence

On Sat, 5 May 2001, Maurice M Raraty wrote:

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> Sorry, I don't know about this. Bridge Hill was re-aligned and regraded  
> ca 1829, and a public road from Parixbourne (which ran along the bottom  
> of my garden) was closed in 1830. (Part remains as the footpath behind  
> the wood at the top of Side Hill up as far as the bypass).  
> Have you come across anywhere any reference to Penny Quick Wood aka  
> Penny Crick or Creek, which was part of the Bifrons estate? If so, where  
> was it?  
> Maurice  
> llb wrote:  
> >  
> > Many thanks for that quality information. I expect the parish registers  
> > can throw more light on any relationships. [I suppose you know of the projec  
> > to put all the indexes of the civil registers on line - 1837 would be the  
> > earliest but there are a few up already including information about Bridge.]  
> > I also discovered that the Rev. Edward Taylor was responsible for  
> > paving Bridge Hill (or at least sealing it to some sort of standard) before  
> > being required to do so by the Turnpike Acts. Any idea when exactly that wou  
> > have been? Laurence  
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