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REEPHAM EVENTS

The week at Reepham opened on Saturday with a dance in the band hall, during which the chairman of the local committee, Mr. H. Temple Owen, spoke.

Sunday's programme started off with a parade and church service. All local civil defence units took part. The parade, marshalled at the station plain by Mr. C. L. Lowe assisted by Major Ben Stimpson, was inspected by a General of the Belgian Army and Sir Thomas Cook. Reepham junior and senior Silver Bands played. The service at church was conducted by the rector, the Rev. B. P. Luscombe. Over 600 people attended the service.

After service the parade was re-formed and proceeded to the meadow on Station-ld., where the General spoke. Units on parade included the Services, Home Guard (Major Simmons), R.O.C. (Leading Observer R. S. Smith), Special Constables (P.-c. R. Woods), British Red Cross (Commandant Mrs. B. P. Luscombe), Red Cross Juniors (Commandant, Mrs. Lawn), St. John Ambulance Brigade (Commandant W. J. Lawn, M.B.E.), Civil Defence Wardens (Mr. H. Temple Owen), National Fire Service (Company Officer S. P. Eglington), Reepham Silver Prize Band (conductor, Mr. E. T. Ruffles).

In the afternoon R.A.F. work was described and an exhibition of model aircraft in the Bircham Institute, under the direction of Mr. D. Kendall Chapman, was attended by 400 people.

On Monday a display was given by Reepham Fire Brigade under the supervision of Company Officer S. P. Eglington.