



# Crime Reports

## Castle Eaton

**1900**

Swindon Petty Sessions. Thursday.

Elizabeth Perrett of Castle Eaton and Sarah Stokes of Wroughton were summoned for stealing apples. It appeared that the women only picked up some fallen fruit, and the cases were dismissed. **Gloucester Citizen Friday 19 October 1900**

**1910**

Reginald Thomas Hewer of Castle Eaton was summoned for obstructing the Market Place with a motor-car on September 5th. PC Ball stated that he was on duty at the Police Station when he received a complaint about a car obstructing the entrance to the Parish Church. The car was outside for three hours and obstructed a wedding party. Defendant said he had seen cars there on many occasions and he did not realise that he was doing any harm by leaving his car there. - Fined 10s (costs inclusive).

**Cheltenham Chronicle Saturday 17 September 1910**

**1920**

The outbreaks of foot and mouth disease in North Wilts have had a sequel in breaches of the regulations, leading to several prosecutions. At Swindon Session, Sidney Charles Pike, of Castle Eaton, was summoned for moving eight oxen across the highways and was fined £5 in respect of each beast (£40 in all). Notice of appeal was given. **Western Daily Press Tuesday 3 February 1920**

**1923**

Cirencester Petty Sessions. Monday. Harry Johnson, farm labourer of Great Wigborough, Colchester, failed to answer a summons by Jessie Edith Stevens, single woman of Scrubditch, North Cerney, to show

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cause etc. Applicant stated that the child (a son) was born at Castle Eaton in September 1921 and Johnson contributed 5s per week for a time and then 4s, but since January she had not received any money. Defendant lives apart from his wife, and it was not known if he contributed to her support. - The Bench made an order for payment of 5s per week until the child reached 14 years, and also the Court fees. **Gloucester Citizen Tuesday 24 April 1923**

Fairford Police Court Tuesday. For riding a bicycle without a light at Kempsford on the night of July 28, George King, labourer of Castle Eaton, was fined 5s. PC Greenall stated the facts. **Cheltenham Chronicle Saturday 18 August 1923**

### **1930**

Cases at Swindon --- Leaving his motor car in Cromwell Street 30 minutes and causing an obstruction cost Octavius Daniel Cooper, of Manor Farm, Castle Eaton, 10s. **Swindon Advertiser and North Wilts Chronicle Thursday 9 October 1930**

### **1932**

In imposing a fine of 10s at Fairford Police Court on Tuesday on Horace Berry, grocers assistant of Castle Eaton, for driving a motorcycle without an efficient silencer at Lechlade, the chairman of the magistrates (Mr J Faulkner) uttered a warning that a heavier fine would be imposed in the future for similar cases. The case against Berry was proved by PC Clarke and PC James. Supt A W Hopkins said he had received many complaints about the noise made by motor cyclists in the district, and it would have to be stopped. **Cheltenham Chronicle Saturday 17 September 1932**

### **1935**

Cirencester Police Court --- Fined 10s for driving a motor vehicle without a licence: Sydney W Mauntrell, Castle Eaton. **Cheltenham Chronicle Saturday 26 October 1935**

### **1946**

For riding their cycles without lights the following, who did not appear, were fined 10s each:

LAC Ivel William Somes of Fairford; Raymond Willshire of Castle Eaton; Iris Benfield of Fairford; Irene Stringer of Cricklade; Lillian Brunsdon of Water Eaton and Hilda Kendle of Castle Eaton. **Cheltenham Chronicle Saturday 17 August 1946**

### **1948**

Cirencester County Court, Thursday. --- In an action against Alfred Page of Castle Eaton, Cricklade, who did not appear, Miss Emma M Peach, a schoolmistress of Victoria Road, Cirencester, claimed  
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delivery of two tons of logs or the return of £6 5s, which she claimed she had paid to the defendant. She was represented by Mr H Lloyd Perkins. The Judge made an order for repayment at the rate of £1 a month. **Gloucestershire Echo Friday 2 April 1948**