



BLETSON VILLAGE AND CHURCH.

Blake & Elgar,

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Village scene c1905 opposite the school

At left 29-38 The Avenue (modern numbering); village children; at right the parish church and the school

EB52 (*Bedfordshire Archives X396-98*)



High Street looking NE, c1908

The modern Avenue photographed from what is now the front garden of 11 The Avenue, at the junction with what is now Memorial Lane going to the right. The church is in the distance. The buildings on the extreme right stood in front of Pear Tree Cottage until c1940. Note the lack of pavements in a pre-motorised age.

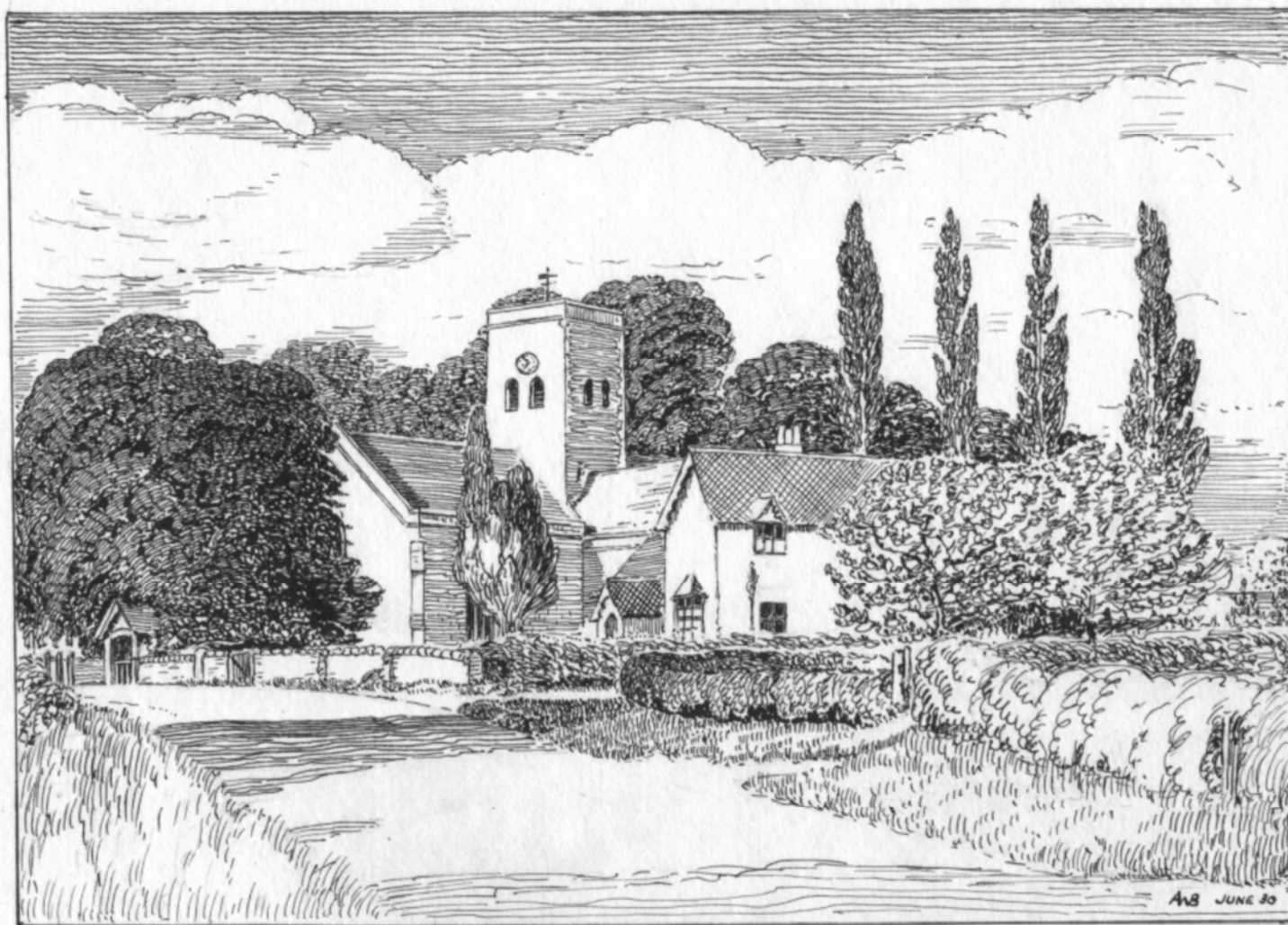
EB73 Frank Sweetland (*Bedfordshire Archives X758-1-14-126-Obv*)



Village High Street scene c1930

At left, 22 Bletsoe now demolished, 23 Bletsoe beyond; at right church and school in background

EB134 (*Bedfordshire Archives Z50-18-26*)



Bletsoe. Bedfordshire.

Church and School, Bletsoe, A W Baldwin, 1930

Baldwin drew a series of village scenes for the book 'Bedfordshire Byways', each picture being accompanied by a lyrical text.

EB129 (A W Baldwin Bedfordshire Archives AD3572-18)