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# St. Dunstan's Review

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## EDITORIAL NOTES

“**A**DVERTISING is to business what sunshine is to flowers” was the opinion expressed by a leading light in the world of publicity recently, and whatever we may think of comparison of commercialism and poetry, there can be no denial of the fact that advertising in some form or another, direct or indirect, is a vital essential to business prosperity.

Readers of the REVIEW will know that we have always fostered by every means in our power individual and collective advertising by our men, whatever may be the occupation they are following, and we have frequently emphasised that our personal services and advice on all matters connected with publicity are at the disposal of St. Dunstaners.

We are confident that the various methods of advertising inaugurated and fostered for our men from Headquarters have had very considerable effect on the bulk of business done by St. Dunstaners in general, and we are very glad, therefore, to direct attention to a new means of publicity which is being instituted by the stores department. This takes the form of the issue by individual St. Dunstaners to their customers and others of a complete list of the season's fixtures of their local Football Club. Printed on a folding card in a compact form, the only advertising matter is the simple words “Support your local team, and”—here follows the name and address of the St. Dunstaner who is issuing the card.

We are informed that Headquarters are prepared to bear the bulk of the cost for those of our men who wish to take up this scheme, and consequently the only charge is the nominal sum of 5s. per 1,000 or 3s. 6d. per 500. Every local Football Club Secretary will be only too willing to supply all fixtures on application, and we feel that the scheme is applicable to a very large number of St. Dunstaners—in any event to all of our craftsmen and shopkeepers particularly.

We strongly advise such of our readers to get into communication immediately with the Superintendent of the Stores at Headquarters, who will give all necessary help and information.

While on the subject of advertising we wish to inform our readers that as the result of a general consensus of opinion it has been definitely decided to issue calendars this year in place of the blotters produced last year. The style selected is most attractive and useful, embracing a pouch for letters, stationery, etc. A specimen calendar and a range of coloured pictures for selection will shortly be sent to those St. Dunstaners who have used this method of advertising previously, but all who wish to be added to the list should write as soon as possible to Headquarters.

## NEWS OF ST. DUNSTANERS



A STEADY trade in mats has been worked up by T. Thorpe, of Darwen; he always maintains a very high standard of workmanship and has done well with motor car mats and orders for Clubs, &c. Doubtless some of his success has been brought about by his steady advertising; he had an advertisement running in a local paper for three consecutive months. Perhaps if other men approached the editors of their local papers they might get special terms for such service, or secure orders from the staff that would cover the expense of the advertising. The scheme is worth trying anyway.

There seems to be a sale for trays locally, according to T. Parkinson, of Whiterails, Bilsham, so he is devoting his time to the manufacture of these, rather than to basket making. His tandem bicycle is proving a great pleasure and Parkinson is touring the district in all directions, making the most of our occasional glimpses of summer.

The bazaar at Bognor was a great success from the point of view of J. H. Mason and he found a considerable amount of pleasure in it as well as trade. Mason, by the way, is doing quite a lot of chair caning.

Customers are returning slowly if steadily to C. E. Gill, of Teddington, and, with his determined desire to see the bright side, Gill looks on our perpetual showers as a blessing, from the boot-repairer's outlook on life—at least it compels people to get their shoes mended! His seven year old small boy, Charlie, is a son to be proud of and quite his father's right hand already.

Friends will be sorry to hear that W. J. Wood, of Putney, has had a poisoned finger which has interfered with his progress a good deal; despite this handicap he carried on, though of course it was

impossible for him to work as fast as usual.

A St. Dunstaner of very many activities and interests is A. C. Evans, of Newport, Mon. He is connected with both the British Legion and the Labour Exchange among other things.

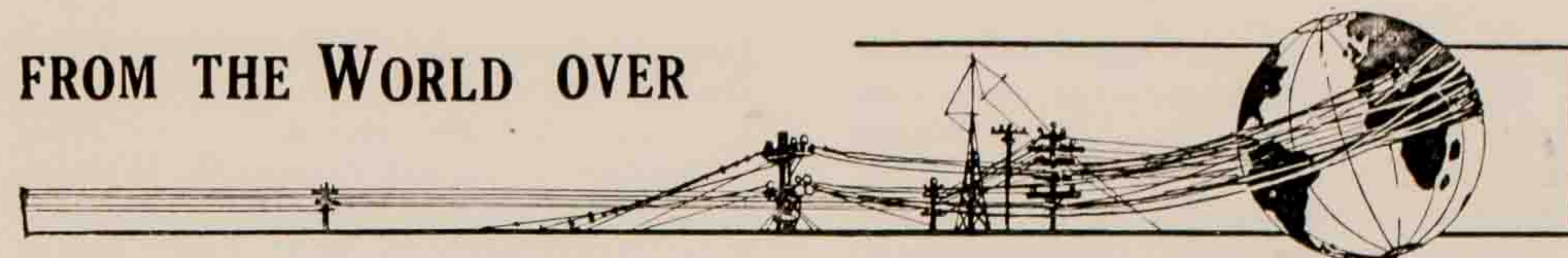
A very unpleasant adventure befel the step-daughter of C. Johns, of Ponders End, at the end of June last; she was knocked down by a motor-cyclist, and had her hip and knee bruised as well as her chin cut.

"Quite the best workshop in Ireland," says J. Brockerton, of Coleraine, whose building is now ready, and he has every reason to be proud of it. We hope it will be thoroughly comfortable in every way. A fine compliment was paid to his work a little while ago when a doctor for whom Brockerton had made some motor mats five years ago brought one in for alterations, since he had bought a new car and there was some difference in the position of the "gadgets." He said the mats were as good as new still.

"If anyone wants a new interest in life let them start up a troop of Boy Scouts" is the advice given by W. H. Thorpe, of Elham, Kent. In a fortnight he has enrolled thirty members and ten "cubs," a fine feat indeed. His achievement seems to have thrilled the neighbourhood and he has been asked to start another troop in a neighbouring district. Now he is on the look-out for a scout-master to take charge of this second band if he gives them a start.

"Very busy indeed" is the news that comes from G. A. Millen, of Birchington, who has sent off a fine lot of work to a sale at Margate.

## FROM THE WORLD OVER



Another busy man is E. Sayers, of Upper Harbledown, but this is partly owing to the season. He can barely get through his orders because he has so much to do outside.

J. W. Macaulay, of Heaton Park, Manchester, sticks to his business, and is always cheerful, so it is small wonder that he is kept busy. Congratulations to him.

The little shop where W. Higgins, of Hulme, Manchester, sells dog foods, birds and birdseed, is always in excellent order and Higgins finds the business very interesting. He is cogitating as to how he can extend his trade, as he is a man of ambition.

Another name to be added to the roll of young St. Dunstaners who are doing well at school is that of the son of W. J. Ritchie, of Sevenoaks. He carried off the certificate for scriptural knowledge the other day.

Friends will be glad to know that E. J. Burgess, of Hambrook, Bristol, is in much better health of late; his shop and his mat-making keeps him well and happily employed.

We hope to have (for publication) details of the holiday F. Griffie is contemplating, for he is joining friends on the Norfolk Broads. Doubtless the pleasant days will be well past before this appears, but perhaps, for the interest of others, Griffie will revive them in print.

Another St. Dunstaner who could send us an amusing paragraph if he would is A. Pink, of Bridgwater, Somerset, who runs a coal business in the winter and in the summer adapts his motors to taking people for "outings." His friends much enjoy his racy account of happenings on his coal-round during the last spell of "flu" when all his customers were decidedly "under the weather."

What about this for a stroke of luck? During Wakes Week at Burslem, Stoke-on-Trent, the wife of W. Morris won a wonderful alarm clock for two-pence. She took it home, had it duly admired and went back, when she immediately won another!

What with tray-making, gardening and odd jobs, H. N. Mathews, of Wolverhampton, finds himself a busy man.

Everyone will be glad to know that G. Powell, of Stretton, is very much better since his operation and has returned to Brighton looking very fit and well.

A fine piece of joinery has just been accomplished by J. Burley, of Norwich. He has made not only a splendid wireless cabinet but also a firescreen to match and another screen, all the work of which he has done himself. He is much to be commended not only for the excellent workmanship but also for his initiative.

Have many of our poultry farmers suffered from the depredations of carrion crows this year? W. Millar, of Surbiton, says that he lost quite a number of young chickens in this way.

One of our ambitious St. Dunstaners in connection with wireless is G. H. Wootley, of Ampthill. He is most successful with his set and finds that he can get some of the foreign stations even better than Daventry.

Selsey is the new home of A. W. Hall and it is very promising. All the family have been in better health since the move. Hall has been very busy getting his garden dug and has discovered several neighbourly neighbours who have lent him a hand; this is most fortunate, for Hall has never been the possessor of a garden before.

What with boot repairing and gardening J. W. Abbs, of Stibbard, Guist, is particularly busy at present, his sweetpeas have been quite marvellous this season, by the way. Perhaps he will let other St. Dunstaners know if he has tried any special treatment?

The new home in which L. Hutchinson, of Huntingdon, has settled is some two miles out of York; he has found a most attractive bungalow with plenty of garden for as many puppies (and as much ground for poultry) as he is likely to want.

There is satisfactory news from two of our Kilkenny men, J. Murray and T. Parker. The former is in first-rate form himself and says that he now has about 40 hens all doing well and as many orders for mats as he can meet. All is well, too, with Parker except that he is not yet settled in the home of his desire. We hope that the ideal location will soon be found.

Quite a nice little trade is being worked up by C. Maker, of Horrbridge, at his stall at Tavistock market, and in addition he has a number of chair caning jobs coming in.

Local orders are now coming the way of H. Allen, of Devonport, and he is working away very steadily; he has a most excellent workshop, by the way, well lighted and well ventilated.

Since mention of several gardens have been made in this number that of R. A. Clarke, of Gunnislake, Cornwall, must on no account be omitted, for he had a quite remarkable show of plants. His very real interest in all forms of seed and plant growing gives him an absorbing hobby. Has he tried the growing of Japanese cucumbers, by the way? They will grow in the open if necessary and do not require a greenhouse.

A useful trade in repair work is being worked up by A. Head, of Brixton Torre, near Plymouth. He is another St. Dunstaner with a capital workshop and some

poultry houses of which he has every reason to be proud.

Another Plymouth man is W. Walters, of Lower Compton, whose health is a great deal better since he has begun taking the regular exercise which enables him to peg away steadily at his work once more.

How many men have found that wireless increases their circle of friends? A. Tanner, of St. Ives, says that since he has had his installation quite a number of the fishermen who live near by have taken to dropping in in the evening to get the weather forecast.

In sober truth there is nothing a St. Dunstaner will not tackle when the need arises! J. Martin, of Long Rock, Penzance, has been making some alterations in his house and after moving away a partition discovered that the floors of the two rooms now made into one were not on the same level, so he lowered one floor and re-cemented it. Another of his achievements is the blocking up of a window. He has carried out a number of improvements and repairs this year and found it feasible to do the greater part of the work himself. Among other things he carted, with the help of his small boy, all the sand needed for the work.

Does anyone want a loud-speaker? If so, J. Levett, of "Airedale," Park Avenue, Worthing, is open to accept orders. His is yet another of the gardens that should have carried off a prize this year if any had been offered—it is aglow with every imaginable variety of flower, and is greatly admired.

J. E. Parnell, of North Creake, has again taken second prize for his tubers at the Rose Show at Chelsea. We congratulate him and may he carry off a "first" or a "special" next season.

Friends will be glad to know that H. Weekes, of Two Mile Hill, Bristol, is particularly well at present and thinks this is due to the fact that he has been out in the open air so much. A friend with a

motor-cycle has been running him about the country on a particularly comfortable back seat. Weekes has been working indefatigably and invariably contrives to finish the daily task he has set himself before starting off on a jaunt.

Weather has been bad for business but all the same A. Smith, of Elwick, is making good progress with poultry and his café.

At a very successful bazaar D. Potts, of Norton-on-Tees, sold everything he sent in.

J. A. Garbutt, of Stockton, is getting on quite satisfactorily. "All's well" with T. Condon, of Worting, and H. Simms, of the same district. H. Porter, of Shirley, finds his new house very comfortable. R. K. Lowrie is as keen as ever on his mat making. By the way, any visitors wishing to go to Portslade would do well to communicate with him, for Mrs. Lowrie sometimes has rooms to let.

How many "cubs" have we among our junior St. Dunstaners? F. James' small boy was enrolled a short time ago and finds his new occupation a constant source of interest.

C. H. Wheeler, of St. Albans, is doing well with mats. G. H. Barrett, of Old Kent Road, S.E., is in good health, and the same can be said of P. Sparkes (Grimsby) and family.

Picnic baskets are winning much praise for R. J. Vine, of Ewhurst. A. E. Tucker, of St. James', Bristol, is fairly busy with both boots and mats. The latter employment keeps A. Hall, of Selsey, well occupied, also G. Anderson, of Alton. F. Cooper, of Fareham, is at the moment devoting all his energies to a mat of a special size. C. A. Biggs, of Alvechurch, and J. Brodie, of Berwick-on-Tweed, have some local orders for mats of large size as well as for motor mats. A. Chiverton, of Eastleigh, also does boots, and has increased his trade considerably since his move. A. G. Herne, of Wickford, Essex,

and C. Norman, of Ramsay, are lucky enough to have quite a number of local orders in sight.

J. A. Dunlop, of Bonnyrig, has just moved into a new house and is waiting for the removal of his hut before he can get on with his work.

"All goes well" with W. Lowings, of Eastleigh. T. J. Waldin, of Winchester, is cudgelling his brains as to how he may overcome keen opposition.

A. E. Clewlow, of Portslade, has fallen a victim to the attractions of an Alsatian dog and is contemplating breeding.

The farm run by H. Jubb, of Crowmoor, is making satisfactory progress, and various men have done well with poultry this season, among them J. Whittingslow, of Kidderminster, J. Simpson, of Slateyford, A. Anderson, of Lethem, F. W. Boorman, of Ropley, and T. M. Fisher, of Long-forgan.

Another young St. Dunstaner who must be congratulated on his prowess is the son of J. Avey, of Bromsgrove, who has just carried off a medal for boxing.

W. H. Foxon, of Acton Vale, finds leisure to work in his allotment in addition to carrying on with boot repairing.

Baskets interest J. McCue, of Newport, Essex, A. V. P. Crook, of Brixton Hill, and, of course, W. J. Berry, of Belfast, all of whom are going on steadily.

There is little to say about D. Malcolmson, of Belfast, but at least we can congratulate him upon his health; he is a great reader, we understand, and is going through the Braille Library at a fine pace.

A. Massey, of Manchester, is looking forward to being married in November. We trust he will let us have a full account of the wedding. Friends will be glad to know that he is contemplating moving to London.

## Poultry Notes

### Twelve Months' Laying Test

Officially Recognised by the National Poultry Council

THE Laying Test Committee met on 17th August and it was unanimously agreed that a laying test, extending over a period of 12 lunar months, should be conducted at Kings Langley.

Full particulars and entry forms have been sent to all poultry farmers. Should anyone have been overlooked application should be made to the test manager at Kings Langley.

The test is to commence on 25th October 1927 and will terminate on 24th September 1928. Entries close 20th September.

There are four sections as under:—

- (1) White Leghorns.
- (2) Rhode Island Reds.
- (3) Any other breed.
- (4) Single bird any breed.

The scoring will be on similar lines to that adopted for the Two Years' Test. Five birds will constitute a pen, but only the records of the leading four will be taken into account for scoring purposes.

### TWO YEARS' LAYING TEST

#### Report for 10th Period 17th July to 13th August 1927

Egg Production showed a slight increase over last period with a total of 387 eggs against 365.

The averages for the month were all up with the exception of the White Leghorns which were down by over three eggs per bird.

There has been a great improvement in egg size. The percentages of 1st, 2nd and

It is intended to enter, free of charge, all eligible birds in the National Poultry Council register of Laying Test Records. The qualifications for this register are:—

- (1) White Leghorns, White Wyandottes, Rhode Island Reds, Buff Rocks and Anconas

either 200 First grade eggs  
or 200 eggs weighing not less than 400 ozs.

- (2) for all other breeds  
either 180 First grade eggs  
or 180 eggs weighing not less than 360 ozs.

Money prizes amounting to nearly £60 are being given. There are also several special prizes of silver spoons, poultry houses, &c., offered for the highest winter records and the highest numbers of first grade eggs in the various sections.

It is hoped that this test will be well supported and that intending competitors will send in their entries as soon as possible.

3rds being 77.52, 21.71 and .77 respectively.

Seven birds have passed through the broody coops during the month, their ring numbers being 365, 371, 375, 380, 387, 388, and 389.

The general health of the flock has been excellent and the bodily condition of the birds at the close of the period is better than it has been for some months.

TABLE OF PRODUCTION AND BREED AVERAGES

	No. of Birds	Eggs Laid Grades			Total	Average per Bird
		1	2	3		
White Leghorns .. .. .	11	66	24	2	92	8.36
Rhode Island Reds .. .. .	17	153	55	1	209	12.29
White Wyandottes .. .. .	2	33	5	—	38	19.00
White Bresse .. .. .	3	46	—	—	46	15.33
Unrecorded .. .. .	—	2	—	—	2	
Totals .. .. .	33	300	84	3	387	11.73

### Poultry Notes—continued.

#### RESULTS TO END OF TENTH MONTH (40 WEEKS)

Any Breed (Four Pullets and One Reserve)

Pen No.	Owner and Breed	Eggs Laid Tenth Period			Eggs Laid to Date			Total all Grades	Score Value	Test Value of best 4 Birds	Temp. Pos.
		1	2	3	1	2	3				
1	Tindall, J. H. .. (White Leghorns)	30	7	—	542	126	4	672	597	515	5
2	Bulman, C. R. .. (White Leghorns)	11	14	2	270	363	27	660	470	418	9
3	Gibson, D. .. .. (White Leghorns)	25	2	—	421	157	1	579	530	465	7
4	Condon, C. T. .. (R.I.R.)	17	25	1	497	181	2	680	635	537	3
5	Trigg, A. E. .. .. (R.I.R.)	45	18	—	651	159	1	811	783	650	1
6	Bisset, L. A. .. .. (R.I.R.)	39	4	—	555	87	1	643	642	528	4
7	Capper, A. H. .. .. (White Bresse)	46	—	—	436	80	2	518	513	457	8
8	Bulley, F. E. C. .. (R.I.R.)	52	8	—	702	66	—	768	768	647	2
9	Maclean, D. .. .. (White Wyandotte)	33	5	—	381	164	41	586	527	468	6

## "In Memory"

SEAMAN JAMES MCGEE, R.N.R.

A MOST industrious worker and a really plucky fellow has passed away in the person of Seaman James McGee.

Entering St. Dunstan's in October 1921, McGee was trained in mat-making, and learnt also netting and wool rug making. He attained high proficiency at both occupations, and was set up in a little business. His health, unfortunately, began to fail in 1925, and he was confined to bed permanently about a year ago. Eventually he became worse and died on Tuesday, 30th August. He bore his long illness with great fortitude and cheerfulness, and about a fortnight before he died—although at the time he was not able to speak—he smiled and nodded his thanks for the messages of sympathy which were conveyed to him from various officials at Headquarters. His mother and brothers were unremitting in their care of him during his illness.

McGee was buried in the Ballybrack Catholic churchyard on 1st September. There were many beautiful floral tributes in addition to that of St. Dunstan's made in the form of our crest and bearing the inscription "With deepest sympathy from Captain Fraser and his many comrades at St. Dunstan's."

## The Menin Gate Memorial

Two St. Dunstaners, viz. H. G. Gransby and F. G. Richardson, have had the memorable experience of being present at the unveiling in July of the great Memorial Gate at Ypres. From both we have received most interesting reports giving their impressions. It is to be regretted that exceptional pressure on our pages prevents the publication of these articles in full, but we are sure our readers will be interested in the extracts we give below.—ED.

"If ye break faith with us who die, we shall not sleep, though poppies grow in Flanders fields."

"Yes, indeed, poppies were growing all around on that Sunday morning in July, and evidences of a great and abiding faith were sensed by me as I stood in my allotted place at this most wonderful ceremony.

"Although there were signs of some sorrow, there were yet more sighs of pride—a great and glorious pride. There were mothers, wives, sisters and sweethearts come to do homage to their loved and remembered ones, and although a muffled sob came to my ears now and again, I was impressed by the extraordinary courage of these women. I had a taste of what to expect the day before the ceremony, when I can safely say I had to speak to hundreds of people. I could not tell you who they were although a crowd of them took us to dinner in the evening. I was not there to represent St. Dunstan's—I went there with my wife who had three brothers killed in the Ypres Salient. Still, my wife and I felt proud when person after person asked us if we were there to represent our beloved Organisation. We had already been stopped by a lady who put her car at our disposal, and she drove us herself to such places as Hill 60, and Passchendaele. Only the Press were allowed near the Gate on the Saturday, but my wife took me right inside the ropes and let me feel the names inscribed.

"Next day a glorious sunshiny morning—a town teeming with people—friends on all sides—every now and again a 'Hallo St. Dunstan's'—people of every nationality shaking my hand. That was my first impression of 24th July 1927. Above all this the knowledge that here I had seen indeed the last of many old comrades and

the last of my wife's brothers. But to come to the ceremony itself. Of course, I could not see it, so I will leave it to Mrs. Richardson to describe."

Mrs. Richardson writes:—

"From 1917 till 1927 I have waited for this reunion. It was indeed a reunion to me as to many more women present at this ceremony, and although I have been present at other ceremonies relating to the war, none have left such an impression on my heart as the opening of the Menin Gate. I, as the sister of three boys killed in the Salient, the youngest 15½, the eldest 24, have watched the growth of the Menin Gate for the past four years, and at last I have seen it unveiled to the world. I was filled with great pride to think that I was personally represented on that memorial and I was also filled with a great sorrow—'My brothers.' But I remembered that there was a greater sacrifice paid yet by some of our lads and looking to where my husband sat I tried to put away some of my sad thoughts. Then a touch on my shoulder—'The British blinded soldier is wanted, let him pass.' We walked through the Menin Gate, and silently saluted the dead. Just then two ladies of King Albert's Court came along and took my husband and myself to His Majesty."

From this point Richardson continues and describes how he had to sign King Albert's Visitors' Book. The two ladies responsible for the presentation did not give their names, but sent their best wishes to St. Dunstan's, and said that no doubt they had tended many St. Dunstaners, as they were nursing sisters in hospital at Ypres during the war."

Richardson concludes with a graphic description of their experiences for the rest of the day, which only limitations of space prevent printing.

### Menin Gate Memorial—continued.

Nine o'clock Saturday night saw my brother and myself at St. Pancras Station. Crowds were lining up to make the journey to Ypres. We had settled down to follow the crowd when suddenly one of Messrs. Cooks' officials asked the people to make way for us, and we were allowed on the platform before anyone else, excepting a disabled ex-soldier in an invalid chair. I have mentioned this as it was typical of the kindness shown to us by British and Belgians alike right through our journey. Arriving at Tilbury about eleven o'clock we went on board and started to explore. Very soon we found a splendid collection of bunks waiting to be claimed. Promptly dumping our kits on a couple we waited events. Very soon down came a priceless crowd of old "sweats" and needless to say it wasn't long before every bunk was claimed. We had a glorious time, for we felt that the boys had got together again. True, we didn't know them, but they were once our comrades and no introductions were necessary. On the whole we had a fairly decent night. We arrived at Dunkirk about six o'clock Sunday morning and were marched into the Customs building. I must tell you about our adventures here, they were real funny. After having been marched in, the gendarmes locked all the doors. As time went on the old "sweats" began to get fed up, especially as some had their womenfolk with them. So door after door was attacked and a tug-of-war commenced—a couple of gendarmes on the handles outside the doors and a couple of "our side" likewise trying to beat their late allies. After a bit the Frenchmen got so fed up that they would not let even their own Customs staff out to go off duty; this proved our salvation, as the staff joined in the attack from our side, cheered on by our supports and reserves. A deadlock however, was reached, so our staff friends altered their tactics and led the party out through a small door in the rear. It took time, but at last all were outside in the open air. You should have seen the gendarmes' faces when the parade marched past, leaving them still guarding the front doors. Still they were good sports and soon

saw the funny side of things. Having boarded the train we were suddenly brought up with a jerk when three faint whistles came from the Du Nord engine. How we all cheered! old days—happy days. As the train went on we found ourselves getting into the old familiar areas. But what a change. New buildings everywhere; nature having also assisted by covering ugly gaps with grass and poppies. Next we rattled into "Pop." How old "Pop" had altered; the ruins had been removed and smart houses and shops built up. Going on again the railway for a time followed the old "Pop—Ypres" road. How quiet the boys in our carriage are now—nobody speaking. But the long white road speaks to us—the clatter of limbers—the rumbling of guns—the march of countless feet and the chums that are always here. At last we arrived at Ypres, but what a Ypres! Gone the place as we knew it—splendid shops and hotels everywhere. Now we must push on, already the crowds are making towards Menin Gate. Getting a good position, we were much impressed with the unveiling ceremony. Others more able have described it. All that we know is that the very depths of sadness must have been reached—the mothers bravely keeping back their tears, the fathers marching stiffly but with trembling lips, and the kiddies making it a picture too real to ever forget. After the unveiling we went exploring round Ypres, and only those who revisit it can tell the sensation that this gives. We met the Rev. Gibbs and Mrs. Gibbs and had a pleasant little chat. The time went all too quickly, and about half-past nine at night we went back to the Menin Gate. Very few were there then. In the distance an estaminet piano was playing. Looking across the ridge, the dusk was already hiding the farthest hills from view. It was a solemn few minutes for us. The crowds had departed and we had to hurry. Brother quoted Kipling's "Captain and the Kings depart, still stands thine ancient sacrifice." Then we turned and leaving the sacred spot commenced our long journey back, to remember for all time the unveiling of the Menin Gate Memorial.

G. GRANSBY.



I SHOULD like to take this opportunity of wishing you all a very happy holiday, and every success, whether at home or at Brighton, and I do sincerely hope that we will all meet again at some future sports gathering either in London or the Provinces.

There will be a meeting of the *London Sports Club* on 4th October at 7 p.m. at the *Bungalow*, when Captain Fraser will take the chair. It is hoped that those wishing to join, and unable to be present at the meeting, will write to Miss Stacey before that date, remembering that all are welcome.

#### PRESENT CARE SPORTS

I think we are all sorry that the Saturday morning's sports at Headquarters have now come to an end, but it is hoped that the Telephonists who are still in training will join the forces on Tuesday evenings.

#### PRESENT CARE POINTS

20TH AUGUST		
T.B.		S.S.
1. Alexander .. 885	1. Marsden .. 745	
2. Tennison .. 840	2. Mathewman .. 730	
3. Johns .. 675	3. Wilkie .. 700	
4. Robinson .. 635	4. Riley .. 610	
5. H. Read .. 490	5. Calvert .. 535	
6. Peeling .. 190	6. Brewer .. 450	
7. Vaughan .. 150	7. Jarman .. 240	
8. Weedall .. 85	8. Inman .. 225	
9. Sheridan .. 20	9. Parke .. 195	
	10. Manning .. 90	
	11. Callaghan .. 55	
	12. Moore .. 40	

#### FOOTBALL

The Football Competition this term has been a well fought contest, in which the Spurs and Stormy Petrols have well earned their cups and medals. If the Rangers are at the bottom of the table, they at least have the consolation of being a great help to their fellow men.

McLean is to be congratulated on having scored the greatest number of goals in the T.B. section, while Jarman, by drawing the Queen of Clubs over the 5 and 6 of

Diamonds, wins the S.S. medal from Manning and Calvert.

#### FOOTBALL RESULTS

Team	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.
Spurs ..	6	2	2	59	46	14
Stormy Petrol ..	5	3	2	74	60	12
Merry Men ..	5	3	2	59	52	12
Wanderers ..	5	3	2	56	53	12
Taffies ..	3	4	3	59	59	9
Rangers ..	—	9	1	32	67	1

#### WINNING TEAMS

#### MEN WHO HAVE PLAYED IN THE WINNING TEAMS

Spurs	Stormy Petrol
Pimm	Gale
McLean	Kenward
Law	Johns
Callaghan	Calvert
Parsons	Raine
Riley	Brewer
Edwards	Summerfield
Read	
Mathewman	
Hallam	

#### GOAL SCORERS

T.B.	S.S.
McLean .. 14	Manning .. 16
Peach .. 12	Jarman .. 16
Johns .. 11	Calvert .. 16
Kenward .. 9	Brewer .. 15
Alexander .. 9	Marsden .. 14
Vaughan .. 8	Raine .. 12
Tennison .. 7	Parke .. 11
Robinson .. 7	Clarke .. 11
Read .. 7	Willcocks .. 10
Weedall .. 7	Riley .. 10
Gale .. 7	Miles .. 10
Batchelor .. 5	Callaghan .. 9
Pimm .. 4	Ruddock .. 9
Phillips .. 4	Mathewman .. 9
Gregory .. 4	Cook .. 9
Burridge .. 4	Inman .. 9
Fleming .. 3	Wilkie .. 5
Savory .. 2	Saunders .. 3
Day .. 2	Jones .. 3
Law .. 2	Moore .. 3
Hallam .. 1	Dunks .. 2
Summerfield .. 1	
Mullin .. 1	
Milligan .. 1	

#### AFTER CARE SPORTS

As so many sportsmen will be away during August, the After Care sports will be discontinued until 13th September, when they will be resumed until 27th

September—the conclusion of the summer term. The meeting on 4th October, mentioned before, will decide the future of our London sports.

The position of the leaders and runners-up have not varied much since last month. Everyone hangs on seriously to his points, and the slightest slip in the scoring is met with fierce disapproval!

#### POINTS

26TH JULY 1927		
1. Fleming .. 63½	9. Burran .. 22	
2. Deegan .. 62	10. Dixon .. 21½	
3. McSteel .. 52	11. Hughes .. 19	
4. McFarlane .. 44½	12. Henry .. 11	
5. Webster .. 44	13. G. Taylor .. 9	
6. Roden .. 44	14. Martin .. 9	
7. Scott .. 35	15. Lynch .. 4	
8. Prior .. 25		

#### ROWING

On 8th July, at 7 a.m., the Present Care rowed off their heats in the Single and Double Scull events on Regent's Park lake, and so decided who was to row at Putney, and although there were not many heats they were well contested.

Once again Mr. Hegarty and Bill (the boatman) acted as judge and starter.

#### REGATTA

Our Annual Regatta at Putney was held on Wednesday, 13th July, and although the day was dull and threatening, everyone was cheery and the racing good. It was a very full programme, and no one was allowed to be idle for long. Our old friend Gibson once again acted as starter, and got the boats away as no one else could. Captain Williams, Mr. Long (Thames Rowing Club) and Mr. Ransford had no easy task as judges; and the coxes were keen and in deadly earnest all the while. The Vesta and Thames Rowing Clubs were once again most kind in looking after our physical needs—they are indeed amongst St. Dunstan's greatest sporting allies. The well-known voices of many well-wishers could be heard gaily chatting on the banks—it was all these things that made the afternoon a success.

The judges commented on the great improvement in the rowing this year, and perhaps one of the best races was that rowed by Meighan and Downs in the one-armed pair. The event that naturally

aroused the greatest interest was the Open Fours, in which the "Present Care," London "After Care," Birmingham, and Manchester (Scratch) contested. London took the lead from the Present Care and held it to the finish, the latter rowing a really good race, doggedly hanging on, and leaving Birmingham and Manchester in the rear. The last-named proved themselves true sportsmen by sending a crew who had no opportunity of practice before the regatta. This event concluded the Inter-Club Sports Challenge Shield Competition for 1926-27 with a draw between London and Birmingham, and by winning the toss London holds the Shield for the first six months, and Birmingham the last.

The points for the year are:—

1. London	.. 10
2. Birmingham	.. 10
3. Manchester	.. 4

#### WORCESTER COLLEGE REGATTA

In the evening the usual jolly dinner (again efficiently arranged by Mr. Kessell, whose absence on a short vacation prevented his attending), which has become a feature of our annual Regatta Day, was held at the Connaught Rooms in Great Queen Street. A company of something over one hundred competitors, friends and helpers were present. Owing to the call of official and social duties, the President's chair was occupied successively by Captain Fraser, Sir Neville Pearson, and Lieut.-Col. Ball in the order named. The Loyal Toast having been honoured with the usual enthusiasm, Captain Fraser, in a short speech, offered welcome to all. The Regatta, he felt, had now become quite a feature of our sports calendar. He expressed the hope that as time went on and whatever changes the passage of years might bring, St. Dunstan's Regatta and the other sporting events which meant so much to all St. Dunstaners would maintain their popularity with competitors and public alike. Amid applause, Captain Fraser gave the assurance that the Council of St. Dunstan's would continue to do everything possible to foster not only the success of this special sporting fixture, but of any and every form of

athletic and other recreations which would serve to further cement the bonds of sportsmanship and comradeship which had contributed so much towards the success of the organisation, both in work and in play. After expressing his regrets that pressure of Parliamentary work prevented himself or Mrs. Fraser seeing through to the end what was always an enjoyable reunion, our Chairman, to a solo contributed by some unknown humorist of "We don't want to lose you, but we think you ought to go," gave place to Sir Neville Pearson.

During an interval the accomplished artistes most kindly brought along by our old friend, Mr. Mackey, viz., Miss Sylvia de Gay (Australian Violinist), Miss Helena Davies (Contralto), and Mr. Herbert Fryer (Pianoforte), entertained us right royally, and everyone regretted that the necessity of securing trains and 'buses home deprived us of the pleasure of enforcing many encores.

Then Sir Neville Pearson, from the chair, proposed the toast of the generous prize givers, viz. Dr. Bridges, Mr. Anglis, Mr. Gordon Brown, Captain Fraser, Mr. Long, The Constitutional Club per Mr. Frankeiss, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Huskisson, and Mr. Roden. He also thanked very sincerely the kindly helpers who had contributed so greatly to the success of the Regatta, and while he felt that it was difficult to particularise where so many had assisted, he felt special thanks were due to Mr. Leighton Boyce and Mr. Long, of the Vesta and Thames Rowing Clubs respectively, to Mr. Ransford, Mr. Frankeiss, Mr. Hollins, Mr. Jones, and Mr. Gibbs.

In responding to the toast, Mr. Leighton Boyce gave the sincere assurance that everything that he and his colleagues did was in the truest sense of the term "a labour of love." Incidentally, Mr. Leighton Boyce made the interesting suggestion that future Regattas might possibly include a race for the sisters who acted as coaches and coxes, an event which he was quite sure would arouse unbounded enthusiasm.

Later in the evening, and after Corporal-Major Tovell had announced the names of

the various prize winners, Lieut.-Col. Ball, who had then succeeded Sir Neville Pearson in the chair, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Mackey and the artistes who had made such a welcome accession to the evening's enjoyment.

The gathering concluded with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and the National Anthem.

(The full results of the racing appear on the opposite page.)

The fine poem we print below is taken from the *Radio Times* by kind permission of the Editor of that always interesting paper:—

#### THE BLIND SET FREE

That evening it was our desire  
To sit and talk around the fire;  
Loving the flame that lit each face  
At instants, into time and place.  
And you could hear us jest and laugh  
Over some ancient photograph;  
You had to sit and hear us say  
How sweet the sunshine was to-day,  
And how it painted all the old  
Grey walls with tender rose and gold;  
And that the spring would surely make  
Those lingering green buds awake  
Beside the river; then, how bright  
Was that imperial gleam of white  
And purple crocus in the grass.  
How deep the dark old window-glass  
Still dyed the church floor! And we said  
We liked that last new book we read;  
This watercolour we had bought  
Would just hang over there, we thought.  
And—should we go and have one peep  
At Baby, now she was asleep?  
I wonder what was in your mind  
Who listened to us, being blind. . .

And then (our thoughts had not quite gone)  
Somebody switched the wireless on,  
and made us, one and all, embark  
Upon your ocean of the Dark.

At "London calling," you were free  
Of the wide realms of minstrelsy;  
The whole world's music-makers gave  
Themselves to light your living grave;  
And friendly voices from the night  
To you, without the need of sight,  
Brought news and greeting, laughter, song.

And these to all of us belong—  
We, blind in this republic too,  
Made equal citizens with you.

Morwenna R. Lyne.

Never say die;  
Up man and try!

### REGATTA RESULTS

EVENT	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD	FOURTH	
Single Sculls : Present Boys (T.B.) Cox .. .. .	Robinson Miss Fairclough	Johns Miss Stevens	Hallam Miss Bennett	—	1 Length
Single Sculls : Old Boys (T.B.) .. Cox .. .. .	Nuyens Miss Bennett	Winter Miss Morris	Webster Miss Hodgson	—	1 Length
Single Sculls : Present Boys (S.S.) Cox .. .. .	Inman Miss Toller	Riley Miss Woolrych	Jones Miss Drury	—	3 Lengths
Single Sculls : Old Boys (S.S.) .. Cox .. .. .	Ballard Miss Stevens	Treby Miss Fairclough	MacSteel Miss Toller	—	1 Length ½ Length
Double Sculls : Present Boys .. Cox .. .. .	Clover Walden Miss Barrow	Riley Johns Miss Stacey	Jones Gale Miss Stein	—	¼ Length
Double Sculls : Old Boys .. .. Cox .. .. .	Milligan Roden Miss Barrow	Parrick Williams Miss Woolrych	Taylor Winter Miss Nelson	—	2 Lengths
Pair Oars .. .. Cox .. .. .	Fleming McFarlane Miss Morris	Alexander Parke Miss Hodson	Scott Thompson Miss Woolrych	—	2 Lengths 1 Length
Single Sculls : Veterans .. .. Cox .. .. .	Crook Miss Fairclough	Bayer Miss Forster	Bentley Miss Bennett	—	4 Lengths
One Armed Pairs .. Cox .. .. .	Downs Meighan Miss Woolrych	Young Stratful Miss Nelson	Raine Pimm Miss Stacey	—	¼ Length
Open Fours .. .. Cox .. .. .	London W. Scott Fleming McFarlane Thompson Miss Stein	Present Cove Wilkie Alexander Parke McLean Miss Stacey	Birmingham Ballard Trott Dennick Street Miss Hodgson	Manchester J. Robinson W. Robinson T. Milner Chambers Miss Morris	1 Length 3 Lengths

I. Corns, late of Great Yarmouth, asks us to state that, through unforeseen circumstances, he will not be sailing for Australia for some indefinite period. He thanks his many friends for their good wishes, and if and when he eventually goes, he has promised to send along a report of what is sure to be a very interesting journey.

Old friends of Mr. W. M. Jones, of Nantymoel, Glamorganshire, who was in training in 1920, but recovered a useful

degree of sight in 1922, will be interested to hear that he was married at Hope Chapel, Bridgend, to Miss Evelyn E. Lewis, of Swansea, on 10th August. He wishes all his old St. Dunstan's friends to hear of the event, but feels that to write to them all personally would be more than he could manage.

Greatness comes only to those who seek not how to avoid obstacles, but to overcome them.



## News from the Workshops

### MATS

E. Callaghan, after some difficulties at the beginning, is now showing considerable improvement with his work; his placing of thrums and cutting is getting quite good, but he still finds a little difficulty with the bordering. W. Raine has done some exceptionally good work, including figured and lettered mats. L. W. Calvert has also gained quite a useful knowledge of the work in a comparatively short time. Both these men got through their Poultry Joinery Course quite rapidly, and we wish them every success at King's Langley next term. J. Batchelor has also continued to advance well; both plain mats and five-diamonds have reached a very high standard. E. C. F. Brewer has made good progress; his placing of thrums is good, but he wants to keep an eye to his cutting and bordering. One No. 4 mat made in July was a very good piece of work. T. S. Burrige has been advancing quite steadily, getting particularly good results with his bordering.

### BASKETS

A. W. Pimm has been doing exceptionally well with teapot stands and trays, though he found some difficulty with shaped baskets. We are sorry that he has not been able to attend since the early part of July. J. Hastings has been well enough to put in a good spell this term, and has made a steady improvement, doing varied work. E. E. Kenward has been doing trays, barrels, &c., also fruit baskets and waste papers. His standard of work is very regular but he still finds a little difficulty with finishing. T. Gregory spent a large part of his concluding months on oval work, and also had some experience with making bushel baskets and general repairs. He has certainly done better than we expected. J. Bullock is a neat workman and takes keen interest. The careful attention he gives enables him to reach a very good standard quite soon on everything he touches. G. W. Savoury has completed his course and got through a very useful amount of work during the whole of the term. W. H. O.

## A Home-made Loud Speaker

We have received from J. Levett, of Worthing, the following interesting particulars of his loud speaker, to which reference was made in the May number of ST. DUNSTAN'S REVIEW, which he made himself. He writes:—

"The amount of paper required for a pleated loud speaker is about 12 feet. This can be either cartridge paper or a good wallpaper. This must be pleated evenly (the pleat should not be more than half an inch), and then pulled round as tightly as possible until the pleats completely meet in the centre, so that no hole is visible. The two ends should then be stuck together. This, it will be found, is the most difficult part of the making of this type of speaker. Next must be purchased an ebonite bush for the centre, with two ebonite plates which screw on back and front, leaving the centre hollow. Through this is passed the reed in the earphone. I next made an oak picture frame, 18 inches square, and in this, in place of the usual glass, I obtained a piece of three-ply wood and had a hole cut 15 inches in diameter. I then laid my pleated diaphragm on this piece of wood in the frame. (Perhaps I should mention here that the width of paper should be about ten inches.) If wider it does not matter, as this can be trimmed off to fit frame.) "The back" can then be filled in with either another piece of three-ply or a piece of cardboard with a hole the same diameter. The whole is then screwed together and fastened in the frame. Now fix a piece of wood wide enough to hold your earphone in the centre of the frame at the back from side to side, or from top to bottom, and bore a hole through this piece of wood in the centre and perfectly level with the tubing through the pleated diaphragm. Through this hole and through the tubing insert the reed. At the end of the reed will be found a nut. Screw this up tightly to the plate on the front of the diaphragm. This will then hold the earphone in place at the back of the frame. The pleated diaphragm can then be painted and the frame stained. I decorated the centre of mine with gold paint, and stained the

## Netting Notes

The Netting Room feels it must wear a large feather in its cap because "The Spurs," all members of the Netting Room, with A. Pimm (Captain), D. Maclean, F. Matthewman, H. B. Read, E. Callaghan, and W. B. Riley, won the coveted football cup this year.

Not content with this, the "Stormy Petrels" (also netters), with H. Gale (Captain), W. Raine, P. Johns, L. Calvert, E. Brewer, E. Kennard, and B. Jones (who was substituted at one time) were the runners up and received medals.

We also did well at the Regatta, E. Alexander, P. Johns, and W. Riley winning two cups; D. Maclean, a cup, and E. Parke, one of our old netters, winning two.

Of course we were most excited about it and feel it was all due to the splendid training they have in the Netting Room which teaches the men always to keep their eye on the ball and to enjoy bullseyes when they can!

We congratulate F. Reynolds and E. Millis, who have both passed their string bag tests and received certificates.

W. H. Manning and F. Marsden have made two very nice rugs. A. Hughes began his first rug, but had to stop to devote all his time to baskets.

Congratulations are also due to W. Raine who has finished his netting course and become a first-class netter.

All the men have worked well this term, and we wish them very happy holidays at the end of the month, though we shall feel desolate without them.

## Braille Notes

We heartily congratulate H. J. Fleming, W. B. Riley, W. Hallam, H. B. Read, E. Bartlett, W. Ruddock, G. Richardson, H. Gale, and Captain Hurst on passing their Reading Test.

Also W. A. Muggerridge on passing the Writing Test.

## Typewriting Notes

Many congratulations to F. Mathewman, T. Vaughan, H. V. Read, E. Marsden, T. Jarman, W. H. Reid, and H. J. Edwards on passing their Typewriting Test. M. H. R.

frame dark oak. The best earphone to use is an Army type—Browns'—or it can be done with a Lissenolia with a reed attachment. I was fortunate enough to obtain a Browns' earphone for 12s. 6d., and the other parts cost only five shillings, as I used wall paper, which is just as effective as any other."

We congratulate Levett on his painstaking ingenuity. No doubt many of our other St. Dunstaners will soon be adding this style of loud speaker to their wireless apparatus.

## Inner Circle Run

11TH AUGUST, 7 p.m.

The traffic was diverted, a crowd gathered by the Quarter Mile road, and the Present Care lined up for their 5 furlong run round the Inner Circle—8 competitors toed the line (S.S. men being bandaged), and, with a word from Matron, they were soon out of sight round the bend. The lead was taken by that greyhound Alexander, but he was relieved of this privilege when half round the course, and Mathewman was seen running in good style and finishing in 3 min. 2 sec., followed 5 secs. later by Riley with Alexander third.

The prizes were presented by Matron in the Lounge directly after the race—the first three prizes being given by St. Dunstan's, the fourth and fifth "produced" by Matron, and a consolation for the last man by Mr. "H."

The success of the evening was certainly due to Matron for acting as starter and prize-giver, to the time-keepers, Mr. Arthur Jones and Mr. Winter, and the escorts from the Polytechnic Harriers, to all of whom we are truly grateful.

Order	Name	Escort	Time	
			m	s
1.	Mathewman	Mr. Echart	3	2
2.	Riley	" Coulter	3	7
3.	Alexander	" Picton	3	23
4.	Inman	" Chinn	3	34
5.	Marsden	" Barnes	3	45
6.	Hallam	" Addis	3	46
7.	Clover	" Long	3	50
8.	Johns	" Martin	4	0

G. J. S.

### Brighton News

Once more we thank the well-known benefactor, Councillor E. D. Stafford, for the interest he still takes in St. Dunstan's, as was evidenced by his invitation to all the boys in our Annexe on Monday, 25th July. A party, including Matron, Assistant Matron, V.A.D.'s, men and a number of their wives, was escorted by members of the Brighton and Hove Rotary Club in a fleet of motor cars, under the direction of Rotarian H. L. Smith, to the grounds of the "Villa Adastra," Mr. Stafford's beautiful country house at Hassocks. On arrival, Mr. and Mrs. Stafford received their guests with a cordial welcome, dispensing chocolates, cigarettes and cigars, after which parties were escorted through the delightful gardens, just now heavy with the scent of flowers, which the boys thoroughly appreciated.

Later, Miss Stafford, with her helpers, served tea on the lawns, which was followed by an entertainment given by Mr. M. Law, at the piano, and Mr. Roy Comber, assisting with humorous numbers. Needless to remark, this entertainment was enjoyed to the full by the boys.

Everyone returned full of appreciation of the kindness shown by Councillor and Mrs. Stafford, and all those who so kindly helped to make the afternoon so great a success.

Notwithstanding the fact that King Sol did not honour us with his presence during the Bank Holiday, this did not affect the real holiday spirit of our boys at the Brighton Annexe. There were plenty of indoor amusements—dancing, dominoes, bridge and solo parties were to the fore, and proved as alluring as ever. On Sunday night we had a very fine concert, among the artistes being Miss Adams (harp) and Miss Palmer (violin), both of whom gave us some delightful music, in addition to which were some of our boys, who contributed songs, grave and gay, together with some good monologues.

The big dance on Monday evening, which was a great success, rounded off a very pleasant holiday, and one felt that

the boys would return home with bright recollections of the August Bank Holiday of 1927, in spite of the inclemency of the weather.

OBSERVER.

We have received an interesting cutting giving a report of the Birmingham "Mercury" walk held on Saturday, 6th August, in which our St. Dunstaner walker, W. Trott, gained eighth place. The walk was from Nottingham to Birmingham, a distance of fifty-five miles. Thirty-five competitors finished the course, the winner's time being 9hrs. 36 mins. 57 secs. The excellent time put up by Trott was 9 hrs. 54 mins. 28 secs., and he came "home" only 7 mins. 55 secs. behind E. C. Horton, the famous Surrey walker, who came in third. We congratulate Trott on this splendid finish, especially as he had to stop four times during the race owing to leg trouble. He has won a gold Team Medal and was also presented with a case of beautiful fruit knives. He tells us that he is now training hard for the Birmingham St. Dunstan's Walk, which takes place on 27th August. We wish him the best of luck.

### Sports Camps

We much regret that the necessity to condense two months' news into one issue prevents our printing the interesting and detailed reports of the Holiday Sports Camps at Stratford and Gaddesden sent us by Miss Hodgson. All will be glad to know, however, that they were a great success.

### FOR SALE

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### Essex Re-union

It can quite safely be asserted that of the many and various duties shouldered by the Superintendent of St. Dunstan's After-Care Organisation he finds perhaps the most pleasure of all in the gatherings throughout the country which brings him into touch with so many St. Dunstaners and their families. A pretty addition to the welcome he always receives at these meetings was in evidence at Colchester on 27th July, where he was presented with a beautiful bouquet of roses, which were grown in her father's garden, by Baby Treby.

The meeting generally was a most successful one, about ninety sitting down to the excellent tea provided. Following Mr. Swain's address, a vote of thanks was proposed by H. T. Mummery and seconded by B. Varley.

Another very pleasant feature of these reunions is the opportunities they provide of meeting old friends and helpers. Thus all were delighted to see Mrs. Broughton, Miss Davis, and Miss McCall once again, while another ever-cheery friend of St. Dunstan's, "Mr. H.," arrived during the afternoon. After tea there was dancing to a jazz band, and competitions and games galore. The contents of Miss Davis's mystery parcel, which, among many other "useful things," contained a bottle of beer, were most accurately forecast, and therefore won, by W. Woodcock. The bean bag competitions, the prizes being a lady's umbrella and a silver mounted walking stick, were won by Mrs. Stacey and J. D. Cockerill respectively. Mrs. Broughton devised and carried out some splendid competitions for the children, and Miss McCall organised a "guessing by scent" contest, which proved very popular.

### Births

BROWN.—On the 23rd of July, to the wife of J. R. Brown, of Nuneaton, a daughter.  
COTTRELL.—To the wife of P. J. Cottrell, of Theale, a daughter (Margaret Crawford Ruggier), on the 9th of June.

FLEMING.—To Mrs. Fleming, of Isleworth, on the 14th of July, a daughter (Annie).  
HOWARTH.—To the wife of W. Howarth, of Frimley Green, a daughter, on the 2nd of July.  
LINCOLN.—To Mrs. Lincoln, of Sheffield, a son, on the 15th of July.  
MACFARLANE.—On Saturday, the 9th of July, a son, to the wife of J. Macfarlane, of Kilburn.  
MILLER.—On the 28th of May, a son (Henry Charles), to the wife of H. Miller, of Notting Hill.  
POPPLE.—On the 10th of June, to the wife of R. Popple, of Llandebie, a son.  
SPACKMAN.—To the wife of Spackman, of Debenham, a son (Victor Vivian Ernest), on the 15th June. (This is Spackman's thirteenth child; eleven are living.)

### Deaths

This month we have to offer sympathy to:—

E. Fearn, of Donisthorpe, whose father died suddenly on the 22nd of July.

J. McCarthy, of Poplar, who lost his sister on the 8th of July after a long and trying illness. The funeral took place on the 13th day of July.

### The Prince at Kendal

We have received some interesting details of the recent visit of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales to Kendal, and the part taken by a St. Dunstaner, J. W. Cookson, in the reception. Immediately on arriving in Kendal, the Prince's first act was to deposit a wreath of Flanders poppies on the Kendal War Memorial. This wreath was placed in charge of Cookson, with whom the Prince chatted for a few moments, inquiring what Cookson's regiment was, whether he had been to St. Dunstan's, and the work he had learned there. He expressed his interest in hearing that Cookson was the telephone operator to the Provincial Insurance Company, and shook hands both with him and his pilot, a cadet of the St. John's Ambulance Brigade.

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