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THE KING'S PATRONAGE

HIS MAJESTY THE KING has been graciously pleased to grant his Patronage to St. Dunstan's for War-blinded Soldiers, Sailors and Airmen.

All St. Dunstaners will rejoice at this news, which was contained in a letter sent to the President on 6th April. A communication has been sent to His Majesty expressing deep appreciation of the honour which has been conferred upon our organization.

We feel sure we shall be expressing the views of all St. Dunstaners and their families when we say that all share in this honour and when we record our thanks to the King for granting us his Patronage, and for his great interest in our welfare over so many years.

CHAIRMAN'S NOTES

ABOUT the middle of last month I spent three days in Berlin, as the guest of the German War Victims Care Association. This is the principal ex-service organization in Germany, though it is not quite the counterpart to the British Legion, for it is composed solely of men who were wounded and of widows and orphans. The Blinded Soldiers' Care Association is a section of this general organization.

I had been invited to attend their "Remembrance" Day Celebrations which always take place in the spring of the year, and also to go to the Opening of a new Blinded Soldiers' "House" in Berlin. This is a combination of Headquarters Office, Library, Lounge and Club Room. The Heads of the Polish, Italian and French Blinded Soldiers' Organizations were also invited.

The "Remembrance" Celebrations were in two parts—first there was a great assembly in the Opera House, which holds four to five thousand people. Representative ex-service men were there as well as Generals, Admirals and Members of the various Nazi Organizations. The overwhelming majority of the whole audience were in uniform. An orchestra played, a political speech was made, and a Minute's Silence was observed. When Herr Hitler entered everybody rose to their feet and gave him the Nazi Salute, after which the National Anthem of Germany—"Deutschland Über Alles," the Nazi Party Song, and an old soldier song called "I have a Good Comrade" were sung. We then went to a big Square where the War Memorial is situated. Herr Hitler was the only person who laid a wreath. He then took the salute from some very smart contingents of the German Army, Navy and Air Force. The ex-servicemen did not march by or lay wreaths as they do in England. After this the foreign guests were presented to Herr Hitler, who shook hands with us, but did not speak.

The next day we went to the War Memorial and laid wreaths upon it. My wreath was inscribed "In Memory of the Germans who Fell in the Great War, from British Blinded Soldiers, Sailors and Airmen." We then proceeded to the formal opening of the House, where a Member of the Council of the Nazi Party, acting for Herr Hitler, performed the ceremony.

The friends I made in Germany will not mind my informing my readers that all the speeches that were made at the Remembrance Celebrations and at the ex-servicemen's Meetings which we attended and at the Opening of the Blinded Soldiers' House, were of a political nature. They take this for granted in Germany, for all the organizations are themselves political. My speeches were the only ones that were strictly non-political, for I followed the practice we adopt here in England in regard to ex-service matters.

It will be remembered that at the British Legion Annual Conference last year His Majesty The King, then Prince of Wales, said he approved of the idea that ex-service men in England should get in touch with those in Germany. We at St. Dunstan's thought this was more the job of the British Legion than ours, but when the invitation came to me this year, this was the reason why I accepted. I hope these missions of good will do something towards promoting friendship between our two countries.

Of course I took the opportunity of hearing all I could about the German Blinded Soldiers' Organization. I learnt that there are about 3,600 German blinded soldiers. About ninety of them are employed in ordinary sighted factories doing routine work—serving machines, stripping tobacco leaf, feeding screw-making machines, packing soap, winding electrical apparatus, etc. There are about twelve masseurs, and about fifty telephone operators. Then there are three or four hundred employed in workshops or in their own homes making baskets and brushes. I did not hear of any poultry-farmers, or joiners, or netters, or boot-repairers or shopkeepers. Nor have they the same arrangements as ours for the provision of wireless or the Talking Book, Braille or games. They have two Homes, one in the country in the mountains, and one near the sea, where men may pay a small sum to go for a holiday or a period of convalescence.

I have undertaken to exchange information from time to time with Dr. Plein, himself a war-blinded German and the head of the organization. Dr. Plein is a lawyer and a magistrate, and a very competent leader.

I met many other blinded Germans and talked to them, and they seemed to be contented and fit and well. Out of the 3,600 total about 1,500 have guide dogs. Those who live in the country use them a great deal, but they are not now using them much in the towns. Five years ago we saw many dogs in Berlin; we saw none being used as guides this time.

I delivered the good wishes of St. Dunstaners to our German friends, and they asked me to return theirs.

I express my sincere thanks to my hosts, and to the many courteous friends I made who told me about affairs in Germany.

IAN FRASER.

St. Dunstan's at the Ideal Home Exhibition

A GAIN this year we had a stand at the *Daily Mail* Ideal Home Exhibition at Olympia which has just ended.

The Exhibition was opened on March 24th by Sir Kingsley Wood, M.P., Minister of Health, and he paid a special visit to St. Dunstan's stand, where he was received by Captain Sir Ian Fraser.

He stopped and spoke to W. Birchall, who was demonstrating joinery, and as ex-Postmaster-General had a special word for V. H. Frampton, who was operating the 50-line switchboard. When he left

him, he said: "Carry on with the good work, and good luck." He also spent some time in the boot-repairing section.

More Freak Hyacinths

WE mentioned in last month's REVIEW a hyacinth bulb which had produced "floral triplets." Now we hear that some bulbs sent from Headquarters to T. H. Tuxford, of Redditch, have also had surprising results. He says that his hyacinth bulbs have produced two sets of twins. In each case the plants were grown in water. The bulbs he planted in fibre are all single-bloom plants.

Our 21st Anniversary

MANY messages of congratulation reached us on March 26th, when we attained our 21st birthday. First to arrive was a telegram to Sir Ian Fraser from our President, Lady (Arthur) Pearson. This was as follows:

Upon the 21st anniversary of the inception of St. Dunstan's may I, as President, offer an expression of my deep appreciation and congratulation to you as Chairman, to our Council, and to all who have so faithfully given their support and service towards the fulfilment of the wishes of our founder, Sir Arthur Pearson, for the re-education of and reinstatement of happiness in all who were blinded in the War, and also that they may, throughout their lives, have the opportunity to appreciate and enjoy the privileges of St. Dunstan's.

ETHEL PEARSON.

Sir Ian sent the following reply to Lady Pearson:

All at St. Dunstan's thank you very much indeed for your charming message. We greatly appreciate your devoted interest in our welfare.

IAN FRASER.

Lady (Arthur) Pearson's message was at once transmitted to Brighton and to the Scottish Reunion at Glasgow.

C. Durkin, of Putney, wrote to Sir Ian:

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN,

On the occasion of the coming of age of St. Dunstan's may I wish your good self, Lady Fraser, the Council and the Staff many happy returns of the day and at the same time express my deep appreciation and thanks for all St. Dunstan's has meant to me and my colleagues who were blinded during the war. It is a very pleasant thought which takes one back to the really good times we all had when residing in St. Dunstan's proper and the many pleasant opportunities of reunions we have had since those days. The training received at St. Dunstan's has helped us all to face life from a better angle and has helped in a great measure to make some of our difficulties non-existent. As Chairman you have seen nearly fifteen years of hard and strenuous service, and I feel it is due to your tact and sportsmanship that such wonderful results have been achieved. May you live long to continue [your great work on our behalf, is the most sincere wish of

Yours respectfully,

C. DURKIN.

And those good friends of St. Dunstan's, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Skottowe, telegraphed:

Heartiest congratulations to St. Dunstan's on "coming of age" and best wishes to you and all St. Dunstaners.

From Mr. and Mrs. SKOTTOWE.

THE Press throughout the country paid tribute to St. Dunstan's on its "coming-of-age." The following are typical extracts:—

From *The Times*:

St. Dunstan's "comes of age" to-morrow. Founded by the late Sir Arthur Pearson, it began its work on March 26th, 1915, at the house called "St. Dunstan's" in the Outer Circle of Regent's Park, with 16 war-blinded patients. . . .

Sir Arthur Pearson's main idea was to establish a hostel for blinded soldiers where the men could "learn to be blind." He did not intend St. Dunstan's to be an "institution" to house war-blinded men, but a centre to teach them how to resume their places in civil life and, as far as possible, overcome their handicap of loss of sight. He called his ideal "Victory over Blindness," and after 21 years it seems that in the vast majority of cases the victory has been achieved.

From the *Evening News*:

Nearly 2,000 war-blinded soldiers will quietly celebrate to-morrow the "coming-of-age" of St. Dunstan's, and the part it has played in realizing its slogan, "Victory over Blindness."

For, thanks to St. Dunstan's, practically every soldier blinded during the war, whose health now permits it, is employed in some useful occupation. . . .

Sir Ian Fraser, "the blind M.P." and Chairman of St. Dunstan's, told me something of the progress they have made. "At least 60 per cent of the 2,000 war-blinded soldiers in our care are now engaged in some professional handicraft. We have had fifteen new cases in the last two years—men who have lost their sight as a result of mustard gas."

From the *Glasgow Herald*:

To-morrow St. Dunstan's comes of age, and the famous organization for the assistance of war-blinded men can look back on 21 years of invaluable work. Beginning with 16 blinded soldiers in 1915, St. Dunstan's has steadily grown until to-day about 2,000 men are active members of its organization.

The Leader wrote:

St. Dunstan's, beloved of the blind, birth-place of renewed hope for hundreds who have been taught to "see with their hands," comes of age this month. How the institution started and what it is doing is described in this article by Herbert Collings: . . .

A long article followed and in conclusion the author wrote:—

On Thursday next when war-blinded men all the world over honour the toast of "St. Dunstan's," those among them who remember how the "old school" came into being, will add, "And to the memory of Sir Arthur Pearson, the blind man who taught us how to be blind—and in our own way happy in our blindness."

"In Memory"

Private ANDREW HIGHT
(17th Highland Light Infantry)

It is with deep regret that we have to report the death of another of our Scotsmen—Andrew Hight, of Stewarton, Ayrshire. Wounded on the Somme in 1916 he not only lost his sight but was wounded in the right arm.

Training as a poultry farmer and basketmaker he took up the former occupation very energetically and continued to carry on with it up to his last illness. In fact he had attended to his birds on the day he was taken suddenly ill—he died three days afterwards, on the 4th March.

Amongst the floral tributes was a wreath from Sir Ian Fraser and his comrades in the form of a St. Dunstan's Badge.

Hight was a single man and we extend our sincerest sympathy to his family.

SAMUEL HOLMES
(92nd Squadron, Royal Air Force)

We very much regret to announce the death of another of our Irish St. Dunstaners—S. Holmes of Belfast.

Although he served in France, it was not until 1919 that Holmes came to St. Dunstan's. He was at the Ilkley Annexe before he improved in health and came to London to take up serious training. He left us in 1922, fully trained as a joiner, at which he was a first-class workman. He continued with this employment right up to a short time before his death. He was taken suddenly ill, and after only a few hours died on Sunday morning, the 9th February. Mr. Macauley was able to reach him just before his death.

A wreath from Sir Ian and his comrades at St. Dunstan's was sent, and some of the Belfast St. Dunstaners attended the funeral.

We tender our sincerest sympathy to Mrs. Holmes and family in their great loss.

(It is regretted that this notice was unavoidably held over from last month's REVIEW.)

Births

COLLEY.—To the wife of J. M. Colley, of Luton, on the 23rd March, a son.

DIMOND.—To the wife of W. Dimond, of Ashurst Wood, East Grinstead, on the 11th March, a son.

OLLINGTON.—To the wife of H. C. Ollington, of Earlsfield, on the 31st March, a daughter.

SAYERS.—To the wife of E. Sayers, of Upper Harbledown, on the 18th March, a daughter.

Deaths

We extend our sincere sympathy this month to the following:—

CASTLE.—To W. Castle, of Birmingham, and his wife, whose little daughter, Avis, died on the 2nd April, at the age of seven.

MCDONALD.—To the wife of N. McDonald, of Glasgow, who has suffered a double loss by the death of her mother on the 25th January and of her father only three weeks later.

MOORE.—To W. Moore, of Southport, and his wife, who lost their little son, George, on the 12th March.

VERNON.—To J. Vernon, of Rugeley, Staffs., whose wife passed away on the 16th March.

VORLEY.—To P. Vorley, of Brighton, who lost his mother on the morning of 3rd April.

Marriage

GRIFFIN-VOULTER.—On the 18th April, at St. George's Church, Hornsey, C. Griffin, of New Southgate, to Miss Gladys E. Voulter.

Personal

Mrs. F. M. Hillier, and Dorothy, sincerely thank all their friends for their kindly sympathy in their recent loss.

Death of Colonel B. N. Anley

THOSE early St. Dunstaners who knew him personally will learn with the deepest regret of the death of Colonel B. Nethercote Anley. By his passing, St. Dunstan's has lost one of its oldest and best friends.

Colonel Anley took the keenest interest in men who were blinded in the War, and in the far-off Cheltenham days, he was a regular visitor at the Annexe. There he would read to our men, go out with them, and help them in numberless ways.

Until his death at the advanced age of 92—he died, in fact, just one month before his 93rd birthday—he was in closest touch with St. Dunstan's. He had kept up a correspondence with many individual men, and though Cheltenham is a thing of the past now, he never lost interest in the welfare of our men. His thoughts and good wishes were always with them.

The Late Lord Beatty

ALL St. Dunstaners must have heard with the deepest regret of the death of Admiral of the Fleet Earl Beatty.

On behalf of the war-blinded men of the Empire, a wreath in the form of St. Dunstan's badge was sent "In deepest sympathy from Captain Sir Ian Fraser and the war-blinded men of St. Dunstan's."

Reunion Meetings.

THE 1936 Reunions have begun, and meetings have already taken place at Leeds, Ashford, Bedford, Glasgow, and Exeter, in that order. The Reunions were arranged this year to avoid the winter months.

Captain Sir Ian Fraser and Lady Fraser were unable to be present at these meetings, but messages of greeting from them were read by Mr. Ottaway, who presided.

At Bedford, a guest of honour was Colonel L. S. Fenton, who is Vice-President of the British Legion for the County of Bedfordshire, and at Exeter, Brigadier-General E. R. Fitzpatrick, C.B.E., D.S.O., a member of the Executive Council of the British Legion and Honorary Treasurer for the South-Western Area, was present and addressed the guests after luncheon. At Exeter, too, we welcomed Colonel G. L. Thornton, of the Ministry of Pensions, already well known to many men in the Devon and Cornwall area.

The Glasgow Reunion, by a happy chance, fell on our 21st anniversary and with Sir Ian's telegram of greeting came the birthday message of good wishes from Lady (Arthur) Pearson.

A feature at all meetings was a demonstration of the Talking Book by H.V. Kerr, from Headquarters.

SOME PRESS REPORTS

From the "Yorkshire Evening Post":

"As the years go by, I am more than ever impressed with your courage and cheerfulness, and the good heart with which you make the best of things."

This tribute by Sir Ian Fraser, the blind M.P., to Yorkshire heroes who lost their sight in the War, was read at a reunion luncheon for 'old boys' of St. Dunstan's at Powolny's Restaurant, Leeds, this afternoon.

The tribute is well deserved. These men have overcome the terrible handicap of blindness, and to-day they are supporting wives and families with the businesses which they were taught to run during their training at St. Dunstan's.

The men were accompanied by their wives, and to them, too, Sir Ian paid tribute. His message continued, "I send special wishes and thanks to all our wives for the loving care they give us."

This is the coming-of-age year of St. Dunstan's and over 100 'old boys' from various parts of Yorkshire attended the Reunion luncheon. They had all left their work for the day to meet again the men they lived with at St. Dunstan's while they were being fitted to take their place in life again after having lost their sight.

From the "Glasgow Evening Citizen":

One of the happiest gatherings I have attended for a long time was the reunion of war-blinded Scots ex-servicemen held in Glasgow yesterday on the 21st anniversary of St. Dunstan's. There were about seventy guests, including the wives of the blind ex-Tommies, and never once did I hear a word about the woes of the blind. Sergeant Watt, who lost his sight twenty years ago, kept the company laughing heartily with his funny stories at the reunion luncheon, and afterwards everyone adjourned to a room for war-time reminiscences and a little dancing.

AN APPRECIATION

THE following letter was sent to the Editor by a St. Dunstaner who wishes to remain anonymous because, he says, "I feel sure these will be the thoughts of all my St. Dunstan's comrades."

We know that he speaks for all St. Dunstaners, and it gave us the greatest pleasure to have his letter.

I am writing you to say how deeply I appreciate the privilege of being able to be present at our Reunion which was held at Leeds on Thursday, March 5th, for all St. Dunstan's men living in Yorkshire. I say this with real sincerity. The opportunities of meeting old friends and comrades mean more to me than I can possibly express. They breathe the spirit which has always marked St. Dunstan's since its inception by its beloved leader, Sir Arthur Pearson. This spirit has not declined under his successor, Sir Ian. To him and Lady Fraser and the officials I offer the grateful thanks of all St. Dunstaners.

NOTTINGHAM REUNION

It has been found necessary to change the meeting place of the Nottingham Reunion on May 22nd. This will now be at the Victoria Dance Hall, St. Ann's Well Road, and not at the Albert Hall Institute as announced last month.

Don't Forget—

your Derby Sweepstake tickets. Closing date: Monday, May 18th.

The draw will be made in the Lounge at Headquarters by two Section B men, on the afternoon of Thursday, May 21st. Holders of tickets drawing horses will be notified on Friday, May 22nd.

Tickets: 2s. 6d. each.

Holiday Apartments

BLACKPOOL.

Apartments. Board optional. Five minutes from sea; pleasant situation. Mrs. S. Evans, 32 Eastbourne Road, Highfield Road, South Shore, Blackpool.

Letters to the Editor

UNDER THREE REIGNS.

THE EDITOR,
DEAR SIR,

I see that G. F. Smith has written to you saying that he had served under three Sovereigns, and you want to know if any other St. Dunstaner has that distinction. I, for one, can join him. I served under Queen Victoria and King Edward VII, from 1892 until 1908, and under King George, from 1915 until 1917.

I wonder if there are many St. Dunstaners who enlisted before 1892?

Yours faithfully,
LIVERPOOL. W. WEEDALL.

THE EDITOR,
DEAR SIR,

The world and things in general travel so quickly these days that there is a marked inclination on the part of all and sundry to exaggerate quite commonplace things into records.

We who have served in three reigns are not yet trolling an aged foot to the boneyard. I enlisted as a man in January 1901, was present at the coronation of King Edward Seventh, shook a humble bayonet in the great fiasco, and am now only fifty-one years of age and one month.

If it is records one seeks how about this? Our present King ("God bless him") is the first British King to ascend the throne with war medals on his chest earned as an active participant in his country's wars, and probably the only reigning monarch so decorated.

Yours faithfully,
A. KNIGHT.

THE EDITOR,
DEAR SIR,

"Daddy" Anderson, late of Cardiff, has had thirty years in the Merchant Service—that is, under three reigns, and is still going strong. He went through the three Canals in three months during the War, and was blown up three times in mid-ocean, and a fourth time by a 'bus at Brighton! Is this a record for a man who is 72 next birthday?

Yours faithfully,
CORNWALL. E. J. BURLEY.

THE EDITOR,
DEAR SIR,

My husband, A. Lilley, has served under three reigns. He fought in the South African War during Queen Victoria's reign, in India during King Edward's reign, and in a North-West Frontier Expedition and during the Great War in King George's reign.

I think he can also claim to be one of England's youngest soldiers to see actual service. He was not fourteen years when he went to Africa in November, 1900. He was fifty years old on March 6th last. His South African medal is engraved "Boy Lilley."

Yours faithfully,
ACOCKS GREEN. A. LILLEY.

[We have received many other letters on this subject which we hope to be able to publish next month. Ed.]

Miss McCall's Marriage

MISS EVA McCALL is to be married on April 22nd at the Parish Church, Hampstead, to Mr. Charles E. Hodson.

Miss McCall is a very old friend of St. Dunstan's, but it is in connection with her work for the Music Department that we know her best. She has taught singing there for many years now, and the wonderful success of the St. Dunstan's Singers is almost entirely due to her. She formed the choir in 1922 and has been its trainer and conductor ever since.

Her pupils, past and present, remembering the great pleasure and interest they derived from her teaching, will join in wishing her every happiness.

We are very glad indeed to say that Miss McCall hopes to continue her invaluable work with the Singers.

Result of Christmas Competition

THERE were nearly two hundred entries from the British Isles in Miss Warren's Christmas Competition, announced in the January issue of the REVIEW. A number of entries contained the same number of errors, and in accordance with the rules of the competition, the twenty prizes have been awarded to the following, whose entries were the first opened; and which contained the fewest mistakes:—

B. B. Bowering, of Weston-super-Mare; C. E. Wilkins, of Reading; C. A. Hancock, of West Drayton; G. F. Smith, of Guildford; C. J. Walker, of Dagenham; W. White, of Carshalton; J. Spinks, of Ashton-under-Lyne; S. Haylings, of Brighton; W. Christian, of Douglas, I. of M.; W. H. Manning, of Tooting; H. A. Perrett, of Devizes; W. W. Wells, of Finedon; T. W. Salter, of Battersea; A. J. F. Jolly, of East Ham; G. L. Douglas of Osterley; J. Hastings, of Rhyl; J. Dixon, of Watford; P. W. Draper, of Canterbury; R. White, of Sunderland and R. C. Botly, of Surbiton.

The result of the overseas competition will be announced next month when all the prizes will be distributed.

Another Record?

C.T. Condon, of Worthing, writes that at the age of fifty-four, his wife has just cut two teeth. "Can anyone beat that?" says Condon.

SPORTS CLUB NOTES

Tuesday Night Meetings

OUR Tuesday Night programme for the past two months has been a varied one. On February 25th we had a first-rate concert by Miss Lester's concert party, with a dance the following week. There was a whist drive on March 10th, and on March 17th a lecture by Mr. C. Graves, of the B.B.C. This is reported below. On March 24th there was an exhibition of Judo, a form of physical culture, by Mr. Dovey and three members of the Anglo-Japanese Judo Club; they gave a most interesting display and demonstrated on several St. Dunstaners. Lastly, we had a very enjoyable concert by Miss Zucker's friends on March 31st.

Lecture by Mr. Cecil Graves

THE lounge was crowded on Tuesday, March 17th, when Mr. C. G. Graves, Controller of Programmes at the B.B.C., came to Headquarters to give a talk to men from the London District.

Sir Ian Fraser introduced Mr. Graves. In the course of a most interesting lecture, Mr. Graves described how the programmes were arranged. They were, of course, planned weeks ahead, and it was absolutely essential that everything went according to plan. "Zero hour" for him, he said, was ten days before the actual week of the broadcast. That was when the *Radio Times* went to press.

On an average 1,500 letters criticizing the programmes were received by the B.B.C. every week. They were glad to have those criticisms, and everything possible was being done to improve programmes.

With regard to educational broadcasts, the speaker said he looked forward to the time when broadcasting sets would be installed in every school in the country.

Mr. Graves spoke for twenty minutes and then declared that was long enough. He invited questions and his audience took him at his word. For an hour, questions followed on subjects ranging from the Children's Hour to Dance Music, and to each he gave a full and satisfactory reply.

It was a most successful and entertaining evening.

General Sports Day

THE annual General Sports have been arranged to take place at the Sports Ground, Regent's Park, on Saturday, June 20th, at 2 p.m.

A complete list of events will be published next month.

Twelve Mile Walk

THE postponed 12-mile event was held in brilliant weather on Saturday, March 21st. Sir Ian Fraser, after a word of thanks to officials and escorts for their help, started the race, and the scene was a very bright one with the various club colour singlets. The race itself was a thriller. After settling down, Archie Brown was in the lead, from Jerry Jerome and Percy Ashton. In Section B, T. ap Rhys was forging ahead. Could he maintain that pace? He was showing very fast time. He did maintain it, and won in 1.54.27, beating the B Section course record by over four minutes, a splendid performance. In Section A, Jerome hung on to Brown like a leech, and Gover passed Ashton after a ding dong struggle. Brown eventually won in 1.44.8, beating his own course record by several seconds, with Jerome second and Gover third. The handicap winners were:—

SECTION B.	SECTION A.
1. H. Boorman	1. T. Rouse.
2. T. ap Rhys	2. H. Gover.
3. H. Kerr.	3. J. Jerome.

After tea, which Sister Sutcliffe, Miss Davies, and her helpers had arranged, Miss Hamar Greenwood presented the prizes and thanked all who had so kindly helped.

Then followed a very pleasant ceremony. W. Lacey, on behalf of St. Dunstan's sportsmen, presented to Mrs. Spurway a beautiful writing bureau, attached to which was a plate engraved: "To Sister Hodgson, to commemorate her wedding, from St. Dunstan's Sportsmen." After a very sporting and appropriate speech by Lacey, Mrs. Spurway, obviously touched and showing some signs of emotion, thanked the "boys" and said it had always given her the greatest pleasure to serve them. She hoped she would be able in the future to be of help again. It only remained then for us all to say, "Good luck, good health, and every happiness to Padre and Mrs. Frank Spurway."

Brighton

KEENEST interest was shown by all competitors right to the end in the Domino Drive for Matron's prize. On the final night, it looked just as hard to pick the Grand National winner as it did to name the winner of the tournament. After a great final, H. Jacklin won with fifteen games, from J. Hollinrake and H. E. Robinson with fourteen games each.

Final Scores

H. Jacklin ...	15	J. Scott ...	6
J. Hollinrake ...	14	W. Dunn ...	6
H. E. Robinson ...	14	J. Higgins ...	6
F. Creasey ...	13	A. Massey ...	6
C. Kirk ...	13	A. Mitchell ...	6
F. Triggs ...	12	R. Barbour ...	4
M. Sheridan ...	12	R. Crafter ...	4
T. Millward ...	12	G. Leadbetter ...	4
C. Reddish ...	12	G. Bullen ...	4
W. Baughan ...	11	T. Dickinson ...	3
A. Crooke ...	10	G. Taylor ...	3
T. Rouse ...	10	F. Martin ...	3
G. Fallowfield ...	8	L. Hardy ...	2
T. Allcott ...	7	J. Bullock ...	2
S. Pyke ...	7	W. Anderson ...	2
S. Haylings ...	7	A. Bright ...	2
A. Clewlow ...	7	E. Reed ...	1
W. Abbott ...	7	E. Stevenson ...	1
Van Niekerk ...	7	R. Williams ...	1
W. Freeman ...	6		

Congratulations to the winner, kindly thoughts to the losers, and many thanks to all competitors, wives and lady escorts, for their help in what has been one of the most social sporting sessions ever.

Subsequently at a meeting, it was decided that the summer outdoor sports should commence on Wednesday, April 22nd, assembling at the Annexe at 5.30 p.m. and to start on the same ground as last year at 6 p.m.

The same programme of events will be followed: Cricket Ball, Throwing the Football, Single Jump, Treble Jump, Putting the Weight, Goal-kicking and Skittles.

Handicaps in each event will be as last season. The first, second, and third in each section last year to start minus 50, 30, and 20 points respectively.

Now, Brighton, let's have a bumper send-off! All newcomers will be heartily welcomed.

For Sale

DDOUBLE GENTS' TANDEM in ivory white. In perfect order and almost new. Complete. Suitable for two tall riders. What offers?—R. J. Williams, 63 Mile Oak Road, Southwick, Sussex.

12 MILE HANDICAP, 21/3/36.

Scratch Race.	Competitor.	Actual time.	Handicap Allowance.	Handicap Time.	Position in Hdcp.	
A.	1 A. Brown	1-44-8	Scratch	1-44-8	7	Fastest Loser
	2 J. Jerome	1-45-30	4-0	1-41-30	3	
	3 H. Gover	1-52-3	11-30	1-40-33	2	
	4 P. Ashton	1-54-17	10-0	1-44-17	8	
	5 W. Trott	1-56-19	13-30	1-42-49	6	
	6 S. Dyer	2-2-3	19-45	1-42-18	4	
	7 J. Coupland	2-3-40	19-0	1-44-40	9	
	8 T. Rouse	2-7-25	27-0	1-40-25	1	
	9 G. Jolly... ..	2-19-20	37-0	1-42-30	5	
B.	1 T. Ap Rhys	1-54-27	10-30	1-43-57	2	Fastest Loser
	2 H. Boorman	1-58-4	14-30	1-43-34	1	
	3 A. Benning	2-4-24	13-30	1-50-52		
	4 H. Kerr... ..	2-7-55	20-15	1-47-40	3	
	5 W. Birchall	2-11-40	23-0	1-48-40	4	
	6 F. Rhodes	2-18-40	30-0	1-48-40	4	
3 MILES	H. Morris	34-0	Scratch	34-0	} tie	
	W. Lacey	38-45	4-45	34-0		