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EDITORIAL

FOUR months ago, an appeal appeared on this page for contributions, suggestions, and criticism. For a while, there was a good response. Many St. Dunstaners promptly put the action to the word by sending in some excellent articles there and then. These appeared as soon as it was possible to use them. Others sent in suggestions, some of which we have already acted upon—a monthly gardening article, for instance. And criticism? Well, we asked for it! "Your plaintive cry," wrote G. W. Killingbeck, "stirred something within me, although as an old soldier, I do not know how you dare ask for *harsh* criticism. Such could not be published in St. Dunstan's Review!" However, that did not deter Killingbeck from peppering us with some well-directed shots, all of which were appreciated and some of which have already led to good results.

J. S. Whitelam, of Westcliff-on-Sea, was another who, to use his own words, "did his best to help burst the bounds of the eight-page limit"—and a very good best it was.

Interest has fallen off a little lately, but probably this is only temporary. Anyhow, we remind readers once again that contributions, suggestions, and criticism, are still welcomed.

Competitions

One of Whitelam's suggestions was a "Queer Hobbies" competition. He thought—and we thought too—that it would be interesting to hear of the various hobbies of our men. Last month we announced a competition on these lines. Only two entries were received. Now we know that most St. Dunstaners have a hobby, and we can only come to the conclusion that they are not so keen on writing about them. This brings us to a point which we haven't perhaps made quite clear before. In a competition of this kind, a St. Dunstaner need not refrain from entering because he feels that he "can't put it together". It doesn't matter a row of beans how the article is written. It is the idea we want, although, as a matter of fact, we have found in the past that the man who has been apologetic about the English and style of something he has written, has often produced something a great deal more readable than his more polished rivals.

Once again then we ask for suggestions for further competitions—but one word of advice. Forecasting football results may be a very attractive pastime, but as a competition for the Review it is out of the question. These contests have been declared illegal, and therefore we must regretfully count them out.

One item in the Review which does not lose its popularity is its own Derby Sweepstake, which, for the eighth successive year, is announced on another page. This is a competition for which every St. Dunstaner can enter, including overseas men. The Derby will be run on June 1st, but by announcing it in the February issue, even men in Australia have time to enter. Some years ago one of the big prizes went to South Africa.

Here's jolly good luck to all who enter.

Bible Lost on Battlefield

Restored by St. Dunstaner

LAST August, Captain Sir Ian Fraser received a letter from J. B. Wheeler, of Birmingham, in which he mentioned that he had picked up a New Testament while going up to the line in France during the War, containing the inscription, "Pte. J. Walker, 60 A.I.F., with best wishes from Rev. J. T. Hall, Church of Scotland Chaplain, N. 8 Clearing Station, B.E.F. 21:7:16." He added that there was blood over the back page of the book.

After he was wounded, the Testament was sent home with the rest of his kit, put away, and forgotten until recently, when it was discovered in the course of cleaning. Wishing to restore it to its owner, he asked Sir Ian the best way to go about it.

Sir Ian decided that the best thing to do was to get in touch with the head of the Australian Legion, Captain Sir Gilbert Dyett, C.M.G. and he wrote to him forthwith, enclosing full details.

Sir Gilbert promptly had a notice containing all the relevant facts inserted in Australian newspapers, and as a result of it, a reply was received last month from the owner of the Testament, now living at Streaky Bay, South Australia; Wheeler has now returned the Testament to him.

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R. J. WILLIAMS, of Southwick, a deaf-blind St. Dunstaner, is one of our keenest rowing men, and at the Regatta last year he met Herr Voigt, one of our German war-blinded visitors. He subsequently wrote to Herr Voigt and has now had a very friendly and cordial reply.

Herr Voigt says that he has reported his party's most happy and successful visit to this country, and St. Dunstan's, to his own war-blinded colleagues, and they have received the greetings of their British comrades with real pleasure. Herr Voigt asks Williams to give his personal greetings and good wishes to all St. Dunstan's men and in particular, to those he met during his visit to England last July.

Silver Wedding

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Bright of King's Cross who celebrated their Silver Wedding anniversary on February 9th.

Letters to the Editor

The Editor, ST. DUNSTAN'S REVIEW.
DEAR SIR,

With reference to the article from P. Maskell of Rochester, I wish to support his suggestion on the question of "Draught Competitions," but the point on correspondence games would not hold very much interest for the ardent draught player. Please let me tender my suggestion. Seeing that St. Dunstaners are in every part of the country, it would be a good idea for St. Dunstaners who are anxious to establish themselves as keen draught players to submit their names to the REVIEW, then games could be arranged periodically according to the locality of the men, the games could then be played in groups and the final at Headquarters.

I myself, am very interested in draughts and not wishing to be too informal, I submit this as a challenge to any St. Dunstaner who would care to accept.

W. F. SHAYLOR, Walton, Liverpool.

The Editor, ST. DUNSTAN'S REVIEW.
DEAR SIR,

I wonder if any St. Dunstaners can beat our little "record"?

We are three, living within ten minutes' walk of each other, Taylor, Alexander and myself, and we are all members of the Old Contemptibles' Association, Bournemouth and District Branch. J. MCANDREW, Bournemouth.

Garden Topics

HOW to prepare your ground for Sweet Peas.

If you want to grow long spikes of flowers, take the top spit of soil out two feet wide along the row. If the subsoil is very poor, it is better to remove it and put other good soil in its place, and then give just a dressing of *rotten* manure or spent hops. Rotten leaves or peat would do, or a little burnt rubbish. Any of these want well mixing in the bottom spit. If you do not remove the subsoil you can work this in it the same, putting the top soil back. Do not put manure in this; it will be a little higher when you have finished, but leave it rough, and dust over with lime. Next month I will tell you what to do with it.

The best place to get your sweet pea and the other plants I wrote about last month is from Edmunds & Co., Milton, Cambridge. Fine stuff at the right price. For early chrysanthemums I recommend J. W. Cole & Son, Midland Road Nursery, Peterborough, who are specialists. I should state that you are of St. Dunstan's, and you will get some good stuff.

Next month: When to get these plants.

A. J. HOLLAND

Hobbies

From A. J. Radford of Castle Cary:—

I have many hobbies. One is writing letters on topical events for the newspapers, and deriving great satisfaction from the publication of the minority of them, and the ensuing correspondence with readers who write personally. A second hobby is writing short stories that never get published, and my main hobby is or has been, the gardens and poultry. I have a very special hobby in filling up a football coupon weekly. I find that the coupon makes for concentrated interest, and increases the ability to maintain conversation, even as correspondence keeps one in touch with other people. My daughter fills in the coupon and I try to memorize the former results and form from the wireless. This is good, almost like Pelmanism. I try my level best to maintain a series of "hobbies" that keep hand and brain active, but which also are practical and something in which somebody of whatever company one is in, will also be keenly interested.

Writing short stories that are never published may seem a bit crazy but it keeps one's mind away from personal trivialities, the braille machine comes into play for skeleton building and reference, and when a story is accepted there is unspeakable joy that makes up for the others. Hardly a day goes by without I find I have need of one or the other of my "hobbies" for after all, a hobby is really something in which one is keenly interested but cannot devote full time. I combine sport, and mental and physical interest, in my variety of hobbies, which leaves me just enough time to carry on my main hobby of mat-making.

Derby Sweepstake, 1938

FOR the eighth year in succession we announce our own Derby Sweepstake.

It must be pointed out that the competition is confined strictly to St. Dunstaners, and that tickets will on no account be issued to anyone else.

RULES

1. The price of tickets is 2*s.* 6*d.* each.

2. The total amount subscribed will, with the exception of the actual cost of printing and postage involved, be distributed as follows:—

Fifty per cent to the holder of the ticket drawing the winning horse.

Twenty per cent to the holder of the ticket drawing the second horse.

Ten per cent to the holder of the ticket drawing the third horse.

Twenty per cent to be equally divided among all those who hold tickets drawing a horse which actually starts in the race.

3. Application for tickets can be made at once and will be received up to the first post on **Monday, May 23rd.** Every application must bear the name and address of the sender, and envelopes must be plainly marked "Derby Competition."

Tickets will be despatched in rotation, and must be produced before payment of prize money is made.

Competitions

As there were not sufficient entries to justify a contest in last month's "Hobbies" competition, the prize of ten shillings has been held over. The subject of this month's competition is: "My Most Amusing Experience." Closing date: March 3rd.

The Connoisseur

Hobby? Well, no, he would not call it a hobby, although he had been a collector for many years. You see, he did not believe in hoarding. Had he done so, his collection would by now have been a rare one. No! Possession and disposal for him. Long experience had developed that keen eye for spotting, and the art of valuation of any find. His objective rather more than his own personality did, to say the least, give him that feeling of friendly expectancy not enjoyed by collectors of less standing, and the path of any dwelling in the neighbourhood was his to tread.

Yet, truth to tell, although at his home in the evening, leisure time would be spent in scrutinising his finds, he could not say his collecting was a hobby, and hoisting up the well filled dust-bin, the local dustman took possession of its contents.

R. Z. H., Lowestoft.

From Sister Huffam

To all her St. Dunstan friends.

"I am so very sorry that owing to my operation and going up to Yorkshire as soon as I left hospital, I was not able to say 'Au revoir'. I do indeed hope to meet many of you again, but my doctor insists upon me staying lazy for some time. Thank you all so much for your very kind letters and messages.

"I have loved my eighteen years with you and only wish I had your wonderful patience. The best of good luck to you all."

Minister of Labour meets a St. Dunstaner

When Mr. Ernest Brown, Minister of Labour, visited Shepherd's Bush Labour Exchange recently, he was told of our St. Dunstaner, G. D. Warden, who is telephonist there. The Minister asked to see Warden, and spent some while chatting with him. He was particularly interested in the working of the switchboard and asked Warden many questions.

Talking Books

Here are some more books which are being added to the Library:—

Green Mansions, by W. H. Hudson.
Read by Eric Gillett.
A romance of a tropical forest.

Arches of the Years, by Halliday Sutherland.
Read by Eric Gillett.
An autobiography full of lively and amusing anecdotes.

Raggle-Taggle, by Walter Starkie.
Read by E. le Breton Martin.
Travels with a fiddle in Hungary.

Talleyrand, by Duff Cooper.
Read by Alexandre Lyons.
A political biography of an outstanding figure of the French Revolution.

Great Contemporaries, by The Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill.
Read by A. E. McDonald.
Essays on great men of our age.

The Wallet of Kai-Lung, by Ernest Bramah.
Read by Alan Howland.
A "Chinese" story-teller in satirical vein.

Spanish Gold, by George A. Birmingham.
Read by A. E. Bayley.
A very amusing story of buried treasure.

Peter Jackson—Cigar Merchant, by Gilbert Frankau.
Read by E. le Breton Martin.
A romance of married life, during the war period.

The Mystery of the Yellow Room, by Gaston Leroux.
Read by J. R. T. Matthews.
A French detective story.

The Book of the Aeroplane, by Capt. J. L. Pritchard.
Read by J. R. T. Matthews.
The development of the aeroplane from the early days of flying.

H. V. K.

National Laying Test

Each competitor has nominated a bird in his pen as the best. These compete for an award at the end of the year. The temporary position of the No. 1 birds to the end of the third month is as follows:

R. E. Hill,	No. 3433	W. W.	68
G. C. Jackson,	No. 3361	R. I. R.	63
P. Holmes,	No. 3355	W. W.	62

Report for the third period of four weeks, November 29th to December 26th, 1937.

Position	*Name*	*Test score value*
1	Campbell, J.	305
2	Knopp, H. A.	257
3	Holmes, Percy	243
4	Jarvis, Albert	230
4	Jackson, G. C.	230
4	Carpenter, E. H. ...	230
7	Brown, M. Watson ...	228
8	Fisher, T. M.	220
9	Fisher, T. M.	212
10	Powell, G.	208
11	Gwyn, A. Ivor	191
12	Holmes, Percy	190
13	Hammett, H. A.	185
14	McLaren, David	183
15	Roberts, Harry	180
16	Hamilton, B.	176
17	Smith, W. Alan	161
18	Hill, R. E.	150
19	Hamilton, B.	148
20	Smith, W. Alan	143
21	McIntosh, Charles ...	132
22	Capper, A. H.	130
23	Brown, C. H.	126
24	Stock, C. H.	119
25	Chaffin, Albert	117
26	McLaren, David	100
27	Capper, A. H.	46
28	Woodcock, W. J. ...	45
29	Webb, W.	38

Honour for a St. Dunstan's Masseur

Congratulations to W. T. Scott, of Streatham, who has been invited by the Chartered Society of Massage and Medical Gymnastics to fill a vacancy on their Council, his term of office covering the period until September, 1939.

Our St. Dunstaner is already Chairman of the Association of Certificated Blind Masseurs, and the following is taken from the current number of the Journal of the Association: "The Chairman of the A.C.B.M. has rendered conspicuous service to the Massage movement, and has given unlimited time to Council and Committee work. His selection by the Chartered Society to fill this vacancy is a very signal honour, and the Association may congratulate itself on Mr. Scott being again associated so closely with the Chartered Society's work as one of its Council."

Win or Lose

By A Correspondent

YET another boxing contest has been decided on points at night, and on points of view next morning. The match was between two alleged thugs, whom I will pseudonymically describe as Battling Bronco and Bashing Bonzo, and, after a dozen rounds of very pretty footwork and no fistwork that one could notice, the referee came out of a coma and the fight was awarded to Bronco on points.

So far, so good.

Next day, however, several boxing writers, and one or two authorities on boxing as well, pointed out that, as far as they could see it was Bonzo, and not Bronco, who was the real winner.

Bonzo himself modestly confirmed this point of view in the following well-chosen and epoch-making words—"I was given a raw deal. I had Bronco cold from the gong. I could whip that big stiff with one of his hands tied behind his back. Of course, I won."

There the matter stands. Meanwhile Bronco and Bonzo tell the world in penetrating print that they were both victors—taking very good care not to arrange another meeting to find out which is really right.

While being a trifle puzzling to the public, this yet seems to me to be a very admirable way of settling sporting events. It is a really practical expression of the League of Nations spirit, which sets out to prove that both sides to an argument are invariably in the right, and so, of course, saves a lot of heart burning and ill feeling.

For this very reason, I should like to see the notion introduced into other sports as well. It is quite obvious that, under the present relentless system of win or lose, regrettable feeling is caused among supporters. Arsenal followers, for example, can hardly be expected to exhibit a very Christian feeling on Saturday nights, when their team win only a crushing *moral* victory by eight goals to none against them.

The introduction of the Boxing System into other sports would alter all this naughty feeling among partisans.

Take football, for example. Perhaps points could be deducted for fouls. Thus, one would see one's hated rivals four goals up at one moment and a little later on a goal down, a goal having been deducted for each of four fouls, and one awarded to the other side for a fifth piece of dirty work.

Another good way to secure victory, of course, would be to adopt another idea from boxing and to see that the losers only had a small share of the gate, or even none at all. This would effectually liven up some of our more languid teams.

At cricket, points might be awarded in a similar way. It would be style that would count. Mr. P. G. H. Fender's sweaters, under this system of points for style, would have been worth fifty runs to Surrey at any time.

In addition, of course, there would be the advantage that, even if one side were beaten, it could always claim the victory next day. Thus, Surrey having been decimated by the Local Gasworks Team by an innings and a couple of therms, could indignantly proclaim that they had been given a raw deal and that the Gasworks would all have been out for nothing, had they not foully cemented the stumps into the ground and glued the bails on top of them.

It would not be the best team that would win, but the one with the best *flair* for the Brave British Boxing Spirit!

Everyone, in fact, would see to it that they won either by foul means or *flair*.

The Helen Keller Award, 1938

DURING a visit to Scotland, Miss Helen Keller left a sum of money to be used in the interests of the deaf-blind. It has been decided that every three years the interest on this sum (approximately £10) is to be awarded to the winner of an essay about the deaf-blind. This year the subject of the essay is:—

"Games and Activities for the Deaf-Blind."

The essay may be written in Braille. All essays should be sent to the Rev. G. Nicholson, Scottish Association for the Deaf, 3 Midlothian Drive, Glasgow, S.1, Scotland, not later than April 30th, 1938.

Essays should be signed by a nom de plume, and the competitor's name and address should be enclosed in a sealed envelope.

The competition is open to sighted people as well as the deaf-blind.

SPORTS CLUB NOTES

TUESDAY NIGHT CONCERT.
February 22nd, at 8 p.m.—Miss Zucker's Concert.

9-Mile Walk

THE 9-mile Inter-Club handicap walk took place at Regent's Park on Saturday, January 29th. The weather was fine but cold and very windy.

Owing to road repairs in the Outer Circle it was found necessary to mark a route round the Inner Circle, across the park and around the available part of the Outer Circle, a change that was enjoyed by all.

Captain Sir Ian Fraser officiated as starter to a good field of competitors and escorts, who were followed twenty minutes later by Highgate Harriers and Stock Exchange Teams who competed as teams against St. Dunstan's for the first time in a race of this kind. Unfortunately Enfield Harriers had to scratch from this event owing to sickness among their members.

After a splendid race the first three home were, A. Brown, 80.58, P. Ashton, 81.47, J. Jerome, 81.58. The handicap was won by H. Giles, with J. Jerome and P. Ashton second and third respectively, and in Section B the placings were as follows: T. ap. Rhys, H. Boorman, A. Craigie, and on handicap F. Rhodes was placed first, T. ap. Rhys second and H. Boorman third.

In the section team race between A and B Sections, A Section team was successful. The fastest losers of each section were A. Brown (A) and A. Craigie (B).

Before presenting the prizes, Miss Hamar Greenwood expressed thanks to the officials, visiting teams, escorts, and all helpers who had contributed to the success of the afternoon's event.

12-Mile Walk

The 12-mile walk will take place on February 26th from Headquarters at 2.30 p.m. sharp on which date it is hoped all walkers will be fit and ready to compete.

Brighton

The next meeting of the Brighton Sports Club will be on Wednesday, March 9th, at 5 p.m.

Birmingham

The Birmingham walk will take place on Saturday, April 2nd.

Tickets for Forthcoming Events

Cup Final, April 30th; England v. Scotland, April 9th.

We hope to have a limited number of tickets to sell to St. Dunstaners for both of these matches. Tickets for the Cup Final will be 7*s*. 6*d*. each and for the international match, 5*s*. Applications for tickets for either of these matches should be sent to the Sports Office immediately. Tickets will be allotted by ballot if necessary.

Escorts will be provided but no fares can be paid.

Death of Mr. G. Newsholme

WE have heard with the deepest regret of the death of Mr. G. Newsholme, until 1934 Basket Manager at St. Dunstan's.

Mr. Newsholme, who was 69, came to St. Dunstan's in 1918 where he became one of our first basket instructors, and later manager of the Department. His good humour and practical kindliness, his wide knowledge of the craft, were always at the disposal of our basket-makers, who will have the happiest memories of his friendship and help.

Mr. Newsholme retired four years ago and has since been living in Blackpool.

The funeral took place on January 10th, and three St. Dunstaners and their wives were present to represent St. Dunstan's—Mr. and Mrs. Duff, of Blackpool, Mr. and Mrs. Evans, of Blackpool, and Mr. and Mrs. Whiteside, of Lytham. Among the many flowers were wreaths from Captain Sir Ian Fraser and his colleagues at St. Dunstan's, and from St. Dunstan's staff.

Personal

Mrs. Muncaster would like to express, through the REVIEW, her appreciation to all friends for their kind messages of sympathy in her recent loss.

E. A. Alexander, of Winton, Bournemouth, thanks all his St. Dunstaner friends for their letters of sympathy in his loss.

Births

BIRLEY.—To the wife of H. Birley, of Salford, on the 17th January, a son.

BUTLER.—To the wife of C. A. Butler, of Long Eaton, on the 22nd January, a son.

WILKIE.—To the wife of J. Wilkie, of Hornington, on the 28th January, a son (still-born).

9 Miles Walk, 29th January, 1938

Competitor	*Scratch Race*	*Actual Time*	*Handicap Allowance*	*Handicap Time*	*Position handicap*	*Team*	
A. Brown	1	80·58	7·0	73·58	7	1	Fastest Loser
P. Ashton	2	81·47	13·0	68·47	3	1	
J. Jerome	3	81·58	13·30	68·28	2	2	
H. Gover	4	86·13	16·0	70·13	4	2	
H. Giles	5	89·43	22·30	67·13	1	3	
S. Dyer	6	92·50	20·30	72·20	5	3	
J. Coupland	7	92·55	18·30	74·25	9	3	
W. T. Scott	8	94·45	20·30	74·15	8	2	A
T. Rouse	9	95·19	22·15	73·4	6	3	
G. Jolly	10	109·40	35·0	74·40	10	1	
T. ap Rhys	1	84·3	10·30	73·33	2	1	
H. Boorman	3	88·41	15·0	73·41	3	1	
A. Craigie	3	94·16	19·45	74·31	4	2	Fastest Loser
H. Kerr	4	95·48	19·45	76·3	7	3	
W. E. Castle	5	95·55	21·15	74·40	5	3	B
A. Lenderyou	6	96·42	22·0	74·42	6	1	
F. Rhodes	7	105·33	34·0	71·33	1	2	

MATCH A—*v*—B SECTION.

A	*Net Time*	*Aggregate Time*	B	*Net Time*	*Aggregate Time*
H. Giles	67·13		F. Rhodes	71·33	
J. Jerome	68·28		T. ap Rhys	73·33	
P. Ashton	68·47		H. Boorman	73·41	
H. Gover	70·13		A. Craigie	74·31	
S. Dyer	72·20		W. E. Castle	74·40	
T. Rouse	73·4	h.m.s. 7·0·5	A. Lenderyou	74·42	h.m.s. 7·22·40

INTER-CLUB TEAM RACE.

Competitor	*Actual Time*	*Handicap Allowance*	*Handicap Time*	*Aggregate Time*	*Team*
E. H. Johnson	73·16	5·45	67·31	h.m.s.	
W. A. Stanesby	71·46	4·10	67·36	4·33·15	Stock
A. H. Foster	72·29	4·0	68·29		Exchange A. C.
E. T. Cunningham	79·54	10·15	69·39		
A. D. McSweeney	76·45	10·30	66·15		
C. Megnin	76·45	9·50	66·55	4·35·31	Highgate H.
E. G. Barnes	76·40	6·40	70·0		
E. A. Staker	74·21	2·0	72·21		
J. Jerome	81·58	13·30	68·28		
H. Gover	86·13	16·0	70·13	4·44·45	St. Dunstan's
F. Rhodes	105·33	34·0	71·33		No. 2
A. Craigie	94·16	19·45	74·31		
P. Ashton	81·47	13·0	68·47		
T. ap Rhys.	84·3	10·30	73·33		St. Dunstan's
H. Boorman	88·41	15·0	73·41	4·49·59	No. 1
A. Brown	80·58	7·0	73·58		
H. Giles	89·43	22·30	67·13		
S. Dyer	92·50	20·30	72·20		St. Dunstan's
W. E. Castle	95·55	21·15	74·40	4·50·16	No. 3
H. Kerr	95·48	19·45	76·3		

"In Memory"

Private David Bowles
(*2nd Suffolk Regiment*)

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of D. Bowles, of Hoke, Ipswich, who died on the 3rd January.

Bowles enlisted in July, 1916, and lost his sight as a result of gunshot wounds received at Arras in June, 1917. He did not, however, come to St. Dunstan's after his period in hospital, preferring to return to his home town, as he liked an open air life. For many years he had suffered from very indifferent health. Although he received no training as a blind man, he was most ingenious in building caravans, which were a great credit to him in addition to providing him with a really interesting hobby.

We had heard that Bowles was not so well some weeks before his death, which was nevertheless unexpected.

A wreath was sent from Sir Ian and his comrades from St. Dunstan's.

The funeral was attended by a large number of mourners, including his relatives, to whom we extend our deepest sympathy.

Private William George Carruthers
(*Australian Imperial Forces*)

We have learned with the deepest regret of the death of one of our overseas men, W. G. Carruthers, of Willoughby, New South Wales, which occurred suddenly on the 3rd October last.

Carruthers did not come to St. Dunstan's for training. He served as a private in the 17th Battalion of the A.I.F., and was wounded in 1917, but he returned direct to Australia.

Private James Cox.
(*11th Northumberland Fusiliers*)

We deeply regret to have to record the death of J. Cox, of Felling-on-Tyne, which occurred on the 7th January,

This St. Dunstaner enlisted in the middle of 1916, and was severely wounded at Ypres in September, 1917. After a period in the 2nd London Hospital, he came to St. Dunstan's before the end of that year. Although he was trained as a basket-maker, he was not able to do very much of this type of work, as his health was not very good, and for several years he gave most of his attention to his little business, and later was interested in poultry farming as a hobby.

Although Cox had been in such indifferent health for a number of years, his death was nevertheless very unexpected as he was only in hospital for a few hours.

A wreath from Sir Ian and his comrades was sent from St. Dunstan's for the funeral, which took place at Heworth Churchyard. The coffin was draped with the Union Jack, and the pall bearers were six men from the Northumberland Fusiliers (Territorials).

Cox leaves a widow and six children, some of whom are very young, to whom we extend deepest sympathy.

Orderly Frederick Charles Harris
(*British Red Cross*)

It is with deepest regret that we record the death of F. C. Harris, of Charlton Kings.

Harris had always been interested in ambulance work, and at the outbreak of the War served as a member of the British Red Cross Society, attached to the R.A.M.C. While doing so he met with an injury which resulted in his loss of sight, and he then came to St. Dunstan's where he was trained in basket making.

Some years later he started a confectionery and tobacconist business, which proved most successful, and kept him extremely busy. Harris had many outside interests, one of which was a dance band. This band, which he formed about twelve years ago, was in great demand in his own neighbourhood and surrounding counties. He was also a very enthusiastic member of the British Legion, and of the Charlton Kings Old Boys' Association.

In the midst of this busy life he was suddenly taken ill, and two days later had to be admitted to Charlton General Hospital where an operation was immediately performed, and where in spite of every possible care and attention he died on the 21st January.

The funeral was attended by relatives and friends from all over the country including several St. Dunstan's comrades. There were a large number of wreaths, including one from Captain Sir Ian Fraser and his comrades at St. Dunstan's.

Our sympathy goes out to Mrs. Harris, and her son Ian, in the very great loss they have sustained.

Deaths

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

Alexander.—To E. A. Alexander, of Bournemouth, whose wife passed away on 11th January.

Williams.—To Mr. and Mrs. L. Williams, of Billesley, Birmingham, in the loss of their daughter, Gwendoline Margaret, on the 24th January, after a long illness.

Apartments

Brighton.—Full board-residence, 30*s*. per week. Children half price.—Mrs. Stracey, 4 Bloomsbury Street, Brighton.

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