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# CHAIRMAN'S NOTES

"A State of Emergency"

T may interest St. Dunstaners to know what we tried to do during the recent International Crisis. The story really begins over eighteen months ago, when some of us began to think that clouds were gathering which might prove threatening. From that time onwards we began to make plans which were gradually worked out. This early thought and planning was of the greatest value when the emergency suddenly arrived because instead of approaching the subject entirely afresh and unprepared, we have many of us had it in mind and had a background of knowledge and thought to work on. We also had done much preliminary work that could not have been improvised.

You can look at the problem like this, as we had to. There are nearly two thousand blinded soldiers and their families in the United Kingdom. It is our duty to give them assurance and if any of them suffer from air-raids we must go to their aid. Even if they are not affected by air-raids they rely upon us for a great many services, and these services must continue so far as possible. Helping men with their professions and handicrafts, the sending out of allowances, children's money, help in times of difficulty, and so on, must

all go on.

At first we thought we would try and carry on these duties at the Headquarters in Regent's Park, but as time went on it became clear that the Government would encourage, and might order, services that were not absolutely necessary for the life of London to be conducted from outside. It would be no good trying to carry out from London services to help two thousand men in different parts of the country if communications with Headquarters became impossible or difficult.

Then there was the problem of new blinded men if there was a new war. The Govern-

ment would certainly want us to take care of them from an early stage.

It therefore seemed obvious that if war were to break out, a new St. Dunstan's would arise in Brighton, based upon the new Home and utilizing if we still possessed it, the old

Home, with any necessary additions.

We therefore planned to stay at Headquarters until we were ordered out or had to get out, and meantime to open a subsidiary office at Brighton, which could deal with urgent matters during the progress of the crisis and would be the nucleus of the new organization if war actually came. When things really began to look bad during the crisis week, we put this plan into operation, and had the worst occurred we should have been ready for it and able to do the best we could for our men all over the country.

London was the most threatened area and in case a number of our men and their families wanted to move, or were compelled to move, we got the whole of the After-Care Visiting staff to search for and inspect lodgings in different parts of the country. This plan worked well, and had it been necessary we could have provided accommodation in the country for a larger number of families than actually applied to go. Had the blow fallen elsewhere than in London we should have done the same for that district. Incidentally, a number of St. Dunstaners themselves, living in the country, wrote or telephoned to us offering accommodation for some of their comrades. We were very grateful for this.

St. Dunstan's naturally owns a great many records relating to legacies, properties, our men's affairs, account books, and so on, which are absolutely essential for carrying on our work. These were all moved away without a hitch, as soon as it began to look as

if trouble was really coming.

All this sounds very simple and it is always easy to look back and plan after the event, but I can assure St. Dunstaners that it was not easy to plan in advance for every possible contingency, nor was it easy to carry out the plans you had made when the crisis was rushing on you at increasing pace and everything you wanted to do became more difficult each day. There were times, for example, when an essential long distance telephone call out of London had to be booked many hours ahead.

The highest praise is due to the staff, many of whom stayed on duty far into the night, and particularly to Mr. Askew, upon whom fell the main burden of carrying out the plans that had been decided on as well as taking the fullest share in shaping the plans

themselves.

If the threat of war should arise again, the plans of Government and City, Town and County Councils will be far more advanced and detailed, and it may not be necessary for St. Dunstan's to have special plans of its own for moving families out of danger zones such as London and other large centres. But we shall study this whole question in the light of the experience we have gained, and St. Dunstaners can rest assured that we would always be ready to do whatever we could in any emergency.

I said in one of my letters at the time—" We must prepare for the worst but hope for the best." We shall still go on preparing, but the state of Europe is undoubtedly better

than it was, and we have more justification now for hoping for the best.

Perhaps the most pleasing feature of that otherwise unpleasant week was the spirit of St. Dunstan's men. They went on with their jobs, many of them travelling at great inconvenience, and from all quarters I received letters telling me that they intended to stick to their homes with their friends and relations and carry on with their jobs. When an old soldier, sailor or airman takes up this attitude he sets a good example to all around him, encourages them and steadies their nerves, and thereby renders a real service to the community. Bravo, St. Dunstaners! You did jolly well as you always do! IAN FRASER.

# **Braille Correspondents Wanted**

We have been asked whether there are any St. Dunstaners who would care to correspond in Braille with blind people at the Ontario School for the Blind, Canada, who are very anxious to get in touch with Braille writers in England.

If any St. Dunstaner would care to do so, will he write in the first place to Miss Mildred Philpott, Ontario School for the

Blind, Brantford, Canada.

#### "I Was There"

T was 1893. I was sixteen years old. I belonged to the Duke of Wellington's West Riding Regiment. Three hundred of us volunteered to train as mounted infantry for Jameson's Raid against the Boers. I was there. J. D. Higgins, Brighton.

I was present at the Battle of Omdurman and the fall of Khartoum with the 1st Grenadier Guards. J. SHEEHY, Dover.

#### Prizewinners

L. Hutchinson, of Barnby Moor, won first prize and a Cup with one of his Bedlingtons at a show at Beverley recently.

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J. R. Brown, of Nuneaton, won a first price of £2 for a dog basket exhibited at a Disabled Ex-Servicemen's Exhibition held in Birmingham on September 26th.

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For the second year in succession J. Hughes, of Sanderstead, has won first prize for his roses at the Selsdon Flower Show.

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From Reveille we learn that G. Watson, of Melbourne, Australia, won the euchre tournament conducted by Caulfield Returned Soldiers Club without losing a game. Our St. Dunstaner is one of the best bridge players in the club.

#### Farewell to West House

From the Press of Brighton, on August 27th:

With memories of many happy years spent within its walls, the last remaining St. Dunstaner left West House, Brighton, leaving behind him empty corridors which for over twenty years have echoed with the voices of the men blinded in the War.

During those twenty years, West House, presented to St. Dunstan's through the munificence of the Federation of Grocers' Associations, has served as a seaside home for the men who gave their sight for their country.

Many of the men departed during the week, but yesterday morning saw fifty ex-Service men still enjoying their last hours in West House. Throughout the day there was the hustle and bustle of departure as, accompanied by relatives or members of the staff, they left for their homes in various parts of the country.

The Mayor of Brighton (Alderman Herbert Hone) was there to say good-bye when the men walked out of the portals of their old home for the last time.

For six weeks the St. Dunstaners will remain in their own homes, and in October they will return to Brighton, not to West House, but to the magnificent new home on the cliffs at Ovingdean, with its rounded corners and every comfort, which, for years to come, will be another home from home for warblinded men.

# On Leaving the Old Brighton Home

WELL, as the sister laughingly said, returning the cork to the half-emptied iodine bottle, it's all over, bar shouting. The old home is nah-poo.

No more jesting remarks of one over the eight, as we warily mount, counting those nine steps on returning, even though we may have had just a glass of milk and a bath bun. And no more waiting for a shave. In the new home there may be an electric robot of the nappy-wallah who will shave us before we are awake, but as Paddy remarked when Jock said he had dropped a threepenny piece on the floor of the lounge, "That remains to be seen." Anyhow, a deep depression was centred over the old Home during those last few days there, and although, thanks a lot,

the bailiffs were not taking possession, who could not help feel a lump as, after that final spot dance of the evening, we joined hands and sang lustily, "Should auld acquaintance be forgot," whilst from a small group in a distant corner came the chorus of, "Good-bye-ee." And on the morning of departure, who could descend those nine steps without a pang of parting from the happy Home? This passed off as midst much waving and cheering, the charas moved off, and, turning right, went slowly past the Mason's, where, combined with head bending backward exercises, comradeship had been cemented with stories of the days and nights round Hell-fire Corner, Sanctuary Wood, and

On turning right, the charas moved along the front on their way to the station. Who would forget the rousing cheering and waving from that cheery lion-hearted band, our sisters, as they ran down Portland Place to give us a final cheer as we passed by the bottom?

Well, that's that, and now we await a trip to the new Home, still hoping for cheery chirping from the canary and the linnet, encouraged and fed by the cut chaff of a Sick Ward dispenser and the old affectionate (?) greetings of the boys.

Positive as I am that the old spirit of comradeship will be the same in our new Home, we must be careful not to get too highbrow, and ask for a footman as well as a valet, and accommodation to keep our racehorses.

BOB HURRELL.

# The Plaintive Trainee

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#### THOUGHTS ON READING A POEM BY MILTON

When I consider how my time is spent,
E'en half my days, in this dark world and wide,
In slow and weary chase of dots which hide
In seeming chaos, till my finger bent

Discern some kind of order, and present
A true account, lest my instructress chide,—
What boots this painful fumbling, speed
denied?

I fondly ask: But Patience, to prevent
That murmur, soon replies: Follow the lead
Others have given in this anxious quest
For skill to pass the reading test. Their state
Seemed hopeless; now their practised finger

speed
And post through page and chapter without rest:
You, too, shall drive at Jehu's furious rate.
L. P. SAXTON.

# St. Dunstaners in Germany

ST. DUNSTANERS will remember the visit to this country some time ago of a party of German war-blinded men, and the invitation cordially extended to British war-blinded men to pay a return visit to Germany. This invitation was just as cordially accepted, and on Saturday, July 23rd, W. Nash, of Hastings; A. C. Evans, of Newport, Mon., and D. Maclean, of Brimpton, near Reading, said good-bye to Sir Ian Fraser and Headquarters staff and set off from Regent's Park upon what was to be to them a memorable holiday. Mrs. Nash, Mr. C. Hanna and Mr. W. A. Ashby went with them as escorts.

The visit was a wonderful experience, and our men have come back from Germany with the happiest memories. Let Maclean and Evans speak for themselves as to the warmth of the welcome afforded to them by the German people, and in particular, by German ex-servicemen. Maclean's remarks, written as far back as August, are particularly interesting in the light of recent happenings.

He writes:

"I have just returned from a memorable visit to Germany. I say 'memorable' because my experience has completely changed my previous views of Herr Hitler and what I and many others believed was his general policy.

"What we did discover was that there is no doubt as to the sincerity of the German people to be friends with England, and they are no less sincere in their desire for true peace, but you

must go to Germany to prove that.

"We travelled from Aachen in the south to Swinemunde on the Baltic coast, and thus travelled hundreds of miles through extensively cultivated and fertile lands, woodlands and forest, and nowhere did we discover where the utility of the beauty of the landscape had been hindered or destroyed by careless or deliberate action, a glaring contrast to what we too often

see in our own country.

"After a short stay of some thirty hours at Berlin, we finally reached our destination, and for four weeks we freely mingled with ex-officers, soldiers, sailors and civilians, sincerely endeavouring to understand and appreciate their attitude of mind, firstly regarding our own country and their general view on present events. From my first contact to the last, one impression grew steadily stronger and stronger, so much so, that no words I write are written with deeper conviction than these, that the German people earnestly desire the goodwill and friendship of the British people.

"It would be impossible to exaggerate the great kindness shown to our party, genuine pleasure was shown in our presence among them. Day after day it was manifested; a casual meeting, a conversation on a journey, during a

purchase, or when drinking a cup of coffee in a café, the same welcome met us.

"The Government's treatment of the exservice men is worthy of praise. Everywhere their blind travel free and their escorts at a reduced rate. The fine 'Herr Hitler' houses are another striking example of their generous consideration for those maimed in the war. Wages are 50 per cent above pre-war, and holidays with pay are general."

Evans tells us more about the daily life of the German war-blinded. He says:

"During our visit to the German Blinded Soldiers' Homes we had an opportunity of meeting a few of the 3,500 who were blinded through war service. We only visited two of the five Homes used by the German comrades. The first we visited was at Berlin and is known as the Headquarters. It is a lovely house situated not far from the centre of Berlin, standing in its own grounds. This house was presented to the blinded soldiers by Herr Hitler, who himself was blind for two months during the war from gas. This home takes his name. It was from this home that we made our broadcast. The terrace overlooking the grounds attached to this building is a store for goods sent in by men from different parts of the country. There is also a large library here from which books are supplied to all who require them.

"We spent our first night and the last three nights here and were entertained well. There were no comrades living at this Home other than special visitors. I noticed that our Chairman, Sir Ian Fraser, has been there: his name is in

the visitors' book.

"When we left Berlin we made for Swinemunde which is on the Baltic. It is a seaside resort and has a stretch of seven miles of sands. It is an ideal beach for bathing. The Home here is situated close to the sea rather like our old annexe at Portland Place for distance. The Home comprises two large houses; the one is kept on all the year round, but during the winter is only occupied by Sister Irmguard, who is the matron. The other house is closed down in September. These two houses during the summer accommodate about 150 comrades, their wives and children. The bedrooms are different sizes according to the size of one's family; all have single beds.

Half an hour was then allowed for us to wash and dress. Another bell sounded at 8 a.m. for breakfast. This was a light meal—rolls and coffee, etc.—after which we would go down to the beach for a swim. The beach was ideal, as it sloped down to the sea gradually and the sand was fine, like Shanklin, Isle of Wight.

"As I said in the first place there were two houses—House Favourite and House Emden. House Favourite was where we slept and House

Emden was where we had lunch.

"After lunch we would go back to our respective houses and do some writing, whilst the comrades would sleep until the three o'clock bell rang, which again gave half an hour to wash before coffee or tea. Supper was at House Emden at 6.45 p.m., after which we went to hear the band, to a concert, or on the pier—no, not beer! We had a pass given us so we could go free. Some evenings the comrades would stay in and

have a sing-song and, by-the-by, one could get a drink of lemonade or bottled beer at the Home—I think it was sold between 8 and 10 p.m., and if you had not had enough by then, you could get it outside up to one in the morning.

"One day, whilst I was in Nash's room, one of the comrades came in and brought with him a large map of Germany. He opened it out on the bed and asked Mrs. Nash to name any town marked on the map and he would point it out. This he did by measuring with his fingers, his measurements being very accurate.

"I think I stated in the beginning that there were five Homes for the 3,500 blinded men in Germany. These Homes are in different parts of Germany, and three are run by the State and the other two are by voluntary contributions.

"Wireless is not so popular in Germany owing to the fact that it costs two marks a month for a licence. There is a reduced rate on telephones used by the blinded soldiers.

"One point of interest—I did not see any sports at Swinemunde or Berlin, due, no doubt, to the fact that the comrades have their wives and children with them and have no time for organized sports."

#### St. Dunstaners at a Film

A number of St. Dunstaners in London recently saw the film, "Mr. Deeds Goes to Town," by special invitation.

Mr. Val Gielgud, Drama Director of the B.B.C., was doubtful about the possibilities of the play as a broadcast and decided that an audience of blinded men should be the judges.

Our men thoroughly enjoyed the show and their appreciative comments left little doubt that "Mr. Deeds" would appeal to the hearing, as well as to the sight.

# Comforting

THIS was an entry in the Evening
Standard Crisis Story competition:
A woman in a queue saw a friend leaving

A woman in a queue saw a friend leaving with her mask under her arm. "Oh! you have got yours," she said.

"Yes," replied the other, "I have, but I live in Albany Street, near the Zoo, so what good will this be if the lions get loose?"

A man in the queue overheard. "Don't worry" he said, "they are going to blindfold the lions so that they won't know where Albany Street is."

## Births

LAKE.—To the wife of E. Lake, of Beverley, on September 30th, a son.

Ross.—To the wife of P. Ross, of Petersfield, on October 1st, a daughter.

## Silver Weddings

Congratulations to the following St. Dunstaners and their wives, who have recently celebrated their silver wedding anniversaries: Mr. and Mrs. W. Last, of Crynant, September 3rd; Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Anker, of Ealing, September 10th; Mr. and Mrs. D. Livingstone, of Mauchline, Ayrshire, September 26th; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Berry, of Belfast, October 2nd; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Burtenshaw, of Walthamstow, October 4th; and to Mr. and Mrs. S. Smith, of Blackpool, October 12th.

#### Competition

BELOW are twelve sports and pastimes popular with St. Dunstaners. You are invited to place them in their order of popularity, to be decided by the votes of competitors.

In the first column, write the order in which you think they will be placed. For instance, if you think that gardening will be voted the most popular pastime, place a figure 1 against Gardening and so on.

In the second column, place a cross against your own particular recreation—against several if you have more than one.

A prize of two guineas will be awarded to the sender of the list which compares exactly with the list compiled by the votes of competitors. If no correct solution is received, the prize will go to the sender of the nearest list.

Entries must be received not later than Friday, November 4th, and envelopes must be marked "Sports and Pastimes". The Editor's decision will be final.

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GOLF				
GARDENII	NG			
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FISHING			*****	
CYCLING				

# Little Gaddesden Camp

PERHAPS, though late in the day, a word about Camp would be appreciated by all who spent such a grand week under canvas. The Camp site this year was at Little Gaddesden House, where Miss Bridget Talbot once again extended to all her usual hearty welcome. Mrs. Spurway was indefatigable in her capacity as Camp Quartermaster, and was responsible for the food arrangements, which were excellent.

We were pleased to welcome two new camp members in Walsh, of Bolton, and Abbott, of Willesden, and everyone was glad to meet our new Sports Instructor, Jack Dawkins, on the occasion of his first camp with the troops, with whom we understand he spent a most enjoyable

Our thanks are due to the Mayor and Mayoress of Hemel Hempstead for the dinner and dance arranged at the Town Hall on the Friday evening of our week. Among the many notable occasions of that memorable week's stay was the invitation to the Walk and Social Evening extended to us by the W.O.'s and staff sergeants of the R.A.F., Halton Camp, to whom we offer our grateful thanks for a most enjoyable time. In conclusion, on behalf of all campers, I should like to express our gratitude to Mr. P. E. Clark, of Berkhamsted, for supplying the equipment boxes and to all camp helpers for such a successful camp. CAMPER.

# Death of Dr. Burrell

St. Dunstaners will hear with the deepest regret of the death of Dr. L. S. T. Burrell who has for many years been a member of the Medical Advisory Committee of St. Dunstan's.

Dr. Burrell, who was a chest specialist, gave devoted service to St. Dunstan's men. His great knowledge and work were always at their disposal and his kindliness and sympathy will long be remembered by those who came in touch with him.

# **Another Loss**

We have heard with deep regret of the death of Miss Maude Hughes, whom many St. Dunstaners will remember as a V.A.D. at St. Dunstan's during and after the War years.

# **SPORTS CLUB NOTES**

# Sports Meeting

THE Annual Sports Meeting to discuss the winter programme was held at Headquarters on Tuesday, October 4th. Mr. Swain, who presided, extended a warm welcome to the voluntary helpers and St. Dunstan's sportsmen. They were also particularly glad to welcome Sir Ian Fraser, who attended the earlier part of the meeting.

Mr. Swain, who said he looked forward to the coming season with much more equanimity than last year, hoped all would agree that last year was not the least successful of sports years and thanked everybody for their assistance and support.

During the discussion on socials, Mr. Swain announced that it had been decided to hold the Christmas Party on Tuesday, December 20th, and that the two concerts kindly given by Miss Zucker and Miss Lester would take place again this year.

W. Robinson suggested that a domino tournament should be held on certain Tuesdays during the season. After much discussion, it was agreed that a Domino Tournament be held on the same evenings as Whist Drives if sufficient numbers attended to make it possible.

When indoor sports were under discussion, it was agreed that jumping should in future be omitted owing to its danger. Later, however, P. Martin suggested that if a rubber mat was used, the danger would be avoided.

Sir Ian Fraser said St. Dunstan's was very grateful to the voluntary helpers and to the Sports staff for their work. (Applause). He hoped that every member would try and think of another St. Dunstaner who might have been a friend of his in the early days, and ring him up, or write to him or talk to him about the Sports and Socials. He felt sure that if once a man came to two or three meetings he would be attracted by the exercise and entertainment and comradeship of these gatherings and would become a regular member.

The Chairman pointed out that while St. Dunstan's were glad to provide the staff and the expenses of the Club, it did not cost any more if the numbers were doubled. He would like to see the numbers doubled for this reason, and also because it would add so much to everyone's enjoyment. (Applause.)

J. McFarlane asked if St. Dunstaners who were nervous about walking round the Park alone could be met at Baker Street by an orderly. Sir Ian said he could not promise this unless the numbers justified it, but he would see that the question was published in the Review so that if a reasonable number of men could arrange to be met at the same time he could consider helping them.

F. Rhodes proposed a vote of thanks to Sir Ian and to St. Dunstan's for their interest in the Sports. This was carried unanimously.

Mr. Swain, referring to the subject of Indoor Sports, pointed out that physical training commenced with an exceedingly good attendance last year but that towards the end of the season it dwindled considerably. It was agreed that physical training should be cut out of the programme this winter, it being left to Mr. Dawkins to find something to take its place.

When walks were under discussion, F. Rhodes proposed that the programme should remain the same this season as last year. This was seconded by A. Craigie, who also asked if it would be possible for "B" Section competitors to start five minutes ahead of "A" Section. This was agreed upon, with the exception of the 6-mile walk, when competitors would start on handicap times.

Strolls. H. Gover suggested having a stroll from Headquarters once a fortnight in the direction of Hampstead Heath and thought it might be a good idea to run them in three parties, one fast, one medium and one slow. He would also like to have three special features a season, i.e., a stroll from Maidenhead, Wembley and Inverbrook. Mr. Swain suggested that a start might be made with three organized strolls this season which could be increased next year if it was the general wish. It was decided to put a notice in the REVIEW to find out the general opinion and if a sufficient number were keen a special meeting could be called to discuss details. This was carried on the proposal of G. Brown and seconded by A. Crooke.

F. Rhodes thanked Mr. Swain very much for taking the Chair and hoped they would have his support and friendship for many years. He also thanked all helpers for being present. This was seconded by W. Lacey.

Mr. Swain warmly thanked F. Rhodes and W. Lacey and expressed his appreciation of the splendid work Miss Morris had done and also congratulated Jack Dawkinson the way he had carried out his first year as Sports Instructor.

#### Walks

The Walks for	the coming season wil
e held on the dat	es given below :—
6 mile	November 19th
9 mile	January 28th
12 mile	February 25th
Birmingham	March
	April 22nd

Swimming

The Annual Swimming Gala has been arranged to take place on Friday, October 28th, at 6.30 p.m. at Marylebone Baths.

Events.

One length handicap, A. Section. One length handicap, B. Section. Plunge.

Please send your entries to the Sports Office as soon as possible.

Practice nights will be Wednesdays and Fridays of each week at 5.30 p.m.

#### Children's Gala

The Children's Gala will be held at the Marylebone Baths on Friday, November 4th, at 6.30 p.m. Entries for this should also be sent to the Sports Office as soon as possible.

Surrey Ladies' Gala

T Kingston Baths once again, in fact for the sixteenth year, the boys "did their stuff" in a one-length race, and after a little "bumping and boring" by Rhodes and Jackson, ended a great race by all finishing within a yard and a half. They received the usual grand reception from all present, and at the end "Jacko" thanked the Surrey Ladies for their cordial invitation on behalf of St. Dunstan's boys, and hoped to be able to see them for many years to come. Thus ended a most enjoyable evening. The final placings were T. W. Collyer, 1st; J. Macfarlane, 2nd; F. Jackson, 3rd; W. Robinson, 4th, and S. Rhodes, 5th.

W. JONES.

# "In Memory"

Sapper Edwin Herbert Dyer (R.E. Labour Corps)

It is with deep regret that we record the death of E. H. Dyer, of Cardiff.

Dyer served in the Great War and was discharged in 1918 with defective vision. He was trained as a boot-repairer but eventually had to give up this work on account of ill-health, and although he had not been well for some years his death on August 29th was unexpected.

The funeral took place at Cardiff and was attended by his family and friends. Among

the wreaths was one from Sir Ian Fraser and his comrades at St. Dunstan's

Dyer leaves a widow and three children to mourn his loss, to whom we extend our deepest sympathy.

### Headquarters Dance

The date of the first Dance at Headquarters has been fixed for Tuesday, October 25th, when the Committee hope all members who possibly can will attend.

#### Strolls

Would members of the Sports Club interested in strolling please send their names to the Sports Office as soon as possible, when, if sufficient numbers are received, a special meeting will be arranged to discuss the matter.

## Summer Sports

Final placings and points:—

SECTION A

A. Crooke 89—21=68
W. Lacey 78— 7=71
F. Collyer 45
U. Bishop 31
W. Bishop 31
W. Birchall 78—21=57
H.McSteele 28— 7=21
G. Brown 58—14=44
R. Edwards 11—14=3
F. Winter 10
S. Webster 6
B. Ingrey 1

#### Football

The Arsenal F.C. have renewed the granting of tickets for the following matches up to the end of this year:

v. Leicester City November 19th v. Stoke City December 17th

St. Dunstaners wishing to attend these matches should apply to the Sports Office for tickets when a ballot will be made if necessary.

**Bridge Tournament** 

#### Ypres Day Commemoration Service

The Committee of the Ypres League have extended a cordial invitation to the men of St. Dunstan's to be present at the Ypres Day Commemoration Service, to be held on the Horse Guards Parade on Sunday, 30th October next, at 11 a.m.

Will those men who desire to attend the service notify Mr. Swain by Tuesday,

25th October next.

Official escorts will be provided.

Rambling

THE Home Counties Ramblers have been good enough to extend to St. Dunstaners the privilege of taking part in the following rambles arranged by their Committee. Any number would be welcomed and only the railway fare would have to be paid.

Dep. Marylebone 10.15 a.m. Cheap " Egypt" Sunday Oct. 30th Day Fare 2s. 7d. Sunday "Gaddesden-Nov. 20th land" Special Dep. Euston 10.15 a.m. Fare 2s. Train Sunday To Knockholt Dep. Charing X. Nov. 27th Cheap Day Fare 10.4 a.m. and 2s. 6d. London Bridge, 10.10 a.m.

Please notify the Sports Office of your intention to attend to enable the organizing secretary to make the necessary arrangements.

Brighton

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

#### A Reminder

As announced last month, the Armistice Dance will be held on Tuesday, November 8th. Do your best to attend one of the jolliest affairs of the year.