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## EDITORIAL

### Competitions

A NUMBER of readers have written to say that they enjoy the teasers set in Competition Corner and hope that they will be a permanent feature. We hope so too, although whether the editorial grey matter will be able to stand the strain after the first year or so remains to be seen.

It is always rather a difficult matter to know which competitions are most popular. We announce one perhaps which entails a good deal of thought and perhaps a delving into reference books. This arouses the criticism that a competition like this rather rules out the man who may not be in a position to get this research work done for him, and benefits the one who has a number of works of reference at his elbow.

On the other hand, when we have a competition, the result of which is to be on the "first opened" principle, there is sometimes the objection that there is too great an element of chance about the whole thing, and readers do not bother to enter at all. By the way, here is a point which has been raised on one or two occasions lately. When we say, "the first correct solution opened", we always mean the first correct entry opened after the closing date. We think it will be generally agreed that it is quite unfair for a competitor to win a prize simply because he chances to live in or near London, and therefore his entry is among the first to arrive.

The majority of St. Dunstaners, we think, enjoy this element of chance, but we can see the other point of view, and we will do our best to meet the wishes of both sides.

This month's competition was suggested by G. S. Chappell, of Saltford. Perhaps others of you have ideas for competitions. If so, we should like to have them.

### Derby Sweepstake

And now for that hardy annual—the Derby Sweepstake—which closes on May 15th, and will be drawn on the afternoon of Thursday, May 18th, at Headquarters.

It would be a great help if entries were sent in as early as possible, and once again we must emphasize that they *must* be accompanied by a postal order (crossed) or cash to cover the cost. It is very much regretted that payment for Derby Sweepstake tickets cannot be made through another department. If your tickets do not reach you by return of post (or thereabouts) it is not because they have been overlooked. We do our best to get them out as soon as possible, but this is not always easy, particularly in the closing days, when we are apt to receive applications with insufficient addresses, letters with no postal orders, and sometimes postal orders with no letters. One last warning. Please do *not* enclose Derby applications in competition envelopes. If you have read the third paragraph on this page you will know why.

Good luck to all of you.



### Talking Books

"KING SOLOMON'S MINES", by H. Rider Haggard, read by R. L. Allen, which the Chairman mentioned in the February REVIEW as one of the most interesting books he had read recently, is now available in the Library.

Other books which have been added to the list and which I think will interest St. Dunstan's men are "A Damsel in Distress", by P. G. Wodehouse, read by Lionel Gamlin; "Victoria—4.30", by Cecil Roberts, read by Alan Howland; "The Good Companions", by J. B. Priestley, read by Lionel Gamlin; "Jock of the Bushveldt", by Percy Fitzpatrick, read by A. E. McDonald; "Lorna Doone", by R. D. Blackmore, read from Braille by A. Lloyd.

In a few weeks' time we hope that three more very interesting books will be in the Library and ready for circulation. A. J. Cronin's "The Citadel", about which you will all have heard; "Insanity Fair", by Douglas Reed, *The Times* Correspondent, in which the Central European situation is set out comprehensively and clearly; and "The King's Service", by Ian Hay, which is of particular interest to old soldiers as it traces the British Army from its inception to the present day, demonstrating the development of the modern soldier—his position in history and his place in the modern state.

We have available some re-conditioned headphone models, which can be operated through your wireless receiver (if it is fitted with gramophone terminals) or listened to through headphones at the special price of £2. 10s. Also, there are some acoustic models available (cabinet or portable) at 35s. and £2. If you have not already a Talking Book machine these prices are subject to the grant of £1 made by St. Dunstan's. H. V. K.

### Brief Notes

When Joe Beckett, former heavyweight champion, was refereeing a boxing tournament at Ryde recently, Paddy Doyle, who was in a ringside seat, was introduced to him from the ring. In his younger days in the Navy Paddy himself was a prominent boxer.

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Congratulations to telephonists R. E. Fearnley and L. Saxton who are now in posts.

### National Laying Test

Report for the Fifth period of four weeks  
January 30th to February 26th, 1939.

Position	Name	Test Score
1	Carpenter, E. H.	451
2	Jackson, G. C.	391
3	Holmes, P.	385
4	Benning, A.	382
5	Hill, R. E.	369
6	Jarvis, A.	366
7	Fisher, T. M.	349
8	Woodcock, W. J.	347
9	Knopp, H. A.	341
9	Holmes, P.	341
11	Campbell, J.	340
12	Chaffin, A.	309
13	Hammett, H. A.	300
14	Pink, A.	296
15	Chaffin, A.	285
16	McLaren, D.	282
17	McLaren, D.	262
18	Smith, W. Alan	261
19	Brown, M. Watson	254
20	Jackson, G. C.	235
20	Smith, W. Alan	235
22	McIntosh, C.	212
23	Webb, W.	151
24	Powell, G.	141

#### Individual scores of first three No. 1 birds to date.

1st month	score	2nd month	score
Holmes, P.	3,957	Pink, A.	3,873
Campbell, J.	3,831	Holmes, P.	3,855
Pink, A.	3,873	Jackson, G. C.	3,909
		Holmes, P.	3,957

3rd month	score	4th month	score
Pink, A.	3,873	Pink, A.	3,873
Chaffin, A.	3,939	Chaffin, A.	3,939
Holmes, P.	3,855	Benning, A.	3,825

5th month	score
Pink, A.	3,873
Chaffin, A.	3,939
Benning, A.	3,825

E. H. Carpenter, of King's Langley, who held first position in the National Laying Test at the end of the winter period, has heard from one of his customers that he was second in the Competitors' Customers Section in the Test.

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Mrs. Shepherd, wife of T. Shepherd, of Leighton Buzzard, is now a Grade I A.R.P. and First Aid Lecturer, and is also Ambulance Officer.

### Young St. Dunstaners

Mavis, the ten-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hazel, of Merton, has passed Grade 4 of the Royal College of Music, with distinction, and has been awarded a prize entitling her to play at the Wigmore Hall in July. This is a coveted prize.

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Pupils of Letham (Angus) School take "Broadcasts to Scottish Schools" and they were recently asked to make a tune to a poem by Mr. Herbert Wiseman. The tune composed by Frieda Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Anderson, of Letham, was chosen and was broadcast at their last "wireless" lesson.

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Jack Sim, son of our late comrade, W. J. Sim, of Aberdeen, is now on the "Iron Duke." Jack, who is known to his shipmates as "Silver Sim," has won the boxing championship and is being presented with a wristlet watch.

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May, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. McLoughlin of Dublin, took the first prize in drawing in the junior section at the Dublin Feis.

Pat, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Richardson of Hogsthorpe, Skegness, has passed her first music examination with honours, obtaining 92 marks out of a possible 100.

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Another young St. Dunstaner has broken his leg playing football. He is Brian, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Martin, of Bray, Ireland.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Healey's son, William, who, like his younger brother, has already won several cups and prizes for boxing, has won the cup presented by the Lancashire and Cheshire Junior Amateur Championship of Boys' Clubs.

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Sarah Cockburn, daughter of our late Newcastle St. Dunstaner, was married to Frank MacVeigh at Walker Church on December 21st.

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The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Alcott, of Shoreham-by-Sea, was married on Easter Saturday at St. Julian's Church, Kingston-by-Sea.

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Gladys, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Collins, of Potto, Yorks, was married on February 18th to H. Bullock.

### Physical Training at Home

#### INTRODUCTORY EXERCISES

- (1) *Leg Ex.*—Hips firm—foot placing forward.
- (2) *Neck Ex.*—Head bending forward.
- (3) *Arm Ex.*—Arms swing upwards.
- (4) *Trunk Ex.*—Arms bend—foot sideways place. Trunk turning quickly.
- (5) *Leg Ex.*—Arms bend—heels raise—knees bend—arms stretching sideways.

#### GENERAL EXERCISES

- (6) *Dorsal Ex.*—Feet astride, arms sideways stretch. Trunk bending backward with hands turning.
- (7) *Balance Ex.*—Hips firm, leg raising forward.
- (8) *Lateral Ex.*—Feet close—arm upward—arm downward stretch. Trunk bending sideways.
- (9) *Abdominal Ex.*—Lying—arms upward raise. Legs raising.
- (10) *Dorsal Ex.*—Feet astride, arms upward stretch. Trunk bending forward.
- (11) *Final Ex.*—Arms raising forward and upward, lowering sideways and downwards.

#### INSTRUCTIONS

- (1) (a) Carry foot forward, pointing toe to ground; (b) lower heel to ground; (c) raise heel again and bring foot into position of attention; exercise same number of times each leg.
- (2) Keep chin well tucked in when bringing head forward.
- (3) Position of attention, fingers stretched, swing arms above head. Keep body quite still when swinging arms up and down.
- (4) Turn from waist, above, always keeping wrists level with shoulders, turn trunk to left and right same number of times.
- (5) Raise on toes, lower to knees bend. Body must be upright all the time, then arms stretching several times.
- (6) Chin in, raise up chest, bend body back a few inches and turn hands, palms upwards.
- (7) Brace up standing leg. Keep shoulders back and hold balance a few seconds.
- (8) Reach up with arm above head before bending to side with arm down. Change arms before bending to opposite side.
- (9) Reach up with arms, thumbs on ground. Raise feet until legs are 45 deg. to ground.
- (10) Arms width of shoulders apart, chin in, trunk about 45 deg. to ground when bending forward.
- (11) Breathe in through nose as you raise arms and exhale through mouth as you lower.



### Notes from Pretoria, South Africa

OUR Chairman has been having a most interesting, though short visit to South Africa and during the course of his travels has been delighted to meet many St. Dunstaners and their wives and families. From E. Denny, of Pretoria, comes the following very interesting account of Reunions in Johannesburg and Pretoria.

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Since Sir Ian and Lady Fraser landed at Capetown, where they were received by His Excellency The Governor-General, Sir Patrick Duncan, G.C.M.G., and Lady Duncan, their visit has been a most triumphal and successful one. They have travelled many thousands of miles by car and rail and have visited some of the large cities of the Union including Bloemfontein, Johannesburg, Pretoria, Durban, East London and Port Elizabeth. At all these places civic receptions and luncheons have been given in their honour. Reunions have been held in the four provinces of the Union and in this way our men have been given the opportunity of meeting Sir Ian and his wife. I was present at the Reunion held at the Carlton Hotel, Johannesburg, on March 14th and there were present besides myself, Owen, Kirstein, O'Connor of Johannesburg, and Muller of Mafeking. It was a very happy affair and we all enjoyed the excellent luncheon provided and the talks we were able to have with Sir Ian afterwards. The luncheon was also attended by members of the Johannesburg After Care Committee and the Mayor and Mayoress of Johannesburg. The President and Secretary of the committee, Mesdames Glenton and Marshall, also attended and I had a chat with another lady who devotes much of her time in the cause of St. Dunstan's, Mrs. Barnard of Potchefstroom.

Sir Ian has been attending as many as four functions a day, delivering speeches at all of them.

It was Pretoria's turn on March 13th and Sir Ian and Lady Fraser were given a most enthusiastic welcome when they arrived in the administrative capital of the Union. I was reminded of their previous visit in 1928 when I was one of many hundreds privileged to welcome them on Pretoria Railway Station. On that occasion

Sir Ian's car was drawn from the railway station by ex-service men, the procession extending for nearly a mile. On the present occasion, Sir Ian and his wife were first entertained at morning tea by the Pretoria After Care Committee. Mrs. Anderton acted as hostess in the unavoidable absence of Mrs. H. P. Veale, President of the Committee, whilst little Pat Green, granddaughter of Mrs. Kathleen Battle, presented Lady Fraser with a bouquet. The tea was followed by a public meeting which was attended by all the prominent citizens of Pretoria. Sir Ian was introduced to Mr. Leisk, C.M.G., Chairman of Barclays Bank Limited. Sir Ian told his audience all about the work of St. Dunstan's and outlined its financial policy. Mr. H. B. George, President, British Empire Service League, and Mr. Conway of the Moths returned thanks on behalf of their organizations and the meeting closed by the singing of "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow". It was then time to proceed to the Fountains Valley Kiosk which is situated in one of Pretoria's beauty spots. Here, Sir Ian and Lady Fraser were the guests of honour at a luncheon given by the Mayor and Councillors of Pretoria. About seventy prominent citizens attended including the Bishop of Pretoria, The Right Reverend Wilfred Parker, Col. H. P. Veale, Mesdames Anderton, Law, Battle and Lowe and Mrs. Helen Chadwick-Bates, O.B.E. And so a most memorable day in Pretoria's history came to an end. The luncheon was presided over by the Deputy Mayor, Councillor W. H. Atteridge, the Mayor being away in Capetown.

Mrs. Kathleen Battle who has done so much for the men of St. Dunstan's in South Africa is to be congratulated on the able manner in which she carried out the arrangements for what proved a most enjoyable and successful day.

### A Poser

A. Radford, of Castle Cary, sends us the following puzzle which was taken from a very ancient carved stone wall sign outside an old inn:

"My name and sign is forty shillings just,  
He who shall find my name, shall have  
a pint on trust.

For why is not five, the fourth part of  
twenty, the same in all cases?"

Answer on page 8.

### THE NEW BRIGHTON HOME

#### The Lounges

AT the rear of the hall on the Main Floor of the Brighton Home lie two of the most important rooms in the building—the Dining-room and the Lounge. Only a few feet separate their doors. A handrail runs between them and it is only a matter of seconds to cross from one room to the other. As we have already mentioned, these two rooms can be made into one by opening the sliding doors in the dividing wall.

Like the Dining-room, the Lounge has two of its walls—the left-hand side and the bottom—made entirely of glass, and they are hung with the same beautiful curtains. The bottom windows overlook the grounds of the Home and the sea just beyond. The adjustable blinds are a great asset here for the Lounge has its full share of the sun.

Immediately opposite the door of the Lounge, Miss Davison, who is Lounge Sister, has her desk.

Down the centre of the room and by the walls on either side are deep, comfortable settees and arm-chairs in dark brown leather. Above is the chiming clock—our memorial to Matron Thellusson.

About halfway down the right-hand side of the room is the fireplace (this is the only coal fire in the building), and above it, in an alcove, is the portrait of Sir Arthur Pearson. Mounted on each side of the fireplace about 8 feet from the ground is a loud speaker. These loud speakers can be used in connection with a gramophone playing table which is also in the Lounge. A grand piano stands in the right-hand corner.

A few yards beyond the fireplace is a door leading to the Reading-room—one of four rooms which run parallel with the Lounge, the others being the Typewriting room, the Braille room, and the Quiet Lounge, which is entered from the Hall.

In the Quiet Reading-room, as in the Lounges, there are deep brown leather armchairs—and behind each chair are wireless head-phones, so that those who wish to enjoy a special programme undisturbed may do so.

Throughout the Lounges, and, indeed, in practically every other room, special safety ash-trays have been provided. These are of bakelite and are divided into a

number of compartments, each large enough to take the stub of a cigarette. There are also bins in various parts of the building into which portable ash-trays may be emptied.

The Quiet Lounges, and the Braille and Typewriting rooms, have the adjoining wall of the Lounge on the one side and on the other side, windows overlooking the sun terrace.

These rooms make excellent sitting-out places when a dance is in progress in the Lounge.

### A Boot-repairer Remembers

IN my shop I meet all sorts and sizes—of people as well as boots and shoes. Some are funny peculiar, and some are funny ha-ha.

One customer brought a pair of shoes to be stretched. A week passed by and then she returned. We quickly recognized that we had forgotten to put the shoes on the stretcher, but before we could explain or apologize the lady said she would put them on there and then. Very soon she was stamping her feet with joy, and chucking twopence on the counter she left the shop, thanking us very much.

On another occasion a man came and asked how much it was to sole and heel his boots. On being informed, he produced a pair from apparently nowhere, and dropped them on the counter, the vibration dislodging several articles in my sales window. One could easily have played table tennis on the bottoms.

A little girl came in with a parcel and said she "wanted it mended". Undoing the parcel I found that it contained a clock. Picking up a piece of leather I said to her, "What's this, tripe?" and, believe me, she said "Yes". I dropped the leather on to the floor, and a hammer which I happened to be holding fell on to my big toe. It was then that the little girl knew she was in the wrong shop! J. WATSON.

### Wise Words

You can't live on hope, but it should be on the menu.

Many people have a good aim in life, but they don't pull the trigger.

One of these days is none of these days.

Troubles, like tonics, have a bitter flavour, but they often lead to new strength.



### To Account Rendered

AN artist who was employed to repair and remodel paintings in an old church in Belgium rendered a bill for Fr. 100. The church trustees, however, required an itemized bill, and the following was duly presented, audited and paid:

	Fr.
Correcting the Ten Commandments ... ..	7.10
Embellishing Pontius Pilate and putting new ribbon on his bonnet	3.02
Putting new tail on the rooster of St. Peter ... ..	4.18
Regilding left wing of guardian angel ... ..	2.02
Washing the servant of the High Priest and putting carmine on his cheek ... ..	3.10
Renewing Heaven... ..	1.00
Adjusting stars ... ..	2.06
Cleaning moon ... ..	.10
Restoring lost souls ... ..	25.00
Rebordering the robes of Herod and adjusting his wig ... ..	2.43
Cleaning Balaam's ass and putting new shoe on him ... ..	5.06
Putting earrings in Sarah's ears...	20.00
Putting new stone in David's sling	1.10
Enlarging the head of Goliath ... ..	1.03
Extending Saul's legs ... ..	2.05
Decorating Noah's Ark ... ..	6.50
Mending the shirt of the Prodigal Son ... ..	6.35
Brightening up the flames of hell...	.60
Putting new tail on the devil ... ..	1.50
Putting a silver coin over the poor box ... ..	.80
Doing several odd jobs for the damned ... ..	5.00
	Fr. 100.00

—The Alfred Pemberton Magazine.

### Consider Your Verdict

THE following case was recently the subject of discussion in Court:—

Mr. "A" was driving a car through a village. While he was driving down the High Street, a cyclist came out of a side turning. The driver of the car swerved to avoid a collision with the cyclist and in doing so drove on to the pavement and crashed into a shop-window.

The owner of the shop claimed damages from Mr. "A". Mr. "A" maintained that he was not to blame, and that the smashed window was the direct result of the cyclist's action. The cyclist's identity had in the meantime been established.

The driver asked for the case to be dismissed and proceedings to be instituted against the cyclist.

*How did the Judge decide?*

Solution (based on counsel's opinion) next month.

### Competition Corner

THE first correct solution to last month's problem was opened on the closing date and was sent in by N. Downs, of London, W.3, to whom the prize of 10s. 6d. has been sent. The correct solution was as follows:

ICEBREAKER  
VICE-REGENT  
PRICE-LISTS  
ENTICEMENT  
VERMICELLI  
MUNIFICENT  
LOUD-VOICED  
ACCOMPLICE

This month's competition (suggested by G. S. Chappell, of Saltford).

Each of the following clues represents parts of the human body:

1. TWO ANIMALS
2. TWO SCHOLARS
3. TWO TREES
4. TWO MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS
5. A COUPLE OF FISH
6. TWO COVERINGS
7. TWO MEASURES OF LENGTH
8. TEN LEARNED GENTLEMEN
9. NECESSITIES FOR A CARPENTER
10. SHELL FISH
11. PLACES OF WORSHIP
12. WEAPONS OF WARFARE

A prize of 10s. 6d. will go to the sender of the first correct solution opened. Closing date: May 6th. Mark your envelopes "Competition Corner."

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H. McAteer, of Belfast, secured fourth place in the baritone class at Portadown Musical Festival. McAteer has only recently taken up singing. The adjudicator spoke very highly of his work.

### The Old Stagers go Astrolling

OLD soldiers are never perturbed by the weather, and on Saturday, March 11th, in spite of a damp and depressing morning, a party of five of us arrived at Euston to board the 1.46 train for Tring. At Willesden we were joined by Ashton and Brown, and the others were W. Scott, Gover, Rhodes and Leslie Hind, who had kindly come along to escort the party on the stroll. No St. Dunstan's party is complete without a pack of cards, and so the train journey passed pleasantly. We alighted at Tring and here Jerome joined the party. Then I had a few reflective moments. To my amazement I realized that I was the only member of the party who had not taken part in competitive walking. Who was I amongst so many of these "men of the road"? But having turned my hand to the plough I had to go forward.

Capt. Oakley with a number of young fellows from the R.A.F. came along to act as escorts and we greatly appreciated their kindly help. Neither must I forget the willing helpers from the Y.M.C.A. Then the "men of the road" started. I was enjoying a gentle stroll in the rear with friend Scott and an escort when Leslie Hind insisted on my "walking". For quite a while it was jolly hard work for me. Leaving the road we passed into Dunstable Woods, and here I longed for a few moments' respite. I would have willingly sold myself into bondage for a few moments' rest, but their hearts were of stone, and, like Felix, we kept on walking. Shortly we came to the road. I think I must have been elated at the thought that I had kept going with these great "men of the road" and that gave me new energy, or perhaps it was the thought that I would, ere long, be enjoying my boon companion (Mr. Pipe). Anyhow, with head erect I kept with them to the end. Whisper it, I really enjoyed the walking. Good work was done to an excellent tea, through the kindly hospitality of Miss Talbot, of Little Gaddesden. Our best thanks to her and the many helpers. It was a happy tea party. Friends motored us to Berkhamstead Station. The inevitable pack of cards came to light again. And then home. Our thanks to H. Gover for arranging the trip.

A delightful outing, splendid comradeship. There is a fine spirit of comradeship existing to-day. We must foster it. One

good thing has come out of this stroll. These "real walkers" had practically decided to give up competitive walking, but at the end of this particular stroll they adopted the prerogative of the ladies, and they have changed their minds. At the moment they are training very seriously indeed for the Birmingham and Wembley Walks. I wish them joy. As a consolation to them I have not entered either walks. I prefer strolling. Romance may be found.

R. P. C.

The Maidenhead Stroll will take place on Sunday May 21st. It will be a full day stroll, and Charlie Gover will be glad to receive the names of all those who would wish to spend a very pleasant day.

### Six Hundred Miles to Play Bridge

ON March 22nd R. Coles, H. Gover, R. Graves, and E. Toft, escorted by Jack Dawkins, took the Flying Scot to Newcastle, or rather the Flying Scot took us. After a pleasant game of crib and a delightful lunch, we eventually arrived with our Coles at Newcastle, where we were met by our host, Capt. Kempson, who is Bridge Editor of some dozen Northern papers.

We were taking part in Capt. Kempson's bridge broadcast at 4 o'clock so we went straight to the studio. After the broadcast and a cup of tea, we went to Newspaper Hall, where at 5.30 we played four of Capt. Kempson's team twelve hands of duplicate Bridge which we lost by the small margin of 830. After dinner Capt. Kempson said how pleased he was to have us there. He thought that with a little extra care and tuition in the art of bidding, we might easily rank among the leading bridge players in the country. We thanked Capt. Kempson for our reception and for giving us the opportunity of playing our first Duplicate Match. Dinner over, we returned to our second match and then to the station for the night train to London. H. G.

### Holiday Camp

The date of the Holiday Camp at Stratford-on-Avon has been fixed for Friday, June 16th, to Saturday, June 24th. Camp fee: 27s. 6d.



## "In Memory"

PRIVATE PERCY BROWNE  
(3rd Hampshire Regiment)

It is with deep regret that we record the death of P. Browne, of Buxted.

Browne lost his sight as a result of injuries sustained very early in the War, and was admitted to St. Dunstan's in July, 1915. He was trained as a mat maker, and he carried on this occupation until last year. It was a great grief to him when his wife suddenly died about two years ago, and his health as a result was affected.

At the time of his death he was staying at St. Dunstan's Home on holiday. On March 9th it was found that pneumonia had set in and he died two days later. He was buried in the Brighton Cemetery near Matron Thellusson and his fellow St. Dunstaners. The funeral was attended by a large number of St. Dunstan's men and staff from the Home, and among the wreaths was one from Sir Ian and his comrades at St. Dunstan's.

TROOPER BERTRAM BAKER BOWERING  
(2nd Royal Life Guards)

We deeply regret to announce the death of B. B. Bowering, of Weston-super-Mare.

Bowering saw service in France and was wounded in the Ypres hostilities of August, 1917, as a result of which he lost his right eye, and retained only a little sight in his left eye. He was invalided home, and immediately came to St. Dunstan's where he took up training in basket-making, at which occupation he worked steadily and happily until he was taken ill last month.

Bowering led a very active life in his home town where he had many friends. He was a member of the local church, and was also interested in the Toc H and Boy Scout movements. It was a great grief to all his relatives and friends when, after only a few days in hospital, he passed away on February 24th. The funeral took place a day or two later and was attended by a very large gathering including Mrs. Bowering and her two sons, also four St. Dunstaners friends of her husband and their wives—Mr. and Mrs. Bull, Mr. and Mrs. Horsnell, Mr. and Mrs. Perrett, Mr. and Mrs. Tucker and Mr. J. Sherratt, St. Dunstan's Technical Visitor for the West Country. The coffin was draped with the Union Jack, and there was a very large number of wreaths, among which was one from Sir Ian and other comrades at St. Dunstan's.

Our sympathy goes out to Mrs. Bowering and her two sons in their great loss.

LANCE-CORPORAL LEEDLE HUTCHINSON  
(15th Durham Light Infantry)

WITH deepest regret we have to record the death of L. Hutchinson, of Barmby Moor. Enlisting in 1915 Hutchinson was wounded in France early in 1918, as a result of which both eyes were removed. Taken prisoner, he was exchanged a few months later and after a period in King George's Hospital came to St. Dunstan's in June of the same year.

He was trained as a poultry farmer and took a great interest in this occupation until his health began to fail. Of late years his chief hobby, and that of his wife, has been the breeding of Bedlington Terriers and Whippets, at which they met with great success. Hutchinson's health had been causing anxiety for a considerable time, but he was only seriously ill for a few weeks before his death, which occurred at his home on March 23rd.

Representatives of the British Legion were present at the funeral, and a wreath was sent from St. Dunstan's from Sir Ian Fraser and his comrades.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Mrs. Hutchinson.

### Birth

WHITE.—To the wife of R. White, of Wembley, on March 27th, a daughter.

### Silver Weddings

We have only just received notice that Mr. and Mrs. A. Hamlett, of Winsford, Cheshire, celebrated their silver wedding on February 13th of last year.

Other St. Dunstaners and their wives to whom we offer our congratulations are Mr. and Mrs. R. Humble, of East Howden-on-Tyne, and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Markwick, of Brighton. Their anniversaries fell on the same day—April 4th.

### Holiday Apartments

**Weston-super-Mare.**—Mrs. Bull caters for bed and breakfast or full board. 62 Southend Road, Weston-super-Mare.

**Whitley Bay.**—Apartments or board-residence. Terms moderate. Mrs. W. Muir, Osborne Lodge, Promenade, Whitley Bay.

### Answer to Poser on p. 4

THE name of the inn was "The Two Sovereigns". The name of the landlord was Mr. Pound. His wife made two pounds, or forty shillings.

The last line is an irrelevant clue. While five is naturally the fourth of twenty, it is also the fourth of XX in Roman numerals. Roman numerals use II as "two" but while O added to the modern 2 becomes twenty, O added to II certainly does not become a number of which the fourth part is five.

### Brighton Sports Club

The first summer meeting of the Brighton Sports Club will be held on Wednesday, May 3rd. Tea at 5 p.m.