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Chairman's Speeches at Reunions

IN place of "Chairman's Notes" this month, Sir Ian Fraser has given permission for us to reproduce a report of speeches he made at the Lincoln and Colchester Reunions which cover various points of topical interest.

Sir Ian Fraser said St. Dunstan's was the biggest brotherhood of the blind in the world. There was an empire organization. Practically all the men of the Home, Dominion and Colonial Forces who had been blinded as a result of the Great War had come under St. Dunstan's care and were still members of the organization. He had just returned from a brief trip to South Africa. In the course of this he had met St. Dunstan's organizing committees in all the big centres and had seen the majority of South African St. Dunstaners. The empire character of St. Dunstan's work was well illustrated. South Africa had its own St. Dunstan's Committees and the men there were well looked after, occupied and happy. They sent their greetings to their English comrades.

Two things were important for blinded soldiers: (1) that St. Dunstan's benefits should meet all reasonable needs, and (2) that they should be able to rely on St. Dunstan's to look after them until their lives end. He could tell them that the Council had both these needs in mind, and that their plans to secure continuity, no matter what might happen, were going well. (Hear, hear.) Even if unhappily war should break out, he could assure them that they already had a detailed plan worked out which would enable the organization to look after their interests in every possible way. (Applause.)

They would all agree that occupation was most important for the blind. St. Dunstan's would continue to do its best to provide a market for the goods they made in their homes. The blinded soldiers made goods at home, and St. Dunstan's rendered a very valuable service in providing the raw materials at cost price and ready for use, and in supervising the work by technical visits, and in helping to market the goods. In connection with marketing, there was a very real difficulty. They had a factory with a thousand roofs. Although the technical visitors and the technical men at Headquarters did their best, it was impossible that such an organization should be as flexible as a single factory. They could not, therefore, change their methods to suit changes of fashion as quickly as they would wish, and many blinded soldiers were getting older and could not easily change to new types of work. Added to this, trade was really very bad, except for defence requirements. It was essential that they should reduce production to suit the market, and they were now considering how this could best be done so as to be fair to all concerned. The principle they would have in mind was providing the largest possible number of blinded soldiers with the largest possible amount of work, and as far as possible to maintain their incomes. He could not say at the moment how they would solve this problem, but he assured them that they would do their best. (Hear, hear.)

Apart from work, they paid a great deal of attention to occupation of other kinds. Many men played cards and dominoes and they supplied the apparatus free, or at a specially

low price. They encouraged Braille reading. Last year thirty St. Dunstaners had been induced to take up Braille once again. He advised all to stick to their Braille. They would need it more and more as they got older and were less active. The Talking Book was going strong. Four hundred and fifty blinded soldiers were using it. They were publishing a new book a week. The Library now had nearly three hundred titles in it.

The new Brighton Home had now been open for six months. Many hundreds of St. Dunstaners had visited there. He had most wonderful letters from men all over the country to testify to the joy and pleasure they had experienced at the new Home. Those who had not yet been must book up, but there was already a pretty full list for the summer. They would find fine airy wards with plenty of room, most comfortable beds and good lockers; excellent lounges and quiet reading and typewriting rooms; a splendid balcony; all kinds of devices to enable the blind to find their way about alone. The Home was in fact designed for the blind and so it is unique in its way. There was a band of voluntary helpers who came in to read and go for walks. It was the last word in a convalescent and holiday home for the blind. Without exaggeration it was the best of its kind in the world. (Applause.) They could be very proud of this addition to the services of St. Dunstan's.

He had been asked by a number of St. Dunstaners what they could do by way of National Service. The masseurs, of whom there were over a hundred, would obviously be needed. Telephone operators could stick to their jobs. Many were helping on local committees and all could learn about A.R.P. and by being informed would render valuable service. A body of old soldiers well-informed and steady in times of emergency was a great asset.

Concluding, Sir Ian congratulated his friends and their wives on the smart way they turned themselves out. It was important that blind people who were expected by some to be careless about these matters should pay special attention to their personal appearance. "We are very proud of our organization," he said, "and congratulate and thank all of you, and all St. Dunstaners wherever they may be, for their loyalty to St. Dunstan's." (Applause).

Earlier Sir Ian had explained that he and Lady Fraser could not go to every Reunion. They tried to go once every three or four years. He was very grateful to his colleagues on the Council who presided at Reunions. Even with their help it was impossible for a Member of the Council to attend every Reunion, but a large part of the country was covered each year.

The following have attended Reunions this season:—

Reading, April 14th: Vice-Admiral Sir Charles Carpendale, C.B. Mrs. Charles Lloyd, mother of Miss Lloyd, also made the journey from London in spite of the fact that she is in her 90th year; Manchester, April 18th and 19th: Captain William Appleby; Gloucester, April 21st: Captain A. D. Macdonald, M.C.; Exeter, April 25th: Miss M. Hamar Greenwood, the Bishop of Exeter, and Col. G. L. Thornton, former Deputy Commissioner of Medical Services, Exeter and District Area, Ministry of Pensions; Birmingham, April 28th: Captain A. D. Macdonald; Great Yarmouth, May 2nd: Commander A. D. D. Smyth; Bedford, May 4th: Miss Hamar Greenwood; Ashford, May 5th: Colonel Eric Ball, L.C.C.; Lincoln, May 9th: Captain Sir Ian Fraser and Lady Fraser; York, May 11th: Mr. Godfrey Robinson; Southsea, May 18th: Lady Fraser; Colchester, May 19th: Captain Sir Ian Fraser and Miss Jean Fraser, and Capt. V. M. Deane; Cork, Dublin and Belfast, May 23rd, May 25th, and May 26th: Miss Hamar Greenwood; Leicester, May 31st: Lady Fraser and the Lord Mayor of Leicester, Alderman T. J. Gooding; Edinburgh, June 6th: Sir Charles Carpendale; Newcastle, June 8th: Captain William Appleby.

Mr. H. W. Ottaway has been present at all Southern Area Reunions and Commander A. D. D. Smyth has attended all Northern Area meetings. Mr. Banks, Mr. Doughty, Mr. Ferguson and Mr. Day have also been present at a number of the Reunions.

Queen Mary

ON May 26th, the following telegram was sent to Marlborough House:

TO HER MAJESTY QUEEN MARY

On behalf of blinded officers and men throughout the Empire, I wish Your Majesty many happy returns of the day and congratulate you on your fortunate escape. We learned with

particular sympathy of the injury to your eye and rejoice that this is improving.

IAN FRASER, Chairman.

The following telegram was received at Headquarters on May 27th.

Please convey to blinded officers and men throughout the Empire Queen Mary's thanks for the telegram of loyal good wishes.

PRIVATE SECRETARY.

Result of Derby Sweepstake

THE draw for the Derby Sweepstake took place in the Lounge at Headquarters on May 18th, and was made by W. C. Scott, of Manchester, and W. Storer, of Leicester. Mr. Swain, Mr. Banks and Mr. Fobbs were among the officials and staff who witnessed it.

The number of tickets sold was 1,295—forty-three down on last year—and after printing and postage expenses had been deducted, £156 was left to be distributed in accordance with the printed rules.

RESULT:—

First. BLUE PETER

G. Vaughan-Russell, Chiswick £78. 0s. 0d.

Ticket No. 354

Second. FOX CUB

E. Sheppard, Bromley £31. 4s. 0d.

Ticket No. 18

Third. HELIOPOLIS

W. Cromwell, Gloucester £15. 12s. 0d.

Ticket No. 521

The holders of tickets drawing runners in the race received £1. 6s. each. They were: C. W. Matthews, Maidenhead (345), Admiral's Walk; H. Garratt, Nottingham (863), Atout Maitre; T. Clarke, Carterton (629), Bellman; F. James, Hove (621), Buxton; J. Hartley, Brighton (1233), Casanova; R. Wass, Brighton (543), Dhoti; B. Hamilton, Thetford (1008), Dil-Bharah; P. W. Draper, Canterbury (111), Fairchance; W. Morton, Mount Lawley, Western Australia (781), Fairfax; F. Rodwell, Tring (287), Fairstone; T. Thorpe, Torrisholme (596), Hastings; H. Allcock, Sheffield (1007), Hypnotist; A. Hayes, Nottingham (817), King Legend; G. Featherstone, North Ferriby (1277), Larchfield; G. S. Hough, Southern Rhodesia (631), Major Brackey; A. J. Head, Brixton Combe (459), Mauna Kea; W. J. Razey, Bournemouth (734), Ortiz; T. C. Anderson, Cardiff (9), Pointis; R. E. Larcombe, Harrow (630), Rogerstone Castle; A. Hermon, Oxford (498), Romeo II; E. E. Bryer, Bristol (159), Salford II; H. A. Knopp, Workop (1067), Triguero; A. Allen, Alton, Staffs (1146), Vesperian; J. Attrell, Polegate (894), Wheatland.

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A. S. Emerson, Little Clacton (1101), and S. Duncan, Sutton (928), drew Roderick Dhu and Snowcap respectively which, however, did not start. R. A. Clarke, of Gunnislake (442) drew The Field.

St. Dunstan's Good Work for A.R.P.

ONE of St. Dunstan's officers, Mr. D. Littlejohn, of Seaford, approached his local authorities in connection with A.R.P. work. They suggested that as a blind man he would be most useful in the Control Room to receive incoming telephone messages from the various stations and wardens. In the meantime, our St. Dunstaner has passed a full Warden's test in order to have an understanding of the organization. Now he is taking the other courses—First Aid, Fire-fighting, and so on.

Soon Seaford is to have a black-out test and Mr. Littlejohn will be in the Control Room in order to give him an insight into what will be needed should an emergency arise.

Silver Weddings

TWO silver wedding anniversaries have only just been brought to our notice. Mr. and Mrs. H. Wignell, of Market Harborough, celebrated their anniversary on June 16th, of last year, and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Thorpe, of Chelmsford, were twenty-five years married on January 15th.

Competition Corner

The solution to last month's problem was:

PRESSURE

PERUSERS

The first correct entry opened on June 5th was sent in by H. A. Hammett, of Carterton, Oxford, to whom the prize of ten and sixpence is being sent.

Here is a different competition.

Three white men and three cannibals are about to cross a river; the boat will take two persons only, at a time. All the white men can row, but only one cannibal can row. So long as the white men are not less in number than the cannibals on either side of the river, the white men are safe, but if the cannibals are allowed to be in the majority, the white will be eaten. How do all six get across in safety?

This month there will be a guinea for the first correct solution opened. Closing date: July 5th.

Birth

ALBERTELLA.—To the wife of M. H. Albertella, of Southend-on-Sea, on the 7th June, a daughter.

News from Australia

WE were very glad to have a cheery letter from R. Archer, of Sandringham, Victoria, Australia, now happily recovered from a long illness. During November and December, he tells us, three members of the Victoria Blinded Soldiers' Association were in the Caulfield Military Hospital—L. Gosewinckel, T. White, and himself. We heard with deep regret that the first-named passed away on January 14th but our other two St. Dunstaners have now fully recovered.

Archer writes:

"All other members are keeping well, and although getting older, they still attend the Club Rooms for dancing and cards. On Monday, April 24th, we hope to entertain Mrs. I. Day (formerly Miss Wilson, a V.A.D. at the Bungalow). Mrs. Day has been visiting her brother, Sir Leslie Wilson, Governor of Queensland. At our Annual Smoke Social held on March 13th, the Association presented a gold cigarette case, suitably inscribed, to

Mr. T. H. White and a fountain pen to Mrs. White. Mr. White was elected Hon. Treasurer of the Association at its inception on May 31st, 1918, and has held that position ever since and is still carrying on."

Archer is very proud of his son, Keith. He attends Caulfield Grammar School and besides obtaining his Intermediate Certificate with eight high standards, he won a Memorial Prize and the King Edward VII Masonic Scholarship. Not only is this scholarship worth £20 a year for four years, but there are only two awarded in Victoria each year—one to a girl and one to a boy.

L. GOSEWINCKEL

L. Gosewinckel, of Victoria, Australia, who passed away on January 14th, was a St. Dunstaner who had only been admitted to our benefits since January, 1936.

He was buried on January 16th with military honours, and the Soldier Service was conducted by our St. Dunstaner, P. J. Lynch, President of the Victorian Blinded Soldiers' Association.

Physical Training at Home

INSTRUCTIONS

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| <p>(1) <i>Leg. Ex.</i>—Hips firm—Feet full open—Foot placing outward.</p> <p>(2) <i>Neck Ex.</i>—Head Bending Sideways.</p> <p>(3) <i>Arm Ex.</i>—Arms forward bend—arms flinging.</p> <p>(4) <i>Trunk Ex.</i>—Arms bend—feet sideways place—trunks turning quickly with arms stretching upwards.</p> <p>(5) <i>Leg Ex.</i>—Hips firms—feet full open—outward lunge.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">GENERAL EXERCISES</p> <p>(6) <i>Dorsal Ex.</i>—Neck rest—feet sideways place—trunk bending backwards. Complementary Exercise—as before.</p> <p>(7) <i>Balance Ex.</i>—Hips firm—knee rest—leg stretching forward.</p> <p>(8) <i>Lateral Ex.</i>—On the hands down—on one hand turn.</p> <p>(9) <i>Abdominal Ex.</i>—Lying—arms upwards raise—leg raising.</p> <p>(10) <i>Dorsal Ex.</i>—Feet astride—Arms upwards stretch—trunk forward bend—swinging downwards and backward.</p> <p>(11) <i>March Ex.</i>—With knees raise double mark time.</p> <p>(12) <i>Final Ex.</i>—Hips firm—heels raising and knees bending.</p> | <p>(1) (a) Carry foot to half right front 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.</p> <p>(2) Keep shoulder square and still while bending head from side to side.</p> <p>(3) Elbows well back in first position; when flinging arms outward and back quickly don't check arms in backward movement.</p> <p>(4) Keep shoulders well back when turning trunk and at same time shoot arms upward.</p> <p>(5) Body should drop forward over outward knee without jerking; head and trunk to maintain relative position.</p> <p>(6) Chin in and only bend body backward a few inches.</p> <p>(7) Brace up. Standing leg and keep body upright and still when stretching leg forward.</p> <p>(8) Keep body in position during exercises; don't let hip drop towards ground when on one hand; repeat other hand.</p> <p>(9) Reach well up with hands, thumbs on floor, and point toes away when raising legs to 45 deg. to ground; don't hold your breath.</p> <p>(10) Reach well back with arms chin kept in and chest up; trunk bent forward only slightly.</p> <p>(11) Raise knees as high as possible keep heels off ground all the time during exercise.</p> <p>(12) Taken easy until body is back to normal.</p> |
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Braille

WE have been asked to print a few of the latest additions to the National Library for the Blind's Catalogue, and the following are some in which we think St. Dunstan's men might be interested.

Fall Over the Cliff, by Josephine Bell. An exciting story of mystery and detection.

It Happened in Essex, by Victor Bridges. The author has taken marshes, creeks and estuaries of Essex as the setting for the mystery story. The hero's love of adventure brings him into conflict with a gang of criminals.

Death in the Hopfields, by John Rhode. Readers of this book will gain a very vivid idea of hopfield life whilst reading this neatly constructed detective tale.

Down to the Sea, by "Shalimar." Short stories.

Lord Emsworth and Others, by P. G. Wodehouse. Here is as good a mixed bag as one could wish for—no criticism is possible, it is highly amusing and can only be appraised.

Present Indicative, by Noel Coward. Brilliantly written and amusingly frank, the book gives a vivid impression of its author's career as an actor and as a playwright.

Portuguese Somersault by Jan and Cora Gordon. A convincing and enlightening insight into the country and the inhabitants is given in this well written book.

Do you own a Pianola?

A number of Aeolian pianola player rolls have been presented to St. Dunstan's. They are in three sizes—10¼ inches, 10⅜ inches, and 11¼ inches. These are inside measurements.

Will any St. Dunstaner who has a pianola, and would like some of these rolls, apply to his Area, stating the size of the rolls which would fit his instrument.

Talking Books

ST. DUNSTAN'S men will be aware that Talking Book machines are supplied to civilians as well as to St. Dunstaners. As the supply of machines is limited and we want to ensure that the distribution is carried out in order of application, it is very necessary that any man who has no further use for his machine should communicate with St. Dunstan's.

Therefore, if, at any time, you should wish to dispose of your Talking Book please write to us instead of disposing of it privately.

National Egg Laying Test

REPORT for the eighth period of four weeks, April 24th to May 21st.

Position	Name	Test score value
1	Carpenter, E. H. ...	835
2	Holmes, P. ...	731
3	Holmes, P. ...	699
4	Fisher, T. M. ...	695
5	Campbell, J. ...	687
6	Jarvis, A. ...	660
7	Woodcock, W. J. ...	659
8	Benning, A. ...	658
9	Jackson, G. C. ...	630
10	Chaffin, A. ...	625
11	Chaffin, A. ...	623
12	Hill, R. E. ...	620
13	Knopp, H. A. ...	607
14	Hammet, H. A. ...	583
15	McLaren, D. ...	544
16	Smith, W. Alan ...	543
17	Jackson, G. C. ...	488
18	Pink, A. ...	482
19	McLaren, D. ...	443
20	Smith, W. Alan ...	442
21	McIntosh, C. ...	423
22	Brown, M. Watson ...	408
23	Powell, G. ...	342
24	Webb, W. ...	311

Resourceful

During the War, an Irish soldier in France received a letter from his wife saying there wasn't an able-bodied man left and she was going to dig the garden herself. At once he wrote back: "Dear Bridget—For heaven's sake, don't dig the garden. That's where the guns are." The letter was duly censored and in a short time an armoured lorryload of soldiers arrived at Dan's home and proceeded to dig the garden from end to end. In desperation, Bridget wrote to Dan: "What am I to do? The soldiers have dug up all the garden." Dan's reply was short and to the point. "Put in the spuds."

J. B. WHEELER, Birmingham.

Marriage

BITHELL-BODDY.—At the Chapel Royal, Brighton, on May 16th, W. Bithell, of Saltney, to Miss D. Boddy. The marriage was the first to take place from the new Brighton Home. Matron Boyd-Rochfort gave the bride away.

Deaths

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

EVANS.—To A. C. Evans, of Monmouth, whose mother with whom he lived, passed away on Friday, May 12th.

GRIFFEN.—To A. Griffen, of Tupsley, whose wife died on Thursday, May 11th.

Accident at Brighton

FOLLOWING upon the motor-car accident which so very unfortunately led to the death of Sidney Smith of Northwood, on Saturday 27th May, two men have been engaged, one from 9 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. and one from 2.30 p.m. to 11 p.m. to be on duty on the road outside the Home to help St. Dunstaners across if they are without guides. Any blinded soldier who wishes to cross alone before or after these hours must ask at the Home for an Orderly or V.A.D. to accompany him.

The tunnel which is being built as a result of negotiations with the Brighton Corporation begun by St. Dunstan's, is being paid for partly by both authorities, and will make it unnecessary for any men ever to cross the road. The men will remain on duty until the tunnel has been built.

This step was taken as an additional safeguard, with a view to rendering further accidents impossible.

The authorities at St. Dunstan's had previously taken every reasonable precaution such as warning the men collectively and individually of the danger of crossing, and particularly telling them to use the Belisha Crossing which, together with special notice boards, had been specially set up at the request of St. Dunstan's.

Head Orderly Hawketts happened to meet Smith only the night before the accident, at this very crossing, and warned him of the danger, telling him to ask for an Orderly or V.A.D. to cross with him, and to be sure to use the Belisha Crossing. But with his usual courage and independence Smith went off for his customary morning walk alone the next day, crossing the road outside the wicket gate, which is some way from the official crossing.

Asked by the Editor of the Review to make a statement on this matter Sir Ian Fraser said: "Modern traffic is terribly dangerous, not only at Brighton, but everywhere. I admire enormously the courage and independence of the blind which enable them to go about alone, and this spirit is so valuable that it must not and will not, I am sure, be damped, even by so tragic an accident as that which we have just suffered in the death of Sidney Smith. But if we move about alone, we must take every precaution and in particular we must go to known crossings and places where there

are Belisha Beacons and wait until somebody helps us across, or until we are satisfied beyond all possible doubt that the road is empty.

"St. Dunstan's will do what it can to alleviate the bereavement of Mrs. Smith and her two children, and all my comrades will sympathise with her. Smith died through making light of his blindness—a lesson to us all, but at the same time an example we must all admire."

Miss Zoe Stein

ST. DUNSTANERS will hear with the deepest regret of the death of Miss Zoe Stein which occurred in London on June 5th following an operation for appendicitis.

Miss Stein was a V.A.D. at the Bungalow in the early days. She was one of our finest coxes and many men will recall her rescue in 1919 of her Bungalow "four"—A. J. Porter, G. Swindell, E. P. Horan and D. O. Evans—when their boat was swamped on the Thames and overturned. The September, 1919, REVIEW said: "It might have proved a very disastrous affair had it not been for the pluck and presence of mind of the cox—Miss Stein—who although fully dressed, swam about the upturned boat, placing the men in position and keeping them there until the police boat arrived and rescued them."

Later Miss Stein went to the old Brighton Home for a time. Even when she ceased serving as a V.A.D., however, her interest in St. Dunstan's never flagged and year after year she gave her valuable services freely in connection with the regatta, and we had looked forward to seeing her again this year.

A Cremation Service was held at Golders Green and Drummer Downs, A. Craigie and J. Harrison, attended. Mrs. Harrison, who was Miss Naylor, a V.A.D. worker and friend of Miss Stein, Miss Paget and Sister Peacock represented the V.A.D.s.

Among the many wreaths were a poppy wreath from Captain Sir Ian Fraser and his comrades at St. Dunstan's "in remembrance of a much valued friend," a floral wreath "In affectionate remembrance of a fellow sportsman from St. Dunstan's Sportsmen"; another from the Rowing men "In loving memory from the members of St. Dunstan's Rowing Club"; and another "In affectionate remembrance from her fellow V.A.D.'s"

SPORTS CLUB NOTES

General Sports Day

24th June, 2 p.m.

WE hope that all taking part will assist us by arriving on the ground sharp to time. The children's races will begin promptly at 2 o'clock.

ORDER OF EVENTS

1. Children's races: 2-4, 4-6, 6-9, 9-12,
2. Shield events [12-15.
3. Heats of sprint
4. Ladies' surprise race
5. Ladies' egg and spoon race
6. Final of sprint
7. Three-legged race
8. Throwing the cricket ball
9. Throwing the football
10. Single jump
11. Putting the weight

St. Dunstan's Regatta, 1939

Important Notice

IN view of representations that had been made to him by Mr. G. Oliver Nickalls and others, that St. Dunstan's must take the responsibility of the blinded soldiers' fitness for rowing, the Chairman appointed a Committee consisting of Doctors and Rowing Blues familiar with St. Dunstan's to advise him.

It had been represented to him that the possibility of overstrain of the heart in men whose age was increasing, but whose keenness was undiminished, should in some way be safeguarded.

The Committee consisted of Mr. Walter Howarth, F.R.C.S. (Chairman of St. Dunstan's Medical Advisory Board), Dr. Malcolm Donaldson (Member of St. Dunstan's Medical Advisory Board, and himself an old Rowing Blue), Dr. Chittenden Bridges (St. Dunstan's Medical Officer) and Mr. G. Oliver Nickalls and Mr. George Drinkwater, both of whom are Rowing Blues who have for some years been associated with St. Dunstan's.

After careful consideration of the possibilities the Committee recommended as follows:

1. All rowing men should be medically examined immediately after a strenuous practice row, and then again after half-an-hour's interval in order to assess the rapidity of return of the heart to normal. Those who did

not reach the required medical standard would not be allowed to take part in the Regatta.

2. All men taking part in the Regatta must belong to a centre where such medical examination can be carried out.

3. All men on reaching the age of sixty should cease to compete in the Regatta.

4. The Regatta course at Putney to be shortened.

5. The number of events in which each man may take part to be diminished.

Sir Ian Fraser has expressed his grateful thanks to the Committee for their work, has approved their recommendations, and has given instructions for them to be carried out.

Examinations will be arranged at the existing St. Dunstan's Sports Centres but individual men not in touch with these centres will not be excluded as special arrangements are being made for them.

Recommendation No. 5 will not be put into operation until it has been thoroughly discussed between now and next year.

In order to give time for these medical examinations it will be essential for all men to send in their entries not later than July 3rd, and no entries can be accepted after that date.

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THE Regatta will take place at Putney on Wednesday, July 12th, commencing at 1.15 p.m.

Below is a list of events. Please send along your entries to the Sports Office as early as possible to enable us to get the programme arranged. The latest date for accepting entries will be Monday, July 3rd.

No competitor may enter for more than two events excluding cup events. In all events prizes will be awarded according to the number of entries.

PROGRAMME

Inter-Club Cup Events (Brighton, Birmingham, London and Manchester Double Sculls Pair Oars)

Single Sculls, Sections A and B.

Double Sculls (at least one Section B man in each boat.)

Pair Oars (at least one Section B man in each boat.)

One-armed Pair Oars.

Single Sculls, for veterans, 45 years and over. Events for both Sections if numbers permit.

Single Sculls, for totally deaf St. Dunstaners, Sections A and B combined.

Open Fours—The President's Challenge Cup, Presented by Lady (Arthur) Pearson, D.B.E.

"In Memory"

1ST CLASS PRIVATE ALEXANDER TETLEY
(Royal Air Force)

WITH deep regret we have to record the death of A. Tetley of Huddersfield. A single man, Tetley served in the Royal Air Force for just over two years and was invalided out in December, 1918.

Never strong, as he suffered from heart trouble, he learned mat making and later occupational work and was really only able to carry on with the latter, doing very little at all during the last few years of his life. He had been ill in Hospital but had recovered sufficiently to go to Brighton for a holiday. After spending several weeks at the New Home, however, he was suddenly taken ill on the morning of Sunday, April 23rd, and he died within a few hours.

The body was taken home to Huddersfield for interment in the family grave. A wreath from Sir Ian and his comrades was sent and we extend our deepest sympathy to his sister, with whom he lived, and her children.

PRIVATE JOHN SHEEHY
(2nd King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry)

It is with very deep regret that we record the death of J. Sheehy, of Dover.

Sheehy was wounded at Beaumont Hamel in 1916, as a result of which he lost his sight. A short time afterwards he came to St. Dunstan's when he was trained as a mat maker, but owing to head pains was unable to continue at this work. A little shop, which he and his wife ran, also had to be given up because of his ill-health. Sheehy, however, found many local interests to occupy his time including his work as Chairman and later Vice-Chairman of the British Legion in Dover. He was also a Vice-President of the Kent Council of the British Legion, and a very enthusiastic and valuable worker on the War Pensions Committee. His sudden death on May 21st preceded by only two days' illness was a great shock to a large number of friends.

The funeral took place at St. James's Cemetery and the coffin, which was draped with the Union Jack, was borne on a gun carriage, men of the South Lancashire Regiment acting as bearers, and buglers sounding the Last Post and Reveille at the graveside. There were a large number of members of the British Legion present from the County Executive, the Dover, St. Margaret's and Canterbury Branches, and also his St. Dunstan's friends, Mr. and Mrs. A. Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. E. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Fleetwood, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Stevens and Mr. and Mrs. J. Bailey. Among the numerous wreaths was one from Sir Ian and his comrades, and also from those St. Dunstan's friends who attended the funeral.

We send our very sincere sympathy to Mrs. Sheehy and her sons.

CORPORAL ALBERT KITSON
(1st Scottish Rifles)

WE deeply regret to announce the death of A. Kitson, of Old Bosham, Chichester.

Kitson was very badly wounded at Cambrai in 1915 when he lost his sight and also part of his left hand. He came to St. Dunstan's a few months later and was taught poultry farming, at which he occupied himself for some time. After a while he gave this up in favour of basket making and worked at this until shortly before his death. At the beginning of May, Kitson came to our Home at Ovingdean for a holiday, but he was only there a few days when he had a sudden heart attack which proved fatal and he died on the 11th of the month.

Kitson was buried in Brighton Cemetery not far from Miss Thellusson's grave. Among those present at the funeral were the Commandant and Matron and several of the men then staying at the Home; also Colonel Lee of the Cameronian Scottish Rifles, to whom Kitson was batman in his Army days. The wreaths included, in addition to one from Sir Ian and his comrades at St. Dunstan's, one from Colonel Lee, another from the regiment, and another from the men staying in the Home and various officials there.

We extend our very sincere sympathy to Mrs. Kitson and her son and daughter.

PRIVATE SYDNEY WILLIAM SMITH
(8th Labour Corps)

It is with deep regret that we announce the death, as a result of an accident, of S. W. Smith of Northwood.

Smith was wounded by a shell explosion at Zillebeke in 1918 resulting in the loss of his right eye and the loss of sight of his left eye. Soon after he was admitted to St. Dunstan's where he was trained in wool rug making and he carried on with this occupation until his death.

Smith was staying at the Brighton Home for his summer holiday but on May 27th while crossing the road near the Home, he was knocked down by a car and died in hospital half an hour later. His tragic death came as a great grief and shock to his wife and family, and his many St. Dunstan's friends.

The funeral took place at Northwood a few days later, Sister Goodey attending from Headquarters. Among the many wreaths was one from Sir Ian and his St. Dunstan's comrades.

We send our very deep sympathy to Mrs. Smith and her family.