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## EDITORIAL

### Any News?

THE newspaper arrives in the morning. Any news? We miss the B.B.C. bulletin and ask, "Any news?" Millions of words, pouring out every day from the printing presses, through the B.B.C. news rooms, and over the air into countless homes. Always the demand is for news.

What is news?

It is usually thought that the word represents the points of the compass, N.E.W.S., but this is not so. It comes from the old English word, "niwe," meaning "new." (Compare the French word, "nouvelles").

We all have our own ideas as to what constitutes news. We listen to the headlines on the radio in the morning and then given the time and a reader, ask for the leaders, the murders, the political notes, the gossip or racing columns according to our preference. We now have a pretty good idea of the topics of the day and this gives us a good start. We are well-informed. We have something to talk about, to discuss and think about.

Yesterday's news is a different matter. The German writer and poet, Goethe, wrote, "If a man has not read the newspapers for some months and then reads them together, he will find out how much time is wasted upon this class of literature." The newspaper of Goethe's day must have been vastly different from our own favourite "daily," so that the comparison is not quite fair, but it still remains that nothing is as dead as yesterday's news and resurrecting it is sometimes a dreary business in a newspaper, however skilfully done. How vividly, on the other hand, can events which were "news" in the past be brought to life in a radio programme as witness the Captain Scott epic; the story of the Titanic; and the ever-popular Scrapbooks.

Perhaps even Goethe would have approved "this class of literature," for literature it is—a spoken composition.

It may be that in the not too distant future, we shall wait by some gigantic loudspeaker in the public square (it is always in a public square in the best space-stories and films) to receive the latest news flashes from the moon and the current satellites. But for the present we are quite content to switch on our own radio, lean back in our chair with the cat in our lap, and wait for our favourite announcer's friendly voice to say, "This is the B.B.C. Home Service. Here is the news."

P.S. Any news for the REVIEW?

## Bookings for Holidays at Ovingdean, Northgate House and Port Hall

St. Dunstaners are reminded that all applications for summer holidays at St. Dunstan's Homes this year should reach the Area Superintendent by the 15th March.

As usual priority will be given at Ovingdean to St. Dunstaners whose holidays are fixed by their employers, and their children will receive priority at Northgate House according to the length of the period which has elapsed since a holiday was last taken there.

The Homes will be closed for cleaning and staff vacations as follows:

Northgate House: From 15th June to 11th July, inclusive.

Port Hall: From 23rd August to 19th September, inclusive.

### Special Fortnights

St. Dunstaners who wish to spend a holiday at Ovingdean at the same time as other trainees of their year may do so during the following periods:

1921-1922: 13th to 22nd September.

1919-1920: 3rd to 17th May.

1917-1918: 7th to 21st June.

1915-1916: 28th June to 12th July.

C. D. WILLS

### Appointment

David Bell, M.A. (EDIN.), has been invited to serve on the Appeals Committee of the B.B.C. Advisory Council (Scotland). The appointment takes effect from January 1st, 1958, for three years.

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As many St. Dunstaners will know, David was the subject of the B.B.C.'s television feature, "This is Your Life," on Monday, December 30th.

This programme always arouses a certain amount of controversy upon the question of good taste (the subject does not know that he is to appear on television, but is brought to the studio on some other pretext). The newspaper critics, however, were unanimous in praising David's bearing throughout it all. "Gay, serene and friendly," was how one writer put it.

### R.A.O.B.

Bro. Norman Cook was raised to the Fourth Degree on the 15th September, 1957, and was elected to President of the Thames Mouth Knights Chapter for the year 1958.

## St. Dunstaner Honoured by Legion

Honour was done to a St. Dunstaner on Tuesday night, January 7th, in the British Legion Club, Albion Street, Leeds, when Mr. Ernest Russell, who has been a member of the West Riding County Committee over a period of ten years, and a member of the Leeds Group Committee, was presented with a British Legion Gold Badge and a Life Membership Certificate of the British Legion, and a West Riding County Certificate of Appreciation for the work Mr. Russell has done on behalf of the British Legion in the West Riding County. The Gold Badge was presented to him by Colonel A. Butler, President of the Leeds Group, whilst the Certificate of Life Membership and the County Certificate of Appreciation were handed over by Mr. A. H. Markham, the County Chairman.

Warm tributes were paid by Col. Butler and Mr. Markham to the interest taken by Mr. Russell in the work of the British Legion, not only on the County Committee and the Group Committee, but among the branches, particularly in the field of indoor sports, he at the time of the presentation still being Chairman of the Leeds Group Indoor Games Committee. Mr. Markham, in his address to the gathering, said that Ernest Russell had always been one who was prepared to give considered advice on all matters relating to the work of the County Committee and, while holding strong views of his own, had always been prepared to accept the views of his many friends and colleagues on the Committees with which he served.

In the course of his remarks, Col. Butler paid a very great tribute to Mrs. Russell, to whom he presented on behalf of the Leeds Group a silver rose bowl as a mark of appreciation for the part she had taken in her husband's work in the British Legion. Col. Butler went on to say that all present appreciated that much of what Ernest has been able to accomplish was in a very large measure due to the whole-hearted support given to him by his wife, and it was to her that their warmest thanks were due for her many sacrifices on their behalf.

C. W. MASON (Capt.)

County Organising Secretary

## London Club Notes

### The Christmas Party

On Thursday evening, December 21st, at 191 Marylebone Road, Club members and their ladies gathered to enjoy our Christmas party. At about 5.30, members were arriving in two's and three's, and by 7 o'clock the party was in full swing. The rooms were bedecked with Christmassy tinsel and greenery, all of which added to the gaiety of the scene.

We were very sorry there were so many absentees among members owing to illness, and I sincerely trust they are quite fit again now. We were pleased to number among our guests our very good friends, Mr. W. Askew, C.B.E., and Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Lloyds.

There were lots of good things to eat and we are most grateful to Mrs. Willis and her many lady helpers for putting on such a good show.

We were right royally entertained by some first-rate artists from the B.B.C., and we are indebted to our very good friend, Mr. Jacques Brown, who brought along the celebrated accordionist, and the one and only John Blythe. We were given a first-class treat by these excellent artists.

In addition to all the good things we had to eat and drink, and the enjoyment of the artists, each lady who accompanied the Club member, and the members themselves, received a gift from the hands of Daddy Christmas Bob Willis.

Reluctantly at about ten o'clock, most of us had to make trek for home.

To sum up, a very excellent evening; our thanks are due to all those who contributed to the success of the evening, not forgetting our wives.

S. WEBSTER

**Bridge.**—In the London Business Houses League our team has won five of their six matches, drawing the sixth. It is interesting to note that in the drawn game, our team were 16 match points down in the first half but recovered to equalise in the second half. They still have four more to play.

## Eighty-Nine Years Old

Is S. W. Wain, of Derby, our oldest St. Dunstaner? He was 89 on January 5th.

## St. Dunstan's Six Mile Handicap Walk and

### Match v. Metropolitan Police and Queens Park Harriers

Regent's Park, Saturday, 14th December, 1957

| Competitor            | Club    | Time  | H'cp. H'cp. Pos |         |       |
|-----------------------|---------|-------|-----------------|---------|-------|
|                       |         |       | All.            | Time in | H'cp. |
| 1. J. Symes ...       | Q.P.H.  | 51-55 | —               | —       | —     |
| 2. G. McAtee ...      | M.P.    | 52-16 | —               | —       | —     |
| 3. J. Ridley ...      | Q.P.H.  | 52-32 | —               | —       | —     |
| 4. J. Taylor ...      | Q.P.H.  | 53-08 | —               | —       | —     |
| 5. B. Shaw ...        | Q.P.H.  | 53-56 | —               | —       | —     |
| 6. J. James ...       | M.P.    | 54-44 | —               | —       | —     |
| 7. J. Robinson ...    | Q.P.H.  | 55-24 | —               | —       | —     |
| 8. W. Miller ...      | St. D's | 55-48 | Scr.            | 55-48   | 2     |
| 9. J. Holding ...     | M.P.    | 56-05 | —               | —       | —     |
| 10. J. Clifton ...    | M.P.    | 56-37 | —               | —       | —     |
| 11. C. Williamson ... | St. D's | 57-12 | 2-00            | 55-12   | 1     |
| 12. W. Morris ...     | Q.P.H.  | 58-40 | —               | —       | —     |
| 13. S. Cameron ...    | Q.P.H.  | 59-37 | —               | —       | —     |
| 14. C. Saunders ...   | M.P.    | 59-52 | —               | —       | —     |
| 15. T. Melhuish ...   | M.P.    | 60-07 | —               | —       | —     |
| 16. A. Brown ...      | St. D's | 61-50 | 2-15            | 59-35   | 5     |
| 17. J. Ivens ...      | M.P.    | 62-16 | —               | —       | —     |
| 18. L. Dennis ...     | St. D's | 62-32 | 3-00            | 59-32   | 4     |
| 19. C. Stafford ...   | St. D's | 62-48 | 5-15            | 57-33   | 3     |
| 20. T. Gaygan ...     | St. D's | 65-02 | 3-45            | 61-17   | 6     |

| Match Result:        |           |     |
|----------------------|-----------|-----|
| Queens Park Harriers | 32 points | 1st |
| Metropolitan Police  | 56 points | 2nd |
| St. Dunstan's        | 90 points | 3rd |

## St. Dunstan's Seven Mile Handicap Walk and

### Match v. Metropolitan Police

Regent's Park, Saturday, 4th January, 1958

| Competitor              | Club    | Time  | Pos   |          |                |
|-------------------------|---------|-------|-------|----------|----------------|
|                         |         |       | H'cp. | H'cp. in | All. Time H'cp |
| 1. C. Fogg ...          | M.P. A  | 58-59 | —     | —        | —              |
| 2. J. Edwards ...       | M.P. A  | 60-31 | —     | —        | —              |
| 3. E. Levitt ...        | M.P. B  | 61-08 | —     | —        | —              |
| 4. W. Bowyer ...        | M.P. B  | 63-31 | —     | —        | —              |
| 5. J. Holding ...       | M.P. B  | 63-40 | —     | —        | —              |
| 6. F. James ...         | M.P. B  | 63-47 | —     | —        | —              |
| 7. P. Castle ...        | M.P. A  | 64-02 | —     | —        | —              |
| 8. P. Ansell ...        | M.P. B  | 64-09 | —     | —        | —              |
| 9. C. Williamson ...    | St. D's | 64-12 | 2-15  | 61-57    | 2              |
| 10. G. Redman ...       | M.P. A  | 64-15 | —     | —        | —              |
| 11. W. Miller ...       | St. D's | 65-03 | Scr.  | 65-03    | 5              |
| 12. J. Clifton ...      | M.P. B  | 65-23 | —     | —        | —              |
| 13. G. Hewitt ...       | St. D's | 65-31 | —     | —        | —              |
| 14. D. Fotheringham ... | M.P. A  | 66-50 | —     | —        | —              |
| 15. A. Brown ...        | St. D's | 67-22 | 3-00  | 64-22    | 4              |
| 16. — Burling ...       | M.P. B  | 68-58 | —     | —        | —              |
| 17. C. Stafford ...     | St. D's | 69-18 | 8-15  | 61-03    | 1              |
| 18. J. Ivens ...        | M.P. A  | 70-33 | —     | —        | —              |

| Result of Match:        |           |  |
|-------------------------|-----------|--|
| Metropolitan Police "B" | 26 points |  |
| Metropolitan Police "A" | 34 points |  |
| St. Dunstan's           | 65 points |  |

### Talking Book Library A December Cross-section

Owing to a New Year's resolution the awkward alliterations that used to head this column have gone by the board. I summarise in 1958 half a dozen books that were actually released in December, 1957.

"A Pot of Basil," by Jane Gillespie, reader Lionel Gamlin, is an intimate story of a mother and three young daughters. A pleasant study of a mother's joys and worries over one daughter engaged, one almost leaving school, and the youngest at the mistress hero-worshipping age. The main thread recounts the allaying of the suspicions of the middle girl for the fiancé of her sister. The reconciliation of fiancé and middle sister plus the uncertainties of an engagement and the endearing qualities of the youngest girl make a charming book. *Cat. No. 70.*

"A Portrait of Canterbury," by Richard Church, reader Arthur Bush, is a long picture of many centuries. A fascinating study of a fine old town which, I regret to say, coming from another part of the country myself, I found a trifle too long. However, that is a purely personal point of view and the book does very adequately what it sets out to do. *Cat. No. 986.*

"Montgomery," by Alan Moorehead, reader Adrian Waller, is a short and most interesting biography of a Field Marshal whose name conjures up immediately North Africa and the 8th Army. It is almost surprising to discover he's a human being like you and me. *Cat. No. 085.*

"Noble in Reason," by Phyllis Bentley, reader Laidman Browne, purports to be the autobiography of a playwright whose childhood in the West Riding of Yorkshire seems to have been comprehensively and detailedly miserable. Eventually success and love at the second attempt come to him in London. *Cat. No. 983.*

"Into an Hour-glass," by Nancy Price, reader Nancy Price, is the auto biography of a leading actress and, now, a bird sanctuarist in Sussex. There are many sparkling anecdotes and events in Miss Price's brilliant career and, unlike many of her sex, she can oddly enough read her own writing. *Cat. No. 982.*

"Pavilion of Women," by Pearl S. Buck, reader Jean Metcalfe, is the study of a Chinese family in which mum at 40 tells dad he must have a concubine. That

makes a praiseworthy start, then the story of children and grandchildren splits into devious threads, interesting but too numerous to attempt here. *Cat. No. 980.*

"NELSON"

### Personal

I wish to thank all my St. Dunstaner friends for the many attractive cards conveying Christmas greetings which I have received and regret that I have been unable, this year, to acknowledge each one personally. I wish all St. Dunstaners a happy and prosperous New Year. C. D. WILLS

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May I, through the REVIEW, acknowledge the charming Christmas cards I have received and also the many letters of appreciation and good wishes for my retirement. There are so many that I am sorry I am unable to answer each one personally. LESLIE BANKS

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I have received so many cards and kind remembrances from St. Dunstaners that I would, if possible, like to say "thank you" through the medium of the REVIEW. I have deeply appreciated being remembered, having retired, and I do wish them a grand New Year. They will understand I could not reply to all, much as I would like to do so. MARIE K. WILSON

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Good wishes for Christmas and the New Year to the boys of Stalag 9 A/H, Kloster Haina, came again this year from our old friend T. J. Rowe (Taffy), R.A.M.C.

### Miss Outing

I have to-day been given by Tommy Gaygan the wonderful cheque from my St. Dunstaner friends of Southern Area, for which I send you all my most sincere thanks.

I appreciate more than I can say the good wishes and kind feelings which prompted your giving, and although I cannot express what I feel, I am sure that you will all understand. I have to thank you all, too, for the great kindness which has been shown to me throughout my time at St. Dunstan's, which has contributed greatly to my happiness and enjoyment of the work.

Again many thanks and all best wishes for the future. J. OUTING

### St. Dunstan's Camp Week H.M.S. Daedalus, Lee-on-Solent

I have just received a letter from Lee inviting fifty St. Dunstaners to a week's holiday visit. Leave period is late this year and the probable date is Friday, August 22nd, to Saturday, August 30th. I give you this advanced information to help you make holiday plans. The date will be confirmed by January 22nd, so if you want to know before the February REVIEW appears, write to me.

Mrs. SPURWAY,

The Vicarage,

Holmwood,

Tel.: Dorking 73191. Dorking.

### A Family of Fishermen

In his Christmas mail, Sir Ian received a letter from W. P. Brown, of North Otago, New Zealand, who was blinded in North Africa in 1943. This is what he said:

"I keep hens and, with the help of my wife, a small market garden. My main hobby is fishing and my wife and our two boys are also keen on the fishing. The enclosed snapshot is of our two boys with their respective bags of rainbow trout caught in Lake Waitaki. Owen is nine years old and he has one trout three and a quarter pounds and one at one pound. Ashley is six years old and his eight trout, which is the daily limit, ranged from one pound seven ounces down to one and a quarter pounds, with a total weight of 13 pounds. My wife and I caught four each the same day.

"I make moccasins and leather bags and enjoy listening to my talking book machine."

### The Allied Circle

The Allied Circle is a Club for the promotion of international goodwill. Fifty different nationalities are represented among its members. Interesting lectures on varied subjects are given weekly at the Club's headquarters in Green Street, London, W.1.

Colonel Crossfield who is President of the Club, has extended, through Sir Ian Fraser, a cordial invitation to St. Dunstaners in the London Area to become Honorary Members.

### Hogmanay Story

The scene is the Lounge, Ovingdean, just after lunch on December 31st, 1957:

Bill: "Hallo, Jock! What are you going to do this afternoon?"

Jock: "I'm going to try to get a thir-r-st on for to-night!" J. WALCH

### From All Quarters

S. Allott, of Hornsea, was pictured in the *Yorkshire Times* on December 7th, receiving his prizes for his racing pigeons. He is a member of Hornsea and East Riding Homing Society.

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Another pigeon fancier is George Shed, of Burgess Hill; he is a member of the Mid-Sussex Pigeon Flying Club. Last season he won four first prizes, four seconds, a third and a fourth for his carrier pigeons, and a silver cup in a race for young birds, Guernsey to Burgess Hill, in September.

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A prizewinner in another field is S. Purvis, of Seghill, whose leeks are famous locally. This year he did not do quite so well as usual at the shows (his plants were attacked by blight) but he still took a number of minor prizes including a third, an eighth and a twelfth, which brought him a clock, a kitchen cabinet, a tea-set and a carpet.

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Reg. Beales, our physiotherapist, did grand work in preparing the Hereford F.C. players for their gallant efforts in the F.A. Cup.

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At the Not Forgotten Association Dinner in Belfast on November 9th, it was J. Humphrey who made a most excellent speech on behalf of those present, and not A. W. Rutledge, as reported last month.

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T. Rosewarne, of Denton, Manchester, is Domino Champion of Denton and District British Legion.

### Annual Award Goes to St. Dunstaner

At its Seventh General Assembly in West Berlin, the World Veterans' Federation has awarded Sir Clutha Mackenzie its Fifth Annual Rehabilitation Award for Outstanding Services to the World's Disabled. This Award carries a grant of \$1000 a year to be used as a Travelling Fellowship for rehabilitation subjects for each of the three years following the granting of the Award.

## Round the Clubs

### Brighton

In spite of the most inclement weather, twenty-four St. Dunstaners, with escorts, attended the Annual General Meeting of the Brighton Club. After the Chairman's Report, the election of a Committee for the ensuing year was next on the agenda. It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that the retiring Committee be re-elected *en bloc*. In the course of the meeting it was likewise proposed as above that the Darts Tournament be played in two sections, "T.B." and "S.S.," henceforth to be known as "A" and "B" Sections.

It was also agreed to run a Fives and Threes Domino Tournament under the Sir Arthur Pearson games.

Will all those wishing to participate in the darts, cribbage, or fives and threes games, let me know as soon as possible as the first round will be played off at 7.15 p.m. on the second Thursday in February.

On behalf of members of the Club, Mr. Walch presented Mr. Rhodes, Chairman, with a beautiful cigarette box. Matron Ramshaw kindly presented the prizes to the 1957 winners of the Sir Arthur Pearson prizes.  
FRANK A. RHODES

### Cardiff

On January 4th, at the Alexandra Hotel, Cardiff, St. Dunstan's Club held their annual Christmas Dinner. Members, with their wives and escorts, formed a real family gathering. After dinner dancing and games were enjoyed.

J. Caple brought along two entertainers who were much appreciated.

At 10.45 p.m., which came far too soon, the strains of Auld Lang Syne brought our party to a close.

The Club would welcome any St. Dunstaners who would like to join us. Meetings are held on the first Saturday in each month at 3 p.m., at the British Legion, Woman Street, Cardiff.  
ARTHUR LANE

### Manchester

The Club held its Christmas party on Wednesday evening, the 11th December, at the Wellington Hotel, Nicholas Croft, Manchester. The Manageress of the hotel very kindly allowed us the use of a private room where a full Christmas dinner,

beautifully prepared, was efficiently served to the assembled party.

The attendance fell short of the number anticipated, owing to illness and previous engagements of some members, but nevertheless there was a good muster of members and their wives.

Our principal guest was Miss B. Vaughan Davies, whom so many St. Dunstaners will happily remember as Matron of the Blackpool Home up to the time it was closed down. Our friend, Mr. Charlie Clarke, son of "Nobby," was also present and he provided the music. A Christmas message and a donation were submitted from our friend and late Secretary, Mrs. E. M. Dunphy, now living in South Devon.

Useful presents for all were provided by means of a "lucky dip," whilst other presents went to holders of lucky numbers.

This was a very pleasant party, held in comfortable and convenient premises.

J. SHAW.

### Liverpool

On Saturday, December 7th, the Club held its annual Christmas party in Sefton Hall, Hardman Street, which was attended by about sixty members and friends. Miss Vaughan Davies, of our late Blackpool Home, was the principal guest. Unfortunately, Miss Everett was suddenly called away to the bedside of her father a few days before the party and was unable to be present. She sent her best wishes for its success. Another guest, Miss Madison (so helpful when you are shopping in Lewis's) was also with us. Our good friends from the Railway Hotel, Plessington, arrived in their coach in good time, led by our St. Dunstaner, Bob Britten.

After a very good repast, the toast to Her Majesty was proposed by the President, Captain Halloway. Crackers were pulled and paper hats were soon in evidence and the party spirit was soon in full swing.

After the usual speeches, a very fine concert was presented by our old friend, George Lamb, and his party; at the conclusion of the concert, cups and cash prizes were presented to the winners of the various competitions, dominoes, darts, etc., held during the year; a nice Christmas box for the lucky ones. This was most charmingly done by Miss Davies.

## Pearson House

### A First-Class "Xmastication"

The festive season for Pearson House (recently West House) residents began with the Grocers' Dinner-dance at the Grand Hotel on December 7th. From that date everything went along in hectic fashion. Came the 23rd December, when the Whist Drive was arranged for the escorts and Good Companions—an enjoyable afternoon. On Christmas Eve there were carols by the St. Matthew's Church Choir. Following a sumptuous breakfast on Christmas Day, Commandant and Matron Avison distributed the presents in the lounge, where refreshments (kindly provided by the Grocers' Federation), were served. And so on to dinner. In the Dining Hall the glittering cutlery and glassware, the white napery, with the piles of crackers, and the gay, cleverly done wall decorations made a pleasing scene. During the dinner, Matron read the many telegrams of good wishes. After this sumptuous repast, the men retired to the lounge where, with our old friend, Mr. Welfare, at the piano, the old well-known choruses were sung and "Tiny" Northcott played a leading part. After tea there was dancing, at the end of which there was a play reading of the comedy, "The Witching Hour," in which Matron starred as "Joy." After this singing was resumed. Bob Riddell, for his rendering of "A Gordon for Me," was a highlight. After Tiny, Moeller, and Mr. Jones had failed to lift Miss Heap off the ground with one finger, a most enjoyable Christmas Day was brought to a close.

On Boxing morning came the drive around Sussex to Ringmer, where The Anchor was weighed, and the crown blown from the top of the refreshment. Here the songsters came on again into the limelight and provided a jolly good show.

On Boxing Day night a company attended the Theatre Royal and on Friday night the usual mass attack was made on the Hippodrome for the pantomime, "Jack and the Beanstalk"—a splendid show.

The Christmas festivities ended on New Year's Eve with a rum punch—Hail and Farewell.

Well done, all the Staff—*Mighty thanks.*

"BROOKIE"

The floor being cleared, the rest of the evening belonged to the dancers, who were very ably catered for by Mr. A. Owens.

The party broke up at 10.30 p.m. and everybody voted that they had enjoyed a very pleasant and jolly evening.

Our thanks are due to the ladies who provided and served the late night refreshments; also the members who decorated the Hall.

The Liverpool Club wishes all St. Dunstaners on Merseyside "A very Happy and Prosperous New Year."

JOS. BLAKELY,  
Chairman.

## Family News

Dorothy Cole, Gloucester, has won the senior musical prize at her school.

Hazel Morgan, who has lost a good deal of time at school, has only been at her new one for four weeks, but came fifteenth in a class of 41. (She was sixth in English, tenth in maths.)

Helen Embleton, Trimdon Village, Co. Durham, is head girl, school captain and house captain for all games. She is 17 and is at Wellfield A. J. Dawson Grammar School.

Sheila Read, New Haw, has passed in Grade I, "Ballet in Education."

Jane Sutton, Crewe, has passed her intermediate music examination with merit. She now has six certificates, and when she has four more she will have her cap and gown.

### Marriages of Sons and Daughters

Betty Francis, of Leeds, married Mr. Raymond Rodgers on December 7th.

## Great Grandfather

P. Lynch, of Brandon, Co. Durham.

## Grandfathers

P. Long, of Waterfall, near Cork City; J. Kelleher, of Cork (the first grandson); C. H. Frankish, of Carlisle; D. C. E. Cole, of Gloucester.

## Ruby Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Loram, of Brixham, January 20th. Congratulations.

## Golden Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. P. Garrity, of Patcham, January 1st. Many congratulations.

## "In Memory"

### Private Arthur Benbow, 11th East Lancashire Regiment

With deep regret we record the death of A. Benbow, of Trawden, near Colne, Lancs. Enlisting in June, 1915, he was discharged in February, 1919; he had received mustard gas injuries but it was only as recently as August, 1957, that he came to us and he was then a very sick man and therefore unable even to take a hobby.

He died in hospital on December 21st.

He leaves a widow to whom our deep sympathy is sent.

### Private Lawrence Hardy, King's Own Scottish Borderers

It is with deep regret that we record the death of L. Hardy, of Peac Haven. He was sixty-four. He served with his regiment from October, 1915, and was wounded in Belgium in 1917. He came to St. Dunstan's the following year and trained as a basket-maker. He carried on his craft for some years then turned to wool rugs and he was working at these until a short time ago. His health, however, had been poor for some time. He was admitted to hospital on November 14th, and he died there on December 15th.

Our deep sympathy is offered to his widow and step-children.

### Private Ivan Henry Poole, 10th Hampshire Regiment

With deep regret we record the death of I. H. Poole, of Redditch, Worcestershire.

Enlisting in June, 1914, he was wounded in Salonica in September, 1918, and he came to St. Dunstan's upon his discharge from the Army in February, 1919. He trained as a basket-maker and for twenty years he followed his craft, apart from a break of a year when he did a war job on munitions. Ill-health forced him to give this up and he returned to basket-making and it was on this work that he was engaged right up to the time of his sudden death at his home on December 17th.

He was twice married and our deep sympathy goes out to Mrs. Poole and the three children of his first marriage, and to his step-daughter who also lived at home with them.

### Sergeant John Deegan, 2nd Lincolnshire Regiment

It is with deep regret that we record the death of J. Deegan, of Brixton, S.W.9. He was fifty-nine.

He came to St. Dunstan's in June, 1918, and trained as a telephonist and he worked at his board up to the time of his death. In the 1920's and early 1930's he was one of our keenest sportsmen. Although he had suffered a little with chest trouble, he had not been ill otherwise and his death took place suddenly on January 15th.

Our deep sympathy goes out to Mrs. Deegan and her family.

### Private Gordon Nancarrow, 1st Durham County Light Infantry

With deep regret we record the death of G. Nancarrow, of Newquay, at the age of sixty-three.

He came to St. Dunstan's in December, 1917, where he trained as a mat-maker. Later he changed to rug-making and this craft he carried on until November, 1957, when he was admitted to hospital. He was discharged from the hospital but became ill again. His health gradually deteriorated and he died in hospital on January 11th.

He leaves a widow and grown-up family, and our deep sympathy goes out to them, and to his sisters.

### Births

KEMP.—On December 16th, to the widow of the late S. Kemp, of Troon, nr. Camborne, Cornwall, a son—Christopher Noel.

WHYTE.—On December 21st, to the wife of F. Whyte, of Gainsborough, a daughter.

### Marriages

ALTON.—On December 21st, John Alton, of Victoria, Australia.

BETTANEY.—On January 1st, A. E. Bettaney, of Stoke-on-Trent, to Miss L. Ogden.

### Deaths

Our deep sympathy goes out to the following:—

GOLDING.—To H. Golding, of Thornton Heath, whose wife died on January 8th.

GREEN.—To E. A. Green, of Whittlesey, nr. Peterborough, whose mother has died at the age of 83.

OVERILL.—To A. J. Overill, of Bexleyheath, whose wife died on December 23rd, after a long illness.

ROUGHLEY.—To J. Roughley, of Weybridge, Surrey, who lost his wife on January 12th.

SEYMOUR.—To R. Seymour, of Warrington, whose wife died on December 7th. She had been ill for a long time.

STUBBS.—To J. Stubbs, of Liverpool, whose wife died on December 16th.

WALKER.—To H. Walker, of Peterborough, whose wife died at Ampthill, Bedfordshire, on January 5th.