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CHAIRMAN'S NOTES

Viscount Nuffield

have just read with personal sorrow of the death of Lord Nuffield. I am sure the blind world will long remember his generous interest in our Talking Book enterprise, to which he subscribed upwards of £200,000 during nearly twenty years.

My wife and I travelled with him on board ship immediately the war was over and I was able to show him a Talking Book machine which read to me in my cabin and on deck. This practical and living example of the system in use had its effect upon the great benefactor. I am glad that we call our library the Nuffield Talking Book Library for the Blind.

Assistance to Widows

I announced in the Review two years ago that the Council of St. Dunstan's had set aside a sum of money for the purpose of alleviating hardship amongst widows and since then some 150 have applied for assistance and the sum of £4,500 has been disbursed.

The help given has covered many needs, such as towards the maintainance of a home, fuel during the winter, clothing and bedding and many other items old people living alone on very small pensions find it so difficult to meet.

The Council feels, however, that it is likely there are many more widows who need this kind of assistance and has set aside a further sum of £10,000 so that we may continue helping those we know about and others whose needs may be brought to our notice.

We are most anxious that any widow in need of help should contact our Welfare Department to tell us of her circumstances and any St. Dunstaner who has knowledge of the whereabouts of a widow who may be in difficulty should let us know or ask her to write to us.

Bank Accounts

Replies to my note in the July Review on the advantages of having a bank account indicate that a considerable proportion of St. Dunstaners already make use of the many facilities offered by the joint stock banks. In order that we may shortly introduce the "Credit Transfer Method" of making payments to members of St. Dunstan's, I shall be glad if all St. Dunstaners who have not yet written to the Accountant on this subject would do so without further delay giving him details of

(a) your existing bank account.

(b) the bank where you would like St. Dunstan's to open an account for you.

A suitable form for this purpose was enclosed in the July REVIEW.

An Old Friend Leaves

During August we said goodbye to Miss L. M. Carlton who came to St. Dunstan's as a V.A.D. at Longmynd, Church Stretton, in January, 1945, became Lounge Sister when we moved back to Ovingdean, and has been Assistant Matron there since January, 1952. Miss Carlton, who leaves us to become a house mistress at a school, was a most popular member of the staff and the hundreds of St. Dunstaners who have met her when they have been visiting our Homes will send her their thanks and will wish her the very best of luck in her new post.

His Worship the Mayor

Alderman H. White concluded his term as Mayor of Stalybridge earlier in the summer and, following custom, he is now Deputy Mayor for the current year; his wife was at his side

as Mayoress and now is Deputy Mayoress.

I do not call to mind a previous occasion on which a St. Dunstaner has been a Mayor, though many other Local Government offices have been held by our members. I express our admiration of Alderman White's notable services to Local Government and send him our best wishes.

Correction

One of the penalties of being blind is that words and names that are heard do not register as accurately as those which have been seen. I fell into error in my Chairman's Notes in July when I attributed the reading of "My Story of St. Dunstan's" for the Talking Book to Robin Day. Of course the reader was Robin Holmes. I express my apology to him and repeat my praise for the excellent way he read the book.

FRASER.

"Monty" Visits St. Dunstans

Viscount Montgomery of Alamein— "Monty" to millions of ex-Servicemen, visited our Home at Ovingdean and Pearson House on July 18th.

Lord Montgomery, escorted by Lord Fraser and Commandant Fawcett, made a thorough inspection of the Home, including the kitchens and storeroom, the handicrafts section, machine and woodwork shop, the gymnasium, and the Braille library. He watched while St. Dunstaners shot at the Rifle Range and then tried his hand, with a screen hiding the target.

"It's lucky the boys at Alamein didn't have a screen between them and the target," he said, and when he scored a "magpie,"—"I think you've been tinkering with it," he said to Jack Jarrold.

During his visit Monty met many men who had served under him in the desert campaign, and in reply to a question said that he still had a pair of his famous corduroy trousers at home.

Monty, who said he preferred to be called Field Marshal rather than Viscount, obviously enjoyed his day and so did St. Dunstaners.

Appointment

The Reverend G. L. Treglown, M.B.E., has been appointed Rector of Cricklade with Latton in Wiltshire. The Bishop of Bristol will institute him on September 27th.

Broadcasters

On Sunday, August 25th, Sam Taylor, of Shepshed, was featured by the B.B.C. in a programme on the Midland Region Home Service, "Portrait of a Blind Farmer."

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Alec Purves, of Winterbourne, Bristol, was interviewed on the B.B.C. "In Touch" programme on September 8th and is giving a talk on Tuesday, September 17th, on "Back to Life."

From Miss Gwen Taylor

To all St. Dunstaners who have so kindly given towards my leaving present I should like to send my very grateful thanks. I shall spend the money on something for my home so that I shall have lasting usefulness and pleasure from it.

With sincere good wishes,

GWEN P. TAYLOR.

Bridge

The R.N.I.B. is shortly to publish in braille, *The Acol System Today*, by Terence Reese and Albert Dormer. This is the first authoritive book on the system for ten years; it presents a complete and unified system as a basis for partnership, paying special attention to competitive techniques, and also describes some of the best modern conventions. There will be a limited number of copies and St. Dunstaners who wish to obtain the book should send in their names to Mr. Christopher as soon as possible. *Cat. No. 24861-2.*

To Would-be Anglers

Mr. Lewis A. Harris is the senior instructor in Angling to the L.C.C. Education Department and he has kindly offered to take a similar class for St. Dunstaners in the area South and South-East of London if the numbers warrant it.

St. Dunstaners living in South London who would be interested in such a class should in the first instance send their names to the Editor.

Reunions

There was a great trek by St. Dunstaners from all over Essex, Suffolk and Norfolk to **Ipswich** on Saturday, 20th July, and by 12.30 p.m. no less than 52, with wives and escorts, were assembled at the Great White Horse Hotel for the annual Reunion.

They were received by Lord and Lady Fraser, who presided, and old friends present included Miss Hensley and Miss Hester Pease. The guests included seven new St. Dunstaners, present at a Reunion for the first time, and they were given a very warm welcome by all who attended.

After an excellent lunch, Mr. H. Elsey and his daughter, supported by Mr. S. Jones and his orchestra, entertained the party and Lady Fraser presented the prizes for the draw. By the time they left for home, everyone was looking forward to the Reunion next year.

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Our late St. Dunstaner, Leonard Johnson, of Stafford, died at the age of 69 and not 62 as reported last month.

Reunion at Hinton Charterhouse

On July 11th a small representative group of St. Dunstaners were again mobilised by Miss Webster for the renewed annual garden party at Hinton Charterhouse. The weather was not ideal but the afternoon was enlivened by competitions and darts, greatly enjoyed by all, including Miss Oliphant's party from Westbury. We were pleased to meet again with the Rev. and Mrs. Spurway, but our Technical Visitor, Mr. Allen, was absent, being in the Bristol Royal Infirmary. However, a letter of good wishes from him was read and Mr. T. Tucker proposed a sympathetic reply and a collection to provide a few goodies. We all wish him well.

After tea we were entertained to a rapidfire delivery of jokes by a professional entertainer and then we were led in community singing of such old favourites as "Annie Laurie" for Scotland, "Cockles and Mussels," and "Land of Hope and Glory."

A very pleasant afternoon for the men of the Wild West who seldom leave the homestead. We look forward to next year when the men of both wars may get together and sing with Scouts and Guides, "Draw nearer, draw nearer, Camp fire's burning." And if this catches Bill Allen's eye, hope you will join us then.

A. J. RADFORD, Castle Cary.

Result of Holiday Competition

No-one sent in a completely correct solution which was as follows:—

- solution which was as follows:—

 1. Franchise 8. Vociferous
 2. Circumference 9. Officer
 3. Reinforce 10. Benefactor
 4. Effervescent(ence) 11. Fratricide
 5. Preference 12. Surface
 6. Sufferance 13. Difference
 7. Interfoliency 14. Chauffeur
- 7. Infrequency 14. Chauffeur No. 8 seemed to confuse most competitors.

Violet Formstone, of Liverpool, G. Waterworth, of Coventry, and D. McGoohan, of Tolworth, sent in entries with only one error and five guineas goes to each of them.

Well done, everybody. They were very good tries.

Letters to the Editor

DEAR EDITOR.

My own method of placing my cards might be useful to my St. Dunstan's card-

playing friends.

I sort the suits as they come, placing two suits between my middle finger and third, the other two between my forefinger and middle. I find you can easily hold them this way, placing the high ones at the back. If you are playing with sighted players as I always do, another player cannot tell how many trumps you hold. If you have four lots to play from they can easily spot which pack you take trumps from.

I play quite a lot of cards, mostly solo whist now, although I have played much

bridge in the past.

I recommend any St. Dunstaner to join a Club if one is near his home. I have been a Club member for many years and I have made many friends by playing cards and spent many happy evenings.

After playing a few rounds I put all my cards together as one can sort them out quite well after a few rounds have been played. And the more you play the better your memory becomes.

Trusting this will help someone, Yours sincerely,

A. R. CLOVER, Long Melford.

DEAR EDITOR.

I wish to pass on my thanks to Messrs. A. J. Radford and George Fallowfield for the tips which I think very useful concerning a drawing pin to mark the tops of boxes, also elastic bands to mark different articles. Had I thought about putting elastic bands round to distinguish different articles I could have avoided a nasty but now comical experience which happened whilst I was on holiday at Ovingdean.

I had with me a tube of tooth paste and a tube of Trugel hair cream, both similar. Of course, I used the toothpaste on my hair, which wasn't too bad, but I wasn't very pleased when I used the Trugel for toothpaste. The taste wasn't very pleasant.

Here's a tip I found useful. On my bunch of keys I have three similar shaped Yale keys, so to distinguish the difference between them I have filed one notch in the round part of the front door key, two notches in the back door key and left the other as it is.

> Yours sincerely, G. WATERWORTH, Coventry.

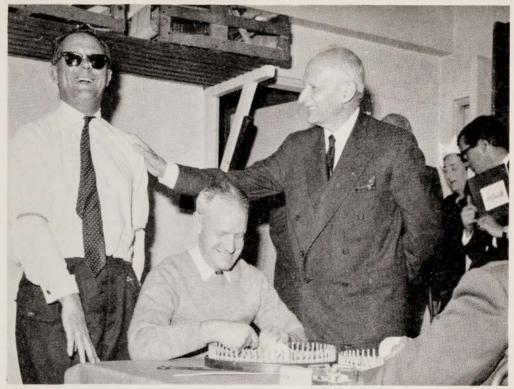
DEAR EDITOR,

The English system of the manual for the deaf-blind is the simplest in the world, even the American deaf-blind have conceded that fact, for a few years ago Mr. R. Kinney, himself totally both, of the Hadley Correspondence School, wrote to me asking if I would send him some of our manual alphabet leaflets, which I did. In a letter of acknowledgement he admitted that our system is much easier than theirs, as their system only allows for twenty of the letters being written manually, the other six have to be written in block type. The American deaf-blind mostly use lettered gloves which are usually worn on the right hand. I am totally both myself, from the First World War, and I have been amazed at the number of people in all walks of life who can do the manual, and only last Christmas, while returning home from Harrogate, which necessitates changing at Leeds, after we had started off, I was very much surprised when someone got hold of my hand and started doing the manual at top speed. He introduced himself as one of the doctors at the Royal Infirmary, and I had the most delightful journey, and what is more, that doctor has been to see me three times and we have had grand chats. One of our British Legion members whose wife suddenly went totally deaf last year, has a little daughter, only five years old, but she's tops at the manual. If children that age can learn the manual, why not adults? it only needs a few minutes' practice, for one never knows when one will be called upon to use it, and perhaps, some day, more St. Dunstaners will be very glad they did learn it, and why not?

Cordially yours, BEN SUTTON, Hull:

Silver Weddings

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. H. Westby, whose Silver Wedding was on July 30th, and to Mr. and Mrs. S. Fletcher, of Tooting, who celebrated theirs on September 4th.



[Photograph by Evening Argus, Brighton At Ovingdean, Lord Montgomery meets Percy Stubbs (standing) and Bert Fry, who served under him at El Alamein



Lord Montgomery signs the Visitors' Book at Ovingdean. Matron Blackford and Commandant Fawcett are behind him.

DEAR EDITOR,

When I was visiting the "Do It Yourself" Exhibition at Olympia last week, I was very impressed with the new jack-plane on show, which I feel has several advantages over the normal jack-plane and might interest St. Dunstaners who are either amateur or professional woodworkers.

It is called the "Paramo Planemaster," and it is manufactured by Parramore and Sons, Ltd., of Sheffield, at a cost of 57/6d. including six spare blades. Replacement blades are readily obtained in packets of six for 2/6d. and are made of a very tough tungsten steel; the blades are razor-sharp and would last a fair time and could even be returned to the makers for re-honing. But at the cost of sixpence each this would not seem to be worthwhile.

The blade is held in the slot by a simple cam lever, which moves through 90 degrees so that the blade can be removed and a new one inserted in perfect alignment with no difficulty, and there is a fine adjustment knob.

The position of the cutting edge is such that one can plane right up to the corner of a right-angle. There is an attachment for rabbeting which is easily fitted to the side of the plane, for left or right-hand rabbeting and can be readily adjusted to cut as fine as a millimetre. This rabbeting gauge would be very useful to use as a guide when planing narrow edges.

In practice, I have found that the plane also cuts through knotted wood without any difficulty, leaving a perfectly smooth finish.

Yours sincerely,

JIMMY WRIGHT,

Shepperton.

DEAR EDITOR,

I would like to thank all those members of staff who visited my wife during her very long illness and the V.A.D.s who escorted me to visit her over the past two and a half years, and those at Pearson House, during the very severe winter.

I would like to thank everybody for their kindness to me at this time—the staff, old pals, and those ex-V.A.D.s who have written to me. Thank you all.

Yours sincerely
George Fallowfield,
Ovingdean.

More Book Notes

Here are a few books that I have found worth reading:

"After All," the autobiography of a most interesting man, Norman Angell, sometime cowboy in the Wild West, journalist and author of the important book, "The Great Illusion," which was commonly misconstrued as an attempt to prove the impossibility of world war, which it certainly was not. He spent most of his time working for peace; the pity is that his ideas were not more generally applied. Had they been, what misery might have been avoided!

"John Evelyn and his Family Circle." This is a book about the author of the well-known Diary, a friend of another famous diarist, Samuel Pepys, which offers a sidelight on life in the seventeenth century amongst the landed classes.

"Grandma went to Russia," by Antonia Ridge. This struck me as an out of the ordinary story of real, likeable people. It starts in England, moves to Russia, and gives a glimpse of life in that country under the Czar. Then comes the First World War, followed by the revolution. Next the escape to France, the Second World War and finally ends happily in the Old Country once more.

"Brensham Village," by John Moore. This is another story about a Cotswold village, somewhat larger than life perhaps, and it might be regarded as a glorification of village pubs.

S. A. CHAMBERS,

Birmingham .

Miss Carlton

Several St. Dunstaners have expressed a wish to subscribe to a presentation to Miss L. M. Carlton who has left us to take up another appointment.

A fund has therefore been started and contributions towards this may be sent to Mr. E. V. Stevens at St. Dunstan's Headquarters, 191 Marylebone Road, London, N.W.1.

Grandfathers

D. Littlejohn, of Seaford; B. Fitzpatrick, of Barrow-in-Furness; E. Squires, of Ringwood; W. Higgins, of Congleton (another grand-daughter); S. Loram, of Brixham (twin grandchildren now); and seventh grandchildren for M. H. Albertella, of Hastings, and T. Brougham, of Liverpool.

Australian News Letter

At the 16th Biennial Conference of the Australian Blinded Soldiers' Association held in Sydney in May, R. Archer, M.B.E., of Sandringham, Victoria, was elected Honorary Federal Secretary/Treasurer to take the place of T. Melbourne, who is leaving Victoria to live in Sydney, New South Wales. P. J. Lynch, C.B.E., is the Federal President of the Association.

Mr. Archer will continue to hold the office of Hon. State Secretary for the Victorian Blinded Soldiers' Association—a post which he has now held for twenty-

Bob Archer was at St. Dunstan's College Annexe as a very young man in February, 1918, and he pays a very sincere tribute to the training he received in those early days. "It has been a tremendous help to me throughout the years," he writes.

We send Mr. Archer our warm congratulations upon his new appointment and heartily reciprocate the good wishes expressed in his letter.

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The following is an extract received on September 3rd from a further letter from Australia:

"Some of the men of the 1914-18 War who were in training at the 'College,' Regent's Park, may be interested to learn that we had a visit earlier this year from Mrs. Stayt (Miss Evelyn Dyson) who was well known as a popular V.A.D. during those years. I was able to gather together most of the Victorians who knew her and we entertained her at Luncheon and enjoyed a very happy reunion. Mrs. Stayt was on her way to New South Wales to visit her daughter and was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Christie. Those present at the Luncheon were: Dudley and Mrs. Tregent (Sister Sharpe); George and Mrs. Watson; Bill Clifton; Foster (Mac) and Mrs. McConnell; Bob and Mrs. Archer. Mrs. McConnell and Mrs. Archer (Misses F. and B. Grav) will also be remembered as V.A.D.s at the College.

BOB ARCHER."

Golden Weddings

Warmest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. H. Wignell, of Brighton, who celebrated their Golden Wedding on June 16th and to Mr. and Mrs. S. Usher, of Fleet, whose Golden Wedding was on August 31st.

From the Chairman's Postbag

"I hope you have managed to get in some fishing and landed some good ones.

I, too, am a keen coarse angler and have been going about twice a week to some private lake where at times I have had some nice bream. It is a grand sport and takes your mind off all other things for the time being.

While I am at it, may I pass on a tip for anglers.

When going for a day's fishing, go the day before when the big ones are feeding."

Stoke-on-Trent

"Thermega" Electric Blankets

The makers of the "Thermega" electric blanket, the Ex-Services Welfare Society, have very kindly renewed their offer to St. Dunstaners of their various blankets less a special discount of 25% off the *list price*, plus, of course, Purchase Tax.

A fellow St. Dunstaner, Mr. Frank Pawson, is an administrative officer within this Society and he has asked that St. Dunstaners interested should contact him personally at the Ex-Service Welfare Society, 37-39 Thurloe Street, London, S.W.7 (Tel.: KNI 8688, Ext. 3).

The Loram Reunion!

Saturday, August 17th, 1963, was a day the Loram family of Brixham will remember for a very long time. Mr. and Mrs. S. Loram, their five sons and two daughters (as well as twenty grandchildren, including twins born only two months ago) were together for the first time since 1937. Their son who lives in Greece was home on holiday (their eldest daughter had not seen him for over 17 years as she was in Canada), and as Mrs. Loram said, "There has always been one or the other away."

The Paignton News published an attractive photograph of the happy family group taken on this very special day.

Ruby Weddings

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Cook, of Mapperley, Nottingham, and Mr. and Mrs. E. Hardbottle, of Barnsley, both on July 31st. Many congratulations to them all.

From All Quarters

In a July event, J. Doubler, of Hove, had an Honourable Mention for three of his pigeons—one of which returned 662 miles from Barcelona, another 520 miles from Pau and the third 420 miles from Bordeaux. He is still keenly interested in this hobby and now has about forty birds

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J. Nicol, of Hull, gained a Very Highly Commended for his Labrador Retriever at a recent Hull Show. It was the first time he had shown him.

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Alan Milne has been awarded a Research Fellowship by the American Council of Learned Societies to work in the field of philosophy at the University of California. He and his wife and two children will be away from Belfast for a year until August, 1964, when he will return to his post at Queen's University.

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F. Fulbrook, of Edgware, who has already established himself as a specialist in chrysanthemum growing took the following prizes at the Queensbury Horticultural and Allotments Association Jubilee Show for vegetables: five firsts for shallots, cabbage and peas; five seconds for cucumbers, carrots, potatoes and beans; a third for beetroot; a Cup for vegetables; Sharpe's Cup for the most points in the Show and the Royal Horticultural Society's Banksian Medal for Vegetables. And for his Rex Begonias he was awarded a first and a second.

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Another gardener—H. Symes, of Harrow—took eight prizes at the North West Middlesex Blind Association (Horticultural Section) Show. Mainly for vegetables, they included four first, a second and three thirds.

Family News

We have heard with regret of the death of Mrs. T. Newman, widow of our late St. Dunstaner of Hove and of Mrs. Van Niekerk, of Brighton.

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Colin Tonge, Flixton, has passed his B.Sc. Degree examination with honours.

Joy Palfrey, Osterley, has passed the National Association of Teachers of Dancing examination in Modern Stage Dancing Amateur Test (Grade I Bronze) and passed with "Highly Commended" the National Association of Teachers of Dancing, Junior Section, Amateur Latin-American Dancing Tests (Bronze Grade).

Marriages of Sons and Daughters

Clive Walker, Portslade, on March 27th, to Gillian Lindford.

Jean Jenrick, Wallington, on June 29th, to Raymond Mallery.

Peter McClarnan, Blackpool, on August 31st, to Olive Greenwood.

Terence Chell, Eastbourne, on September 7th, to Tessa Gowland

Michael Burden, Saltdean, on September 14th, to Maureen Lesley Flack.

The Sceptic's Dilemma

"Nietsche, the sceptic, was horrified at the idea of a Godless world".—Dr. Levy, Leeds University, translator of Nietsche's works into English.

When the sceptic declared, "God is dead", His inmost thought was one of dread, Perceiving the blight his creed could spread Through a world bereft of its moral head.

Yet the would-be superman made this claim, Naught there be o'er man doth reign, He is master and walks supreme, To believe aught else is just a dream.

But where was man when light was made And trees grew up in virgin glade And all the plans for earth were laid, To give this whirling, spinning mass its grade?

Whose hand spread the primal seed Which gave to life its varied breed, Then clothed the earth with all we need That each may serve and follow the lead?

Does not science reveal the Creator's power With each new find in this earthly dower, Which hides from man until the hour Set in time to lift the cover?

Why? haunts the philosopher's restless mind. How? is the scientist's constant grind. Both have faith to seek and find But the sceptie's path is an alley blind.

Has not faith through all history taught Miracles are by its practice wrought. What gave to Marathon its undying fame And led from Dunkirk to D-Day's gain?

T. Rogers

ST. DUNSTAN'S REVIEW

Mr. A. E. Taylor

Many St. Dunstaners, especially First War shop-keepers, will hear with deep regret of the death of Mr. A. E. Taylor, who joined us as a medical orderly in 1915 and when the war ended was released by his old firm, Messrs. Selfridge, to work in our After-Care Department. He was Shops Visitor (and a most popular one) until February, 1945, when he left us to work with our late St. Dunstaner, H. J. Crane. He died on September 5th at the age of 72.

As recently as three weeks ago, the Editor received a cheerful letter from him written from hospital where he had been since June. In it he sent his good wishes to all his St. Dunstan's friends and, irrepressible as always, enclosed some verses about his experiences in hospital which he hoped might amuse his old St. Dunstaner friends.

He will be remembered with affection by St. Dunstaners and members of the staff alike.

Miss Zillah Jones

St. Dunstaners who were at Church Stretton during the second war years will hear with deep regret of the death on July 16th of Miss Zillah Jones. Miss Jones died in Copthorne Hospital, near Shrewsbury at the age of 58.

An accomplished musician, she played for many St. Dunstaners at Longmynd in the very early days, and also for the first musical shows organised by St. Dunstaners Joe Walch and Leslie White. Later she was a music teacher in the Music Department when it was set up with Mr. Claude Bampton as Musical Director. She was also a popular visitor to Brockhurst and our other war-time Homes.

Throughout her life Miss Jones had the interests of St. Dunstan's at heart and it was a great delight to her to meet several of her St. Dunstaner friends on various visits to Ovingdean.

Miss E. S. Berry

First War St. Dunstaners will hear with deep regret of the death of Miss E. S. Berry. She died peacefully at Ludlow on August 26th.

"Sister Berry" was a V.A.D. at the Bungalow, at Cornwall Terrace and at St.

John's Lodge, and from October, 1927, until 1933, also worked as a finisher in our Stores Department.

She was a most popular member of the V.A.D. staff and the many St. Dunstaners who knew her will remember her with deep affection and gratitude.

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Births

BUCKLEY.—On August 12th, to the wife of H. Buckley, of Hove, a daughter—Faith.

McCormack.—On June 13th, to the wife of P. J. McCormack, of Hove (trainee), a son—Tyrone Patrick.

Marriage

Durrant—Wilkinson.—On July 25th, M. G. Durrant, of Rochford, Essex, to Miss Helena Walker Wilkinson.

Deaths

Our very deep sympathy is sent to the following:

BALL.—To J. Ball, of Ovingdean, whose sister has recently died.

EDEN.—To A. J. Eden, of Sidford, and his family, in the death of his wife on August 8th.

FALLOWFIELD.—To George Fallowfield, of Southwick, whose wife died on August 19th after a very long illness.

JORDAN.—To G. M. Jordan, of Hove, whose sister, Mrs. Johnstone, died on June 14th at the age of 84.

MIDDLETON.—To F. Middleton, of Willerby, near Hull, whose wife died in hospital on July 22nd.

ROSEWARNE.—To T. H. Rosewarne of Manchester, whose youngest brother has died suddenly.

Spring.—To P. Spring, of Chessington, whose father died on July 22nd at the age of 90. He was on a visit to his children but was taken ill and admitted to hospital soon after his arrival in England. His last wish was to die in his own home in Ireland. He was flown home and he passed away a week later.

WOODCOCK.—To E. Woodcock, of Hillingdon, whose wife died in hospital on August 10th after a long illness.

"In Memory"

Gunner Edward William Seville Bailey, Royal Artillery

We have to record with deep regret the death on Friday, July 19th, of E. W. S. Bailey, of Colchester, assex, aged 74 years.

He served as a Gunner in the Royal Artillery from 1917 to 1919 and was a victim of a mustard gas attack. However he retained useful vision until 1961 when he came to St. Dunstan's. He had been in very poor health recently and his death occurred in hospital.

To his family we send an expression of deep sympathy, and especially to his daughter, Mrs. Scheussele, with whom he lived—he was a widower.

Private Frederick Ellis Bain, Royal Army Veterinary Corps

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death at his home of F. E. Bain, of West Hartlepool, at the age of 81.

He served with the R.A.V.C. from 1916 until 1918 and was admitted to St. Dunstan's in 1948 when because of his age he was not able to train. However, he was able to make some rugs and he got much pleasure from doing this. He had been in poor health for some while but had only been seriously ill since the beginning of this year. He died on August 29th.

He was a widower—his wife died in 1958—and to his family we send our very sincere sympathy.

Lance Corporal Joseph Daniel Cockerill, 9th Norfolkshire Regiment

We have to record with deep regret the death at Pearson House of J. D. Cockerill, of Leigh-on-sea.

He died on August 25th at the age of 78.

He served with his regiment from 1915 until 1917, and he came to St. Dunstan's that year. He trained as a poultry farmer and basket-maker and carried on these occupations for many years. He gave up his poultry farm just before the beginning of the Second War but was able to continue with his basket-making until as recently as 1960 when ill-health forced him to give this up. He had been in poor health for some little while but had only been seriously ill since the beginning of this year.

To his widow and family we send an expression of our very sincere sympathy.

Lieutenant R. Gordon-Smith, 2nd Duke of Wellington's West Riding Regiment

We record with deep regret the death in hospital on August 4th of R. Gordon-Smith, of Lingfield, Surrey, at the age of 65.

He came to St. Dunstan's in October, 1918, trained as a physiotherapist and followed this profession until poor health led to his early retirement. He had been seriously ill for some years and had had two periods at Pearson House.

To his widow we send an expression of deep sympathy.

Private Reginald Henshaw, Royal Artillery (H.A.A.)

We have to record with deep regret the death at the early age of 52 years of R. Henshaw, of Little Neston, Wirral, Cheshire.

He served in the Second War from 1940 until 1945 but only came to St. Dunstan's in 1959 when his sight was beginning to fail. He suffered from poor health so was only able to undertake hobby training, but this gave him pleasure.

Although suffering from indifferent health, he was only taken really seriously ill two months ago and he died on July 31st.

To his widow we send an expression of very sincere sympathy.

Private Charles Harold Knight, Notts. and Derbyshire Regiment

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of C. H. Knight, of Bramston, Lincs., on August 23rd at the age of 66.

He served from 1914 until 1918, being admitted to St. Dunstan's in 1948.

He took up poultry farming shortly after he came to St. Dunstan's and although he had to give this up in 1960, he was still able to enjoy working in his garden. His death was very unexpected although he had been ill since the beginning of the year.

We send an expression of very sincere sympathy to his widow and family.

Rifleman Frederick Albert Mansell, 6th City of London Regiment

It is with deep regret that we record the sudden death on July 19th of F. A. Mansell, a permanent resident at Ovingdean but formerly of Ashford, Middlesex. He was 75.

He saw service in the First War from 1914 until July, 1915, but was only admitted to St. Dunstan's benefits in February, 1957. He was by then a retired Civil Servant and too old to take any training. Shortly after coming to St. Dunstan's, he entered Ovingdean.

We send our sincere sympathy to his family.

Private George Thomas Shaw, 2nd Worcestershire Regiment

We have to record with deep regret the death in hospital on July 16th of G. T. Shaw, of Walsall, Staffs. He was 74.

His war service was from 1916 until 1917 when he was wounded on the Somme. He came to St. Dunstan's immediately. He trained as a basket-maker and mat-maker and carried on both occupations until as lately as 1958. He was always happy to give talks at local social gatherings about St. Dunstan's, of which he was such a fine representative.

To Mrs. Shaw we send an expression of deepest sympathy.

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Private Thomas Harold Singleton, Machine Gun Corps

It is with deep regret that we record the death of T. H. Singleton, of Denmead, Hampshire, at the

age of 74.

Enlisting in 1917, he left the Army in 1919, but it was April, 1953, before he came to St. Dunstan's. A few years before this he had sold his building and contractor's business to a relative because of his ill-health but he continued to take an interest in it. He also had a number of hobbies. He and Mrs. Singleton moved recently to a smaller property—a bungalow nearer to their family, but after only a few months there he died on July 29th.

He leaves a widow, son and daughter, to whom our deep sympathy goes.

Private Charles Albert Stevens, 3rd/1st East Kent Yeomanry

We have to record with deep regret the death of C. A. Stevens, of Higher Bevendean, Brighton,

within a month of his 65th birthday.

Enlisting in June, 1915, he was discharged from the Army in December, 1916, and came straight to St. Dunstan's. He became a boot-maker and mat-maker but with the Second War he went to Church Stretton, to be trained for factory work. This he did until 1946 when ill-health forced him to give up. At that time also he lost his wife. His health broke down and when he recovered he lodged with Mrs. Nightingale, the widow of a St. Dunstaner, who looked after him for the rest of his life. He had been in very poor health for some time and after a short time in hospital, he went to Pearson House for convalescence but his condition worsened and he died on July 17th.

Our very sincere sympathy goes out to his sister and to Mrs. Nightingale.

Private James Victor Tweedie, 5th Labour Corps
It is with deep regret that we record the death of J. V. Tweedie, of Enfield. He was 75.
He served in the First War from August, 1916, until 1918, and came to St. Dunstan's in October of that same year. He became a basket-maker and worked at his craft right up to 1962 when his health began to deteriorate. He went to Brighton for a holiday but became ill. He was admitted to Pearson House where he died a few days later on August 27th.

Our deep sympathy is extended to his housekeeper, Mrs. Edwards, who cared for him so faithfully

Gunner Herber Wallis, Royal Garrison Artillery

We record with deep regret the death on July 15th of H. Wallis, of Whitchurch Hill, near Reading,

at the age of 80.

He enlisted on November 1st, 1915, and served until April, 1919. He did not, however, come to St. Dunstan's until July, 1954, when owing to his age he was not able to undertake training. For some time past he had been in poor health but the end came very peacefully.

We extend our deep sympathy to his widow and family.

Thomas Andrew Sattary, 1st South African Infantry

We deep regret we have to record the death of our South African St. Dunstaner, T. A. Sattary, of

Parow East, Cape Province. He was 73. He had been an invalid for some time.

He enlisted with the 1st South African Infantry in August, 1915, and was wounded on the Somme in 1916. He came to St. Dunstan's in December that year for training in boot-repairing, mat-making and netting and he carried on these occupations in England until October, 1919, when he and his wife returned to South Africa. Between then and 1947 he made two visits to this country and upon the death of his wife in 1947, he came over here to settle. He re-married, however, in 1949, and the following year returned to South Africa.

Our deep sympathy is sent to Mrs. Sattary and to the grown-up family from his first marriage.

Arthur Warren Burns, 12th and 40th Battalions, Australian Imperial Forces We have heard with deep regret of the death on March 15th last year of A. W. Burns, of Perth, Australia, at the age of 70.

He enlisted in August, 1914, and served with the Australian Imperial Forces until April, 1919. He had been in action in Gallipoli and Rouen and had suffered mustard gas poisoning and other wounds.

To his widow and three children our deep sympathy is sent.

Lance Corporal Charles Eric Eagle, 2nd/4th Casualty Clearing Station
We deeply regret to record the sudden death of C. E. Eagle, of Moorabbin, Victoria, Australia, at

the age of 63.

He served from July, 1940, until May, 1946, being a prisoner of war in Malaya for three and a half years. After his discharge from the Forces he worked as a carpenter for the Royal Victoria Institute for the Blind and came to St. Dunstan's in England in September, 1948, to receive further training in carpentry and also rug-making, braille and typewriting. He returned to Australia the following year to resume his work at the Blind Institute and later built a workshop in order to carry out his hobbies at home. Although he had been suffering from bronchitis, his death was quite unexpected. He was taken ill on July 22nd and admitted immediately to hospital where he died two days later from heart failure.

Our deep sympathy goes out to Mrs. Eagle and to her three children-The eldest is 16.

Charles Jeffrey Murray, 11th Battalion, Australian Imperial Forces We have heard with deep regret of the death of C. J. Murray, of South Perth, West Australia. He died on April 22nd last at the age of 88 after some years of failing health.

Enlisting in the A.I.F. in August, 1915, he was wounded in France in June, 1916, and came to St. Dunstan's in August of that year for training. He took braille, poultry-keeping and mat-making, and returned home to Australia in October, 1917.

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