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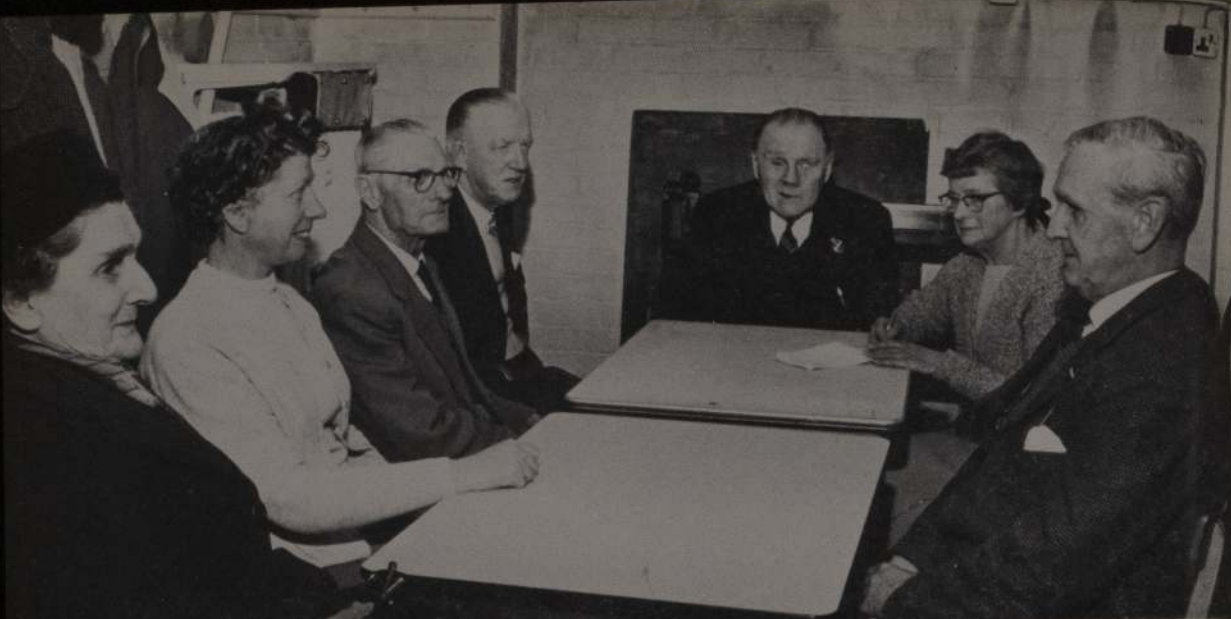


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## SOMETHING WORTH WHILE

George Eustace of Chessington is a St. Dunstaner who tries to live up to a song—that old song from long before the days of “beat” and “soul” that goes “If I can help somebody . . . then my living has not been in vain”. He is the founder and Chairman of the Surbiton and District Evening Blind Club. His taste in music may seem square to some but members of his club would say that George is a “hit”.

Miss M. Boughton, the Club's Secretary said: “George is heart and soul in it and Ada, Mrs. Eustace, helps in all sorts of ways, without her help the club wouldn't be the same.”

George, himself, pays warm tribute to his wife, also to Miss Boughton and Miss E. Jordan, sighted Secretary and Treasurer, and to the St. Dunstaners who helped him get the club off the ground. “There's Ted Myles, John Taylor, Reg. Botley, Fred Jackson and Bobbie Dow—he is a wonderful stalwart helper”.

It all began sixteen years ago when George, in conversation with the then Mayor of Surbiton, Alderman K. Bidmead, now Mayor of Kingston and President of the Club, said that while there were plenty of things for the blind to do in the afternoons there was nothing in the evenings.

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George Eustace chats with a lady member and her daughter.

### COVER PICTURE.

#### HAM WEEK-END

John Pointon at the microphone of the Swann 350, is assisted by Ted John who is typing the call-signs for later inclusion in the log-book.



## CHAIRMAN'S NOTES

### *The Reverend W. J. Taylor, B.A.*

Readers of the *Review* and specially those St. Dunstaners who make frequent visits to Brighton will be very sorry to learn of the death at Hurstpierpoint on the 21st March of the Reverend W. J. Taylor, B.A., who retired in 1966 after 18 years as Chaplain to St. Dunstan's. The Funeral Service was held in Brighton College Chapel on 27th March. The Rev. C. J. Peters officiated, the Rev. J. H. Boothroyd gave the address and Canon D. H. Booth, Archdeacon of Lewes, read the Lesson. St. Dunstan's was represented by Commandant Fawcett, Matron Hallett, other members of our staff and St. Dunstaners.

Our former padre had his own friendly informal and very understanding manner of taking his services in our St. Dunstan's Chapel, and he took a great interest in our men, especially those who were ill at Pearson House. He will be greatly missed by those who knew him and on behalf of all St. Dunstaners I would like to extend our sincere sympathy to his widow, to his daughters, Mrs. June Black and Miss Pat Taylor, and to other members of his family.

### *War Pensions — Autumn Rise*

Twice during the past year I asked the Government to plan a rise in War Pensions, Allowances and War Widows' Pensions to take place in 1969. In particular, I asked that provision should be made in the Budget and the Prime Minister's answer was an indication that something would be done in the autumn of this year. The Chancellor of the Exchequer did not mention the matter in his Budget speech, so I immediately put down a question on Wednesday, the day after the Budget, asking for a Government statement. This question will not be answered officially in Parliament until Thursday, 24th April, but, just as we are going to press, Mr. David Ennals, Minister of State for Social Security, has said that Pensions for disabled ex-Servicemen and war widows are to go up in the autumn.

Probably we will not hear the figures for some weeks, but meantime—well done, Mr. Ennals!



## Is Television Speech Bad?

The other day, I listened to the Boat Race on radio while my wife watched and listened on television. My radio is in my sitting-room and the television set is in the bedroom.

In the middle I left my radio set to listen to the television. I am quite sure that the speech was much less clear and I wondered why. First of all, it does not have to be so clear, because those who can see television see what is going on and to a large extent guess what the announcer may be saying, or are perhaps given an additional clue by his gestures.

Another reason may be that the speech side of a television set is smaller and in a sense secondary and so perhaps the B.B.C. and manufacturers pay less attention to it.

In the winter when one has only one warm room, there is a problem because members of the family will want to look at television and the blind member may find that it is more agreeable to conform than to stand out for radio only. Even this problem can be met by having an earphone on your radio. I often listen on an earphone and find it comfortable and convenient and I think every radio and even the talking book can be fitted with an earphone.

## What Do You Weigh?

Your doctor or your chemist can tell you what you ought to weigh having regard to your age and height, though, of course, individuals may vary considerably and yet be in the best of health. I write about this subject because I think good health is perhaps the most important thing in life and maybe my own experience may encourage others to think about the subject; it has been ventilated in recent *Reviews* and we are told by a recent survey that one in five of all of us in Britain are too fat.

I am tall, fairly broad and am what the farmers would call "a good feeder", by which I mean that I make good use of food or, in other words, I get fat very easily. Lucky are those who can eat as much as they like and whatever they can lay their hands on without getting fat!

I am surprised to notice in my own case that a small variation in the amount of food I eat makes a difference between getting fatter, getting thinner or staying the same. A month ago I weighed 7 lbs. or half a stone more than has been my normal weight for some years. I decided to take it off on the basis that, if I allowed myself to be half a stone heavier this year and did the same again next year, I would soon be altogether too fat. My normal weight is 14 stone 3 lbs. or 199 lbs. and 7 lbs. added to this seems very little. Nevertheless, it makes my trousers feel tight round the waist, it makes me feel less well and, above all, it makes me want to eat more because appetite grows by what it feeds on. The reverse is also the case for I observe that, when I have established a lower weight, the pressure to eat more is reduced.

I stop eating bread, potatoes, sugar and milk altogether and stop having two helpings. That is all and it sounds very simple, but it is very difficult to start it and keep it up. Lest I appear to be claiming too much virtue, I must say that I drink well, so I get my sugar that way.

There is a special reason why blind people should pay attention to this matter, which is that many of us inevitably lead sedentary lives.

Fraser of Lonsdale

Lord and Lady Fraser visited our Brighton homes on Friday, 11th April, to discuss routine matters of administration with Commandant Fawcett and Matrons Blackford and Hallett and to interview St. Dunstaners who wanted to see them.

## FRANK REVIEWS

"My Foe Outstretched Beneath the Tree" by V. C. Clinton Baddeley, read by Eric Gillett. An interesting crime story with an original setting. Murder and mystery surround the person of Dr. Davey, an intellectual music lover. Not so original is the pet police inspector who follows Davey's leads and finally sorts out the strange affair.

Nevertheless, a nice little book to relax with.

"A Variety of Men" by C. P. Snow, read by George Hagen. Rutherford, G. H. Hardy, H. G. Wells, Einstein, Lloyd George, Winston Churchill, Robert Frost, Dag Hammarskjöld and Stalin; these nine men scientists, writers and politicians, are each the subject of a chapter by one who knew them all, in his own capacity as senior Civil Servant and novelist. These are most interesting studies of personality.

"Rhodesia and Independence" by Kenneth Young, read by Garrard Green. "A study in British Colonial policy", as the author sub-titles this book, which traces the history of Southern Rhodesia from the time of the first settlers, through that of the Federation of North and South Rhodesia and Nyasaland, to the eventual dissolution of the Federation and the present tragic situation faced by Britain and Rhodesia today.

Certainly this is a book worthy of deep consideration. From what we have seen of events in other parts of Africa after independence has been granted, it is not difficult to appreciate the fears of both white and coloured populations of the Dark Continent. But it is obvious that political indecision, both here at home and in Rhodesia, is responsible for the impasse, and this well-written book lays equal blame on both sides.

"Rodney Stone" by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, read by Stephen Jack. A story set in the last years of the eighteenth century. Rodney, son of a Naval officer engaged in fighting the French, lives in a small Sussex village on the Brighton Road. His boyhood friend, Jim, works in the local blacksmith's shop—the blacksmith being a retired prize-fighter—and together they watch the coaches flying through the village between London and Brighton.

When Rodney's famous and foppish Uncle Charles takes him up to London to introduce him to fashionable life, it seems as though the boys' ways must part. But Conan Doyle is too much a master of his art for that to happen.

Altogether a fascinating novel, and the descriptions of Brighton as it was some hundred and seventy years ago will be of particular interest to St. Dunstaners.

## Passive, Encouraging or Exciting

by  
Alf Field

Board 30

Dealer—East. Score—Love All.

S. 5, 2  
H. J, 9, 3, 2  
D. Ace, 4, 3  
C. J, 7, 5, 2  
  
S. Ace, 10, 9, 6  
H. Q, 8, 6, 4  
D. 8  
C. K, Q, 6, 3

This example was contrived to present a competitive bidding situation. East had dealt and bid "One Diamond" South has made a "Light" Double, compelling North to bid his longest suit other than Diamonds, providing West does not bid. (East-West do not bid again in our example). The essence of the "Double" is that the singleton provides North with two? extra tricks by Ruffs. North with zero to 9 points "Passively" bids "One Heart", with 10 to 12 he would be "Encouraging" and bid "Two Hearts" (a jump bid which is NOT forcing). With 13 points he would "Excite" his partner by bidding the enemy's suite i.e. "Two Diamonds", this is forcing to Game. South now appreciates the enforced "Passive" "One Heart" bid could be zero! and passes. For South to raise to "Two Hearts" he would require 18 points. In the Competition 13 Souths "pressed on" after a "Passive" and 4 pairs actually reached Game Bid! The association of points and emotion may be useful as a memory aid.





A tiny human figure high on the Matterhorn Berg accentuating the desolation and grandeur of the Antarctic scene. In the background is Mount Erebus.

## “Under Scott’s Command”

During the past fourteen months we have already brought three new books by St. Dunstaners to the notice of our readers and now we have a fourth book to review “Under Scott’s Command”, by Lieutenant Commander A. R. Ellis published by Victor Gollancz at 35/-. Sir Vivian Fuchs has written the Introduction.

The author has been a St. Dunstaner for just two years. He was educated at the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, which he entered as a cadet in 1937. Tony Ellis served at sea during the latter part of the Second World War and in other appointments subsequently. In recent years his sight failed slowly as a result of his service in the Royal Navy and he was for some time a schools liaison officer for the Admiralty in the West Country with the object of bringing some knowledge of Service life to the notice of schoolboys. It was in this capacity that he undertook a detailed research into Captain Robert Falcon Scott’s two expeditions to the Antarctic and, in particular, he worked up a lecture, using lantern slides, based on the diary of Chief Stoker William Lashly who went on the two expeditions, the first of which was undertaken in the “Discovery” and the second in the “Terra Nova”.

“Under Scott’s Command” tells the well-known story of the two polar expedi-

tions but from a new angle. The story is seen through Lashly’s eyes and he was apparently the only man serving on the lower deck to have recorded the events of the two expeditions in this way. Lashly, an intelligent observer of events, was a man of exceptional character and physical strength. He was modest, hard working, efficient and utterly reliable. On one occasion he saved the life of Captain Scott and on another that of Lieutenant (afterwards Admiral) Edward Evans, for which he was awarded the Albert Medal. Lashly died in 1940 at the age of 73. Part of his diary was printed for private circulation shortly before his death, but the complete work, now edited by Commander Ellis, has never before been made public.

We commend this fine book to all those interested in this great epic of our British history and St. Dunstaners may feel that Scott’s words, written in his diary within hours of his death, are of particular relevance. It is amazing that he should

have written so simply, so truly and so objectively at a time when he and his companions were dying from exposure and starvation and, as we now know suffering from vitamin deficiency to such an extent as to cause a serious loss of vital energy. Scott wrote:

*“For four days we have been unable to leave the tent—the gale howling about us. We are weak, writing is difficult, but for my own sake I do not regret this journey, which has shown that Englishmen can endure hardships, help one another and meet death with as great a fortitude as ever in the past. We took risks, we knew we took them: things have come out against us, and therefore we have no cause for complaint, but bow to the will of Providence, determined still to do our best to the last. But if we have been willing to give our lives to this enterprise, which is for the honour of our country, I appeal to our countrymen to see that those who depend on us are properly cared for”.*



Chief Stoker William Lashly, the diarist.

## ANNUAL SHELL MEX PARTY

Sir Neville Pearson, Bt., accompanied by Lady Pearson was the principal guest at the annual party for its blind telephonists given by the Shell Mex and B.P. Group, on 20th March. Our St. Dunstaners who attended were: James Blackwell, Bridgewater, Wilfred Evans, Gloucester, Harry Petty, Leeds, Ronald Phillips, Portslade, William Phillips, East London and George Poole, Haydock. Miss May Murphy, Dublin, a blind civilian telephonist in the Company’s employment also attended. Members of St. Dunstan’s Staff present included Mr. A. D. Lloyds, Mr. G. P. Owens and Mrs. L. E. Brown.

The entertainment consisted of a cocktail party followed by an excellent dinner and a visit to “Charlie Girl” at the Adelphi Theatre. After the performance leading members of the cast who came along to meet our party were: Evelyn Laye, Christine Holmes, Derek Nimmo and Gerry Marsden. It was all very enjoyable. Our hosts were, as always, most kind and hospitable. Mr. A. A. E. Morgan acted as Chairman at the dinner and with him were Mr. H. E. Barry, one of the Company Directors, Mr. G. E. D. King,

who organised the event and is due to retire within the next year, and other members of the Shell-Mex and B.P. Staff. Several directors also honoured us with their presence at the cocktail party.

## MISS A. V. STOCKWOOD

Readers of the *Review* and especially St. Dunstaners of the First World War will be sorry to learn of the death of Miss Stockwood on 2nd April, after a long illness borne with great courage. She was amongst the first V.A.D.s at Regent’s Park, and later on she did a tremendous lot for St. Dunstaners living in Wales, as an escort and visiting them in their homes. She came to help Miss Oliphant at the very first Camp at Westbury and continued to attend until these camps eventually came to an end. She was also a great favourite at Reunions.

Her funeral took place at St. Illtyd’s Church, Newcastle, Bridgend on 10th, April and among the flowers were some “From all her friends at St. Dunstan’s” and “From Campers and Helpers”.



## Letters to the Editor

### G. Eustace, Chessington, Surrey

Like many Second World War men, I met Dennis Deacon through going to Lee-on-Solent camp.

Dennis was always a man with a wonderful character and one who over the years you admired more. He had one ambition in life and that was to do what he could to help anyone. His wit and personality will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

Camp was always one of Dennis's delights and as he told me on many occasions, it was one he always enjoyed.

### From W. McCarthy of Davyhulme, Manchester

My wife and I sailed on the S.S. Iberia to Australia on November 13th, 1968.

The ports we visited en route were Rotterdam, Dakar, Cape Town, Durban, Fremantle, Adelaide, Melbourne and finally, Sydney, where our daughter and her husband and family were waiting to greet us.

At Fremantle the mother of a friend of ours in the United States of America came aboard and introduced herself. She was an Australian and lived in Perth. She very kindly took us on a tour of the city and surrounding area and then to her home. It was a very enjoyable day and we hope to see her again on our return journey.

The Iberia is a comfortable ship. The Captain, R. E. J. Fox, R.D., R.N.R. and his Officers gave us a cocktail party in the ballroom. We also dined with Sir Robert Menzies who was a fellow passenger.

We had a big welcome from our grandchildren whom we hadn't seen since they were in England in 1964. We also had fond greetings from our great granddaughter who we met for the first time.

Entertainment in Australia is mostly out of doors especially at Christmas. A traditional English Christmas dinner is eaten, but in the evening. Many relatives and friends came and the garden was lit with coloured lights for the barbecue and sing-song.

We went shopping in Windsor and Blacktown and Paramatta. We visited

Sydney and went to the markets run mostly by Chinese Australians. The Kings Cross area is full of life and there are lovely areas along the Sydney harbour—Circular Quay, Watson Bay, Rose Bay to name a few. We were fascinated by some of the names of the places we visited. There was Woolloomooloo, Wattamulla, Bulli, Wolongong and many others. We went on a tour over the Blue Mountains to Katoomba. The roads are along the tops of steep hills and twist and turn all the way. It is like going on the big dipper at Blackpool only bigger and better.

Most weekends we went to some place where there is a shady spot by the river. With the temperature up around the 100 degrees mark the children like to be in the water and Dad has to take his own beer in an "Esky" as the pubs are shut on Sundays. We all managed to have a good time in our own way.

We return home on the S.S. Himalaya leaving Sydney on 1st April and arrive in London on 4th May.

### From P. Baker of Sidmouth, Devon

In Great Britain the Blind are indicated by a white stick. This is not a world-wide recognition, as some found when in Denmark some years ago and I wondered if it might be possible for some kind of information to be made available as to how one becomes "Recognized" in foreign countries. Would it be possible, and one would like the views of others, for an informative leaflet to be got out for Europe and the Mediterranean Zone and Scandanavia? It would save embarrassment all round.

### EDITOR'S NOTE

*The Review invites comment from other continental or globe-trotting St. Dunstaners.*

E. T. HUGHES of Cwmgwrach, Glamorganshire, has now completed 50 years as a St. Dunstaner, and we offer him our warm congratulations.



ST. DUNSTAN'S CLOCK

## It Strikes Me

### In the Limelight

St. Dunstaner William McPherson, who took over the part at short notice, played the lead in a very successful amateur production of Arthur Miller's "A View from the Bridge" by the Limelight Players at the Chepstow Theatre, Notting Hill, in March.

He played the part of an Italian-American dock-worker who finds himself falling in love with his young ward and betrays an illegal immigrant, whom he sees as a rival, to the authorities. The part is a taxing one as the character is on stage for most of the play and William learned it in just over four weeks, using a tape-recorder and playing nearly two hours of tape over and over again.

Said William, "Finally I get killed with a sort of grappling hook in a fight. Fortunately, the chap I did the sequence with being well aware of my lack of sight, we worked out a system. We didn't actually bang the hooks together until our wrists and knuckles touched. Then we made the hooks clash. I don't think it was noticeable to the audience."

### Mind your P's and D's

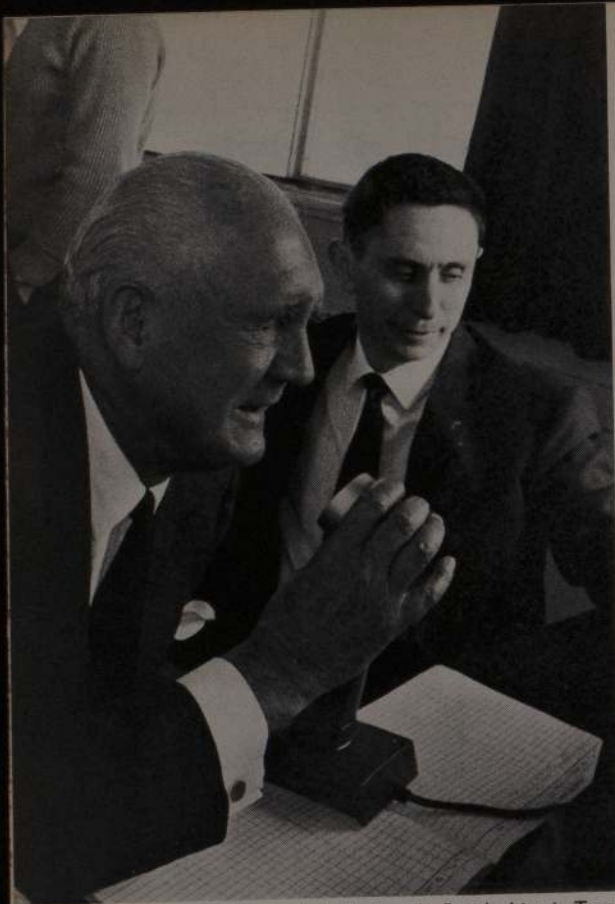
St. Dunstaners at the Radio Ham week-end had the benefit of some unexpected advice on public speaking from a master of the art during one of their discussions. The talk had got around to the size of the room when Lord Fraser gave them, "the briefest possible lecture on diction." He said, "I started politics in the open air before there were microphones or loudspeakers and I learned the way to be heard is to throw your voice up, to talk slowly and to emphasise the consonants. If you emphasise the P's and D's and the S's—then you can be heard even in a rowdy crowd at a street corner".

### Call Me Madam

Another "Ham" story: Tommy Gaygan, now a short wave listener, asked if there were many young lady "Hams". As a qualified "Ham" Charles Bargery was at the controls and he began looking for a lady amateur radio operator to prove their existence. Eventually in answer to his CQ's a soprano American voice came over the air. Charles was delighted and proceeded to chat-up his contact with some true St. Dunstan's flattery. It was a highly successful QSL until someone said, "Charles, you haven't got her name for the log." Charles called back to obtain the information. "The handle is Eric," came the reply from a highly amused American boy "Ham".

**MAGOG**





Lord Fraser speaking to Iris de Reuck. Beside him is Terry Edwards of Radio Shack.

GB3STD's two transmitters in action. St. Dunstaners in the picture are John Pointon, Ted John, Mike Tetley and Charles Bargery.



## 5,000 MILE HAT-TRICK

### Third Radio 'am' Week-end

"I congratulate Mr. Edwards of Radio Shack, and ourselves on getting a contact with Iris de Reuck. To contact any amateur in any part of the world at the time you wish to and on the day you wish to is really quite a feat and to do it three years running is something quite out of the way". So said Lord Fraser in his speech at luncheon during the 1969 Ham Radio week-end at Ovingdean on March 15.

Mr. Edwards, operating the Swann 350 transmitter, which his firm distributes, had made it a hat-trick of contacts with St. Dunstaners Iris de Reuck more than 5,000 miles away in Port Elizabeth, South Africa. Iris, ZS2PY also congratulated him saying, "We were fearful a few minutes ago of not receiving you at all because the band seems to be rather closed up—but all the best things happen to the best people and so here you are coming through 100%."

#### Calling ZS2PY

Speaking to her over the air Lord Fraser said, "Good morning, Iris, this is Ian Fraser here talking to you. I am very glad to hear your voice and I do hope you and your mother are well. All the St. Dunstaners here send you our very best wishes. Over".

Iris replied, "Lord Fraser, its great to hear you and, as I am sure that somewhere in the back ground Lady Fraser is also listening, I send you both my love. It is my privilege, as usual, to send to you, all the boys around you, the 'hams' and all St. Dunstaners, the warmest greetings from South Africa from all of us in St. Dunstan's".

Before signing off Terry Edwards told Iris of a book he was reading, *The World at their Fingertip*. "It shows a photograph of Lord Fraser when he was President of the Radio Society of Great Britain and there is quite a report on the good work that he did to get radio going in this country."

After luncheon Lord Fraser spoke of the importance of communications to the blind. "It occurs to me that loneliness is one of the worst of human afflictions to be endured. Some people are lonely wherever they are because they are naturally lonely. Whether they are unhappy on that account I could not be sure. I have met people who like to be lonely but I don't think this is usual. Communications of every kind are important to mankind and they are even more important to blind people because we are deprived by blindness of half the opportunities of meeting our friends. If we walk down the street we may or may not pass a friend. If we do he may or may not recognise us and if he does he may only nod or walk by silently out of shyness or pre-occupation".

"I consider you chaps are very lucky because you have the opportunity of arguing with your neighbours about interference, or T.V.I. as I have learned to understand it to-day, but you also have the opportunity of talking to friends all over the world".

In fact the GB3STD station, equipped this year with transmitters for home and overseas contacts, talked to old friends of St. Dunstaners in Britain and to Hams like Milt in Georgia, Bob in Florida, Orlando in Sicily, Ted in Melbourne and Fred in Sydney. In addition to the usual 30 ft. antennae for overseas work, this year a 108 ft. aerial was rigged for sending and receiving signals to Hams in Britain.



Jim Padley adjusting the controls of the KW 2000B.

Terry Edwards finds a new use for our flagstaff, rigging the surprisingly long aerial used for British contacts. At the other end 108 ft. away is Michael Harrington of K.W. Electronics.





### Third Ham Week-end

Speakers in the Conference sessions were Mr. Michael Harrington, K.W. Electronics Ltd., whose Company provided the K.W. 2,000 B trans-ceiver used to make British contacts during the week-end, and Mr. John Graham, a past President of the Radio Society of Great Britain.

Qualified Hams at the reunion were:

P. C. Bargery— G3OTB  
E. C. John— G3SEJ  
J. Padley— G3NHJ  
J. Proctor— G3JFP  
A. C. Pointon—G3MTX  
A. R. Reynolds—G3VRI

and short wave listeners:

T. Gaygan  
M. Tetley

### Derby Sweepstake Closing!

The Closing date of the Derby Sweepstake is Wednesday, 21st May.

Tickets are 2s. 6d. each, and are limited solely to St. Dunstaners or St. Dunstan's trainees.

Each application must be accompanied by a stamped addressed envelope.

The name and full address of the sender, together with the number of tickets required, should be sent, with the stamped addressed envelope, to the Editor, D.S.S. Dept., *St. Dunstan's Review*, P.O. Box 58, 191 Old Marylebone Road, London, N.W.1.

The Draw will take place at the London Club on the evening of Thursday, 29th May.

All those drawing a horse will be notified.

### The Windsor Reunion

Anyone living in the Kingston area who would like to go by coach, please contact George Eustace, 22, Moorfield Road, Chessington, Surrey. Tel. 397 6813, by 14th May.

### Happy Birthday to You

We send our best wishes and warmest congratulations to our St. Dunstaner, G. LAWLOR of Walsall, Staffordshire, who celebrated his 90th birthday on 14th April, 1969.



## Welcome to St. Dunstan's

On behalf of St. Dunstan's we welcome St. Dunstaners recently admitted to membership. The Review hopes they will settle down happily as members of our family.

**Eric Neill** of Brandon, Suffolk, who served in the Royal Air Force in the Second World War is warmly welcomed. He came to St. Dunstan's on 8th April, 1969 and is married.

**Sidney Alex Cooper** of Hastings, Sussex was admitted to St. Dunstan's on 31st January, 1969. He served in the Royal Fusiliers in the 1st World War and is married with one grown-up daughter.

**James Basil Robins** of Shefford, Beds, came to St. Dunstan's in April 1969. He served in the First World War in the 5th Battalion, Dorset Regiment. He is married with a grown-up family.

### Bridge Notes

#### Ovingdean Bridge Drive

We held our Bridge Drive at Ovingdean on 22nd March. Fifteen St. Dunstaners and their partners had a most enjoyable afternoon's Bridge and we are greatly indebted to the Commandant and Matron for their co-operation. We played 18 hands with a break for tea and the winners were as follows:

1st **F. Matthewman and Mrs. Buttimore**  
2nd **B. Ingreby and Mrs. Ingreby**  
3rd **W. Burnett and T. Iseli**  
4th —Largest minus—  
**S. Webster and W. Ling**

S. WEBSTER.

**Mr. and Mrs. M. Delaney of Liverpool, competing recently in a Manchester Bridge Congress, came first.**

## Club News

### London Club Notes

It was pleasant to see our members with their wives enjoy the Club sessions during the month of March.

On the 6th of March the winners of our game of Dominoes were 1st W. Miller. 2nd W. Harding and G. P. Brown. The rest of this month was concerned with games for the Sir Arthur Pearson Aggregate Domino Competition (the six best scores of eight games) and the results were as follows:

March 13th	1	<b>G. P. Brown</b>	9
	2	R. Fullard	7
	3	G. Stanley	6
		W. Harding	6
March 20th	1	<b>J. Murray</b>	7
		<b>C. Hancock</b>	7
		<b>R. Fullard</b>	7
March 27th	1	<b>G. P. Brown</b>	12
	2	J. Murray	9
	3	W. Harding	7
		R. Fullard	7

The enthusiasm with which these games have already been contested augurs well for an exciting finish. In conjunction with the Sir Arthur Pearson Aggregate Domino Competition we now have a special Ladies' Aggregate Domino Competition which also creates a greater interest for our members' wives.

An exceptionally happy evening was spent on the last Thursday in March when Janet, who is Bill and Mrs. Harding's granddaughter, joined us in the Club Rooms for a small party to celebrate her forthcoming marriage. Janet is a frequent visitor to the Club with her grandparents and is always a great help in the preparation of our refreshments. One most welcome wedding present was the result of her final examination in nursing, and she is now a S.R.N.

I am told that on Easter Saturday Janet was a radiant bride in a beautiful classical gown and was escorted by attendants

dressed in a shade of old gold which was a perfect foil for the mimosa figured white brocade. It is noteworthy, too, that Bill and Mrs. Harding were married at Eastertide exactly forty-eight years ago. We in the Club wish Janet and Bruce every happiness in their future together.

The March Pontoon Football Sweepstake has been won by **P. Nuyens**, who drew Coventry. **F. Jackson** won the "booby" with Sheffield Wednesday.

I hope that those of you who enjoyed your visit to the Derby last year and wish to be included again, will please give in your names at the very earliest moment to Norman Smith. May it be noted that the time which he requires to make all the necessary arrangements for this trip is now becoming limited. So please let him know soon, and may you all have an enjoyable and profitable Derby Day.

W. MILLER.

### Cardiff Club Notes

It was with very deep regret that all members and friends of the Club heard of the death of Charles Durkin.

Charles was a very loyal and faithful member and could always be relied upon for advice and support in all matters—we shall miss him very much.

To Mrs. Durkin and her family we send our sincere sympathy in their very sad loss.

D. STOTT,

Secretary.

### Brighton Club Notes

The Club Meeting for May will be held on the third Thursday in the month—15th May, 1969.

FRANK A. RHODES,

Chairman/Secretary.



## British Talking Book Service for the Blind

### Fiction

#### Cat. No.

- 369 BRYHER, WINIFRED  
*THIS JANUARY TALE* (1968)  
Read by Eric Gillett. Tells how the people of England endured the aftermath of the Conquest in 1066.  
P.T. 5½ hours.
- 371 DEIGHTON, LEN  
*FUNERAL IN BERLIN* (1964)  
Read by Anthony Parker. A British secret agent is sent to Berlin to meet a Red Army security head who wants to sell an important Russian scientist to the West.  
P.T. 11¼ hours.
- 397 DICKENS, CHARLES  
(4) *DAVID COPPERFIELD* (1849/50)  
Read by George Hagan. The life of David from early childhood, during which we meet Betsy Trotwood, Uriah Heep, Mr. Micawber, and other well-known characters.  
P.T. 39½ hours.
- 368 DICKENS, MONICA  
*MY TURN TO MAKE THE TEA* (1951)  
Read by Elizabeth Proud. A resilient young reporter writes divertingly of her assignments, and of the complications caused by her landlady and fellow-boarders.  
P.T. 7¼ hours.
- 381 DUFFY, MAUREEN  
*THE PARADOX PLAYERS* (1967)  
Read by Arthur Bush. Sym, a would-be author, takes refuge from the conventions of suburbia on board an old cabin cruiser, but the practical daily battle against nature is just a game, and not the solution.  
P.T. 8 hours.
- 369 DURRELL, LAWRENCE  
*JUSTINE* (1957)  
Read by Richard Baker. Showing the love relationships and impact on each others' lives of people in Alexandria—heterosexual and homosexual.  
P.T. 9¼ hours.
- 386 DURRELL, LAWRENCE  
(2) *MOUNTOLIVE* (1958)  
Companion to above. Read by Robin Holmes. A genuine reflection of human experience in Egyptian life as more of the pattern and plot are revealed.  
P.T. 14 hours.
- 387 DURRELL, LAWRENCE  
*BALTHAZAR* (1958)  
Companion to above. Read by Robin Holmes. The story of a vivid, challenging people, steeped in the atmosphere of Alexandria.  
P.T. 10 hours.
- 398 FLEMING, JOAN  
*KILL OR CURE* (1968)  
Read by Anthony Parker. A gay, but gruesome story about a smart doctor, whose private life is suddenly laid bare by the father of a girl who dies in suspicious circumstances.  
P.T. 7½ hours.

### Fiction

#### Cat. No.

- 400 GRAHAM, ANTHONY  
*THE DEADLY LOVERS* (1966)  
Read by Marvin Kane. A private investigator is hired to trace a long missing brother; the case eventually leads to murder and blackmail.  
P.T. 5 hours.
- 392 HENRIQUES, ROBERT  
*THE COMMANDER* (1967)  
Read by David Broomfield. Portrait of ex-regular officer, recalled to duty at the outbreak of the war, who is beset by inner uncertainty, but equal to rising to great heights of courage.  
P.T. 11 hours.
- 385 HOLT, VICTORIA  
*MENFREYA* (1966)  
Read by Elizabeth Proud. Set in Cornwall during the Edwardian days, tells of a young girl who becomes obsessed with the Menfrey family and their ancient house—Menfreya.  
P.T. 10¼ hours.
- 364 HOWARD, E. J.  
*AFTER JULIUS* (1965)  
Read by Judith Whale. A twenty-year history of intense personal relationships, involving three men and three women, reaches culmination during a week-end in a country house.  
P.T. 11½ hours.
- 396 O'CONNOR, CLINT  
*DEAD MAN'S RANGE* (1965)  
Read by Marvin Kane. Benedict's determination to drive his cattle trail through the territory of a beautiful, ruthless girl, ends in bloodshed and disaster.  
P.T. 4¼ hours.
- 399 SMITH, DODIE  
*IT ENDS WITH REVELATIONS* (1967)  
Read by Lorenza Colville. Unusual problems arise when a young woman, married to a homosexual, finds her life involved with an attractive widower and his two scheming daughters.  
P.T. 8 hours.
- 383 TROLLOPE, ANTHONY  
(2) *THE BELTON ESTATE* (1866)  
Read by Eric Gillett. The dilemma of Clara, who is courted by two men, both of whom have in a sense dispossessed her.  
P.T. 17½ hours.
- 384 WEST, REBECCA  
(2) *THE BIRDS FALL DOWN* (1966)  
Read by Anthony Parker. A conversation in a slowly moving train has a momentous effect on the Russian political scene early this century.  
P.T. 23 hours.
- 388 WILSON, ANGUS  
*HEMLOCK AND AFTER* (1952)  
Read by Eric Gillett. A famous novelist and humanist gives way to homosexual tendencies and becomes vulnerable to the plans of his enemies.  
P.T. 10 hours.

### Fiction

#### Cat. No.

- 426 KING, FRANCIS  
*THE BRIGHTON BELLE AND OTHER STORIES* (1968)  
Read by Eric Gillett. Stories about the strange assortment of people that make up the life of a town like Brighton.  
P.T. 8 hours.
- 429 MASTERS, JOHN  
(2) *BHOWANI JUNCTION* (1951)  
Read by Garard Green. An authentic novel of life of a little Anglo-Indian society centred in Bhowani Junction.  
P.T. 17¼ hours.
- 410 MITCHELL, MARGARET  
(4) *GONE WITH THE WIND* (1936)  
Read by Marvin Kane. Portrays the lives of the American people, bitterly divided by the Civil War.  
P.T. 50½ hours.
- 406 MORGAN, CHARLES  
*THE JUDGE'S STORY* (1947)  
Read by Stephen Jack. The judge's inner calm and ability to be true to himself are threatened by a man who cannot achieve this integrity and who finds a strange way of disturbing the judge.  
P.T. 7 hours.
- 425 BALCHIN, NIGEL  
*KINGS OF INFINITE SPACE* (1967)  
Read by Michael de Morgan. The story of a British research scientist who is invited to work for an American space programme and to train as an astronaut.  
P.T. 8½ hours.
- 424 CECIL, HENRY  
*A WOMAN NAMED ANNE* (1967)  
Read by Stephen Jack. Story of a cross-examination, with a twist to the plot which no-one could anticipate.  
P.T. 5¼ hours.
- 423 CORY, DESMOND  
*TIMELOCK* (1967)  
Read by Robert Gladwell. Fedora and Feramontov have been enemies for a long time—now they meet for the first time, and the situation is full of high tension, with many unpleasant memories.  
P.T. 8 hours.
- 408 FRANCIS, DICK  
*BLOOD SPORT* (1967)  
Read by Michael de Morgan. A search for three stolen stallions, and the violent counteractions of the thieves.  
P.T. 9½ hours.
- 416 HABE, HANS  
(2) *CHRISTOPHER AND HIS FATHER* (1967)  
Read by George Hagan. A conflict between generations in modern Germany, with the memory of Nazi guilt never very far away.  
P.T. 13¼ hours.
- 420 HARRISON, WILLIAM  
*THE THEOLOGIAN* (1966)  
Read by Marvin Kane. Randle is working for his doctorate, but he is beset by religious doubts and having a disastrous affair with his professor's wife.  
P.T. 7 hours.

### Fiction

#### Cat. No.

- 402 HARTLEY, L. P.  
*THE GO-BETWEEN* (1963)  
Read by Gabriel Woolf. Study of a sensitive boy involved in an adult tragedy he cannot comprehend, which gives him a mistrust of life.  
P.T. 11 hours.
- 421 HARVESTER, SIMON  
*BATTLE ROAD* (1967)  
Read by Trevor Lucas. The British Agent Dorian Silk sets out to investigate the disappearance of a former colleague in North Vietnam.  
P.T. 7¼ hours.
- 413 HEMINGWAY, ERNEST  
*A FAREWELL TO ARMS* (1929)  
Read by Peter Reynolds. Set in Italy in 1917, this story portrays the love of an English nurse and an American soldier and their desperate attempt to find happiness in spite of the war.  
P.T. 11 hours.
- 412 HOYLE, FRED  
*OCTOBER THE FIRST IS TOO LATE* (1966)  
Read by John Richmond. Time has suddenly become meaningless in the frightening new world, and the story-teller finds himself living now in the present, now in 1917, in Ancient Greece, and in the terrifying remote future.  
P.T. 7½ hours.
- 419 PACKER, JOY  
*THE BLIND SPOT* (1967)  
Read by Phyllis Boothroyd. Jealousies caused by a father's marriage to the young and attractive woman engaged to coach his daughter for an examination.  
P.T. 10 hours.
- 414 PACKER, JOY  
*VALLEY OF THE VINES* (1955)  
Read by Eric Gillett. A young orphan finds her life and love inseparably linked with the fortunes of a South African vineyard.  
P.T. 11¼ hours.
- 401 SIMENON, GEORGES  
*MAIGRET RIGHT AND WRONG* (1967)  
Read by Stephen Jack. Contains two stories about Maigret, one concerning the death of a young Parisian stripper, the other the death of an ex-prostitute.  
P.T. 9 hours.
- Non-Fiction**
- 405 ANDREWS, KENNETH R.  
*DRAKE'S VOYAGES* (1967)  
Read by David Broomfield. Drake's voyages and a re-assessment of their place in Elizabethan maritime expansion.  
P.T. 6½ hours.
- 407 TOLKIEN, J. R. R.  
(2) *THE TWO TOWERS* (1954)  
Sequel to *The Fellowship of the Ring*. Read by Peter Reynolds. Continuing the story of Frodo and the fight to keep the Ring from evil hands.  
P.T. 20¼ hours.



**Non-Fiction**

Cat. No.

- 428 BRYANT, ARTHUR  
(2) *PROTESTANT ISLAND* (1966)  
Sequel to *Medieval Foundation*. Read by Colin Doran. The evolution of our changing society from the 16th century.  
P.T. 15¼ hours.
- 422 CHURCHILL, RANDOLPH  
(3) *WINSTON S. CHURCHILL*.  
Vol. II. *Young Statesman 1901-1914* (1967)  
Sequel to *Winston S. Churchill—Youth*. Read by Alvar Lidell. The life of Churchill from his entry into politics up to the outbreak of World War I.  
P.T. 32½ hours.
- 417 DE MANIO, JACK  
*TO AUNTIE WITH LOVE* (1967)  
Read by John Curle. A hilarious chronicle of all the awful things that have ever happened at Broadcasting House.  
P.T. 5 hours.
- 409 FINLEY, M. I.  
*ASPECTS OF ANTIQUITY* (1968)  
Read by Eric Gillett. A collection of essays by a scholar who can communicate his own enthusiasm and interest in problems and history of classical times.  
P.T. 8½ hours.
- 415 LEACH, EDMUND  
*A RUNAWAY WORLD?* (1968)  
Read by the author. The Reith lectures of 1967. Dr. Leach, a social anthropologist, believes that society is in urgent need of enlightened and fearless re-shaping.  
P.T. 3¼ hours.
- 403 MACMILLAN, NORMAN  
*GREAT FLIGHTS AND AIR ADVENTURES* (1964)  
Read by David Broomfield. Pioneer flights from balloons to space-craft, include early crossings of the Alps, the Andes, Britain to Australia, and the Exploits of Russian and American cosmonauts.  
P.T. 9¼ hours.
- 418 PAUSTOVSKY, KONSTANTIN  
*IN THAT DAWN* (1967)  
Sequel to *Slow Approach of Thunder*. Read by Duncan Carse. A further volume in *The Story of a Life*, covering the three years of revolution and civil war from Spring 1917 to 1920.  
P.T. 7¼ hours.
- 411 SCOTT, SIR WALTER  
*TALES OF A GRANDFATHER* (1834)  
Read by Stanley Pritchard. Abridged and adapted from the epic history of Scotland from Macbeth to Bonny Prince Charlie, which Sir Walter Scott wrote for his grandson.  
P.T. 7½ hours.
- 430 SUTHERLAND, DOUGLAS  
*AGAINST THE WIND* (1966)  
Read by Stanley Pritchard. The author describes this book as an affectionate biography of the Orkneys, and a tribute to changeless values in a world where everything is change.  
P.T. 7½ hours.

**Non-Fiction**

Cat. No.

- 370 WOLPERT, STANLEY  
*NINE HOURS TO RAMA* (1962)  
Read by Peter Snow. Tells in fiction form of the Indian and Pakistani clashes which led to the assassination of Ghandi.  
P.T. 11½ hours.
- 365 BASSANI, G.  
*THE GARDEN OF THE FINZI-CONTINIS* (1965)  
Read by Andrew Gemmill. The relationship of the narrator and a rich Jewish family against a background of rising political tension.  
P.T. 9 hours.
- 390 BLISHEN, EDWARD  
*ROARING BOYS* (1955)  
Read by John Curle. The story of a young teacher at a Secondary Modern School, who finds himself confronted by all the tough, violent adolescence of the boys he is expected to teach.  
P.T. 8½ hours.
- 427 WOOTTON, BARBARA  
*IN A WORLD I NEVER MADE* (1967)  
Read by Elizabeth Froud. Tells the story of the author's life and gives her reflections as a woman, an agnostic, and a socialist.  
P.T. 12¼ hours.

**Books in Welsh**

- 350 DAVIES, E. TEGLA  
*GWR-PEN-Y-BRYN* (*Argraffiad Newydd*)  
Darllenwyd gan J. Aelwyn Roberts. Dyma un o nofelau mawr yr iaith Gymraeg. Lleolwyd ym Mhowys amaethyddol tua mlynedd yn ol yn nghanol cyffro'r Rhyfel Degwm.  
P.T. 8¼ hours.
- 351 DAVIES, E. TEGLA  
*GYDA'R BLYNYDDOEDD* (1952)  
Darllenwyd gan J. Aelwyn Roberts. Hunangofiant un o awduron a phregethwyr enwocaf ein hoes. Ynddi ceir hanes ei fywyd llawn o fro ei febyd hyd at y presennol.  
P.T. 9¼ hours.
- 352 HUGHES, T. ROWLAND  
*O LAW I LAW* (1953)  
Darllenwyd gan J. O. Roberts. Atgofion John Davies wrth chwahu'r hen gartref ar ol colli ei fam ac wrth worthu'r dodrefn o law i law.  
P.T. 7¼ hours.

**GARDENING NEWS**

Our St. Dunstaner, S. SAYERS of Birchington, Kent, was successful in the Minister and Monkton Flower Show last year. He won 4 Firsts, 3 Seconds and 7 Thirds for vegetables, fruit and flowers.

# Family News

**Birth**

On 15th March, 1969, to WILLIAM and MARY LLOYD of Llanely, Carmarthenshire, a daughter, Alison Michelle, a sister for Claire.

**Golden Wedding**

Warmest congratulations to MR. AND MRS. H. SPENCER of Potton, Sandy, Bedfordshire, who celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary on 29th March, 1969

**Grandfathers****Congratulations to:**

E. HIGGS of Herne Bay, Kent, who now has two more granddaughters making the number of his grandchildren eight.

J. JOLLY of West Harrow, Middlesex, has become a grandfather for the third time when his daughter, Mrs. Collins, gave birth to a girl on 24th February, 1969, who is to be called Janine Louise.

A. MOORE of Oxhey, Herts, announces the arrival of a second grandchild, born to his son and daughter-in-law on December 11th 1968.

G. LOFTY of Norwich, announces the arrival of a second granddaughter, Debra, Christine, a sister for Kim, born to his daughter on 17th March, 1969.

**Great Grandfathers****Many congratulations to**

A. G. BRIGGS of Norwich, who announces the birth of a great granddaughter born in January, 1969

W. MCCARTHY of Davyhulme, Manchester, who announces the birth on 26th March, 1969, of a great granddaughter, Kathleen Marie, sister for Margaret Elaine, born in Australia.

**Silver Weddings**

Congratulations to MR. AND MRS. D. E. BINGHAM of Shoreham-by-Sea, Sussex, who celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary on 8th April 1969.

Congratulations to MR. AND MRS. CHARLES COLE of Manor Park, London, E.12, who celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary on 8th April, 1969.

Sincere congratulations to MR. AND MRS. R. D. E. ELLIS of Upton St. Leonards who celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary on 1st April, 1969

All best wishes to MR. AND MRS. W. J. RODEN of Chorley, Lancashire, who celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary on 25th March, 1969

Many congratulations to MR. AND MRS. P. TIMINEY of Sheffield, Yorkshire, who celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary on 8th April, 1969

Congratulations to MR. AND MRS. E. G. M. WARREN of Porthcawl, Glamorgan, S. Wales, who celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary on 25th March, 1969.



## Family News

Jane, daughter of E. ASHBY of Coventry, was married to John Hayes on 1st March, 1969.

Robert, son of D. E. CASHMORE, of Birmingham, was married to Denise Cottan at St. Stephen's Church, Selly Hill, Birmingham, on 22nd March, 1969.

Janet Greenway, granddaughter of W. HARDING of Finchley, N.3., was married to Mr. Bruce Baker at St. Barnabas Church, Finchley, on 5th April, 1969.

Susan, daughter of our St. Dunstaner, MRS. DOROTHY MITCHELL, was married on 12th April, 1969 to Mr. Jeremy Patrick Heath.

Christopher, son of our St. Dunstaner, W. VANESS of Edgware, Middlesex, was married on 29th March, 1969, at St. Lawrence's Church, Edgware, to Miss Susan Selfe.

Angela, daughter of our St. Dunstaner, J. HUMPHREY of Belfast, has passed her Finals and is now a State Registered Nurse. She has an appointment as Staff Nurse at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast, Northern Ireland.

## Deaths

We offer our very sincere sympathy to:

C. W. BARRETT of Princes Risborough, Bucks, whose wife died in hospital on 13th March, 1969.

A. J. JONES of Penrhyndeudraeth, Merioneth, North Wales, (living, at the moment, at Pearson House, Brighton), whose wife died in hospital on 19th March, 1969.

H. NABNEY of Belfast, who mourns the death of a sister in March, 1969.

C. WOMACK of Leicester, who mourns the death of his daughter, Suzan, on 22nd March, 1969.

## In Memory

It is with great regret we have to record the deaths of the following St. Dunstaners, and we offer our deepest sympathy to their widows, families and friends.

**William Brogan.** *Royal Army Ordnance Corps.*  
William Brogan died at Pearson House, Brighton on 30th March, 1969, at the age of 83.

He enlisted in the Royal Army Ordnance Corps in 1915 and served with them until his discharge in 1917 when he came to St. Dunstan's. He trained in carpentry and opened a small shop in Cambridge selling artists' requisites and picture frames which he made himself. He was good at carpentry and carried on with this type of work for some years. His wife died in 1960 and he went to stay for a short time with one of his sons in London and then in 1961 he went to live at Ovingdean and later to Pearson House, where he died. He leaves two sons.

**Charles Cyril Godfrey.** *Home Guard.*  
Charles Cyril Godfrey of Dudley, Worcestershire, died in hospital on 10th April, 1969. He was 67 years of age.

He served in the Home Guard from 1940 to 1944. He came to St. Dunstan's in 1954. He trained in basket making and he did some excellent work for our stores and also for local orders. He was a constant attender at Midland Reunions. He had been in poor health latterly but nevertheless his death was sudden and unexpected. He leaves a widow and grown-up family.

**Samuel Ernest Hutchinson.** *Machine Gun Corps.*  
Samuel Ernest Hutchinson of Stockton-on-Tees, died on 23rd March, 1969, at the age of 84 years.

He served in the Machine Gun Corps in the 1st World War but his sight did not deteriorate until later in life and he came to St. Dunstan's in 1963. Owing to his age and ill-health he did not undertake any training. His wife pre-deceased him in April 1965. He leaves a grown-up family.

## In Memory

**William Edward Dunn.** *East Surrey Regiment.*  
William Edward Dunn died at Pearson House, Brighton, on 4th April, 1969 at the age of 70.

He enlisted in the East Surrey Regiment in 1915 and served with them until his discharge in 1917. He came to St. Dunstan's in 1934. He trained in wool rug and basket making, the latter occupation he continued for some time. After living in London he moved to Canvey Island but unfortunately had to leave after the floods of the 1950's. He then settled in Prittlewell where his wife died in 1966 and he went to live with his son in Herne Bay for a little while before going to Pearson House in 1967, where he died.

**Walter Thomas Jones.** *Royal Army Service Corps.*  
Walter Thomas Jones of Slough, Bucks, died on 6th April, 1969. He was 85 years of age.

He enlisted in the Royal Army Service Corps in 1915 and served with them until his discharge just over a year later in 1916. He came to St. Dunstan's in 1918. He trained as a mat maker and continued with his work until 1966. His health deteriorated during recent months. His wife died in 1937 and since her death he has been cared for devotedly by his daughter, Muriel.

**Harvey William James Payne.** *South East Mounted Brigade, 875 Military Corps.*

Harvey William James Payne of Pearson House, Brighton, died on 7th March, 1969, at the age of 76 years.

He enlisted in the South East Mounted Brigade, 875 Military Corps in 1915 and served with them until his discharge in 1918. He did not come to St. Dunstan's until 1965, when he was already an invalid and he went to live at Pearson House where he died. He had no relatives.

**George Henry Richards.** *4th Grenadier Guards.*

George Henry Richards of Birch Park, Manchester, died on 9th April, 1969, at Pearson House, Brighton, where he had been staying temporarily.

He served from 1908 to 1918 in the 4th Grenadier Guards and he was wounded at Ypres, coming to St. Dunstan's in that year. He trained as a telephonist and carried on this occupation until 1964. After 44 years service he was the recipient of many gifts and expressions of good wishes. He always enjoyed holidays at Brighton and was a good attender at Northern Reunions. He leaves a widow and grown-up family.

**Herbert Spencer.** *1st Bedfordshire Regiment.*  
Herbert Spencer of Potton, Sandy, Bedfordshire, died on 9th April, 1969. He was 79 years of age.

He enlisted in the 1st Bedfordshire Regiment from 1908 to 1917. He was wounded in France in 1916 and came to St. Dunstan's the same year. He kept a shop for some time and was then occupied with keeping poultry. He had been in poor health for some years and his death was not unexpected. He leaves a widow and grown-up family.

**William Storer.** *Royal Garrison Artillery.*

William Storer of Rugby, Warwickshire, died suddenly at his home on 20th March, 1969. He was 74 years of age. He served with the Royal Garrison Artillery from 1915 to 1917 and was wounded in France in April, 1917, coming to St. Dunstan's in that year. First of all he took up poultry farming in a modest way and also netting. Later on he trained in telephony and carried on this occupation for nearly twenty years. He was very highly thought of by the hospital where he worked, as he was so very good at his job. Mr. Storer had annual holidays at Ovingdean and he will be much missed by his friends there. He leaves a widow.

**Edgar Taggart.** *63rd Royal Field Artillery.*  
Edgar Taggart died on 12th March, 1969 at Ovingdean, Brighton, at the age of 83 years.

He served in the 63rd Royal Field Artillery from 1914 until his discharge in 1917 and came to St. Dunstan's in that year. He trained in poultry keeping and continued with this occupation for about two years. He and his wife then ran a boarding house for some years but owing to his wife's ill-health, this had to be given up and Mr. Taggart returned to train as a basket-maker, and was most successful in this type of work. He went to live at Ovingdean in 1962 where his son and daughter visited him frequently. He was a widower, his wife having died in 1966.

**Joseph Samuel Taylor.** *King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry.*

Joseph Samuel Taylor of Doncaster, Yorkshire, died on 7th April, 1969. He was 79 years of age.

He served in the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry from 1906 to 1941 and came to St. Dunstan's in 1953. He learned to make string bags and carried on this occupation for some time. He enjoyed holidays in Brighton and was a good attender at North country Reunions. He had been in poor health recently and his death was not therefore unexpected. He leaves a widow and grown-up family.





## SOMETHING WORTH WHILE

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The Mayor asked him to arrange a social evening in co-operation with Toc H and the Surrey Voluntary Association. From this came the club which at present, has 27 members. George Eustace and his Committee prefer to keep membership within limits to preserve the friendly social atmosphere of the club.

The Committee and the sighted helpers are kept very busy planning entertainments and outings; raising funds through a Christmas Draw and raffles at meetings. Local organisations provide transport to bring members to meetings for play-readings, bingo, choirs, even pop groups, "they go down very well". In the summer coach outings to the coast or to historic houses are arranged and in one never-to-be forgotten year six blind members with their wives or escorts spent 13 days in Switzerland, entertained by the Rotary Club of Lucerne.

George Eustace, who works as a telephonist with the South Eastern Electricity Board, has always been a busy man, he is a member of Toc H, a keen whist player and until her health deteriorated, he and Ada were keen Old Tyme Dancers. The demands of the Club are heavy on George's time but he says, "I think I've got a lot out of it because I feel I have done something worth while."

Typical of the entertainments arranged by George Eustace and his committee is the Houghton-Dodd Male Voice Choir.

George Eustace and Miss Boughton preparing the prize draw at a club meeting.

