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## CHAIRMAN'S NOTES

### A Tribute to "Colonel Mike"

The *Reader's Digest* is a remarkable publication which, in its international editions, appears in 13 different languages. The British edition alone has a circulation of a million and a half. In the October issue, under the heading "Impresario of the Horse Shows" there is a very fine article on Colonel Sir Michael Ansell written by Peter Browne, one of the editors of the magazine. Describing Colonel Mike as "the architect of Britain's show-jumping supremacy" the article traces his career and praises his success. I cannot do better than pick out some quotations:

"The tall, soldierly figure leaning on the ringside rail at last October's Horse of the Year Show looked at a competitor cantering towards a jump and shook his head. 'He's not going to make it'. Seconds later the top bar of the jump tumbled down. 'His stride was too long', explained Colonel Sir Michael Ansell, fingers lightly brushing the Braille figures on his wristwatch as he checked that the event was running on time. For a former Cavalry officer the thud of hoof beats had shaped a clear mental picture . . ."

"From his vantage point at the ringside, behind the control-centre with its batteries of telephones to every part of the stadium, and banks of monitor screens for the television commentators, he is in complete command of the £55,000 show—firm voiced, straight backed, a lean six-foot-four of authority. He listens to every telephone message, keeps track of each event. 'I look on it as a battle, d'you see, work it out strategically' . . ."

"Colonel Mike spent some months at St. Dunstan's, learning to type and read Braille. Above all he discovered the importance of independence. 'There were many who, far worse off than I, were capable of looking after themselves. I realised that the more I did, the happier I was' . . ."

"Colonel Mike no longer rides: 'I cannot win, so I am not prepared to potter about'. Certainly, it is difficult to imagine him pottering. In addition to running the two major horse shows, he is a vice-president of St. Dunstan's and a member of its governing council, gives lectures and broadcasts, and still finds time for his hobby of gardening . . ."

"One just does not give up. I've always tried to find my way alone, and in the end persistence brings results. Besides . . . I do like winning". The final words in the *Reader's Digest* are Colonel Mike's own and they are very much St. Dunstan's philosophy.

I have myself said that, when the War ended, the horse had lost his place in Britain, but Colonel Mike put him back on his feet. Good luck to the Colonel!

### Sussex Oak Forever

Future generations of worshippers in St. George's Church, Kemp Town, will use, during services, articles of Church furniture made by a St. Dunstaner. Mr. Tommy McKay of Brighton has just completed a communion rail, altar table, credence table, cross and candlesticks in Sussex Oak for a new side Chapel in the Church.

"Oak lasts almost for ever if it is looked after properly", said Tommy. "It thrills me to think that people who come after me will use them". I commissioned the communion rail, altar and credence table as a gift to the Church, which stands just to the east of St. Dunstan's, Pearson House, and is well known to war-blinded men, particularly of the First World

**COVER PICTURE:** 21 year old Miss Dawn Crombie, blind daughter of a St. Dunstaner, displays her Gold Medal and Judo Belt. See report on Polish Games page 17. Photo: *Evening Standard*



Tommy McKay in St. George's Church.

War who used to worship there in their early days at Brighton. The Vicar, the Rev. W. Popham Hosford, is St. Dunstan's Chaplain.

Tommy McKay has put in some 300-odd hours of work building the 5 ft. by 2 ft. 6 in. by 3 ft. 1 in. communion table, rail, the smaller credence table and the Cross and candlesticks, which are his own personal gift to the Church. There was one job he could not do without sight: the furniture has been stained to match exactly the existing Church furniture by his wife, Phyllis. After that Tommy McKay spent hours of polishing to achieve a silken finish.

The furniture was dedicated with the new Chapel in St. George's Church on Sunday, 10th October. Unfortunately, I could not go to this event, but my colleague, Mr. Ian Garnett-Orme, the Vice-Chairman of our Council, was there with his wife to represent us and he told me what a splendid Service it was and how much Tommy McKay's work was admired.

### Talking About St. Dunstan's

For the past six years Mr. William Griffiths of Blackburn has been a full-time speaker on the staff of our Public Relations Department in the North of England. Now he is joined by Mr. Robert Pringle of Ealing who takes up an appointment as speaker in the South on 1st November. Mr. Robert Young of Dorking who used to be a staff lecturer until his retirement seven years ago still helps with talks from time to time, and other St. Dunstaners including Squadron Leader Bernard Leete of Stanmore and Major Donald MacLeod of Henfield also give some talks in their own part of the country. Thus the whole of England and Wales is covered in this way and St. Dunstaners who are in touch with organisations which would like to hear about our work are asked to write to the Public Relations Officer at Headquarters in London.

Although St. Dunstan's does not make widespread collections any more, I think it most important that our name and our fame should continue to be well known, because this indirectly helps every St. Dunstaner.

## Forthcoming Staff Changes

Mr. A. D. Lloyds has been Secretary of St. Dunstan's since Mr. Askew retired in 1955. Under the terms of the Constitution of St. Dunstan's, the Secretary is the head of the staff and is thus responsible to the Chairman and Council for administration and management.

Mr. Lloyds attains the age of 65 towards the end of 1972 and will then retire. His splendid services to St. Dunstan's will be a matter for high praise when the time comes.

On the recommendation of the Finance and General Purposes Committee, the Council of St. Dunstan's has decided to appoint Mr. C. D. Wills to the post of Assistant Secretary on January 1st next; he will be regarded as designated for the post of Secretary when it becomes vacant a year or so later.

Mr. Wills came to St. Dunstan's as Accountant in 1948, after his war service, and became Superintendent of Welfare in 1953. It is in this capacity that St. Dunstaners as a whole will have dealt with him personally at Headquarters or met him at Reunions.

His appointment and the designated appointment have been decided upon now in order to give Mr. Wills a little over a year in which to attend Committee and Council meetings under Mr. Lloyds, and to familiarise himself with the Secretary's work generally; he will continue to be Superintendent of the Welfare Department.

Mr. E. V. Stevens, St. Dunstan's Accountant, will be in charge of financial matters responsible to the Secretary and to the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

Mr. D. J. G. Jones, who took Mr. Rice's place in 1970 as Legal Officer, dealing with legacies, St. Dunstaners' wills, the administration of estates and the law and practice relating to pensions, will gradually assume greater responsibility for welfare matters which have a legal aspect.

I congratulate Mr. Wills on his promotion to the post of Assistant Secretary and Secretary designate. He will be following an outstanding man and I wish him luck.

**Fraser of Lonsdale**

## COMING EVENTS

### SIR ARTHUR PEARSON MEMORIAL

It is just fifty years since the sudden and tragic death of Sir Arthur Pearson, Bt., G.B.E., Founder of St. Dunstan's, and on Sunday, 5th December the Memorial Service will be conducted by the Rev. W. Popham Hosford, M.B.E., M.A., R.D., in the Chapel at Ovingdean. The Address will be given by Lord Fraser of Lonsdale, C.H. St. Dunstaners are asked to make a special note of the fact that the service will be held at 10.30 a.m. and it will be broadcast by Radio Brighton between that time and 11 a.m.

On the morning of Thursday, 9th December, a party of St. Dunstaners will leave Headquarters in Old Marylebone Road, and make their way to the Hampstead Cemetery to lay a wreath on Sir Arthur Pearson's grave.

Subscriptions of not more than 5p towards the cost of the wreath should be sent to Mr. Lloyds at 191, Old Marylebone Road, London, NW1 5QN.

### CHRISTMAS PARTY

On 1st December 1971 the Sussex Grocers' Association will be holding their Christmas Party at the Grand Hotel, Brighton—6.30 p.m. for 7 p.m. Invitations will be sent out by Mrs. Lillie, (Secretary of the Sussex Grocers' Association) to all those on her mailing list, but if there are any other St. Dunstaners who would like to attend with their escorts, would they please write to her at **11 Lancaster Road, Brighton, BN1 5GD.**

### Harrogate 1972

We have just learnt from the Dirlton Hotel, Harrogate, that they have had to change the date of our next visit to **16th-23rd September**, NOT 23rd-30th as previously arranged.

### Christmas Review

All stories, poems etc., for the Christmas Review should reach the Editor by 12th November at the latest.

## From the Chairman's Postbag

**From Tom Floyd of Teignmouth, Devon.**

With the increase in war pensions and allowances newly come into operation, I take an early opportunity to send many thanks to you for your continued and frequent action in Parliament when you have pressed the claims of the war disabled. All governments since the First World War have shown a good deal of reluctance—quite against public opinion, I feel—to fulfil their obligations to those disabled serving King and country; but I have no doubt that the airing you have given to the matter, first in the Commons and more lately in the Lords, has done a great deal to ensure that both government and general public have not been allowed to forget a group of men and women who are in no position to speak for themselves, as are other groups who are fortunate enough to be able to organise themselves into trade unions.

## Remembrance Day

The day when two minutes silence  
Reigns softly over this land,  
And far away in the distance  
Is the sound of a Military Band,  
The day when trumpets are sounding,  
Victorious far and near,  
In every suit a poppy,  
And in every eye a tear.

The poppy petals now let fall,  
On every soldier's head,  
Every petal a single life,  
And all these lives are dead,  
They died fighting for their country,  
In a cold and spine-chilling war,  
And the sound of those trumpets plainly say,  
"We want to fight no more."

Now soldiers stand in ranks,  
So tall and so very straight,  
Each of them remembering  
Some friendly soldier mate,  
Old soldiers of the last war,  
That stand in bright array,  
Remember your old soldier mates,  
And pray for them to-day.

GILLIAN HARRIS.

*Gillian was 12 years old when she wrote this poem and is a niece of Don Wesley who trained at St. Dunstan's just after the war.*



## TO BLOW ST. DUNSTAN'S TRUMPET

*Bob Pringle, of West Ealing, is now St. Dunstan's speaker in the South of England as Lord Fraser reports in Chairman's Notes. He is also leader of the Jefferson City Jazz Band and plays trombone and Sousaphone. Bob was studying medicine when he was called up for National Service in 1946. He joined the Palestine Police and was totally blinded at the age of 19 by a terrorist bomb in Haifa. He worked as an inspector in industry until his factory closed down this year.*

## Stoke Mandeville Games

Once again St. Dunstan's was represented at Stoke Mandeville on September 11th and 12th among 23 disabled organisations taking part. Our team included Peter Spencer, William Griffiths, Charles Stafford, William Miller and Granville Waterworth. In attendance were Roger Moore, Bill Harris, Ben Mills and, as always at Stoke Mandeville, the team was under the very capable management of Mrs. Avis Spurway. The team gained 28 certificate awards, 16 in athletics and 12 in swimming, with Bill Griffiths being presented with a pottery vase for his win over a member from B.L.E.S.M.A. in the Ten Pin Bowling. As Bill is a member of the Handless group, this was no mean effort.

JOCK CARNOCHON, Sports Organiser.

## Frank Reviews

Cat. No. 816

**A Tree on Fire** by Alan Sillitoe

Read by Arthur Bush

This is the sequel to "The Death of William Posters" in which Frank Dawley throws up his factory job, walks out on his wife and family and seeks a new existence for himself.

Now Frank leaves his mistress Myra and his son to smuggle arms into Algeria. Once there he decides to stay and fight for the cause. Meanwhile his anarchist friend Hadleigh, a painter who has just acquired wealth through sudden popularity of his work, befriends and seduces Myra who has returned to England and is anxious for news of Frank.

While Hadleigh is accumulating wealth, paying no bills, and together with his brother John training his large family in the art of destroying "the established order of things" Frank Dawley is up to his ears in sweat, sand and bullets.

A well contrived piece of writing where selfishness and selflessness walk hand in

hand amidst violence and planned and unplanned confusion. Parts of this recording may be considered unsuitable for family reading.

Cat. No. 858

**The House of Green Turf**

by Ellis Peters

Read by Arthur Bush

When an opera singer recovers from a car crash, she is haunted by the dread that she has killed somebody. Certainly no one except herself was even severely injured in the crash, so says her Doctor. The fear must arise from somewhere in her past. Scorning the help of a psychiatrist she enlists the help of a private investigator, and finds herself involved in European criminal activities, and romance.

I think this is a book which will appeal mainly to the ladies. Although the plot is good the author tends to be rather drawn out, not to say long winded, and his creation is more melodramatic than dramatic.

## Results of Sports at H.M.S. Daedalus

St. Dunstan's sportsmen were honoured that Capt. Bryson came to present the prizes. They are as follows:

### 2½ MILE HANDICAP WALK

1st. S. Southall

2nd. W. Shea

3rd. W. Phillips

### THE VETERAN CUP

(Presented in memory of Dennis Deacon)

R. Young

### THE TALBOT CUP (for Fastest Novice)

R. Goding

### FIELD SPORTS

Group A

1st. W. Phillips

2nd. F. Barratt

3rd. W. Shea

Group B

1st. S. Tutton

2nd. G. Waterworth

3rd. R. Goding

Group C

1st. J. Caswell

2nd. H. Harding

3rd. J. Walker

### DOUBLE DISABILITY GROUP

1st. S. Southall

2nd. E. Quinn

3rd. W. Lethbridge

4th. R. Brett

### VICTOR LUDORUM CUP

W. Phillips (4th year running)

David Bell presented Ben Mills with a barometer from Campers and Camp helpers. This gift was to try and tell Ben how fond we are of him and what a tower of strength he is, and how we all depend on him, in Camp, and at all sporting events.

Thank you Ben for your 19 years of faithful service.

AVIS SPURWAY



## IT STRIKES ME

### Conserving Sussex

On September 25th a conference at Sussex University brought together some 150 representatives of organisations in the County of Sussex under the auspices of the Sussex Association of Parish Councils and the Sussex Rural Community Council. The man behind the conference was a St. Dunstaner, **County Alderman Harold Greatrex**.

Alderman Greatrex was Chairman of the organising committee and opened the conference, taking the Chair in the first session when the speaker was Baroness Evelyn Sharp, who spoke on planning. Speakers in other sessions were Viscount Amory, on the changing community and Mr. John Cripps, Chairman of the Countryside Commission, who discussed conservation. At the dinner which concluded the conference, the principal guest was Lord Shawcross.

### An Axe to Grind

If somebody comes to you with an axe to grind you do not necessarily feel friendly disposed towards him but the other day I met **Leonard Parry** who has made a whole host of friends of such people.

"The story really begins with my giving my wife a hint before Christmas that I was fed up with sharpening chisels and plane irons with an ordinary whetstone," Leonard told me. "She dutifully took the hint and bought me a treadle grindstone. As is usual with wives in villages, she was commanded to help in the church fête in the following Summer. I found I should be either left at home doing nothing or ambling around amongst people I didn't know so, in a moment of bravado, I offered

to take my grindstone and sharpen the pocket knives of visitors. Many people came to have their knives sharpened and asked if I would undertake shears and scissors.

"I had never sharpened either of these before but thinking I might as well be hung for a sheep as for a lamb I took it on for a period of two months. But still they came and have come ever since. The net result of the exercise has been that I have virtually met and made friends with everyone in the village—especially the ladies with scissors!"

And Leonard has divided the proceeds between the British Legion and the R.A.F. Association to the tune of about £180.

### Treasured in Canada



First World War St. Dunstaners may remember Mrs. H. K. Holland, Matron of "The House" from June 1917 until it closed in December 1919. On that occasion she was presented with a number of gifts, among them an inscribed silver inkstand of unique design, a personal gift from Sir Arthur Pearson. Recently Mrs. Holland's grand-daughter, **Mrs. K. S. Horton**, visiting England from Kelowna, British Columbia, called at Headquarters. Here she is seen showing the inkstand to our Public Relations Officer, Lieut.-Comdr. Robin Buckley.

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## CLUB NEWS

### LONDON

The Sir Arthur Pearson aggregate Domino Competition (the best eight results of twelve games) came to a final conclusion for this year on 23rd September. The enthusiasm with which the games were contested can be judged by the very close scoring rate.

Charlie Hancock eventually took first place. His best eight scores reaching a total of 65. Roy Armstrong in second place had a score of 62. Jim Padley followed in third place with 58. Danny Watkins was unfortunately out of the running with a total of 56. Well tried, Danny and better luck next time.

Domino Winners during the month of September were as follows:—

2nd September	1. C. Hancock 2. W. Harding
9th September	1. J. Padley 2. W. Harding
16th September	1. D. Watkins 2. C. Hancock
23rd September	1. R. Armstrong 2. C. Hancock
30th September	1. R. Armstrong 2. C. Hancock

We were indeed sorry to hear that Jim Padley is in the Middlesex Central Hospital. We were pleased, however, to hear the news that Jim is now cheerful after his recent operation. All our members send you their best wishes, Jim, and we hope that you and your wife, Pat, will very soon be able to join us at the Club again.

After a run of six weeks the first football pontoon sweepstake of the season was jointly shared by **W. Miller, R. Evans and C. Hancock**. Their respective teams were Wolves, Spurs and Coventry.

Our "Booby" prize was also jointly shared by Mrs. King, Mrs. Harding, Mrs. Hancock, M. Tybinski and R. Armstrong.

W. MILLER  
*Chairman*

### MIDLAND

Our September meeting, which was held on Sunday, 12th September, was quite a successful one and quite well attended.

The domino knockout competition final was played off, the "champ" for this year being Stan Southall, with Bruno Tomporowski the runner up.

We also ran a very successful "Bring and Buy" sale, plenty of things were brought, including flowers and pot plants, everything was sold and it brought quite a nice sum of new currency.

A very lovely tea was arranged by Mrs. Joan Cashmore which consisted mostly of home-made delicacies. She received our grateful thanks for her efforts.

Our next meeting will be on Sunday, 7th November. This is to avoid Armistice Day.

D. E. CASHMORE  
*Secretary*

### SUTTON

The Club has learnt with great regret that our widow member, Mrs. Daisy Lucraft, who has been in hospital for two months, has died. Daisy, with her husband Bill, had been a member for a long time, and after his death she continued to attend meetings. Her daughter told us that the Club had been one of Daisy's chief pleasures in the last few years. We shall miss her very much indeed.

DIANA HOARE  
*Secretary*

### INVALIDITY ALLOWANCE

In the Supplement to the July issue of the *Review* reference was made to the Invalidity Allowance payable in addition to the Unemployability Supplement. The legislation recently published makes it clear that in the case of men pensioners this Allowance is only payable to those men whose incapacity began prior to their attaining the age of sixty years and who were under Retirement Pension age on the 20th September, 1971. The Allowance is not then payable to those men who were granted the Unemployability Supplement after attaining the age of sixty or who were aged sixty-five or over on 20th September, 1971. In the case of female pensioners the relevant ages are fifty-five and sixty respectively.

## Ovingdean Notes

September—and with what must be almost the last of our holiday visitors, came a sort of "Indian Summer" making trips out into the country for a Race Meeting or a Sussex Cream Tea, as popular as ever. Although the Summer Shows at the Dome and Pier Theatres have finished, we now look forward to the Autumn series of Concerts at the Dome, and plays at the Theatre Royal.

In the house we have, as usual, been amusing ourselves with Bingo, domino tournaments, dances, and, of course, our flourishing Wednesday discussion and special interest group. The fortnightly "Music for Music Lovers" sessions now have a permanent place in our programme, and we are happy to have the help of Mr. John Hatfield, who brings along and plays selections from his own record library.

### First Debate

The title of our first debate this month caused great amusement when announced, but the proposer, Eddie Allchin, meant it when he said "That the Days of the Working Man are Numbered—and a Good Job Too". In his opening address Eddie made it quite clear that he was not in favour of allowing the wheels of industry to grind to a halt. No, rather that the computer age should take over and make all work more efficient, labour and time saving. Then, reasoned Eddie, we should all have time to play golf, grow roses, or just lie in the sun. Fred Barratt did not agree with this view at all. In his opinion, there is nothing like honest toil and the satisfaction of making something with your own hands, plus, of course, the sweat of your brow. The majority failed to respond to these noble sentiments, and the motion was carried.

For our second discussion, Chairman Mr. J. Stokes devised and introduced "Take your Pick", in which a number of volunteers were each given a subject on which to talk for two minutes. All the speeches were interesting and well delivered, and as we cannot mention them all in detail, let us be content to say that the experiment was a success and will, no doubt, be repeated with new topics at some future date.

Play Reading this month found guest Miss Eve King, and members of the V.A.D. staff, committing robbery, murder and mayhem in a play by Cyril Campion entitled "Madeleine". For this play an attempt was made to use taped musical sound effects, which did not quite come off in the first half. However, by the second act the operator had got the hang of the infernal machine. The play ended in a fine flurry of the dramatic sound of Beethoven's 5th Symphony, laced with pistol shots. What a bloodthirsty lot the so-called weaker sex can be, when the script demands it.

As a grand finale to the month we were given a most enjoyable concert by the Not Forgotten Association Concert Party. What a pleasure it was to welcome Miss Seeley, the organising secretary, and her little band of artistes. George Stanley voiced the thoughts of us all when he stood up to express our deep appreciation of the entertainment provided for us, and the long and happy friendship we have had with the Not Forgotten Association.

### Staff Obituary

#### Mrs. May Self

Readers will be sorry to learn of the death of MRS. MAY SELF, widow of Mr. Edgar Self, of Crediton, Devon, in September last. Mrs. Paul, as she was known when she came to work at St. Dunstan's in 1921, in the Welfare Department, became Area Superintendent, Southern Area, a position she held until she married again in the Spring of 1946, when she left to live in Devonshire with her husband. Her kind and friendly advice will be remembered by many St. Dunstaners of both World Wars.

### NORTH SEA GAS

Any St. Dunstaner who receives notification that his home is to be converted from Town Gas to North Sea Gas can get in touch, if he so wishes, either with the appropriate Estate Department Surveyor, or write to Mr. Peter Matthews at Headquarters for advice.

# A TRAIL ON TRIAL

by  
DAVID CASTLETON

Mention the name Goodwood and, probably, the first word to come to mind would be 'glorious', with overtones of green turf, jockey's silks and thoroughbred racehorses. But there is another Goodwood: A splendid house set in a truly English estate, its immaculate lawns stretching to the paddock and to oak-scattered meadows and in this estate it is possible to follow a different course.

For the Goodwood Estate has embarked on an interesting experiment in conjunction with the Countryside Commission. A nature trail has been laid out through a small area of woodland not far from Goodwood House. Miss Jill Binks, the member of the Goodwood Estate staff responsible, describes the trail as a planned walk about three-quarters of a mile long. There is no charge and the trail is open all the year round. There are wooden benches at various points and a small shelter about half way along the trail.

Miss Binks explained that the trail was started about eighteen months ago for schools. "Then the Countryside Commission suggested we should make it

*Ron Smith could detect the slightly raised growth ring on this tree stump by touch.*



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suitable for blind persons. We have tried to adapt it as little as possible so that the trail can be used by sighted and blind people. We are still experimenting to find what people want."

Already there is a Braille version of the printed notes which draw attention to the numbered points where there are features of interest. By next Spring Miss Binks hopes to have a hut equipped with push-button tape machines to give an introductory talk with examples of bird calls and other items.

I went along with Ron Smith, a St. Dunstaner whose interest in the countryside and natural history is well-known. With Jill Binks as our guide we spent some two hours under the canopy of the wood, which sheltered us from sunshine and shower alike, examining trees, ferns and flowers—finding mole hills and noticing the damage grey squirrels cause to trees—listening for birdsongs and 'ageing' a huge tree stump by the growth rings, which Ron could detect by touch.

Afterwards we discussed the success of the experiment so far and its prospects of future improvement. "I should imagine all these walks have a 'cardboardy' effect in which everything is sort of laid on and organised—numbers here and names there and, of course, this is the only way of doing it really," spoke the naturalist in Ron Smith. "We must also remember that this particular walk is very much in the early stages and with Miss Binks' enthusiasm I am sure it will one day be really first class."

## Conservation Minded

Ron Smith believes it is important to make people conservation minded: "If these nature trails can help in any way to conserve plant life, trees, animals and so on then this is, I think, the most wonderful part of the trail. I think it is just as important for blind people as sighted people to be enlightened in their attitude to conservation." He feels that there is a role for nature trails in arousing interest in natural history. "I think it is the beginning. It can be a way of learning for people who haven't much knowledge—a good way of learning."

One thing we found, even for an expert like Ron Smith, a nature trail can be useful



*On the Nature Trail*

in drawing one's attention to things which normally might pass unnoticed. Ron remarked, "Some of the trees I had not come across before. I think trees play a very important part. In these large estates many years ago the people used to import a lot of trees and plant them. There was the maple, for example, one or two trees like that. You can see them in other parts now because it's easy enough to get them but I had not examined them closely before."

## Pointing Out to the Sighted

"Sound is important," said Ron, "Probably about 70%, 20% would be touch—the touch of the trees and the leaves and so on—and 10% would be the literature. I am thinking of blind people like myself, totally blind. I have been out with partly sighted people and I found that I had to point out quite a lot of sounds that these partly sighted people had missed. This was not because they had poor hearing but simply because they were dividing their attention between their hearing and the little bit of sight they had. This division as to senses depends very much on the individual."

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*Nobody at home—but in the Spring . . . Ron Smith thinks more nesting boxes would encourage birds to the Nature Trail.*

"Of course scent is important but I am thinking in terms of the scent or smell of the ground itself, of leaves and the trees. The wild woodbine, for example, I noticed this very much. I don't think you want fragrance being specially planted in the place at all."

#### **New to Me**

I asked Ron if he could say just what he had enjoyed during our afternoon spent on the nature trail. "I enjoyed it because, first of all, it was new to me," he answered. "My great interest, bird and animal sounds, was lacking because the Autumn is a very bad part of the year to expect many birds to be calling. We don't want to make things too easy for blind people because they are always very capable of taking part in these excursions but I think the best time of year would be the Spring or Summer when the sounds are more prolific. Nevertheless I still think this nature trail can be enjoyed, even at this time of year, by blind people providing that the tape recording they hope to put on describes what people are going to hear and the things they are going to touch and feel.

"As to the literature, I can't really see where Braille is going to play a very important part. I can't think how Braille given in these long sheets will be a great deal of use unless the people wish to read them when they get back home. It would take too long on the trail. Sighted guides are very important as long as they do describe to blind people they are with, the various items they come to. As long as they do that and the blind people take part. They must take part. They must have it explained to them from the printed notes so that they can really be part and parcel of the walk otherwise what they are doing is just hanging on to the escort and walking round.

#### **Give it a Trial**

"If people will only give it a trial—and it's most important, too, for the schools and young people to take part in this because these are the people, these are the future generations who are going to try and preserve and conserve for us all that is so very necessary. We must offer as much help as possible to people like Miss Binks who are trying everything to make these nature trails a success."

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

**From J. A. McGregor of Como, West Australia.**

I arrived in this country from Australia on February 7th last, intending to spend a short holiday with friends in various parts of the British Isles, then to return to Australia at the end of April. St. Dunstan's, however, soon put an end to this aforesaid intention of mine. My original plan was to call at Ovingdean, dump part of my baggage, then set off on my way, but St. Dunstan's extended an invitation to me to be its guest for at least a period of my stay in England. As a result of this kind invitation, together with my eagerness to accept it, I have spent three periods at Ovingdean, having prolonged my departure from this wonderful country of England until late in August.

But now I am due to return home, yet have I no desire to do so. I have travelled much, visited many places, met up with old friends, made new ones, and have enjoyed myself far more than I would have considered possible. The kindness I have received, no matter where I have gone, has truly been out of this world. I am a St. Dunstanian, I know, but the kindness came to me mainly because I was a fellow member of the British Commonwealth of Nations and, therefore, one of yourselves.

Yes, I have enjoyed myself beyond measure, but not least of my joys has been my periodic stays at Ovingdean. I was a trainee at this centre in 1948-49, during which time I learned a lot about the workings of this truly wonderful establishment of St. Dunstan's. And it hasn't changed one bit, excepting that its inmates have all grown a little older. Yes, unfortunately, we are all getting on in years, that's very true, but nevertheless, we must always remember, if only for the benefit of the Administration, Staff and others, that we are St. Dunstanians and, therefore, men and women of courage, not permitting old age to take charge of us too easily, surrendering to it only when we can fight it no longer. The administration and general working staff, however, are still as

wonderful as ever, forever attending to the many wants and wails of all those who are fortunate enough to find a haven within these walls at Ovingdean. We, as St. Dunstanians, should be forever grateful to the kindly folk who so willingly and graciously go out of their way to make our lot in life slightly more tolerable. At heart we all do, I know, but still not one of us can ever hope to be worthy of the wealth of labour, tolerance, sympathy and understanding that comes to us through the agency of our own fellow humans, each possessed of a heart of gold. I take this opportunity to thank them, one and all, for not only the invitation, but also for the kindness and attention that has been bestowed upon me whilst at Ovingdean. I hadn't forgotten the welcome in 1948; I shall certainly not forget this one. I wish all St. Dunstanians, the V.A.D. and Staff personnel, the General Administration, and all honorary escorts, long life and happiness.

In paying my respects to one and all, however, I would particularly like to mention that I had the real pleasure of renewing acquaintances with several of the staff of other days, among them being Miss Ramshaw, Miss Heep, Miss Byolin, and Mrs. McDonald. It WAS a real pleasure, indeed.

**From George Fallowfield of Welling, Kent.**

I note the Chairman's remarks about the Deaf-Blind not having the pleasures of the Radio or Talking Book. Regarding the Radio, if people would help us as much as they help the Hearing Blind we should not miss much where the Radio News is concerned. We had plenty of good pals in the old days who kept us well informed and there were good members of the staff, too, the Sisters in the "Desk" would jot down an item of important news from the 9 p.m. news if a pal was not with us. My wife puts news down in shorthand and then tells me it. The Braille so-called "Newspapers" are N.B.G. The "news" being seven to ten days

old, and one day my wife told me Sewell had been arrested and would be taken to Blackpool, etc. Three days later our Braille "Newspaper" told me a Scotland Yard Detective had said the man they were looking for was Sewell!

**From Mrs. Gwen Obern, Aberdare.**

I would like to draw your attention to the fact that Bob and Joan Osborne are retiring from their Kiosk at Ovingdean owing to Joan's illness. They have devoted their time to St. Dunstan's.

For almost twenty-three years, not only in their normal course of duty, they have been always prepared to give of their own free time. They have assisted on innumerable week-end functions at Ovingdean and have helped many hundreds of St. Dunstaners, by reading and choosing cards, and packing parcels etc.

I feel sure that many St. Dunstaners would like to show their appreciation. I would like to mention that the Commandant has kindly consented to act as Honorary Treasurer for a Fund to present them with a leaving gift. If any readers would like to contribute, please send your donations to the **Commandant, St. Dunstan's, Ovingdean, Brighton, Sussex.**

With all our good wishes to Bob and Joan and good wishes to my friends at St. Dunstan's.

**From George Eustace, Chessington, Surrey.**

Many St. Dunstaners will learn with sadness of the death of our friend George Emerson.

George had a wonderful sense of humour and great courage. Although he suffered great pain he was always willing to have a joke.

Our thoughts are with Mrs. Emerson at this time. We shall always remember him.

**From Ray Benson of Horsham, Sussex.**

*Mainly for Women—Why?*

As secretary of a local Wine Circle, I read with interest the "Mainly for Women" article in the June issue of the *Review*. My immediate reaction was, why women? In my experience men are in the majority in this activity of wine making. Further

articles in the *Review* will I suggest create an interest in wine making.

Wine making is a test of will-power and patience, wine must be left at least six months to mature, preferably much longer. Preparation must be carried out in a logical and patient manner, it can never be hurried. Cleanliness and filtering are also very important. There are many good filter units on the market. This is doubly important if you have a competitive interest.

When talking about wine making I am referring to 'country wines' and not the pre-packed method. This I consider is cheating. Also, surely only wine type is made by this method, such as 'Sherry Type' etc.

There is also another important requirement, adequate room. Room for preparation, maturing and storing. Room that is not needed for anything else and, therefore, little danger of disturbance.

There are a number of 'perks' in making your own wine, the need for frequent tasting to test maturity, and sampling the wine made by a friend to give it a considered judgement. The range and scope of 'perks' is almost limitless.

Through the *Review* we could have a St. Dunstan's Wine Circle by correspondence.

For readers who are interested, the following books are being taped by St. Dunstan's for me and when they are ready I shall be happy to lend them out. They are: "Home-made Wine Secrets," "Wine making the right way, including herbal Wine-making."

**Radio Brighton**

Radio Brighton is considering a new programme for the blind. St. Dunstan's is represented on a committee of representatives of interested organisations, which, it is hoped, will play a part in the introduction of a programme of use and interest to blind people. St. Dunstaners living in the coastal area from Seaford in the East to Littlehampton in the West who have suggestions or comments are asked to write to the *Review* at Headquarters, P.O. Box 58, 191 Old Marylebone Road, London, NW1 5QN.

**BRIDGE NOTES**

The Eighth Individual Competition of the Brighton Section was held on Saturday, 11th September. The results were as follows:—

F. Griffiee and Partner	79
F. Mathewman and J. Chell	62
A. Dodgson and R. Bickley	62
R. Goding and W. Scott	61
H. Kerr and H. Clements	61
J. Huk and J. Whitcombe	53

The ninth and final Individual Competition of the Brighton Section was held on Saturday, 9th October. The results were as follows:—

A. Smith and F. Mathewman	78
R. Bickley and W. Scott	66
A. Dodgson and F. Rhodes	63
S. Webster and H. Kerr	59
J. Chell and M. Clements	56
F. Griffiee and J. Huk	56

The best five results out of nine are:—

<b>F. Griffiee</b>	<b>370</b>
<b>F. Mathewman</b>	<b>359</b>
<b>F. Rhodes</b>	<b>357</b>
<b>M. Clements</b>	<b>352</b>
<b>J. Chell</b>	<b>342</b>
J. Huk	338
S. Webster	336
A. Dodgson	336
W. Scott	332
J. Whitcombe	330
R. Bickley	324
H. Kerr	306
A. Smith	298
P. Pescott-Jones	268
R. Goding	250 (after 4 matches)
W. Burnett	246 (after 4 matches)

The ninth and final Individual Competition of the London Section for the Gover Cup for 1971 came to its final conclusion on Saturday, 2nd October. The results were as follows:—

R. Armstrong and R. Fullard	75
R. Stanners and M. Tybinski	73
P. Nuyens and H. King	72
W. Allen and J. Lynch	56
F. Pusey and W. Miller	52
R. Evans and Miss V. Kemmish	50

Best six—cumulative results

M. Tybinski	432
H. King	429
R. Armstrong	420
F. Pusey	411
J. Lynch	411
R. Stanners	404
R. Fullard	404
R. Evans	400
W. Allen	394
P. Nuyens	387
Miss V. Kemmish	347
H. Meleson	344

R. ARMSTRONG  
*Bridge Captain*

**Harrogate Bridge Week**

On Friday, 24th September, the St. Dunstan's Bridge Club were once again "at home" to their Harrogate friends at the Dirlton Hotel. The bridge drive held that evening was extremely well attended and gave us the opportunity of both honouring our friends and of saying farewell. This function was a great success and set the seal on a series of successful and enjoyable fixtures which had taken place throughout the week. There was one newcomer in our party—Bill Phillips—and I like to think that it was his hearty invitation, although somewhat unusual in style, which finally ensured this record attendance at our last meeting.

**Dirlton Hotel**

Our week at Harrogate had commenced the previous Saturday at the Dirlton Hotel where we were cordially greeted by the Manageress, Mrs. Slater, and the warm welcome we received was to be maintained throughout our stay. Our first match, held that same evening, was closely contested, and on the following day "teams of four" drawn from Harrogate and St. Dunstan's competed for the St. Dunstan's Cup. This year the cup returned to Harrogate, but a St. Dunstan's team, headed by Bruce Ingrey, was a close second. Further matches were held throughout the week with varying success.



In all these fixtures we received the greatest hospitality, and perhaps the degree of our successes or failures may be measured by the extent to which we availed ourselves of refreshments, always at hand and freely dispensed. We registered three wins in all, but whatever the outcome of the games played, rivalry at cards was equally matched by renewing old acquaintances and making new friends.

#### Kiplin Hall

On Tuesday afternoon, eleven of our party visited Miss Talbot at her home at Kiplin Hall. We were received in the great hall where Miss Talbot, in sparkling form, gave us a brief and breezy history of her home and antecedents. This must have proved a novel experience to those who were paying their first visit, and equally exhilarating to us who had been before. By way of valediction and in a manner typical of our hostess, Miss Talbot, together with three of our party as passengers, accompanied our coach for several miles on the homeward journey in her vintage Austin 7, in an exciting if somewhat hair-raising dash towards the rendezvous with the remainder of the party.

#### Mr. Lloyds

We were pleased once again to have the company of Mr. Lloyds who presided over luncheon held on Thursday afternoon at the Drovers' Inn, Bishop Thornton. On behalf of St. Dunstan's he paid tribute to our guests, many of whom had long and loyal associations with the Harrogate Bridge Week. It was with much regret that we learned that Mr. and Mrs. Green would no longer be able to carry on with the organisation of the Week, but this was quickly followed by relief when we were assured of the continuity of our associations under the direction of Mr. Alan Kempson.

Once again our thanks are due to Paul Nuyens who managed to overcome all difficulties and keep everyone under control, in which task he was again ably supported by those two stalwarts Joe Kennedy and Norman Smith. This was truly a memorable week enjoyed to the full by all.

R. EVANS

## "GEORGE" GETS THE "STICK" AGAIN

By Alf Field

Last month I left you with a problem:—

♠ Q 7 5		♠ 10 9 2
♥ J 5 3		♥ Q 10 8
♦ Q 6 3		♣ K 9 4
♠ A J 8 4	N	♠ 10 9 2
♥ A 9 6 4	W <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 1em; height: 1em; vertical-align: middle;"></span> E	♥ Q 10 8
♣ 8	S	♣ K 9 4
♠ K 6		
♥ A 8 4		
♦ K 7		
♣ A 7		

Hearts are trumps—South to lead and make 6 tricks against any defence. There are two reasons why I occasionally project a double dummy problem. (1) The Seniors can pick up the *Review* when things are quiet and have a "Wrestle" before looking at the answer and (2) the Juniors can learn to manipulate their cards much sooner and much better if they study these hands. I will apply myself to "(2)" first.

There are many combinations of the 13 cards in a suit, many of these are grouped and remembered in groups. (Remember "George" and the Finesses?) We shall now deal with a small group, where, if the enemy "open up" (lead the suit for the first time) it will be to your advantage and contrariwise to your disadvantage, if YOU do so. The problem this month contains two examples. Please give "George" a shake and examine the Diamonds and Spades. Observe and note that if Declarer leads Diamonds he cannot make a trick but will make a trick if E.W. "open up" the suit. The Spade suit is only slightly different. Declarer must make one Spade trick but can make two tricks if West opens up the suit. Bearing that in mind now to the play of the hands. Declarer must try to force E.W. to "open up" the Diamonds or West to lead Spades. The plan is to lead out his three trumps and embarrass E.W. with their discards. Declarer discards Q 6 3 of Clubs from Dummy, this forces East to retain K 9 of Clubs because of Declarer's A 7. This is now the picture.

## International Disabled Games in Poland

by J. Carnochan

I was privileged to be appointed as team Manager to the British representative team which took part in the international section of the Disabled Games from 3rd-5th September in Cracow. The team consisted of three members from B.L.E.S.M.A., three from the British Polio Fellowship, three from the R.N.I.B. and our own representative being Bill Claydon. One of the R.N.I.B. members, Miss Dawn Crombie, who is a student physiotherapist, is the daughter of William Crombie, a St. Dunstaner. In addition to her interest in athletics she is a very keen Judo member and to date holds the Blue belt, which is no mean effort for a blind person.

The Games took the form of our own Commonwealth Games recently staged in

Edinburgh, with the opening ceremony, teams marching round the Stadium behind their national standards, then the opening speeches followed by the entry of the torch to light the bowl which remained alight for the three days of the games until extinguished at the closing ceremony. Both ceremonies were impressive and exciting. The games themselves were well organised, and encompassed all the events in a normal programme.

Competitors were grouped in their own disablement, with each group being divided into class 1 or 2 depending on the limitation of the disablement, which led to a pretty fair competitive system among 450 competitors with every conceivable disability.

In the overall Group awards the British team did very well, gaining 2 Gold and 4 Bronze Medals, the first Gold being won by Dawn Crombie, our St. Dunstaner's daughter.

The three Blesma competitors and our own Bill Claydon, although gaining no awards, performed extremely well, when one considers that 90% of the competitors were half their age. Their experience was invaluable in keeping the team spirit going and encouraging the youngsters.

We had the pleasure of meeting Willy Hohm who was with the Austrian Team and will be remembered by many St. Dunstan's sportsmen as the International Victor Ludorum in the International Blind Sports here at Ovingdean in 1968. Willy and his wife wished to be remembered to all his many friends at St. Dunstan's.

The programme was quite hectic, our first day being free to settle in and do a bit of training. The second day brought an excursion to Ojcow and Pieskowa Smata, a medieval castle in the middle of a pine-wood forest on the outskirts of Cracow.

On the third day, Friday, the opening of the games took place, followed in the evening by a visit with the President of the Cracow People's States Council. The fourth day was the second day of the games and in the morning a four hour Symposium on the development of sport for disabled people in Poland and other countries was

### BRIDGE (continued)

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♣	W <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 1em; height: 1em; vertical-align: middle;"></span> E	♥ Q 10 8
	S	♣ K 9 4
		♠ K 6
		♥
		♦ K 7
		♣ A 7

South now needs three tricks and leads Club Ace, discarding Diamond 3 from Dummy. West discards Diamond 6 and East plays Club 9. Declarer now leads Spade King—West plays Ace (must?) and then must continue Spade J or 8 to Dummy's Queen. Declarer now continues with Spade 7 to West's J or 8 and now West must "open up" the Diamonds. Naturally there are many variations of the defence and because this problem was an actual Hand there is the possibility that Alf has slipped up in defence! But my main concern is, new combinations for Junior "Georges".

## Welcome to St. Dunstan's



*On behalf of St. Dunstan's we welcome a St. Dunstaner recently admitted to membership. The Review hopes he will settle down happily as a member of our family.*

**Robert Harley** of Bromley, Rhodesia, has joined St. Dunstan's through the recently re-formed St. Dunstan's (Rhodesia) Committee. He served as a Sergeant Pilot in the Rhodesian Air Force, but was severely injured on the ground by a land mine; he and his wife farmed for some years until they retired; he is a very keen radio 'ham'. We hope he will be coming to England for training next year.

### Disabled Games *(continued)*

attended by all the Team Managers and Delegates from other countries. This was a most interesting meeting. In the evening there was a sightseeing trip to Cracow, a very beautiful city steeped in history. Later in the evening the organisers arranged a very lively dance. This was a surprise as there was no mention of it in the original programme and a pleasant surprise it was. It gave us the opportunity to socialise with our foreign competitors and, with added liquid refreshment, led to very good international relationships!

Sunday, the fifth day, saw the completion of the games, followed by the medal awards and closing ceremony, which left us the evening free to organise our own team farewell party in Cracow.

### Home Again

We arrived back at Heathrow about 6.30 p.m. on 6th September tired, happy with our results, and a bit more experienced in the field of disabled sport.

I would like to congratulate all who competed on their excellent performances and acknowledge the wonderful help and co-operation of the two escorts, Miss Ethel Hobson of B.P.F. and Mr. Derek Field of the R.N.I.B. Physiotherapy School.

## FAMILY NEWS

### Birth

Many congratulations to **PAUL WALKER** of Lewes, whose wife Phyllis gave birth to a boy on 2nd October, 1971. He is to be called Dean and is a brother for Sarah.

### Marriage

**GILBERT-SAUNDERS.** John Gilbert of Hurstpierpoint, Sussex, married Miss Daphne Saunders on 9th October, 1971.

### Silver Wedding

Congratulations to **MR. AND MRS. JOSEPH HUMPHREY** of Belfast, Northern Ireland, who celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary on 19th October, 1971.

### Grandfathers

#### Congratulations to:—

**FREDERICK BOUGHTON** of Old Duston, Northampton, who is pleased to announce the arrival of a grand-daughter, Nicola Suzanne, born on 17th September, 1971.

**JAMES CHELL** of Eastbourne, Sussex, who became a grandfather for the eleventh time when a daughter, Kathryn, was born to his elder son and daughter-in-law, James and Patricia Chell, on 10th October, 1971.

**THOMAS O'CONNOR** of Birmingham, who is pleased to announce the arrival of a grandson in May, 1971, born to his son, David and his wife.

**HENRY LEE** of Merton Park, S.W.19, has become a grandfather for the second time when his daughter gave birth to a girl recently. She is a sister for Karen Anne.

**JOHN MOONEY** of Chadderton, Oldham, Lancs., who proudly announces the arrival of his first grandchild, Jane Elizabeth Mooney, born on 4th September, 1971. She is the first girl to be born in the Mooney family for 36 years.

### Great Grandfather

Many congratulations to **EDWARD HALL** of Newbury, Berks., who is pleased to announce the arrival of his seventh great grandchild. His grand-daughter, Mrs. Doreen Thompson, has recently given birth to a girl who is to be called Wendy.

**WILLIAM LEAR** of Tavistock, Devon, attended the marriage of his elder grandson, Roy Lear to Elizabeth Payne of Southend-on-Sea, on 4th July. The marriage took place in Tavistock.

**FRANK MADGWICK** of Crawley, Sussex, is pleased to announce the marriage of his son Robert to Janice Holt on 9th April, 1971 at St. Richard's Church, Crawley.

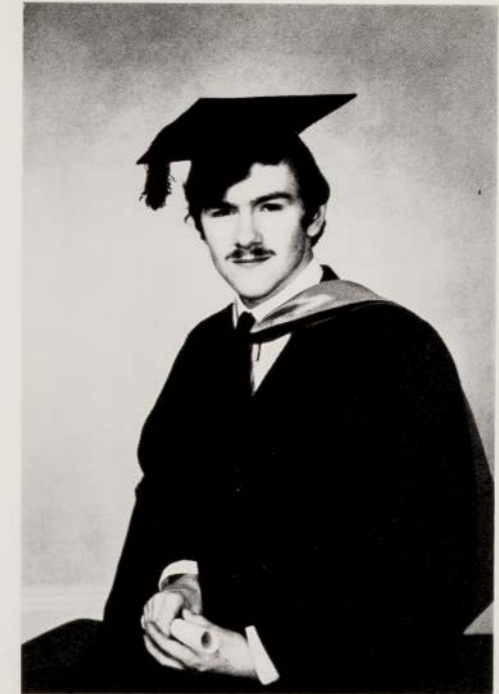
**HENRY MCCARTNEY** of Belfast is pleased to announce the marriage of his daughter, Kathleen, to David Jones in June, 1971 and his daughter Margretta to John McGuire in September 1971.

**KENNETH WARD** of Exeter is pleased to announce the marriage of his son Ronald Ward to Jacqueline Saupe of Kingston-upon-Thames, on 22nd May, 1971.

**ALFRED WATER** of East Bergholt, Colchester, Essex, is pleased to announce the marriage of his daughter Susan to Peter Graham Nunday on 2nd October, 1971.

**HAROLD HOLDEN** of Hindley, Lancs., announces the marriage of his son Keith on Saturday, 2nd October, 1971, to Carol Blackburn at Lowton Road Methodist Church, Golborne.

David Hall, grandson of **EDWARD HALL** of Newbury, Berks., has just been awarded a place at the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst. Another grandson, Roland Taylor, has completed his studies at an Agricultural College and passed the City and Guilds examinations which include two years' practical farming. He is to take over the farm which our St. Dunstaner has now vacated on his retirement.



*Terence, son of John Bailey of Guildford, Surrey, who recently obtained his B.Sc. with honours at Hull, University.*

John, son of **STANLEY FOWLER** of Beeston, Notts, who is a member of the Boys' Brigade, has recently been presented with a Gold Medal for sport and a Silver Medal for communication and four Bronze Medals, and has been made an N.C.O.

**GEORGE EUSTACE** of Chessington, Surrey, tells us that his two granddaughters have just passed various dancing examinations. Alison has obtained a Gold, Silver and Bronze medals for Old Time Dancing and a Gold medal for the Cha Cha Cha. Elizabeth has obtained a Silver and Bronze for Old Time Dancing and a Silver medal for the Boston Two Step.

### With Apologies

In the Family News Section of last month's *Review* an announcement should have read:

Peter, son of **SIDNEY DOY** of Ashford, Kent, married Gillian Churcher on 3rd April, 1971.

It was Peter's grandfather who died in May—not his father.

## Awarded Higher Degree

At the most recent Congregation of the University of Essex the Chancellor of the University, Lord Butler, conferred the higher degree of Master of Arts, in Applied Linguistics, on John D. A. Floyd, B.A., M.I.L. John, who obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree in languages, and also a teacher's certificate at University College, Exeter, is the son of our St. Dunstan T. J. Floyd of Teignmouth, Devon.

## Deaths

We offer our very sincere sympathy to:—

SIDNEY DOY who mourns the death of his father in May, 1971.

BERTIE HARSENT of Colchester who mourns the death of his brother on 16th September, 1971.

JAMES PEARSON of Prestwich, Manchester, whose elder son, Arthur, died in September 1971, at the age of 51.

JAMES WHITE of Chilwell, Notts., who mourns the death of his Mother in May of this year.

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## In Memory

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

**Arthur George Emerson.** *Royal Air Force Police.*

Arthur George Emerson of Leigh, Nr. Reigate, Surrey, died on 4th October, 1971, at the age of 59 years.

He served in the Second World War in the Royal Air Force Police and came to St. Dunstan's in 1948. After training he became a shopkeeper and continued in business until 1957 when unfortunately, owing to ill health he had to give this up. He retired with his wife to Leigh in Surrey where he carried out joinery work and was a garden and greenhouse enthusiast. During the last few years Mr. Emerson's health has deteriorated and he has been nursed devotedly by his wife.

**Arthur Hayes.** *1st Sherwood Foresters Regiment.*

Arthur Hayes of Bakers Field, Nottingham, died on 20th September, 1971 at the age of 78 years.

He served in the 1st Sherwood Foresters Regiment from 1915 to 1917 and was wounded at Ypres. He came to St. Dunstan's in 1917 and having learnt the trade of boot repairing carried on

this occupation for some considerable time. At the same time, as a hobby, he was very interested in keeping a few poultry. When he gave up his repairing business he then made rugs for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Hayes celebrated their Golden wedding anniversary a couple of years ago. Mr. Hayes spent many holidays at Ovingdean, and he and his wife used to attend Midland Reunions. He will be much missed by his friends both at Brighton and in Nottingham. He leaves a widow.

**Richard Horner.** *6th Duke of Wellington Regiment.*

Richard Horner, late of Holmfirth, Yorkshire, and latterly at Northgate House, Brighton, died on 13th September, 1971. He was 76 years of age.

He served in the 6th Duke of Wellington Regiment from 1914 to 1917 and was wounded at Arras, and came to St. Dunstan's in that year.

He trained in the repair of boots, shoes and clogs and also in mat making and carried on these occupations until the outbreak of the Second World War. He then entered industry, making munitions so as to help the war effort until the end of the war. He carried on after the war in industry until he retired at the age of 66 years. His wife predeceased him two years ago and he went to stay at Northgate House. He leaves a grown-up family of two sons and a daughter.

**James Kilvington.** *Green Howards Regiment.*

James Henry Kilvington of Easingwold, Yorkshire, died on 7th September, 1971, at the age of 81 years.

He served in the First World War from 1917 to 1918 in the Green Howards Regiment. He was wounded in 1917 and lost his left eye. The sight in the remaining eye did not deteriorate until later in life and he did not come to St. Dunstan's until August 1970. Before his retirement he had been a farmer. On account of his age he did not undertake any training neither did he feel fit enough to spend a holiday at Brighton or attend the Newcastle Reunion. He leaves a widow and grown-up family.

**Dudley A. Tregent, M.B.E., B.A., LL.M.**  
*Australian Field Artillery Brigade.*

Dudley A. Tregent, M.B.E., B.A., LL.M., of South Yarra, Victoria, Australia, died of a heart attack at his home on 10th August, 1971. He was 73.

Dudley Tregent served with the Australian Field Artillery Brigade in France during the 1st World War. He was totally blinded just before the Armistice in 1918. After training at St. Dunstan's where he met his wife, Eileen, he returned to Australia and entered Melbourne University. With the help of his wife and fellow students he graduated as B.A. and LL.B. Further studies gained him Honours and his Master of Laws.

He became Melbourne's first blind solicitor and at one time had the largest one-man-owned legal practice in Melbourne. He was generous with his time and professional knowledge for ex-service and war-widows' organisations in Australia and willingly gave his services to individuals who sought his help, refusing to accept any fees.

He leaves a widow and three sons, two of whom are qualified solicitors and shared his practice.