

N U M E R O I

DOMINANDO EL ESTRECHO.- Fotografía obtenida recientemente por un fotógrafo del " Times ", que representa uno de los cañones de defensa de costas, perteneciente al armamento defensivo de la fortaleza de Gibraltar. Se ha prestado gran atención al fortalecimiento de las defensas de este famoso punto fuerte del Imperio, que guarda la entrada del Mediterráneo.-

N U M E R O II

PUESTO FRONTERIZO en Gibraltar representando un centinela británico de guardia, policía británica en el rastrillo, y guardias españoles en la otra parte de la barrera.-

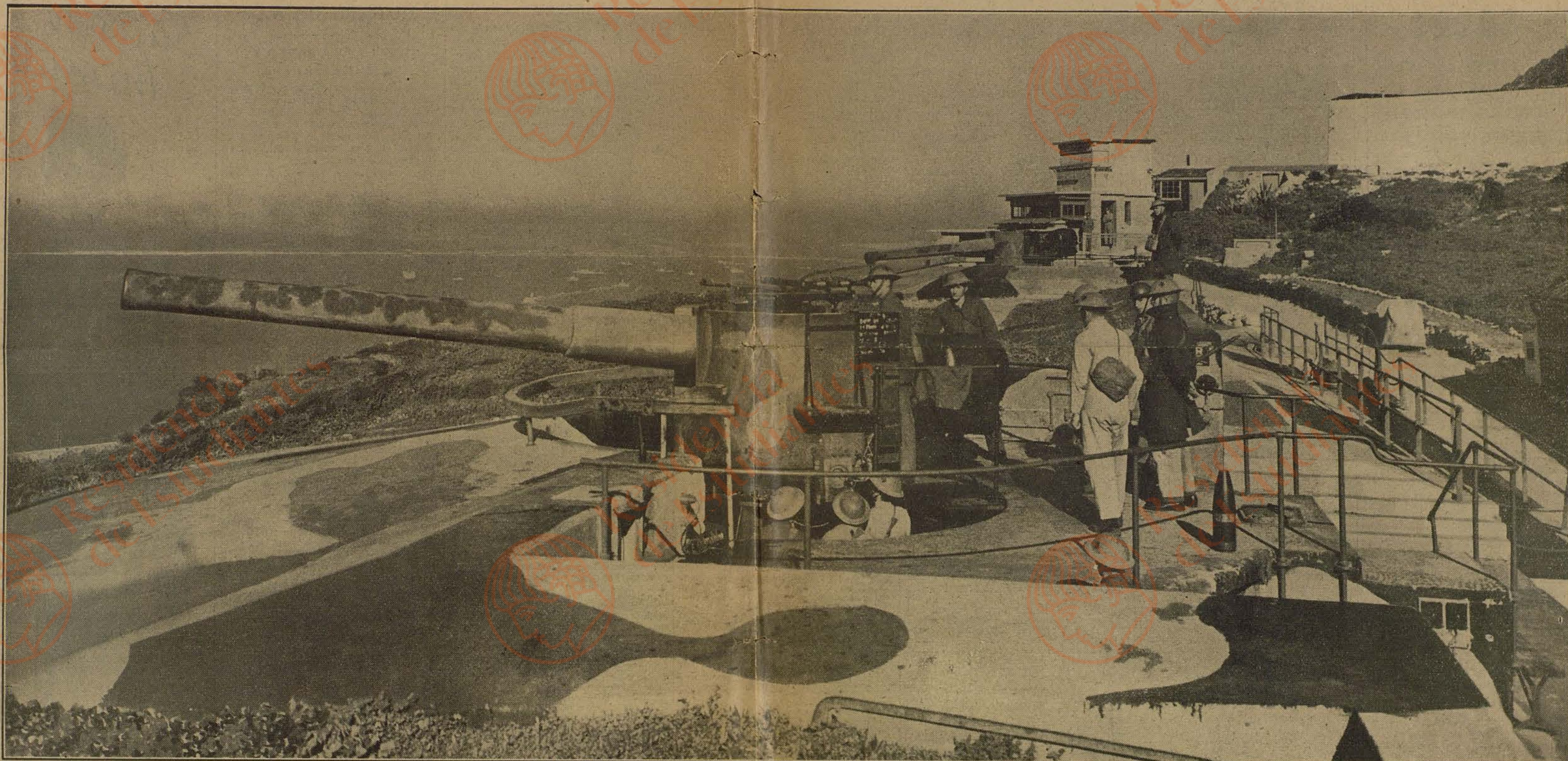
N U M E R O III

VICE-ALMIRANTE SIR DUDLEY NORTH, Vice-almirante de Gibraltar, y Lady North, en su residencia oficial "The Mount" (El Monte), que domina el puerto naval y la Bahía.-

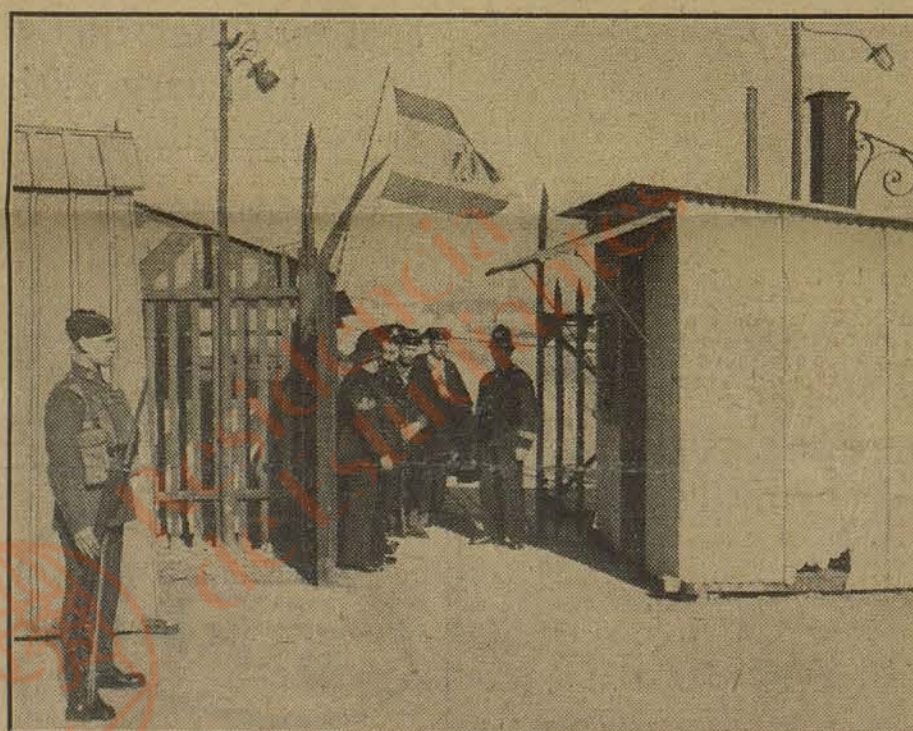
N U M E R O IV

TENIENTE GENERAL SIR CLIVE LIDDELL, Gobernador de Gibraltar, y Lady Liddell en el Government House (Palacio del Gobernador), en Gibraltar.-

A BRITISH STRONG POINT: THE DEFENCES OF GIBRALTAR



OVERLOOKING THE STRAITS.—A picture taken recently by a staff photographer of *The Times* showing one of the coast defence guns in the defensive armament of the fortress of Gibraltar. Great attention has been paid to the strengthening of the defences of this famous strong point of the Empire guarding the entrance to the Mediterranean.



A FRONTIER POST at Gibraltar showing a British sentry on guard, British police at the gates, and Spanish guards on the other side of the barrier.

NUMERO II



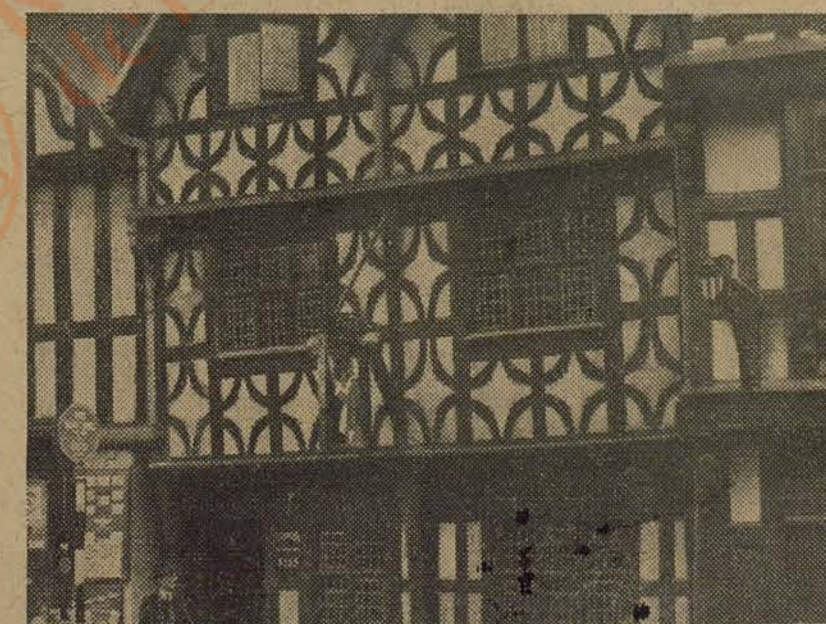
VICE-ADMIRAL SIR DUDLEY NORTH, Vice-Admiral Gibraltar, and Lady North, at his official residence, The Mount, which overlooks the naval harbour and the Bay.



LIEUT.-GENERAL SIR CLIVE LIDDELL, Governor of Gibraltar, and Lady Liddell at Government House, Gibraltar.



THE END OF A U-BOAT.—A picture just received showing the end of a German U-boat, which has been attacked by a British destroyer. A large amount of oil has risen to the surface and has been ignited either by interior explosion or by depth-charges.



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BUCKINGHAM PALACE, FEB. 3

The King and Queen left the Palace this morning for Windsor.

WINDSOR CASTLE, FEB. 4

The King and Queen were present at Morning Service in the Royal Chapel, Windsor Great Park.

Constance Duchess of Westminster has closed her house at 2, Chester Street, and is staying at the Dorchester until she returns to Malwood, Lyndhurst.

Mr. Douglas Sladen celebrates the 84th anniversary of his birthday to-day.

MARRIAGES

**MR. D. J. GRAHAM-CAMPBELL
AND MISS MACLEAN**

The marriage took place on Saturday, in Eton College Chapel, of Mr. David John Graham-Campbell (The King's Royal Rifle Corps), of Eton College, youngest son of Sir Rollo and Lady Graham-Campbell, and Miss Joan Maclean (Scots Guards), and of Mrs. Maclean, of 56, Cadogan Place, S.W. The Rev. A. R. Graham-Campbell (brother of the bridegroom) and the Rev. W. S. Llewellyn officiated.

The bride, who was given away by her brother, Sir Charles Maclean of Duart, Scots Guards, wore a dress of bois-de-rose crepe with inset bands of the material and a lace collar to tone. Her coat, to which was fastened a spray of pink orchids, was of the same colour. She wore also a cap of bois-de-rose crepe, trimmed with small brown bows. Mr. M. Gilliat, The King's Royal Rifle Corps, was best man and, like the bridegroom, was in uniform.

The reception was held in School Hall, Eton College. Among those who received invitations were:

Sir Rollo and Lady Graham-Campbell, Captain and Mrs. John Maclean, Captain and Mrs. Elliott, Brigadier and Mrs. Bullock-Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Lingard-Guthrie, the Misses Lingard-Guthrie, Captain and Mrs. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Shakerley-Ackers, the Misses Shakerley-Ackers, Miss Nevill, Mrs. Orlife, Mr. Nevill, the Misses Nevill, Dr. and Mrs. Graham-Campbell, the Misses Graham-Campbell, Mr. Duvald Graham-Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Duvald, Mr. A. Pridoux, Canon and Mrs. S. Pridoux, Major Pridoux.

The Provost of Eton, the Vice-Provost of Eton and Miss Marshall, the Headmaster of Eton and Mrs. Elliott, Mary Marchioness of Abergeenny, Lord and Lady Wigram, the Hon. Neville Wigram, the Hon. Francis Wigram, Mr. and the Hon. Mrs. Harvey, the Hon. Mrs. Kenneth Younger, Miss Younger, the Hon. Denis and Mrs. Buckley, the Hon. Margaret Best, the Hon. Greville and Mrs. Baird, the Hon. Theo and Mrs. Hawke, the Hon. Veronica Hawke, Charlotte Lady Inverclyde, Viscount and Viscountess Garnock, Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Percy and Lady Laurie, Mr. David Laurie, Miss Laurie.

Sir William and Lady Lewthwaite, Mr. and the Hon. Mrs. Carlisle, Sir John and Lady Ellerman, Mr. Hugh and the Hon. Mrs. Dewhurst, Captain and the Hon. Mrs. Davidson, Wing Commander Sir Louis and Lady Greig, Sir Simon and Lady Campbell-Orde, Sir John and the Hon. Lady Shelley-Rolls, Major and the Hon. Mrs. Ronald Senior, the Hon. Mrs. Wakley, Lady Scott, Mr. Michael Scott, Lord and Lady Teignmouth, the Hon. Betty Shore, Admiral Sir Reginald and Lady Tupper.

Lord and Lady Malcolm Douglas-Hamilton, Sir Arthur and Lady Hay, Miss Helen Maclean of Ardour, Lieutenant-Commander and Mrs. John Cochrane, Captain and Mrs. Lorne Campbell, Commander and Mrs. Alan Campbell, Sir Howard d'Avall, Mr. and Mrs. Crompton, Hutton, Captain and Mrs. Patrick Johnstone, Mr. and Mrs. Colin Malcolm, Major and Mrs. Mellor, Captain and Mrs. McAlpine-Downie, MacKinnon of MacKinnon, Commander and Mrs. MacKinnon of MacKinnon, Miss MacKinnon, Mr. N. MacKinnon, Mr. Ian MacKinnon, Colonel Weldon McLean, Colonel and Mrs. Bramhall, Mrs. Wolfe-Barry, Mr. Norman Wolfe-Barry, Captain and Mrs. Gerald Wolfe-Barry.

Rear-Admiral and Mrs. Roger Bellairs, Mr. Roy Beddington, Mr. and Mrs. Garforth-Bles, Mr. Michael Garforth-Bles, Captain and Mrs. Thomas Brodie, Mrs. Maitland-Makgill-Crichton, Miss Rosemary Maitland-Makgill-Crichton, Colonel and Mrs. Ian Campbell of Airds, Colonel Campbell (The King's Royal Rifle Corps), Mr. and Mrs. Peter Finch, Captain and Mrs. Dundas, Mr. St. John Gore, Miss Susan Macpherson Grant, Lieutenant-Commander Eustace Guinness, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Field-Marchant, Commander and Mrs. Litchfield-Speer, Mr. and Mrs. John Madden, Mrs. Mackenzie of Calgary, Commander and Mrs. Ian Robertson, Admiral and Mrs. Phillips, Colonel and Mrs. Sillwell, Prebendary and Mrs. Austin Thompson, Colonel and Mrs. Hutton-Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Corbett-Winder, Captain and Mrs. Faure-Walker, Maclellan of Maclellan, Mr. and Mrs. Maclellan, Mrs. Burt-Marshall, Major Burt-Marshall, Colonel and Mrs. Greenhill-Gardyne, General and Mrs. Barskov, Colonel and Mrs. Bonham Carter, and Mr. and Mrs. Hillary Noble.

Mrs. Maclean of Duart (mother of the bride) was unable to be present because of illness.

MR. A. N. PARKER AND MISS J. C. C. ELLIOTT OF STORS

The marriage took place quietly on Saturday at St. Columba's, Pont Street, of Mr. Alfred Nigel Parker, The Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders, younger son of Mr. Alwyn Parker, of Foldsdown, and Miss J. C. C. Elliott of Stors.

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGES

MR. M. MILNE-WATSON AND MISS M. L. BAGNALL

A marriage has been arranged, and will take place shortly, between Michael, younger son of Sir David Milne-Watson, Bt., and Lady Milne-Watson, of 73, Eccleston Square, S.W., and Ashley Chase, Dorset, and Mary Lisette, younger daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Bagnall, of Auckland, New Zealand.

CAPTAIN P. G. HILL AND MISS GREENWOOD

The marriage arranged between Captain P. G. Hill and Miss Nancy Greenwood will take place to-day (at 2.30) at All Souls', Langham Place. All friends will be welcome at the church.

CAPTAIN I. G. F. CRUDEN AND MISS M. J. WILSON

The engagement is announced between Ian George Fraser Cruden, The Royal Scots Fusiliers, only son of the late Major Fraser Cruden, The Black Watch (R.H.R.), and of Mrs. Cruden, of 7, Hyde Park Place, W.2, and Margaret Joan, younger daughter of the late George Lothian Wilson and of Mrs. Wilson, Castlehill, Ayr.

MR. R. PARKINSON, R.N., AND MISS EUSTACE HILL

The marriage arranged between Sub-Lieutenant Reay Parkinson, R.N., and Miss Vivien (Robin) Eustace Hill will take place quietly at St. Mary's Church, Ashwell, on Saturday, February 17, at 2.30 p.m. All friends will be welcome at the church.

CAPTAIN E. S. BARKHAM AND MISS B. D. MAHON

The engagement is announced between Captain Evelyn Stanley Barkham, Royal Engineers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Barkham, of Camberley, and Bridget Diana, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Mahon, of Bishop's Hull, Taunton.

MR. T. G. WEBBER AND MISS J. M. BURDEN
The engagement is announced between Thomas Grose Webber, The Essex Regiment, elder son of Mr. W. G. Webber, of Brownings, Chelmsford, and Joan Mary, daughter of Major A. E. J. Burden, M.C., and Mrs. Burden, Mill Green Corner, Ingatstone, Essex.

MR. W. G. B. BRISTOW AND MISS PATTISON
The engagement is announced, and a marriage will shortly take place, between William George Bissett, son of the late Mr. G. Bristow and Mrs. G. Bristow, of 34, Gloucester Court, Kew Gardens, Surrey, and Jean Ryder, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pattison, of 56, Stanhope Gardens, London.

FUNERAL

BRIGADIER-GENERAL V. W. DE FALBE

The funeral of Brigadier-General V. W. de Falbe took place at Thundridge, near Ware, Hertfordshire, on Saturday. The Rev. S. Luscombe and the Rev. H. D. Baker officiated. Members of the family and others present included:

Mrs. de Falbe (widow), Mr. C. V. W. de Falbe (son), Miss de Falbe (daughter), Mr. and Mrs. R. Thornton (son-in-law and daughter), Major and Mrs. David Fremantle, Mr. and Mrs. Barclay Baron, Sir Francis Fremantle, M.P., Mr. Giles Puller, Miss Puller, Mrs. Nigel Hanbury (also representing Mr. Nigel Hanbury and Captain and Mrs. Nicholson), Colonel Martin-Leake, Major Martin-Leake, and Miss Hay.

ECCLESIASTICAL NEWS

CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

The Rev. P. N. Maitland, rector of Loughton, Essex, and rural dean of Chigwell, has been appointed rector of Bradwell-on-Sea, Essex.

The Rev. R. Cant, who has been appointed by Canon Robins, vicar of Portsea, as priest-in-charge of St. Mary's Mission, Portsea, succeeds the Rev. A. W. Franklin, who will be inducted on February 15 to the vicarage of St. Mary the Virgin, Hawksworth Wood, Leeds.

ORDINATIONS

The Archbishop of Wales ordained the following candidates at Holy Trinity Church, Llandudno, on Friday:

—Priests:—H. A. Jones, J. H. Vevay, E. D. Jones, and I. Thomas.

The Bishop of Guiana ordained Joseph Henry Jones as priest in St. George's Cathedral, Georgetown, on Sunday, December 17.

NOTES

A donation of £500 from "an incumbent in the Diocese of St. Albans" has been received by the Church of England Pensions Board (The Moorings, Hindhead, Surrey) for the Clergy Widows Fund.

The installation of the new Provost of Edinburgh (the Rev. D. C. Dunlop) will take place on April 4 at 7 p.m.

ROMAN CATHOLIC NEWS

The following appointments of Roman Catholic priests are announced:—

The Rev. Kevin Henegan to be parish priest of St. Patrick's, Leeds, in succession to Monsignor Canon Hawkswell, Vicar-General, who becomes parish priest of the Church of the English Martyrs, York.

RED CROSS AND ST. JOHN FUND

GIFTS FROM THE NORTH

The Lord Mayor's Red Cross and St. John Fund for the Sick and Wounded in the War increased by £5,000 on Saturday. It now stands at well over £1,022,000.

Including £100 from himself, Sir Charles Trevelyan sent £322 11s. 4d., the result of his appeal as Lord Lieutenant of Northumberland: the Mayor of Scarborough £300 as a second instalment, making his total to date £400; the Mayor of Clitheroe £208 7s. 11d., bringing his total to £308 7s. 11d.; the Tadcaster Rural District Council £200; the Mayor of Accrington £150; the Turton Urban District Council £109 8s. as a third instalment, making £138 2s. 6d.; and the Herford Rural District Council £100.

An anonymous Scottish donor sent £500 in notes; and there was £500 from Mrs. Martin Colnaghi. The Ever Ready Company (Great Britain), Limited, gave £250; the staff in Iran of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company, Limited, £124 4s. 6d.; and D. and W. Murray, Limited, £105. Miss Blake and Miss Murray each sent £100.

At a concert in Cheltenham Count McCormack sang a song at the request of Lady Marjoribanks, who handed him a cheque for £10 for the fund. Children of the Withernsea Council Junior School forwarded £6 15s.

At a meeting of the Old Friends Association of the Redden Court Senior School, Harold Wood, Romford, £5 5s. was voted, and the East London Credit Traders sent £5 5s.

Cheques should be made payable to "The Lord Mayor's Red Cross and St. John Fund" and crossed "Bank of England." The envelope should be addressed to "The Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, The Mansion House, E.C.4," and marked "Appeal."

WILLS AND BEQUESTS

LEGACIES TO CHARITY

MR. WILLIAM SEEDS PATTERSON, of Hook Heath, Woking, formerly of Liverpool, who died on October 20, aged 85, left estate of the gross value of £492,863, with net personality £478,328. He left:—

£500 each to the Victoria Cottage Hospital, Bluecoat Hospital, Liverpool, Royal Southern Hospital, Liverpool, Liverpool Royal Infirmary, David Lewis Northern Hospital, Royal Liverpool Children's Hospital, County Hospital for Children, Hessel, and Liverpool Cathedral Committee; and £500 to Uppingham School.

Mrs. ROSA GLADYS BURTON, of Clevedon, Somerset, who died on September 17, widow of the Rev. Harold Nelson Burton, left estate of the gross value of £165,144, with net personality £89,674. She left:—

Her advocation of Stoke Gifford, Gloucester, to the Bishop of Bristol; various properties, subject to life interests, to the Hostel of St. Luke and £1,000, subject to a life interest; to the National Institution for Persons Requiring Care and Control £4,000 for additional grants to the Burden Neurological Clinic, Stoke Park; and to the residue of the property is to be sold, and half for the Institution Trustees to be used for the Burden Neurological Clinic and the Burden Mental Research Fund; and the other half equally between the Church of England Pensions Board, Poor Gary Relief Corporation, Curates' Augmentation Fund, Clergy Orphan Corporation, Hostel of St. Luke, Church Missionary Society, Church Pastoral Aid Society, Queen's Hospital for Children, Hackney Road, British General Hospital, Imperial Cancer Research Fund, St. Vincent's Benevolent Institution, N.S.P.C.C., R.S.P.C.A., Our Dumb Friends League, and Home of Rest for Hares.

MR. JOSEPH SAMUEL SWIFT, of St. Helens, baker, who died on October 9, aged 78, left £27,881, with net personality £25,379. He left:—

£1,000 to St. Mary's Lowe Hood Church, St. Helens, and £1,000 to Providence Free Hospital, St. Helens.

MR. GEORGE MEMUIRE LEMING, of New Malden, Surrey, who died in December 16, left £18,614, with net personality £17,748. He left:—

£500 each to Dr. Barnardo's Homes, National Children's Home and Orphanage, Shaftesbury Society and Ragged School Union, Homeless Children's Aid and Adoption Society, Spurgeon's Orphanage, South London Mission, Bellingbrooke Hospital, Batavia Anti-Vivisection and General Hospital, Bromley Hospital, and the Royal National Hospital for Consumption; Venner; and £100 each to the Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, Royal Westminster Ophthalmic Hospital, Royal National Mission to Deep Sea Fishermen, Warehousemen and Clerks' and Drapers' Society, and National Council of Young Men's Christian Associations; and a residue equally between all the aforementioned institutions.

MR. OWEN WILLIAM SPYER, of Streatham and of Cophthall Buildings, E.C., printer and stationer, who died on December 11, aged 90, left £14,515, with net personality £13,229. He left:—

£200 to Weir Hospital, Balham, £50 to Goldie Street Mission; and a residue to the British Home and Hospital for Incurables, Streatham, Sir John Kirk Mission, and Shaftesbury Society.

FRANCIS MUMMERY, of Adelaide Road, N.W., licensed victualler, who died on November 13, left £13,754, with net personality £13,694. He left:—

£200 to the Seamen's Hospital Society, Dreadnought Hospital, Greenwich; £200 to St. Julian's Hospital, to the Licensed Victuallers' Benevolent Institution; and £100 to the Licensed Victuallers' School, Slough.

Mrs. ADELA GEORGINA VICTORINE EGERTON WARBURTON, of Great Budworth, Cheshire, who died on December 30, aged 88, widow of the Rev. Geoffrey Egerton Warburton, left property of the value of £1,968. She left:—

£450 to St. Saviour's Priory, Great Cambridge Street, E.; £50 for Warburton Church, Cheshire; £50 for Great Budworth Church; £50 to the Ancient Monument Society, Manchester; and £30 to the S.P.G.

Among the latest wills are the following:—

AN HISTORIC BUILDING

THE KING'S CHAPEL OF THE SAVOY

The visit of the King and Queen to the King's Chapel of the Savoy (reported in *The Times* of Wednesday) will have drawn public attention to the green garden and small building which lie within a few yards of the Strand. Few among the many thousands who pass by turn aside to this quiet spot, and probably fewer still are aware that in medieval times the whole site as far as the Thames was occupied by the Palace and Hospital of the Savoy.

The chapel, which is all that remains of that once great edifice, is the King's personal property by right of his Duchy of Lancaster, of which the Savoy became the centre in 1351. Placed by his Majesty at the time of his Coronation at the disposal of the Royal Victorian Order, to be regarded as the chapel of the Order, it has now been rescued from gloom and dinginess. The ancient walls and architectural features are revealed, and within the historical setting the crafts of the present age blend with those of the past.

This renovation, which was completed soon after the outbreak of war, was planned between the Duchy and a committee of the Order. The Duchy undertook external repairs and alterations and some permanent internal improvements, while the Order was to furnish the chapel in a manner befitting its annual service, and to add what might be necessary for ceremonial processions. For their Majesties' visit the scene was set as for an annual service. They entered from Savoy Hill through the gates of the newly built cloisters which give upon a robing room added at the south-west corner of the Garth. Access to the chapel from the robing room is under cover. A passage leads to the chapel door past the foot of the broad flight of steps forming the new approach from the garden and Savoy Street. Between the double flight of steps a crypt has been built into the retaining wall for the use of members of the families whose memorials were formerly erected in the chapel.

The old organ has been replaced by oak stalls for the Sovereign, the Grand Master, and other royal members of the Order. Over each stall will be enamelled plates like but smaller than those of the King, the Queen, and Queen Mary already in position. Both walls leading up to the chancel are panelled in light oak, and the pews have been brought to the same tone; plates bearing the arms of Knights Grand Cross of the Order will be placed in the panelling. On the chancel steps a new low screen is substituted for the pulpit and lectern, and an oak Communion rail for the old metal rail. The beauty of the wooden ceiling, which had been partly lost, is restored by cleaning. Within its 88 ribbed quatrefoil panels are emblazoned at intervals the shields of royal persons associated with the manor and chapel, beginning with Peter of Savoy and ending with Queen Victoria and the Prince Consort.

The stone walls, stripped of paint, take on their ancient appearance. Only a frieze below the ceiling over the choir relieves the stonework. The windows remain unchanged, but there are two admirable examples of modern glass in the King George V Jubilee window and a new window in the robing room, both by Mr. Reginald Bell. An altar frontal, presented by the Order, comes from the Royal School of Needlework; its main features are the arms of the Sovereign and the Grand Master, the King and the Queen, with the star and collar of the Order in the centre panel. On the wall near the small new organ, which is like that used for services in the nave of Canterbury Cathedral, hangs another specimen of English needlework—an early seventeenth-century panel with a representation of the Garden of Eden.

The silver plate for the altar is the gift of the Sovereign, Grand Master, and the royal Knights Grand Cross. Its design resulted from an open competition initiated by the Goldsmiths' Company at their Majesties' desire. The winner was Professor R. Y. Gleadowe; Messrs. Blunt and Wray were the executants. The plate consists of a cross, an alms dish, two small candlesticks, two vases, and two large candlesticks for each side of the altar. The small early Italian painting of the Madonna and Child (traditionally said to have been a gift from Chaucer, who lived in the Precinct of the Savoy, and often refers to the foundation in his poems) has been let into the sixteenth-century stone reredos, and is thus more effectively presented than in its former gilt frame.

The robing room, the new entrance steps, and the renovation and decoration of the chapel were the work of Mr. Malcolm Maitts, L.R.I.B.A., the funds being provided by members of the Order to commemorate the King's grant of the use of the building.

** Pictures on page 10.

THE DUCHY OF CORNWALL

The Council of the Duchy of Cornwall have approved the retirement on pension of Mr. Robert Ernest Tucker, the solicitor to the Duchy. Mr. Tucker entered the Duchy service as record clerk 38 years ago. He took over the work of the former solicitor on the latter's retirement in 1906, and in 1909 was appointed by King George V. then Duke of Cornwall, to the position of the Duchy.

Obituary

COL. E. D. B. SYNGE-HUTCHINSON, V.C.

THREE LIVES SAVED IN SUCCESSION

Colonel Edward Douglas Browne-Syngé-Hutchinson, V.C., who won the Victoria Cross in the South African War for his conspicuous acts of bravery in saving the lives of three men, one after another, died at Mount Royal, W., on Saturday at the age of 78.

The son of the late Major D. P. Browne, 7th (Queen's Own) Hussars, he was born on March 6, 1861. His mother was Frances Dorothy, daughter of Mr. Francis Syngé-Hutchinson and Lady Louisa Hely-Hutchinson (sister of the third Earl of Donoughmore) and a sister of Sir Edward Syngé-Hutchinson, fourth baronet, of Castle Sallagh, Co. Wicklow. After being educated at Edinburgh Academy, at Windermere College, and at the United Services College, Westward Ho!, he was commissioned in the 18th Royal Hussars in November, 1883. In less than five years he was a captain, and in March, 1889, exchanged into the 14th King's Hussars. He was appointed commandant of the Aldershot School of Instruction for Yeomanry in January, 1890, and continued in that post until December, 1894. After 15 years' service he got his majority, and went out in that rank to the South African War.

The deeds which won for him the Victoria Cross were performed on October 13, 1900, in the operations at Geluk. The enemy were less than 400 yards away from the British and were maintaining a heavy fire. The troops were retiring, and as they were doing so Sergeant Hersey had his horse shot under him. Major Browne (as he then was) stopped behind the last retiring squadron and assisted Sergeant Hersey to mount behind him on his horse. The two men rode thus for over three-quarters of a mile through a heavy fire to safety. Major Browne was not content with this great act of gallantry, but immediately sought to render further aid to anyone who might be in need of it. He saw that Lieutenant Browne, also of the 14th Hussars, was in difficulties, and was unable to mount his horse. Major Browne at once went to his help and held the horse which was becoming unmanageable owing to the incessant fire of the enemy. Had it not been for Major Browne's prompt action, it would have been impossible for Lieutenant Browne to mount and ride away. Major Browne a short time later saw that Lance-Corporal-Trumpeter Leigh was disabled and in imminent danger. He did not hesitate, but rushed to his rescue and carried Leigh out of action. These acts were mentioned in the official account, but there were many others. At least three other men had their horses held by him in order to enable them to mount, and in one case an animal that had run away was chased and brought back. All these deeds were performed under a fire which did not relax its intensity.

The merit of Major Browne's conduct was enhanced by reason of his age. As he said himself, referring to the Victoria Cross, he was at the time 37 years and eight months old, which, he thought, "about the limit of antiquity for this decoration." It is interesting to recall that Major Browne was the last officer of the Regular Forces to win the Victoria Cross during the lifetime of Queen Victoria, as Lieutenant Doxat, who won the decoration on October 20, 1900, was an officer of a non-Regular unit, The Imperial Yeomanry.

Major Browne's V.C. was gazetted on January 15, 1901, and he was decorated with it at Pietermaritzburg, Natal, on August 14, 1901, by the Duke of Cornwall and York (afterwards King George V.). His exceptionally brave conduct earned for him also several mentions in despatches. Lord Roberts, Lord Kitchener, and Sir John French each mentioned him in their personal dispatches and, in addition, he was mentioned regimentally. Attention was drawn to the services he rendered in the course of the retirement at Thaba N'chu, to his leadership of the troops under heavy fire to the most advanced position at the Battle of Diamond Hill; to the continuous distinguished service he gave in general during the years he was at the front; and, of course, to the conduct that won him the Victoria Cross. He was given the brevet of lieutenant-colonel and for over seven months commanded his regiment (the 14th Hussars) in action. The recipient of both the Queen's Medal and the King's Medal, he had seven clasps to the former and two clasps to the latter.

Returning after the conclusion of hostilities to regimental duty, Browne-Syngé-Hutchinson reached the rank of substantive colonel in 1911 after having received the brevet of colonel in 1906. He had assumed the additional names and arms of Syngé-Hutchinson in 1904. In 1911 he was also made a Knight of Grace of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, and he was advanced to a Knight of Justice of the Order in 1917. From 1911 to 1919 he was a member of the Central Executive Committee of the St. John Ambulance Association. Other honours which came to him in 1911 were the C.B., the Freedom of the City of London, and membership of the Worshipful Company of Spectacle Makers. Colonel Browne-Syngé-Hutchinson was unmarried.

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