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Dear Ms Saunders

Please find attached an objection letter to revised planning application NYM/.2018/0094/FL plus two additional attachments as supporting evidence detailed in the letter,

Yours sincerely

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17thg April 2018

Dear Ms Saunders,

**Objection to revised planning application NYM/2018/0094/FL**

We wish to lodge a formal objection to the revised planning application NYM/2018/0094/FL on the following grounds:

**General**

The revised [planning application has addressed some of the concerns raised in our original objection in that the applicant has relocated the access path to be further from the village houses and has undertaken to block the track that would otherwise lead from the sculpture along the back of nos. 5-10. We welcome this revision, but it fails to address the most serious concerns about additional visitor numbers, car parking and traffic safety, none of which have been properly assessed by the applicant, plus the fact that the applicant has not assessed possible alternative locations for the sculpture which, we contend, is totally out of character with the appearance of the village as it now stands.

Since we submitted our previous objection, the applicant called an informal consultation meeting with the village residents at which it was promised that the artist would be contacted and asked whether the sculpture could be relocated. Unfortunately we have received a communication from the applicant which states that they have not contacted the artist as they promised to do. The communication from the applicant also states that they will move some of the attractions away from the Ellerburn trail and look into the other issues raised by the village residents. Frankly, we have no confidence in the applicant actually carrying out and non-binding commitment that they make in connection with the planning process. When the new visitor centre was constructed the village residents were assured that there would be no further development to the south of the village in order to avoid disturbance. After this the Ellerburn Trail, which is now attracting tens of thousands of visitors through the village was constructed. The most recent communication from the applicant states that the location for the sculpture is needed because 'it has important resonance with the original work camp'. We would like to point out a number of errors and inaccuracies in the applicant's planning submission and supporting documents about the historical relevance of the proposal to Dalby Village, which call into question the entire rationale for siting the sculpture in Dalby Forest, let alone the need to locate it so close to the village with the consequent disruption and nuisance to the residents. The supporting documents to the application state that the Nissen huts were constructed after the First World War and housed soldiers and prisoners of war who were employed to plant the

forest. This provides the link to the 14-18 Now initiative, which is supplying funding for the artwork. Unfortunately this is not true. The huts were actually opened in April 1934 to house unemployed people aged 18-35, none of whom would have fought in the Great War, with a view to providing training in countryside skills (we attach a copy of the Yorkshire Post and Leeds Mercury articles that celebrate the opening of the facility). The Nissen huts in Dalby were, therefore, constructed closer to WW2 than WW1, they never housed prisoners of war, and they were not part of the founding of the Forestry Commission, at least in its earliest phase. The rationale for having to locate the sculpture in Dalby Forest or close to Dalby Village as part of the 1914-18 centenary celebration is, therefore, spurious and we contend that the applicant can, and should, look to locate the sculpture elsewhere which it can do without any loss of relevance to the 1914-18 celebrations. We raised these issues with the applicant at the recent consultation meeting to make them aware of the errors in their planning submission, but they have declined to approach the artist and have failed to consider possible alternative locations, either within Dalby or elsewhere in the Forestry estate.

As the deadline for objections is fast approaching, and in the absence of any further communication from the applicant, we are left with no option other than to sustain our objection on the grounds laid out below.

## **1 Appropriateness of the development for the local area.**

The National Park's Planning Development Policy section 3: Design states *inter alia* that applications may be approved if **'The siting, orientation, layout and density preserves or enhances views into and out of the site, spaces about and between buildings and other features that contribute to the character and quality of the environment'**; and **'The scale, height, massing, proportion, form, size, materials and design features of the proposal are compatible with surrounding buildings'**.

We contend that this development, involving the construction of a copy of a grey Nissen Hut approximately 10m long by 3m high, is not consistent with the character of the local area. We can find no reference in the National Park planning guidance concerning sculptures or other works of art, but since this installation is a direct copy of a building in size, shape and colour, we believe that it should be considered as a building in the absence of any other guidance.

Whilst Nissen Huts were obviously a feature of the forest in its early days, they have not been present in the village for many years, and when we purchased our property from the Forestry Commission, we (and all of the other property owners) were required to sign a covenant imposing a variety of restrictions, including the frequency and colour of the painting of our property order to 'preserve the character of the village, which is somewhat unique'. That character, identical white-painted houses clustered around a village green, which we are required to preserve, does not involve Nissen Huts or similar buildings. Were we to apply for permission to erect a 10m long, 3m high grey Nissen Hut in our back garden it would, in all likelihood, be refused because of its impact on the character of the village

and inappropriateness of design and materials. We submit that the same standard should be applied to this application and that it should be refused.

## **2 Unacceptable increase in Disturbance**

The National Park Planning Core Policy A: Delivering National Park Purposes and Sustainable Development states inter alia that priority will be given to applications that **'Provide a scale of development and level of activity that will not have an unacceptable impact on the wider landscape or the quiet enjoyment, peace and tranquillity of the National Park, nor detract from the quality of life of local residents or the experience of visitors.'**

Development Policy 14: Tourism and Recreation states inter alia that **New tourism development and the expansion or diversification of existing tourism businesses will be supported where: The development will not generate an increased level of activity, including noise, which would be likely to detract from the experience of visitors and the quality of life of local residents.**

The development of the Ellerburn Trail and its subsequent use as a children's attraction using the Gruffalo and other fictional characters to attract more visitors has already had a huge impact on the residents of Dalby Village, especially those in nos. 1,2,7,8,9 and 10 whose properties front onto the access route from the visitor car parks to the start of the trail. Information provided to us by the Forestry Commission shows that around 70,000 people used the Ellerburn trail in the past 12 months. Given that visitors need to pass through the village in both directions to access the trail from the car parks, this equates to a footfall of 140,000 per year. This footfall is not evenly distributed and is heavily biased towards weekends and school holidays when the stream of people passing the front of the houses in the village can be continuous. The impact of 140,000 people in terms of noise, loose dogs, excited toddlers and general intrusion means that nobody uses their front gardens in the village any more, and the resident's car parks are frequently blocked with visitors cars, despite the signage recently erected by the Forestry Commission. This is already, in our view, an unacceptable level of intrusion that detracts from our quality of life and, indeed, probably detracts from the experience of visitors on crowded days.

The applicants have already stated in meetings with village representatives, and in the supporting documents to their application, that the development they propose will attract more visitors through the village, so the noise, disturbance and intrusion, which is already unacceptable, will only get worse. The new installation will further impact the village in that many of those coming to see it will remain close to the village to admire the sculpture rather than moving on further down the trail as happens at present. We contend that this development will exacerbate an already unacceptable situation and further detract from the quality of life of the village residents and the application should therefore be rejected.

## **3 Traffic safety**

The National Park's Development Policy 3: Design states inter alia that designs are likely to be acceptable if: **The design takes account of the safety, security and access needs for all**

**potential users of the development and provides car parking provision in line with the standards adopted by the Authority.**

Village residents, Forestry Commission staff, those accessing the fishing lakes near Paper Mill Farm, timber haulage lorries and others with legitimate business in the forest, as well as visitors (who frequently ignore the no-entry signs in attempting to drive through the village to the Ellerburn Trail), all drive along the access road that will lead to the sculpture. In addition, large numbers of cyclists also use this road to access the forest resulting in congestion and confusion when the trail is at its busiest. Residents leaving the designated car parking areas or accessing their garages run a gauntlet of loose toddlers, loose dogs erratic cyclists and inattentive pedestrians on a daily basis. The proposed development will only serve to make this situation worse and there has been no provision made in the application for dealing with the additional footfall and traffic that the new installation would attract if it were permitted. We contend that the design makes no provision for the safety security and access needs of the potential users of the development and should be rejected.

Yours Sincerely,

Dr John R. and Mrs V. Allan

CHOICE OF ELECTION CANDIDATE

Socialists and Hemsworth.

From Our Own Correspondent. HEMSWORTH, Saturday. The executive of the Hemsworth Divisional Labour party, at a meeting at Hemsworth tonight, are informed officially that the executive of the National Labour party has decided that they would not suggest the name of an outside candidate to contest the division at the forthcoming election.

SUGGESTED CHOICES. The Yorkshire Mineworkers' Association will be an important factor in the final deliberations. On the Parliamentary panel of the Association, Mr. G. A. Griffiths is the only man who lives in the division, and he is suggested in many quarters as the most likely prospective Socialist candidate.

CONSERVATIVE POSITION. The prospect of an I.L.P. candidate entering the lists is not worrying the Divisional Labour party. Some doubt exists whether the Conservative party will run a candidate. It was understood that the party would concede a seat to a Socialist candidate unless they could secure a purely local nominee.

CONFERENCE CONVENED. Meeting at Barnsley on Saturday, the Executive of the Yorkshire Mineworkers' Association considered the Hemsworth vacancy. Mr. Herbert Smith, who presided, said the officials were instructed to convene a conference for adopting a candidate.

Steps to Check Municipal Corruption.

From Our London Staff. FLEET STREET, Sunday. A circular drawing attention to the new municipal contracts has been issued to all local authorities by the Ministry of Health. The circular impresses upon councils that they should be placed under the council's Local Government Act of last session. Model standing orders have been drawn up by the Ministry, and every local authority receiving contracts must adopt these or equivalent orders embodying the provisions of the new Act.

"Lady for a Day."



May Robson and Jean Parker in "Lady for a Day" at the Tower Picture House, Leeds, this week.

Milk for Schools: Suggested Precautions.

From Our London Staff. FLEET STREET, Sunday. The danger of the spread from infected milk of tuberculosis, undulant fever, septic sore throat, and other diseases is emphasised in a report of a special committee of the Medical, Science and Veterinary Councils of the People's League of Health, urging the need for the supplying of pure milk to school children by educational and other authorities.

The following precautions are suggested:— Pasterised milk is recommended and should be labelled either Grade A Pasterised or Pasterised. Ordinary milk should not be given raw to children, but should be rendered safe by boiling.

GROWTH OF BACTERIA. The report points out that one reason why milk may be dangerous is that it is a good nutrient medium for the growth of bacteria, so that if it becomes infected the added organisms are liable to multiply and to cause outbreaks of disease.

APPEAL TO AUTHORITIES. Appealing to authorities to take the necessary steps to ensure cleanliness and purity of the milk supplied, the report states:— "Surprising as it must appear, existing powers are ineffective to guard against these dangers. Such legal powers as exist are very limited in their scope, partial in their operation, and as regards the great bulk of disease spread by milk, essentially ineffective."

CANVASSER'S DEATH.

THREE MEN TO APPEAR ON A CHARGE OF MANSLAUGHTER. Three men will appear at the City Court, Newcastle-on-Tyne, to-day, on a charge of manslaughter in connection with the death of Charles Haynes (35), a newspaper canvasser, whose home is at Grantham (Lincs.).

WHITBY RURAL RATE. Whitby Rural Council on Saturday approved a rate of 4s. 8d. in the pound, an increase of fourpence on the last half-year.

HARROGATE STARTS ITS CELEBRATIONS.

Freedom Ceremony To-day.

From Our Own Correspondent. HARROGATE, Sunday. TOMORROW, on the fiftieth anniversary of the first meeting of its Town Council, Harrogate will start on a series of celebrations lasting throughout the summer, to mark the jubilee of its incorporation as a borough.

Another Dinner. To meet this situation, the Harrogate and District Labour party have arranged another dinner at the Oxford Hotel, at a cost of 3s. 6d. Mr. H. Hesselwood, a member of the party, has been deputed to represent the Town Council, said yesterday that this was in no way intended as an opposition function to the official dinner, but was to give people an opportunity of attending some celebration at a reasonable figure.

FLORAL SHOW PLANS. Harrogate is also busy preparing for what is planned to be the first of a new series of annual floral shows—a monster flower show in the Valley Gardens on September 5, 6, and 7.

BUSY AT BLACKPOOL. HOLIDAY CROWDS ENJOY A DAY OF BRILLIANT SUNSHINE. From Our Own Correspondent. BLACKPOOL, Sunday. The sight of jugs of tea and viands provided for trippers to Blackpool sands this afternoon gave the resort a holiday air similar to that of midsummer.

BARNSELY SOLICITOR'S WEDDING. The wedding was solemnised at Cawthorne Church, near Barnsley, on Saturday, of Miss Marjorie Barker, only daughter of Mr. E. A. Barker (Borough Electrical Engineer, Barnsley), and Mrs. Barker, and Mr. Harold Fletcher Slack, fourth son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Slack, of Ferrybridge, East Yorkshire.

BULLET HITS GIRL. Bridlington Police Making Search in Strange Case. Bridlington police are investigating the case of a servant girl who was struck on the head with a missile and stunned in a back garden in Marton Road.

A LEXBURN WEDDING. The wedding took place at Leyburn Methodist Chapel, on Saturday, of Mr. James Herbert Wardman, second son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Wardman, of Grove Square, Leyburn, and Miss Florence Edna McCabe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McCabe, of Northallerton. The circuit minister, the Rev. J. J. Mee, officiated.

MAN FROM DARTMOOR. A man who was at Dartmoor at the time of the military and navy out on licence made a pathetic plea to the Bridlington magistrates on Saturday, when sentenced to two months' hard labour for failing to report while a convict under licence.

STOKESLEY RURAL COUNCIL. Major R. B. Turton, Kildale Hall, was re-elected chairman of Stokesley Rural Council, on Saturday. A vote of thanks was passed to Sir William Fawcett, Stainton Crange, who is relinquishing the position of Clerk, for his services to the Council over a period of 14 years.

SAILOR SAVES DROWNING BOY. Frank Downe, a member of the crew of the steamship Kermooer, lying at Bridlington, dived off the deck into the harbour, on Saturday, and saved a seven-year-old boy from drowning. The boy was Norman Readhead, of Bow Street, who while walking across a rowing boat, missed his footing and fell into the water.

Gifts for the Old Folk.



Presents for two of the guests at the Eccleshill (Bradford) Old Folk's treat. Mrs. Cecil Barnett (wife of Councillor Barnett) is presenting a gift to Miss D. Bibby, aged 87. Mr. W. Jones is handing Mr. F. Carter, aged 91, his gift. Also in this picture is Mr. Harry Wain.

VOLUNTEERS FOR NEW YORKSHIRE CENTRE.

WORKLESS ANXIOUS FOR TRAINING.

By Joe Illingworth. THORNTON-LE-DALE, Saturday. UNDERSTAND that already fifty unemployed men have expressed their anxiety to be given three months' training at the instructional centre which is to be opened by the Ministry of Labour at Low Dalby, near Thornton-le-Dale, next Thursday.

Practical and Theoretical. Quarry work, road work, land survey and levelling, the construction of culverts, and the laying down of drainage schemes will form part of their instruction. Many of the indoor and outdoor educational classes which they will attend will be so designed that they will be able to take jobs on public constructional works.

"SILENT" EXPLOSION SHAKES TOWN. MEN INJURED BY BURSTING OF AIR CYLINDER. From Our Correspondent. AMBLESIDE, Sunday. The bursting of an air cylinder in a garage yesterday shook Ambleside, but was not heard by people standing a few yards away in the garage.

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PENNIES FOR MINSTER MUSIC.

"We Live in an Ugly Age."

From Our Own Correspondent. YORK, Saturday. The inadequacy of the financial support given to the Dean and Chapter of York, in the presentation of great musical works at York Minster, was the subject of strong comments by the Dean and the Master of the Music at the annual speech day of the Minster choir school to-day.

AN "UGLY AGE." "I cannot understand it," he said. "It is a sad thing that people seem unable to appreciate music. We live in an ugly age. We musicians are struggling against great odds to bring back that appreciation. Even if you are not yourselves very musical you ought to do your best to stop that slump and lack of appreciation of things musical."

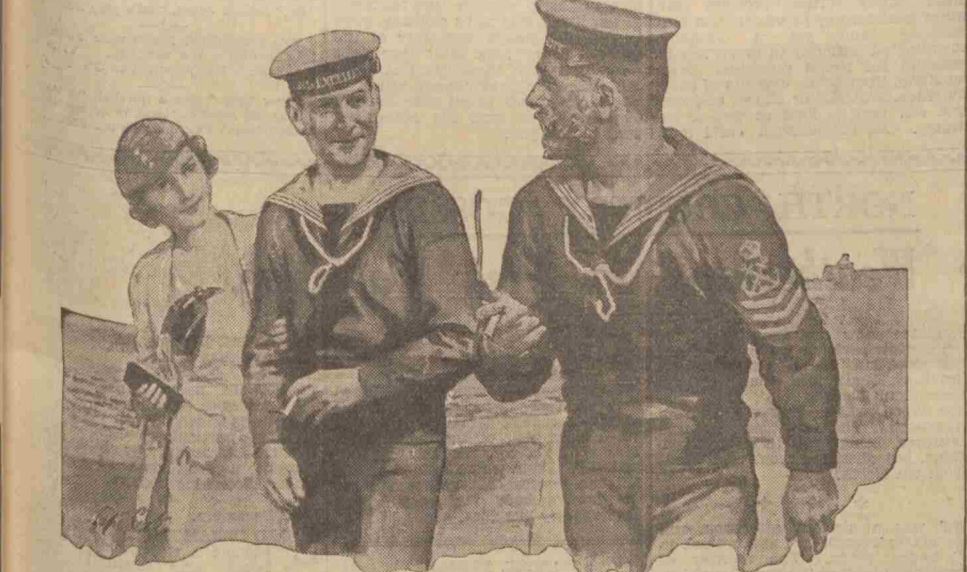
PERSONAL COMFORT. I cannot emphasise too strongly that while the training which the men will receive will harden them physically—the lovely glen in which the camp is being established is swept by sea and moorland air—their personal comfort will be the keen concern of the administrative staff.

Boy of Fourteen Flies Solo.

From Our Correspondent. EPPING (Essex), Sunday. A fourteen and a half year old boy flew solo at Abridge (Essex) aerodrome, to-day. He had had only five hours' instruction from Flying Officer O. H. Snelling, of the East Anglian Aero Club, and his achievement is believed to be a record.

THE KITCHENS. The kitchens attached to the men's canteen will be equipped in modern style. The four hatches through which meals will be served will be supported by specially-installed hot plates.

WHITBY RURAL RATE. Whitby Rural Council on Saturday approved a rate of 4s. 8d. in the pound, an increase of fourpence on the last half-year.



"Like Father, Like Son..."

Other generations of smokers have grown up since PLAYER'S were first introduced to an appreciative public. But the same preference for quality prevails and the same cigarette still gives the same satisfaction.

PLAYER'S NAVY CUT CIGARETTES PLAIN AND CORK TIPPED "It's the Tobacco that counts"

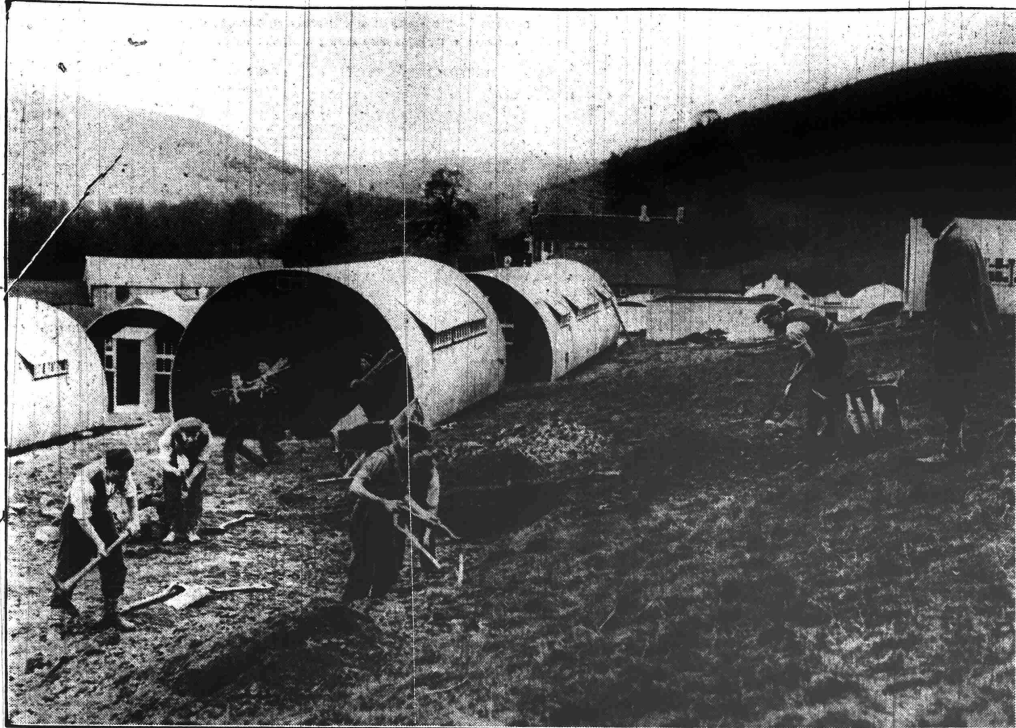
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# INSTRUCTIONAL CAMP FOR YORKSHIRE UNEMPLOYED



TRAINING CAMP NEAR PICKERING.—A view of the Ministry of Labour's Allerston Instructional Centre at Low Dalby, Thornton-le-Dale, where some 200 unemployed men between the ages of 18 and 35 are to be trained with a view to permanent employment in some industry.



MEET AT ROBIN HOOD'S BAY.—The pack proceeding along the shore to the Staintondale Hunt meet at Robin Hood's Bay yesterday.



PREPARING THEIR TRAINING CENTRE.—Some of the first men at the Allerston Instructional Centre erecting huts in the camp, to be officially opened shortly.



THE R.A. SELECTION COMMITTEE judging paintings submitted for this year's Royal Academy Exhibition. From the left are Mr. W. R. M. Lamb (secretary), Mr. A. K. Lawrence, A.R.A., Mr. H. Macbeth Raeburn, A.R.A., Mr. W. Curtis Green, R.A., Mr. S. Lee, R.A., Sir William Llewellyn, President of the Royal Academy, Sir H. Hughes-Stanton, R.A., Mr. W. Russell Flint, R.A., Mr. T. Williams, R.A., Mr. A. J. Davis, A.R.A., Mr. W. McMillan, R.A., Mr. C. Wheeler, A.R.A.



HARROGATE VISITOR.—Baron de Cartier de Marchienne, the Belgian Ambassador in London, taking the waters at Harrogate.



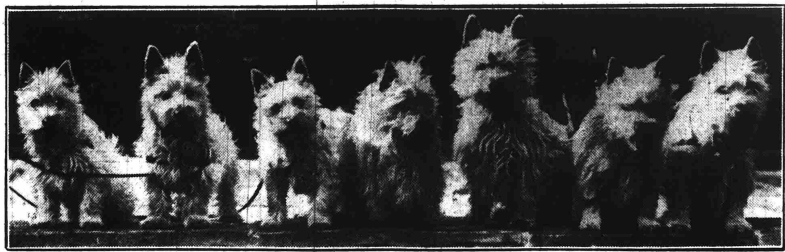
WEDDING OF MR. REGINALD McKENNA'S SON.—Mr. David McKenna, son of the Rt. Hon. Reginald McKenna, P.C., Chairman of the Midland Bank, and his bride, the Hon. Cecilia Keppel, daughter of Viscount Bury, after their wedding at St. Margaret's, Westminster.



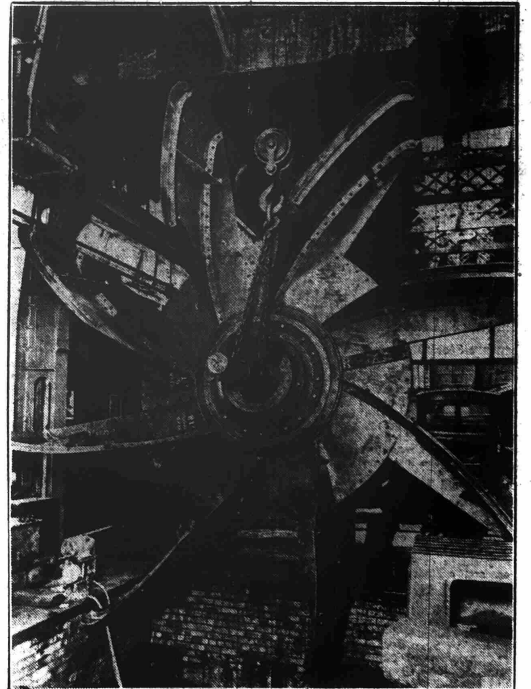
GRIMSBY M.P.'S DAUGHTER.—Miss Dorothy Womersley, daughter of Mr. W. J. Womersley, M.P. for Grimsby, and Mr. Cyril H. Moseley, after their wedding at Grimsby.



SILSDEN BRIDE.—Mr. Ralph Townson, of Middleton Ilkley, and Miss Phyllis Driver, of Silsden, who were married at Silsden Parish Church yesterday.



READY FOR THE SHOW.—Seven West Highland terriers to compete in to-day's dog show at the Crystal Palace.



MERSEY TUNNEL VENTILATING FAN.—A huge fan being installed as part of the ventilating system of the new Mersey Tunnel, to be opened by the King in July.



AT MONTE CARLO MOTOR RACE.—Ex-King Alfonso and the King of Sweden attending the Grand Prix de Monaco motor race at Monte Carlo.



THE YORKSHIRE PUBLIC SCHOOLS TEAM which played a trial match against Yorkshire Wanderers at Kirkstall yesterday. L. to R., back: J. Woodcock (Goole S.S.), P. N. Baines (St. Peter's, York), M. R. Stephens (Oundle), P. A. Grovett (Pocklington), J. Whalley (St. Peter's, York), J. F. Bodgener (Ashville), J. H. Gilbey (Ampleforth), W. N. Mounsey (Sedburgh), and the Rev. A. E. C. Morgan (Yorkshire R.U.), referee. Front: H. S. Hyland (Bradford G.S.), A. I. Abbott (Sedburgh), M. Rochford (Ampleforth), M. E. Golding (Ampleforth), J. Lockhart (Sedburgh), E. H. Grieve (Ampleforth), and K. G. Broadbent (Sedburgh).



RUGBY UNION TRIAL AT KIRKSTALL.—A Yorkshire Wanderers player taking a pass during the Rugby Union trial match against Yorkshire Public Schoolboys at Kirkstall. The Public Schools team won by 41 points to 3.

