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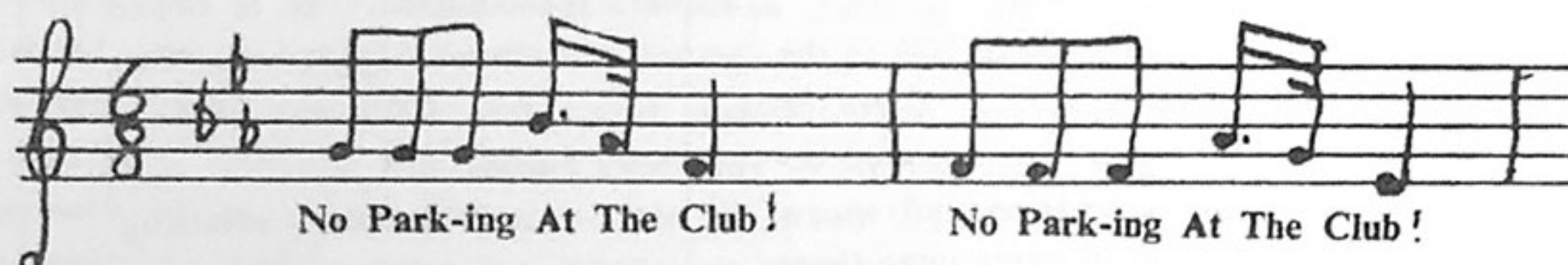
# KUWAITI

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Names of those wishing to  
attend should either be given to the  
Hon.Secretary or entered on the  
list in the Squash Courts before  
January 27.

### **AHMADI DESERT MOTORING CLUB**

The next event, a Navigation  
Trial will be held on Friday, Janu-  
ary 22, starting from the Club House  
(old Unity Club) at 0815 for 0830  
hours sharp.

Members on competition register  
will be circulated, others interested  
please contact P.M.Fisk, B.Flats.

Note: This is the last event to  
count for the Curtis Trophy of 1953.



fathoms — red bunting  
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it.  
13 fathoms — piece of blue serge,  
and so on up to 20 fathoms.

The reason for the different materials is so that you may recognise the marks in the dark by feeling.

For a small yacht such as ours, have a mark every fathom, it would be more useful, but it really does not matter how you mark your line so long as you know your own marking. A series of knots in the line itself will serve. You can use a lead-line with advantage on the shallows around Kuwait Bay.

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#### AIMADI DESERT MOTORING CLUB

The next event a "Treasure Hunt" will be held on Friday, January 29. Members on the competition register will be circularized. Other members interested please contact P.M. Fisk, Bachelor Flats.

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The following team has been  
chosen to travel to Habbaniyah on  
Thursday, February 11:

Hebbes, Mariner, Irvine, Good-  
fellow, Hyde, Garrett, Blyth, Pea-  
cock, Hirdman, Bryden, Simmonds,  
Screech, Stewart, H. Smith, Divers,  
Hamilton, Black (R).

Details of the trip may be had  
from R. Black who will be I/C Party.

### **Ahmadi Desert Motor Club Annual Meeting**

The Annual General Meeting  
and Prize giving will now take  
place on Tuesday, February 16,  
at 8 p.m. in the Bowling Alley.

Members only please — but  
members' wives will also be very  
welcome.

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### **TODAY'S RUGBY MATCH**

Today's match Age vs Youth  
starts at 1600 hours. It should be  
a good match between two fairly  
even sides, so it is hoped there  
will be a good attendance.



## SEWING MACHINES:

Electric, apply Daniels, Tele. 6912.

'Vickers' hand sewing, as new. Offers to M.C. Thomas, 0/5 Prec.2 or telephone 6073 during office hours.

## TRAVELLING COMPANION — WANTED

Gentleman travelling to U.K. by car (Hillman Minx) in August seeks companion. He will be away 110 days and would prefer person sharing make the return journey as well. Apply Editor.

## LOST

On February 16 between 2 and 4 p.m. — parcel containing J.P. Dance tickets. If found please hand it over to Editor.

'Inko' Ball point pen found in the Old Unity Club building on February 10. Claim from Editor.

Polaroid glasses in Situf foam



## MOTOR CLUB HOLDS ANNUAL GEN. MTG.

The first Annual General Meeting and Prize Giving was held on Tuesday, February 16, with the retiring Chairman, Mr. D.S. Curtis, in the chair.

The financial report was presented by Mr. N.W. Johnston, and although these reports always leave me with the impression that they are prepared to confuse the layman, the position at the end of the Club's first year is very sound. The General Secretary, Mr. G.S. Simpson, gave an overall account of the Club's activities and the situation in regard to the future of the Club premises and equipment. The last member of the committee to offer his report was the Competition Secretary, Mr. P.M. Fisk, who was able to report a good year's sport, with almost one event per month. Mr. D.S. Curtis then spoke on the work of the old committee and mentioned that of the number of such committees on which he had sat, the members of this one were the best he had ever worked with.

As there were no questions to raise at this stage, the next business was the election of the members for 1954. Mr. H.D.M. Quayle was elected Chairman, Mr. J.H. Robinson as House Member and as Member-at-large, Mr. F.H. Fish.

I would have liked to record at this stage that a vote of thanks had been passed to the retiring members of the Committee, but I'm afraid that this was overlooked. I would like to thank Mr. Curtis and all members for the work they did to organize and run this Club for us, the ordinary members.

We were privileged to have the Chairman's charming wife to present the large and impressive array of silver to this year's prize-winners.

For the best driver in selected competitions, the Club's premier trophy, the Curtis Cup, was won last year by Mr. J.G. Detchon in his Standard Vanguard. Other winners were:—

### January Field Mtg.:

Class 'A': 1. J.F. Collins  
2. W. Gunson

Class 'B': 1. A.A. Mieras  
2. B.G. McKeown

### February Pot Pourri:

1. D. Pitts. 2. A.A. Mieras

### March Navigation Trial:

1. F.A. Fish 2. F.W. Stewart

### April Treasure Hunt:

A.A. Mieras

## LOW SCORING IN LEAGUE CRICKET

On Thursday afternoon, Feb. 18, Unity 'B' defeated Nakhlistan in a League cricket match by 5 wickets.

Unity 'B' having won the toss elected to field. Nakhlistan batsmen going all out for runs were soon in trouble. Azhar was the first victim, being l.b.w. to Drego and then was joined by Abdul Ghani, who had a life in his first over. Fernandes being at the wicket, though not for long, played well but the whole team collapsed for a meagre 45 runs.

Unity 'B' with full confidence of winning the game started disastrously with Ignatius and Drego back with only 2 runs on the board. At this stage there was every possibility of a win for Nakhlistan. Rasquinha played a confident game until he was l.b.w. to Fernandes when the score board showed 34 runs, himself having scored 17. Lobo and J. Fernandes then pulled up the game but the latter was unlucky to be caught when the score was one short of Nakhlistan's total. The winning stroke came from Z. Fernandes, the next man in.

### Score Board:—

Nakhlistan 45 — Fernandes — 12.  
(Drego 6 for 21; Reg. Saldanha 3 for 20; Attawar 1 for 2).

Unity 'B' 46 for 5 wickets  
Rasquinha 17; Attawar 14 (E. Lewis 3 for 22; Fernandes 1 for 16).

### August Night Touring Trial:

1. P. Allan. 2. B.G. McKeown

### September Scavenger Hunt:

1. W.C. MacDougall 2. G.E. Simpson

### October Major & Secondary Road Trial:

1. E.W. Adams. 2. B.G. McKeown

### November Driving Tests:

Class 'A': P.M. Yeld.

Class 'B': J.G. Detchon.

### December Navigation Trial:

1st General Classification:

J.G. Detchon.

Class 'B': G.H. Barrett,

Class 'C': J.G. Detchon

The meeting then became informal and members gathered to admire the cups in the hands of their new owners.

### IMPROPERLY ADDRESSED LETTER

A letter has been received addressed simply C/o Kuwait Oil Co. The letter is from O/Cdt. B. Horton, Cadets Mess, 1 Trg. Bn. R.A.S.C., Buller Barracks, Aldershot, Hants. Will the person to whom this letter may be written contact the Editor.

## KOC Lucky T Men --- Jerboa

Rugby this weekend in A consists of a friendly match on Friday afternoon at 4 p.m. between Jerboa (Kuwait Town) and a XV. The match is not listed as one of the "big" events of the season but, as so often happens, we will see more interesting and play than in some other games.

Another K.O.C. team is scheduled to play at Basrah this weekend against the British Club.

K.O.C. beat Jerboa 8-3.

Last Thursday was an ideal day for playing or watching any sport and those people who watched the rugger match between K.O.C. and the Jerboa (Kuwait Town) team saw a very clean and exciting game.

The general opinion was that K.O.C. were rather lucky to win this match, their forwards were hooked and out pushed in the majority of set scrums and in the scrums outs were patting the ball back too much, allowing the Jerboa forwards to break through and gain a lot of ground.

That they did win was due largely to some good defensive tackling and kicking by full back Wilson and some determined running by the wing who scored both tries.

Undoubtedly Jerboa improve in every game, they are getting a larger contingent of rugger players which to select their team with enthusiasm grows every week. Brian Hogan they have a first three-quarter who if only given more support would be extremely dangerous.

Jerboa score first

Right from the start the tendency of the K.O.C. forwards to push the ball back to the scrum half became evident and on numerous occasions the opposition broke through and carried the ball along at their feet.

K.O.C. went very near to scoring in the first few minutes when V. Jones at scrum half threw a long, one-handed pass straight into Pitts in the centre. Given room to move he almost got clean away but was just held short of the line.

Jerboa soon replied with a footrush and from a resulting scrum they heeled quickly and the ball travelled to Hogan on the wing with that amazing acceleration stripped most of his opponents to be forced into touch a yard or two from the line. From the ensuing line-out their forwards gained possession.



sharp. Members are urged to make a special effort to attend and to come early so that the meeting can begin on time.

## APPEAL TO MOTORISTS

Ahmadi  
March 2, 1954

The Editor  
The Kuwaiti

Dear Sir,

May I through the medium of the 'Kuwaiti' appeal to the Sporting Motorists of Ahmadi who are the possessors of "racy" cars with straight-through exhausts.

I would ask them please to refrain from "changing and revving up" in the residential areas of Ahmadi late at night. It's bad enough "the old man" being disturbed — it makes life even more difficult when the children are also awakened from their sleep.

Yours faithfully  
G.E.M. Porter.



## THOSE TEMPERATURE FIGURES?—ANSWERED

There have been quite a number of enquiries this summer regarding the accuracy of temperature figures published in the Kuwaiti and the Bulletin. People living in Ahmadi have felt that it has been hotter than the published figures indicated, and to some extent they are correct in thinking so, but only on certain days. Here is the explanation.

The temperatures are taken at Mina-al-Ahmadi where, as a rule (not always), there is a higher humidity than on the Ahmadi ridge. There is a relationship between humidity and air temperature and it is too complicated to explain here, however, it will suffice to say that when there is dampness in the air the temperature drops and when it is dry the temperature rises. It often happens that there is a humidity at Mina-al-Ahmadi (at sea level) and none at all in Ahmadi which is roughly 350 ft. above sea level. The difference is very great but it can easily amount for 3 to 5 degrees difference in temperature. Generally speaking, it is safe to take the temperatures published in the Bulletin and add three or four degrees for Ahmadi.

People in Ahmadi and Magwa frequently taken thermometers at doors and noted some fantastic temperature readings. One re-

## Tips For Travellers Driving Home

If you are planning to drive across the desert to Beirut in the next few weeks the following report on the roads may be of help. It was sent in by Charlie Reeves who travelled the route two weeks ago.

**KUWAIT — JAHRA.** track reasonably good, pass to right of Jahra and follow oil barrels to Mullaq.

**MUTLAQ — SAFWAN.** track fair, always keep in sight of the telegraph poles, do not be misled into taking a good track branching right about 12 miles before Safwan, it leads to an army post.

**SAFWAN — BASRAH.** Track poor (by far the worst part of the journey).

**BASRAH — BAGHDAD.** By rail. 2nd. class is O.K.

**BAGHDAD — RAMADHI.** Track badly pot holed.

**RAMADHI — TRANS-JORDAN FRONTIER.** 200 miles desert run, but the road is good all the way until just before the frontier, watch for pot holes when and where least expected although on a good road, to Mafraq.

**MAFRAQ — DAMASCUS.** First half very bad pot holes, second half reasonably good.

**DAMASCUS — BEIRUT.** Roads good, then very good. Time allowed — 5 days for a fairly comfortable trip.

## Tennis In Beirut

A Tennis match has been arranged in Beirut on the Id al Adha, which falls approximately on August

## LETTERS TO EDITOR

The Editor,  
The 'Kuwaiti'.

July 27, 1954

Dear Sir,

"If an additional allowance is ever given for maintaining a wife will Marilyn Munroe contact me immediately".

This statement seems to paint the perfect picture of Home Banker, the "burra sahib" laying on his bed, pipe dreaming of all the injustice of his life here in Kuwait and of all the pleasurable things an ungrateful administrator will not bring to his bedside for him to enjoy.

Sir, I suggest your letter is balderdash and your complaints the figments of a fertile imagination. Stir yourself — and see whether the 'iron curtain' is as impregnable as you say.

If you think that married life and accommodation is so worthwhile try it — believe me you will have many years ahead of you to dream (if allowed) of those carefree, quiet bachelor days of yore, when one even had a menu from which to select ones meals.

Yours faithfully,  
"Once Bitten"

Ahmadi

July 23, 1954

The Editor,  
The 'Kuwaiti'.



**THE ROAD BACK:** Being a highly imaginative and, it is sincerely to be hoped, improbable diary of a journey home by road.

Aug. 15.

And lo the hour has come  
When I must sally forth  
And leave Kuwait behind  
And drive towards the north.

For what reck I of hazards  
On roads bereft of tar  
I'll overcome them all  
In my sturdy little car.  
It's done 10,000 kilos  
At 90 in the shade  
Smashed springs or broken axle?  
Why *should* I be afraid.

First stop will be Basra  
A short one hundred miles  
For my car is a car, sir,  
Not something out of Giles.

Aug. 25.

I'm writing you from Rutbah  
It's not so far en route  
But I've had quite a journey  
A real b. of a brute  
Before I got to Baghdad  
My springs began to fail  
And then I lost my triptyque  
And landed up in jail.

And when things were adjusted  
And I set out once more  
I ran a ruddy bearing  
At a.m. half past four.

The road is quite deserted  
And I sat there half a week  
Before at last I got a tow  
Across the wastes so bleak.

I've used up all my Travellers  
cheques  
A-paying for repairs  
I don't know how long I'll be here  
It looks like no-one cares.

Sept. 15

This place is called Adana  
It's marked upon the map  
But why I can't imagine —  
They might easily leave a gap.

But at last I've got to Turkey  
(Though I ought to be in France)  
And my car I've still got with me  
Though it's led me quite a dance  
The radiator's leaking  
The exhaust is hanging free  
But at least the horn's still working  
Which is something you'll agree.

I've got to break my journey  
At this benighted spot  
The while the local garage  
My car tries up to hot.

Sept. 30.

Well, here I am in Athens  
I'm afraid without my car  
I left it on a mountain side  
Not far from Adana.

It was really most amazing  
It was going like a rocket  
When I hit a great big boulder  
Which somehow seemed to crock it.

It's cost me quite a packet  
To get as far as Greece  
I'll have to play the tables  
At Monte or at Nice.

The trouble as I see it  
(And it's the part I hate)  
Is I'll no sooner get there  
Than I'm due back in Kuwait.  
Next time I'll ship to Venice  
Or like salubrious zones  
And leave the road to others  
To litter with their bones

SOTTO VOCE: a la Staline

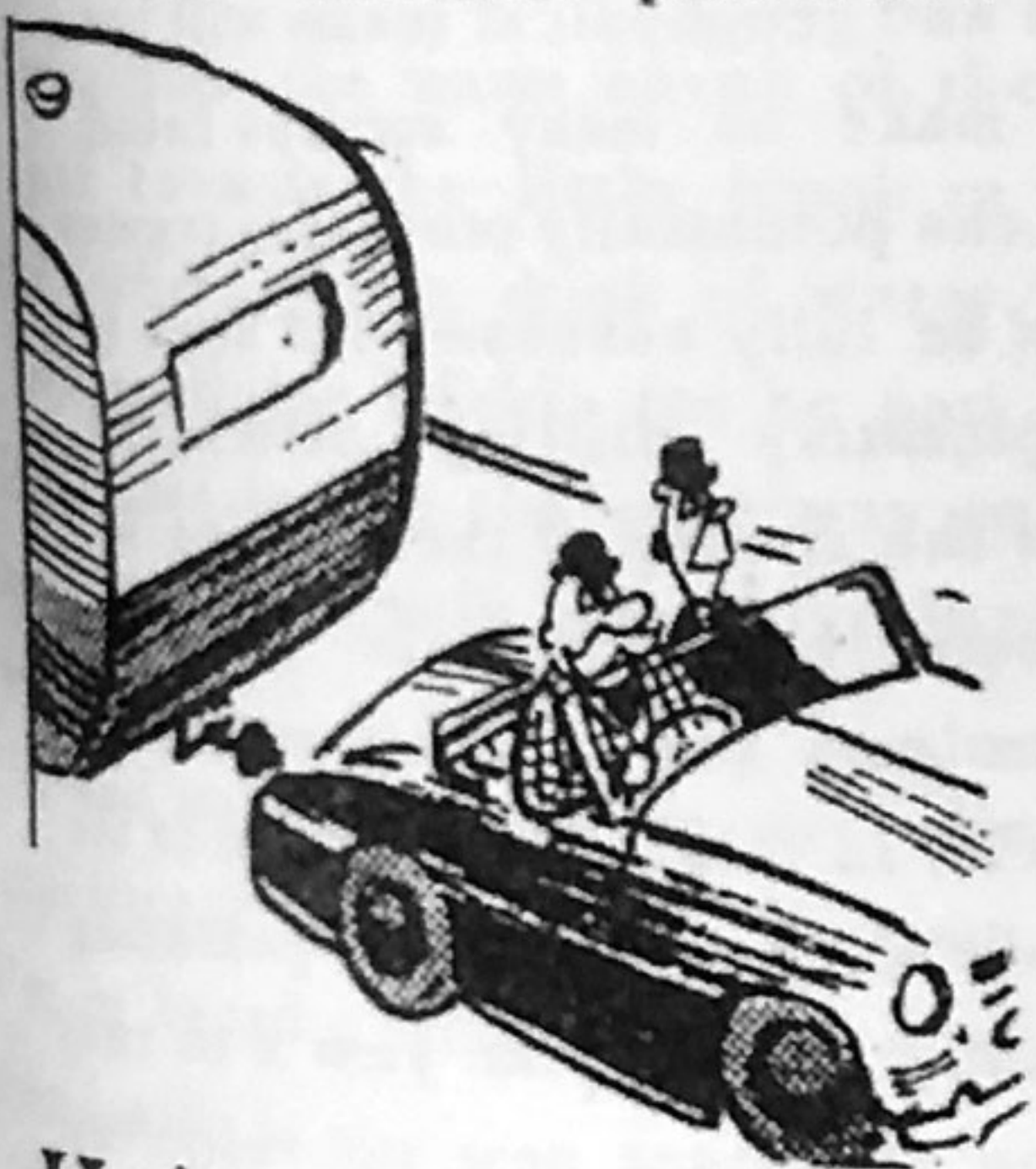
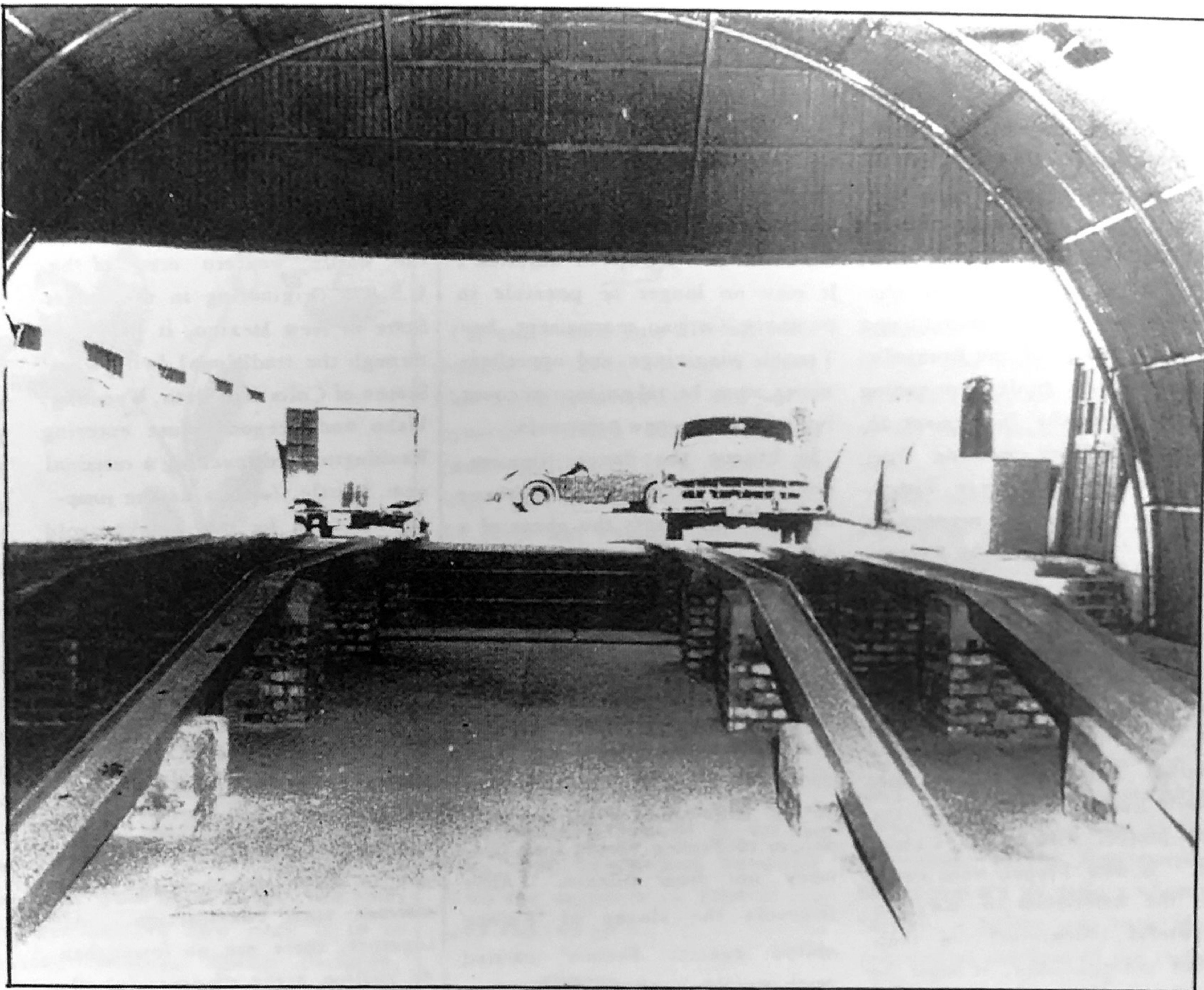
It was a certain celibate  
Who wrote unto the Ed.  
And thought that he would  
The fact he was not wed.  
And pointing sadly to his  
(At least that's what I read)  
He said the eating was  
In place where he was fed.  
What pity to calumniate  
The precincts where I read  
Where all the mighty come  
(It's Annas two for bread)  
He ne'er again shall oblige  
The doorway with his head  
Or Paul will fill his add  
With bullets made of lead



The picture (right) shows part of the Ahmadi Desert Motor Club's new premises, 'officially' opened last Thursday, when over 230 members and guests attended an inaugural party at which Mr. D.S. Curtis, first President of the Club, at the conclusion of a brief and amusing speech ceremoniously punctured a tube to signify that servicing and repair facilities are now available to members.

If the same high standard of organisation and service that was set for last Thursday's excellent party is maintained in the day running of the A.D.M.C. will be no disappointed customer. The secret of success in as the A.D.M.C. is concerned co-operation and it is as a result of the solid effort of the members themselves that they now have such 'desirable premises'.

## MOTOR CLUB'S NEW PREMISES NOW IN USE



## Unity Aquatics

The Unity Club Annual Aquatics were held last Thursday, September 16, when a good crowd witnessed some well contested races. N. Markin, Refinery, seen below executing a swallow dive in the Highboard Division.



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son and children; Mrs. W. Donaldson  
and child; Mrs. J.H.G. Gidley; Mrs.  
A.B. Murray and child; Mrs. C.W.  
Reeve and child; Mrs. R.H. Turner  
and children.

## NOTICES

### TO CAR OWNERS OF K.O.C.

Please notify me directly if you  
have any complaints regarding the  
repairs or charges made on your  
car in the Ahmadi Garage (Shaikh  
Khazal's Garage.) Shaikh Abdulla  
Khazal.

### BRITISH BANK OF THE MIDDLE EAST

With effect from Saturday, May  
1, 1954, the hours during which the  
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## Jashanmal Golf Cup under way

The first round of the Jashanmal Cup was played off last Friday and the results (Stapleford Scoring) were:- T.Campbell 36 pts.; D.A. Sibbick 34; H.E.Crawford, Miss Cormack, 32; J.L.Barnfather 31; R.I.Anderson, H.V.Hale, L.Young, 30; F.G.Huff, M.MacArthur, 29; C.A.Jackson, J.Stoll, 28; T.Camlin, S.Wilkinson, N.Williamson, 26; R.Calderwood, 25; J.F.Acker, 20; E.Osborn, 19; P.A.Marshall, 18; M.G.A.Dixon, 12.

The second round is to be played on Friday November 19. For this round the players have been drawn, as far as possible, in threes. It is felt that this arrangement will save time in starting and in play. However, players' opinions on this method of playing off stroke competitions will be welcomed by the committee. Draw for the second round is:-

P.G.Hibble, D.A.Sibbick, J.Stoll, G.F.Huff, T. Camlin, M.G.A.Dixon, J.Allen, Mrs.G.Hibble, P.A.Marshall, C.King, J.L.Barnfather, H.E.Crawford, Miss B.McCormack, R.I.Anderson, R.Calderwood; Miss D.I.Dobbie, N.Williamson, T.Campbell, E.Osborn, M.MacArthur, S.Wilkinson, L.Young and C.A.Jackson; J.F.Acker and H.V.Hale.

Any member unable to play please inform Secretary as early as possible.

## RUGBY NOTES

Club plans were somewhat upset last weekend due to the last minute cancellation of our Basrah fixture. However advantage was taken of the opportunity to have a run-out here in Ahmadi.

Two teams, representing the Captain and Vice Captain's choices, turned out to provide the spectators with some hard, if not particularly entertaining, rugby. It was good to see Alan Wise hooking again in a manner which augers well for the future. The scrummaging however still left much to be desired and it is hoped some improvement will be forthcoming before the visit of the Service teams. Although not a good day possibly to judge back play by the backs was rather patchy. However, it was heartening to see both sides keep up the pace for a full 60 minutes.

This week sees us pay a visit to Sulabiyakat where we will be entertained by the Jerboa R.F.C. After their showing up here in our opening game we expect a rough on their own midden and are sure our strongest available players will have a rough time of it.

## ADMC: A GOOD SCAVENGER HUNT

The competition last Friday, organised by Mr.J.Robinson, was a scavenger hunt and simple map reading trial.

The entry was good and once again it was pleasant to see some newcomers on the starting line, perhaps they will spread the word to the more hesitant and assure them that these events are not organised with a view to wrecking members' cars, but to provide a drive that can be enjoyed by all the family, more often than not to parts of Kuwait that one might not otherwise visit.

Of the original 17 entries, there were 15 starters and I am glad to report that they all completed the course inside the time limit of 2½ hours.

The route went out via Shaiba and down the Bechtel road to Burgan, past Wara camp and along the old track to Magwa; coming back past the Hospital and along the main road to the Club premises, altogether about 40 miles of good road and track.

In the scavenger hunt all drivers were required to check in at the finish and produce a number of listed articles; in fact there were only two items that a few drivers failed to produce, the latest copy of a Sunday newspaper and a bottle cap of a certain kind.

At the finish there were 5 drivers with equal marks lost, so that the final placings had to be on the time taken to complete the course. Thus the result was; 1st. Mr.F. Fish, 2nd. Mrs.D.Curtis, 3rd.Mr.B. McKeown.

I'm sure Mr.Fish will allow me first of all to congratulate Mrs. Curtis; the fact that she was driving the smallest car in the event and that most of the route was new to her makes her final placing highly creditable and a challenge to the other lady drivers in the A.D.M.C.

## UNITY 'A' MAKE GOOD RECOVERY

Hubara 'C' again lost heavily last week-end when Unity 'A' beat them in a League game by 84 runs.

Garstin won the toss and put Unity 'A' in to bat, and this move coupled with, on the occasion almost psychic field placing on the skipper's part seemed at first to have paid off, because Unity had 5 wickets down for 37 runs. Unfortunately Hubara then lost their grip and missed a couple of 'run outs' glaringly and a catch. The middle batsmen seized their opportunity well and with D'Sa hitting out lustily brought the Unity total to 160.

Bourke bowled well but without reaping the reward his fellow bowlers did.

Hubara opened with Skidmore E.C. and Brown J.B. These two stayed for 3 overs from Dreger and 3 from Kamath before lunch collecting 3 runs a piece in the process. After lunch, being troubled apparently by the occasional ball only, they stayed together for some six further overs with Brown being the more aggressive until Skidmore was 'run out' by a very good return from Almeida at square leg which broke the wicket with the batsman yards out of his crease.

The final result was delayed by Mariner, Lund, Bourke and of course Brown who scored some runs out when Boga came on to bowl, he seemed, to mesmerise the Hubara players and finished up with the very creditable figures of 6 for 22.

Hubara need to tighten their fielding and improve their batting.

**Details:**  
Unity 'A' - 160 (D'Costa 63; Lund 4-45).  
Hubara 'C' - 76 (Brown 23; Boga 6-22).

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## PAKISTAN'S FIN CRICKET WIN

An XI representing Pakistan had an easy win over an England XI at the Oval last November 8 when the outstanding feature was a not out century (103) by A.Parvez who played a splendid form and played bowling with superb confidence.

**Final Scores:**

ENGLAND - 73

PAKISTAN - 151 for 3.

## HUBARA CLUB The Week's Diary

**Thursday 11th Nov. '54**

Haig Dance - Dress Optional but formal dress preferred. Band 9.00 P.M.

**Friday, 12th Nov. '54**

Cinema - 7.30 P.M.

**Saturday 13th Nov. '54**

At 5.00 P.M. - Barracuda Annual General Meeting Children's Playground.

Scottish Country Dance Assembly Hall 7.30 P.M.

**Sunday 14th Nov. '54**

Badminton Night - Assembly Hall 4.30 P.M.

Pianoforte Recital - Guilbert (Provisional).

**Monday 15th Nov. '54**

Bend Stretch Class - Assembly Hall 1.00 P.M.

Institute of Petroleum Technical Assembly Hall 6.00 P.M.

Tombola - 7.30 P.M.

**Tuesday 16th Nov. '54**

Old Tyme Dancing - Assembly Hall - 8.30 P.M.

**Thursday 18th Nov. '54**

Club Dance - Informal Records 9.00 P.M.

(Swimming Pool will close Saturday 13th November maintenance etc.)

## GOAN ASSOCN., KU

**FIFTH ANNUAL SOCIAL**

At the Outdoor Cinema, Thursday, November 18,

Commencing at 9 p.m.

'Swingtette' in attendance

Tickets at Rs.10/- with guest couple free are available from Messrs.J.B.D'Souza, Seca, Dom. D'Souza, and J.

Kuwait, till November 11.

Table reservation free and can be made on request up till



## WEATHER DIDN'T STOP A.D.M.C. NIGHT TRIAL

Last weekend's twelve-hour night navigational trial was both a 'triumph' and a 'failure'. It was a triumph for the many competitors, who turned out in spite of the very bad weather that had prevailed for the three days prior to the meeting, it was still raining hard at mid-night on Thursday when the first driver was sent off. The fact that many of the desert tracks would be under water left the drivers and their navigators undismayed, and there was a very happy atmosphere in the Club garage when the crews were briefed and started on their way.

Full marks to Mr. E. Thomas, the steward of the meeting for the organisation and the very prompt starting of all 14 cars. It was encouraging to see several lady passengers in the cars, also the number of friends who turned out so late on a wet night to see the start.

Waiting in the Clubhouse for the return of the marshals with their news of progress was not hard to bear, but I wonder how much a few 'walkie talkie' sets would cost?

At 4.30 am the first news came through and all was going well. As it turned out later, this was just about the time when the 'failure' was occurring, due to a marshal having his check point at the wrong place, and many drivers failed to find him, thus not getting their directions for the next leg of the route. As this was approximately half way point, the mistake caused the eventual scratching of the event by the Steward, Mr. Thomas. Even so there were a good number of crews at Mina mess for the laid-on breakfast, and for the driving tests on Ahmadi ridge.

Whether or not this event will be re-run is not yet known, but the general feeling amongst the crews is that it should be, so they must have had a 'good night out'.

### For Dog Owners

Mrs. Berry, the Veterinary Surgeon, whose residence is next to the Travel Office in Kuwait, has advised us that she has managed to obtain antidiemper vaccine and is now able to inoculate dogs at reasonably short notice. Dog owners who are interested should contact Mrs. Berry either direct or through the Travel office.

## LANCASTRIANS HOLD DINNER & DANCE

Last Wednesday November 24, the Lancastrian Association held its Annual Dinner-Dance and prior to dinner, members and their guests assembled at the Guest House for Cocktails.

The Chairman, Mr. Bert Walker, in his dinner speech, welcomed the guests, spoke of the Association's success since its inauguration in Ahmadi in September 1952 and also of the Association's connection with the County Palatine.

Mr. Bill Vale, replying for the guests, made an amusing speech with reference to the Lancashire weather at present being experienced in Ahmadi.

Toasts were given to 'Her Majesty the Queen, Duke of Lancaster', and His Highness the Ruler of Kuwait.

After Dinner members and their guests spent a pleasant evening dancing to the rhythm of the Swingettes in the old Unity Club which had been decorated for the occasion.

### TRAVELLING?

It is notified for general information that a representative of BOAC now attends in Ahmadi on Mondays and Thursdays from 8 - 11.30 am in the Social Services office (tel. 6633) for the convenience of Company employees wishing to make BOAC or Cyprus Airways bookings and enquiries.

## CHRISTMAS CABLES -- CHECK TIME, DATES

The British Post Office have advised the following as the latest dates for telegrams containing Christmas Greetings to arrive in London in order to ensure delivery by Christmas Day.

Messages for: United Kingdom, December 23, Europe, December 22, Extra-European, December 21. Forces Post Offices.

BFPO, MELF, MERF. December 20, BAPO 1, 3 & 5 BPO 9/10 BTA December 21, BAOR BETFOR BFPO 6, 8, 21 & 45 December 22.

It is therefore desirable to hand in such telegrams so that they will arrive in London by these dates.

### WORD OF THANKS

The American Mission has expressed its thanks to the Committee in charge of the ceremony of laying the foundation stone of the new hospital. The Committee wishes to express once again its thanks to all those concerned, who worked together so well in making the laying of the foundation stone of the Mylrea Memorial Hospital a fitting tribute to the man after whom it has been named, in keeping with the high traditions of the American Mission, here in Kuwait.

### LATE NOTICE

The Ahmadi Golf Course is closed and the Southwell Cup Qualifying round is postponed. Please keep off the Course until it has dried.

K. L. T.

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the paste, retaining enough to cover the top. Trim the edges, put the mixture in, and make the surface flat and smooth. Moisten the edges of the pastry with cold water and flatten on the round top. Make all secure and neat. Take a skewer and make four holes right down to the bottom of the cake. Prick all over with a fork, brush with beaten egg, and bake in a moderate oven for about four hours.

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Shortbread is another traditional Scottish cake. There are many recipes, but this is a typical one.

- 1 lb. flour
- $\frac{1}{2}$  lb. butter or margarine
- $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. sugar (preferably castor)

Knead butter and sugar or beat them to a cream; work in flour gradually, adding a squeeze of lemon juice. When all the flour is smoothly worked in, press the dough out into a round about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch thick; or press out and cut into rounds or oblongs. Prick all over with a fork and bake in a slow oven till pale golden brown. Shortbread may be cut while hot or broken later.



"... or broken later."

## ADMC—TREASURE HUNT

The combined efforts of Bob Bramley and John Humber produced a really excellent treasure hunt last Friday. What a pity that this team of organizers has had to split with the departure from Kuwait last Saturday of John.

The event was of approximately 40 miles on tarmac roads and a liberal time allowance ensured that all 15 entrants had a good chance to finish, in fact there was only one crew who were over the limit.

Each driver was handed six sealed envelopes at the start, each one numbered and containing a rhyming clue; these had to be opened in order and the marshal at each point checked that the other envelopes were still intact. If the route was followed correctly all six places would be visited in the correct sequence.

One driver was fooled by the clue that should have taken him from Mina Camp to H. Loading berth marker at the "Lido", and did in fact go all the way to H. gathering centre in Burgan; as he is a production man, and not an exporter maybe he can be forgiven.

With the exception of a few drivers who went to the old Magwa club, instead of the Hubara Club for another of the clues, the route was correctly followed and even an aerial photo of the Anglo-American School failed to fool the majority. The final placings were so close that the first two places had to be decided on the point of least miles covered from start to finish. Thus the results were:-

	Points	Miles
1st. P.M. Fisk	30	41
2nd. P. Bamford	30	43
3rd. H. Hunt	30	44

This event was voted by many as the best yet, so let's have more Bob.

## Christmas Decorations

Bhasin Bros. announce that they have on sale now paper chains, lanterns, balls and other various items of decoration for clubs, messes and homes. Rates are most moderate.

## FIRST AID CLASSES



## LDREN PARTY



## REN PARTY—



### All About The First ADMC Annual Dance

The first Annual Dance of the Club will be held in the Hubara Club on Wednesday, January 5. The Committee are endeavouring to make this a stupendous affair to reach the high standard set by the opening party.

Admission will be by ticket only and the tickets are available from the Steward at the Club House, price Rs.15 Single, Rs.25 Double. Will you kindly obtain your tickets as soon as possible, in any case not later than January 2, as catering arrangements have to be made.

The music will be provided by the Shuwaikh Band.

The evening programme will be as follows:-

8 p.m. Reception

9 p.m. Commencement of Dancing

9.30 p.m. Presentation of Trophies  
won during the 1954  
season.

10 p.m. — 12 m.n. Running  
Buffet.

1 p.m. Last Dance.

Table reservations may be made with Jack Robinson, 10, 8th Road North, or telephone 6577.

The Committee realise the short notice of this forthcoming event, but sincerely hope that members will co-operate by obtaining their tickets as soon as possible.

The Committee also wish all members the Compliments of the Season with carefree, trouble-free, economical enjoyable motoring during the coming year.

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**CHILDREN'S "THANK YOU"**

December 25, 1954.



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ers' Annual Dance  
Thursday, January 13.

Club Dance — Informal —  
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day, Wednesday and Saturdays  
8 — 9 a.m.

### Olde Tyme Dancing

The Assembly Hall of the Hubara Club, has been reserved for Olde Tyme Dancing on Tuesday, January 11, at 8.30 p.m. Providing sufficient support is forthcoming, these sessions will be continued. Failing this the Assembly Hall must be forfeited for other functions.

Will all those who are interested in Olde Tyme Dancing please attend at 8.30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 11.

### Cash Registers On Trial Run At Hubara Club

Cash Registers will come into use in the Hubara Club on Saturday. For one week only ordinary Club coupons will be considered as cash and payment will be made with the coupons. At the same time the amount of purchase will be rung up on the cash register and the customer will be handed the cash slip. This system is in operation in order to give staff some experience in using cash registers before actually handing money

## Last Event Gives Fisk ADMC's Curtis Cup

Peter Fisk won the Curtis Trophy for 1954 as a result of points scored in the Ahmadi Desert Motor Club's last event of the season held last Friday on the now familiar "air strip". But it was a close thing for the winner. A.M. Thomas and J.V. Smith tied for second place only one point in arrears.

One more result is now known — the Bibendum Cup presented by the Michelin Tyre Co, and it was won by A.W. Brockwell with A.A. Mieras as runner-up. This is a navigation award presented for the first time this year.

Last Friday's event was one of rally type driving tests, which the older drivers in the Club are now getting quite used to, but which always tests to the utmost, the driver's control over his car and therefore are never by any means predictable.

The organisers of this meeting, Messrs. Bray and Organ, had obviously put in a lot of hard work to ensure a good morning's sport and the event was run very close to schedule throughout.

There was a close thing in the points so far won for the Trophy, and the results of this event would be decisive so that also added to the interest.

The entry list showed 20 names and all but one of these arrived in the competitors' paddock and made their way around the tests on foot before the start. It was evident at once that this was by no means going to be "child's play" and that as a final, for the leaders in points, it would be a good test of driving.

### (On First Taking Part In Curtis' Trophy)

Miles have I travelled in this realm  
of oil  
And many evenings spent beneath  
the moon

## WOODSMO SCOUT NOTES

The 1st Ahmadi Troop wishes for a time all its friends, absent and present, amusement a Happy and Prosperous New Year. a Scout Our special greetings to our friends soon doing in the Mubarakhiyya School Kuwait ness by li Scout Troop and Kuwait Scouts small man everywhere. St. Trinia

The Troop had a combined hike and day camp to celebrate the last meeting of 1954, on Wednesday, December 30. By doing so, another landmark has been added to the growing list of camping sites visited by the Troop. This time, it is Hiker's Hill, a likely spot some hour or so's strolling (with kit) from Ahmadi. By way of a change, we decided to hike (that is, the Troop hiked!) to a day camp which started off at Hiker's Hill and finished up in the evening at our usual Monday night's site on the Oil road. The day's programme involved the setting up of two separate camps with quite a spot of walking to and fro, but in spite of all, the Troop was just as full of beans at the end of the day as they were at the beginning. It seems that the Scots' habit of eating porridge must have spread somewhat!

The hike itself followed a trail set out the day before with messages and compass directions hidden at strategic spots along the course. In affect, it was an exercise on compass reading which was fairly well carried out in spite of some of the difficulties encountered. True, one patrol decided to be crafty and follow the tracks of a preceeding patrol instead of following directions but as the first managed to get themselves lost, the unfortunate trackers had to come all the way back and start again!

One patrol at least found out that things were not always what they seemed to be and carried cheerfully on until they were but mere dots on the distant horizon. However, piercing blasts on sundry

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## Against Hubara

en the bloke before as he could recognise Santa's trousers!!! Having swiped a couple of sandwiches and two tubs of ice-cream, the Hon. Secretary can much for the catering, which was very well done by Mrs. Mariner. On behalf of the children, thank you very much Auntie June.

Thanks also to the Anglo-American School, Mr. H.A.B. Babington, Santa Claus and Mrs. Irvine, and the kids for coming along.

Bar-Steward Simmons was not quite so happy at having a tea-urn on his bar-top.

Perhaps he was peeved over not getting a go at the crockery-shy, as he and Charlie Manning had been practising at Mina the night before.

## SOCCKER NATTER

Some spectator-players turned up during the second half of the game vs. Arab Village last week, having completed their shifts, in a wide range of attire.

G. Allardyce was wearing what at first seemed to be white pyjamas, complete with maroon and grey bed-jacket.

Ron Chapman who also appeared, has now been named "Mister 5 x 5", and he certainly took up enough of the seat for three ordinary people.

We heard that he went round to the hockey pitch later, with Steward Simmons, but we are not sure if Ron actually played hockey, or if he was used as the roller.

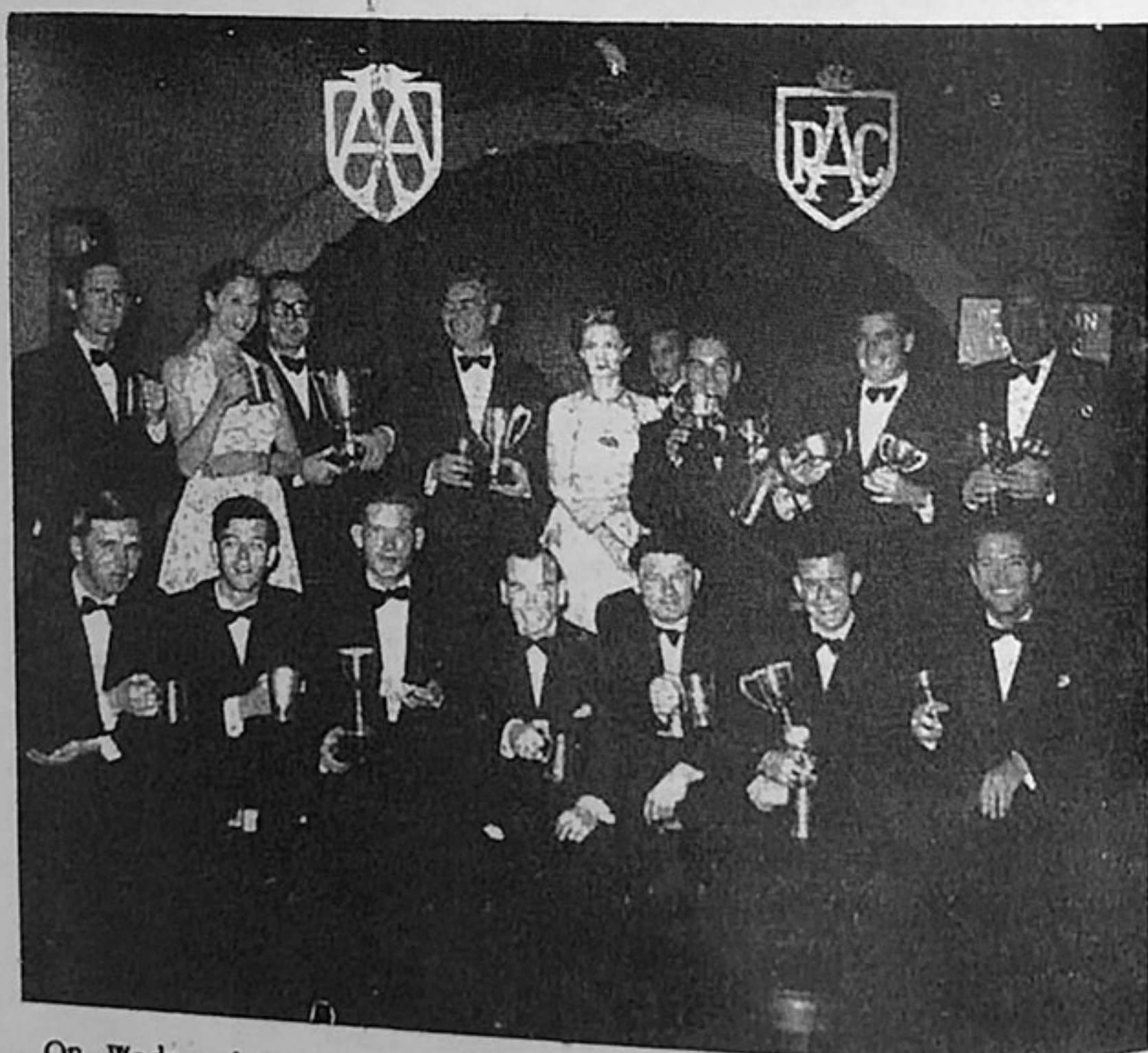
Monday nights are practice nights Ron, and that also applies to the rest of you. You can't keep fit sitting on your back-sides.

We hope to have a return match against the Rifle Club on or about January 28.

Any of you crack-pot-shots think you can do any better than our last team, who scored 445, then let the Hon. Secretary know, and he will use his influence to have you selected.

This will stop you all having a go — it will cost you about Rs.5 per head, which will purchase the refreshments for both teams, these having been supplied by the Rifle Club last time.

Next weekend we visit R.A.F. Shaiba, and those who wish to go should inform the Hon. Secretary or Club Captain not later than Monday, January 17.



On Wednesday evening of last week the Ahmadi Desert Motor Club moved into the Assembly Room of the Hubara Club complete with road signs, petrol pumps, traffic lights etc. etc. to hold their first dance in the history of the organisation. Good music, good food and good companionship made for a pleasant evening. The main event was the presentation of prizes to winners and runners-up of the seven sporting events held during the past year. Peter Fisk (top picture) won the major trophy — Curtis Rose Bowl — which was presented to him by the wife of the Club Chairman, Mrs. H.D.M. Quayle. The other winners, and runners-up shown above are:- Standing (left to right) J.P. Walters, Mrs. D.S. Curtis, H.D.M. Quayle (Chairman of A.D.M.C.), A.W. Brockwell, Mrs. Quayle, N.A. Hill (M.C. of the evening), P.M. Fisk, B. McKeown, F. Fish; Bottom row — J.E. Mattingley, J.V. Smith, W.R.F. Waters, G. Watt, E. Thomas. Two other trophy winners, P. Bamford and A.H. Green are not in the picture.

## AROUND THE SHOPS

**Silver Store.** A new range of Persian silver, and silver and enamel jewellery is now on show in this store. A charming necklace was marked at Rs.26/- with matching earrings for Rs.10/-, while another set with large dangle earrings was priced at Rs.25 complete. Brooches with fine enamel pictures were Rs.12/-, cigarette holders also enamelled and in various sizes at Rs.10/- and for the same price dagger brooches in many designs, and two piece buckles for Rs.35/-. Some really comfortable looking shoes called 'CAMPER'S' are the latest arrival and can be had in five colours for Rs.25/-, also some white kid ballet type at Rs.35.

**Allothman Store.** First of all, I must apologise for putting the articles from this shop under the heading of Manjula Stores last week. German crepe silk nighties, large, medium and small in pale pink, blue and white are priced at Rs.16/-. The Japanese silk pyjama and slipper sets are now reduced to Rs.25, and the children's sizes, Rs.18/-. Both these come in three sizes. Travelling shaving sets in various sizes are from Rs.10 to Rs.38/-.

**Manjula Stores** have a good assortment of musical boxes from Rs.30 to Rs.60, and something quite new in this line is a musical table lamp. The red glass base lights up when it plays a tune. The prices are Rs.70 and Rs.90 according to size. The same lamps without musical boxes are Rs.35 and Rs.45. Highly recommended are the 'Berkshire' nylons in tan, beige and light, priced from Rs.6/8/- to Rs.8/-.

**Saleem's Stores.** Children's slips in white with narrow lace edging are in sizes 24" to 34" and priced at Rs.8/- to Rs.10/-. Dainty quilts in all the pale shades at Rs.22/-; Air-Lite baby pants, Rs.2 and de luxe material covered Rs.3/8 a pair. A large selection of feeders and bibs are from Rs.1/8 to Rs.2/-.

**Mohan Stores** are now selling 'Tulip' brand cocktail sausages — 16 in a tin for Rs.2/4/-. Danish sliced bacon in 1 lb. tins at Rs.5; also ham in 1 lb. and 2 lb. tins at Rs.5/8/- a lb. American 'Hunts' fruit cocktail in 1 lb. tins Rs.1/8; and peaches, Rs.1/4. Pure Danish Cream in 6 oz. tins at Re.1.

**Blasin Brothers** have received a consignment of Dunlop tennis shoes,

also 'Piccadilly' and gaberdine rainproof over detachable fleece lining are priced at Rs.155/- and respectively. Burberry all wool gaberdine raincoat expected in any day priced at Rs.245/-.

**Al Shuraian.** Any Rs.1000 worth of goods shop within a period of months, can select a the value of Rs.50/-.

**Jolly Brothers.** Premium and Blue Berries at Norwegian shrimps, Danish smoked salmon, Roses West Indies marmalade is a mixture of orange, grapefruit is priced at Rs.

**Union Trading.** For 'Tootal' dressing gowns in suedette lumberjackets (make), Rs.17/8/- to Rs.2 for boys Rs.17/8/- to 'Martins' canvas travel bags complete with locks from Rs.17/8/- to Rs.40, cloth and napkin sets gift boxes are from Rs.16/8/-. Bias binding shades at Re.1/- a card 'Velno' after shave lotion and Rs.2/4. A large selection of dolls (which should have for Christmas) are priced to Rs.40, also Frog model planes at Rs.8/-.

**W.J. Towell & Co.** four piece enamel brush lined cases at Rs.110/-, and diamante evening bags and a gift which would do men or women is a pigskin brush with a zip top comb and tweezers at Leather pocket cases and large leather comb Rs.17/8/-. 'Kalverts' mutton Biryani at Rs.2/- a tin. The following cameras are now in stock vlfingflex and Olympus Rs.275/-, Beaulux Flex at and Silverflex at Rs.200/- many of the 'Avon' products the U.S.A.

