Another Derby for the French?

By "Sportsman"

I CANNOT recall a Derby that has aroused less public interest than the event to be decided on Saturday. Ever since Guineas week, the acclaimed world-beater Prince Simon has dominated the market, and if one can believe the portents the Blue Riband of 1950 is a one-horse race. These good things however have a knack of being beaten, and I for one refuse to be tempted at the ridiculous price on offer. I fancy the man in the street, who always an occasional flutter, will think on similar lines, preferring a modest each-way investment at more lucrative odds on a genuine outsider.

With the possible exception of Castle Rock, the English-bred colts are a moderate lot, and I doubt the ability of the home-trained division to retain the laurels. In spite of the reputation of the American-bred Prince Simon, French stables have accepted the challenge in no uncertain manner, and nominations from across the Channel constitute approximately one-third the field. If one can decide on the best of these, I have a hunch that the winner will be trained, and I have narrowed my choice to Vieux Manoir and Telegram II. Each is a proven stayer, and the subject of favourable comment, and the pair have been backed by connections for small fortunes. For my third string I select the services of Khorassan, runner-up winner of the Classic Trial Stakes at Kempton Park, and the sire of Charlie Smirke. This horse represents the Aga Khan to the exclusion of Eclat, and the latter may not be without significance. To finalise, I lean to the chances of **VIEUX MANOIR,** and I shall expect him to win from Telegram II. and Khorassan.

French stables might easily secure a great "classic" double, for both Asmena, Camaree and Plume are definite runners, our cross-Channel rivals hold a remarkably strong "Oaks" hand. The trio is likely to head the market quotations to the end, and it will take a great one to stop them. I have most encouraging news, however, of the Yorkshire nurtured Catchit, a fine looking Nasrullah filly trained by Capt. Charles Elsey at Malton. Owned by Mr N. P. Donaldson, who took the honours in the corresponding event of 1949, Catchit has been carefully nursed with the Oaks the objective, and expectations are not dismayed at the strength of the opposition.

Making a first appearance of the season last month, the Northern filly ran a very promising second in Camaree's 1,000 Guineas, and since she was only half ready on that occasion, it is reasonable to anticipate an even better show at Epsom. It may be asking the impossible to hope for a second successive Yorkshire triumph, but I am going to take the chance. I stand **CATCHIT** to carry the Musidora colours first past the post, leaving the minor placings to Camaree and Asmena.

WEDNESDAY. Epsom.

The Rosebery Memorial Handicap offers a chance to luckless **FOLAMI,** a consistent stayer whose turn is overdue. The five-year-old is running into form, and apart from the improving Tarka, the opposition here is not formidable. I am advised to keep a lookout for **BENBOW,** a highly rated youngster in J. Jarvis's Newmarket establishment, and I notice the two-year-old is engaged in the Woodcote Stakes. If he reproduces home reckoning, he should take this valuable prize, and I shall look no further for the winner. Possibly Le Banquier will give him most to do. Successful in two attempts this term, **REAR ADMIRAL** is fancied to complete the treble, and contests the Durdans Handicap with the full confidence of connections. I give him the vote, anticipating danger from Witton.

THURSDAY. Epsom.

Major L. B. Holiday owns a very useful filly in **NETHERLY,** who will be taking her stiffest task to date in the Acorn Stakes. Set to concede weight to the majority of her rivals, she will have to be at her best to prevail, yet I rate her equal to the job. Lower in the scale I am attracted to Marianthus, and it is this one I fear in standing Netherly. The Ebbisham Stakes has cut-up rather badly and is reduced to a small handful. The issue may be decided between **FLYING SLIPPER** and **But Beautiful,** my preference being for the first-named.

FRIDAY. Epsom.

The Coronation Cup, always a grand race to watch, will be sternly contested by Djeddah and Amour Drake, two Frenchmen with the right credentials, and I think that one of them will score. The latter, unlucky loser of last year's Derby, is out for revenge, and because he has proved his ability over the English hope, Iron Duke, is not without a chance, and I assess him the danger to **AMOUR DRAKE.** Evergreen **HIGHLAND DIVISION** showed a glimpse of his old form at headquarters recently, and is still a force to be reckoned with. He will carry my money in the Abbots Hill Handicap, a race he can win from First Consul.

SATURDAY. Stockton.

SEALED ORDERS ran a grand race for us at York, failing by a narrow margin to reach a place. The outing will have done him good, and I think he will atone by taking the Greatham Handicap. Of the remainder, I have some regard for Prince Curnan, and the pair may well dispute the finish. I give the first-named one more chance.

SATURDAY. Ayr.

The medium of inspired wagering at York last week, **BROUGH MARSH** found one too good for him in Barley Mow, but will meet nothing of that calibre in the Craigie Stakes. I shall be surprised if the three-year-old is beaten, and I stand him to account for Pantomime with a degree of confidence.

Harry Hilyard Johnson (42), of Sandwath Park, Forcett, was fined 20s. at Gilling West Court, Richmond on Thursday, for using an unlicensed motor tractor. A charge of permitting a person under 16 years of age to drive the tractor and a further charge of permitting the use of an uninsured tractor were dismissed on payment of costs. P.C. Ward said at noon on 13th February he overtook on the Richmond and Forcett Road, a tractor and a trailer which contained 7 men. The tractor was driven by the 15-year-old boy of Johnson. Johnson said he had given his boy orders not to drive on the road and only on the land. Five of the seven men in the trailer had a licence to drive. It was stated the boy had been dealt with at a Juvenile Court.

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CRICKET

Maude's Cup.

BARNINGHAM v. RAVENSWORTH.

Barningham.—R. Preston b Morrissey 0; W. Metcalfe c and b Temple 6; H. Robinson b Temple 6; H. Malsbury b Temple 1; A. Anderson b Morrissey 3; J. Metcalfe b Morrissey 3; D. Lowes, b Morrissey 2; J. Hodgson b Temple 1; H. Dent not out 10; H. Nicholson b Morrissey 2; N. Walker b Morrissey 6; extras 3; total 43. Bowling: Morrissey 6-22; Temple 4-14.

Ravensworth.—C. Benson c Walker b W. Metcalfe 9; W. Binks b Malsbury 6; L. Fleming c Hodgson b Robinson 17; J. Robinson not out 6; N. Binks not out 5; extras 4; total (for 3 wickets) 47. Bowling: H. Malsbury 2-21; H. Robinson 1-18; W. Metcalfe 1-4.

GLAXO S. & S.C. v HUTTON MAGNA.

Played at Hutton Magna on Thursday, 18th May. Glaxo batted first, a lively second wicket partnership of 40 runs between R. Hall and A. Stoddart paved the way to the respectable Glaxo total of 72 for 4 wickets in 18 overs. Hutton Magna were making a solid reply, W. Ross looking particularly dangerous, when W. Buckingham struck his last season's form with the ball and finished with 6 wickets for 23 runs, he actually took his 6 wickets in his last three overs for 9 runs. E. Watson also bowled well for a return of 4 for 26. Scores: Glaxo 72 for 4 wickets; Hutton Magna 52. Result: Glaxo won by 20 runs.

Vale of Mowbray League.

Richmondshire were late in arriving at Thirsk on Saturday and it was decided that each side should bat for two hours. A draw resulted.

Scores: Thirsk—D. Pringle b Brown 11; D. Greenwood lbw b Calvert 3; J. Lee lbw b Stones 16; J. Hodgson b Wheately 73; R. Jackson b Stones 0; T. Stuart not out 24; K. Hodgson b Wheatley 1; N. Headlam c Guy b Blissett 3; P. Ruecroft not out 4; extras 19; total 154 for 7 wickets. Bowling: Bowron 1-31; Calvert 1-20; Blissett 1-31; Stones 2-22; Wheatley 2-10.

Richmondshire—J. Whitehead b J. Hodgson 6; T. Bramham b Hunter 9; F. Stones st Pringle b J. Hodgson 2; H. Wheately b Lee 15; D. Hammond c Greenwood b Lee 8; R. Guy run out 24; G. Blissett not out 36; J. Swainston lbw b J. Hodgson 0; W. Brown lbw b J. Hodgson 0; G. Taylor b J. Hodgson 10; extras 1; total 111 for 9 wickets. Bowling: J. Hodgson 5-47; Lee 2-26; Hunter 1-25.

Buchanan Cup.

DALTON Y.F.C. v. COLBURN AND HIPSWELL.

Dalton Young Farmers were at home in the above match, when they beat their opponents by 30 runs. Scores:—

Colburn and Hipswell. — C. Wilkinson 27; S. Horton 4; H. Thompson 0; J. Taylor 2; E. Watson 0; G. Dean 14; C. Mortimer 1; S. Dowsey 1; K. Brooks 0; A. Barker 4; H. Jackson 0; extras 1; total 54.

Dalton.—R. Raine 9; C. Raine 4; D. Stanwix 11; G. Smith 0; D. Edmondson 7; A. Smith 10; L. Hodgson 0; Ray Raine 22; J. Powell 19; J. Stanwix 0; A. Anderson 0; extras 2; total 84.

For Dalton, G. Smith took 6 wickets for 19 runs; A. Smith 3 for 34.

Football

GAUNLESS VALLEY SCHOOLS LEAGUE.

An additional match is to be played to-morrow evening (Thursday, May 25th) on the Ten Fields Ground, kick off at 6 p.m. It is between the league champions, Barnard Castle Modern School, and team picked from the rest of the league. This should be a very interesting game, with the local against a strong team. It is hoped boys anxious to prove their worth that a big crowd will turn up to see the game which is expected to be just as exciting as the final two weeks ago. The shield will be presented to the champions after the game.

MIDDLETON WANDERERS' SUCCESSFUL SEASON.

Keen interest is being shown in the forthcoming annual general meeting of members of Middleton Wanderers A.F.C. to be held in the Workmen's Club and Institute on Friday, May 26th, when it is expected the officials will report a profit on the season and one of their most successful seasons since pre-war.

Besides finishing in a commanding position in the league, the team won the Auckland and District League Challenge Cup when they defeated Middlestone Moor in the final; but one of their best performances was when they beat Eldon Albion, last season's winners, in the semi-final.

Every credit is due to the Committee in their successful efforts to build up a strong team which has raised the standard of football in the town, and as most of the players have expressed a desire to play for the club again next season, the club and supporters can look forward hopefully towards next season.

Barnard Castle Golf Club

The monthly bogey competition was played on May 18th and resulted as follows:—

G. S. Robinson	1 up
W. D. Ascough	1 down
Brig. C. P. Jones	2 down
J. C. Walker	2 down
W. Bowman	2 down
J. W. Garbutt	2 down
J. Hillary	3 down
W. Raw	3 down
Rev. Fitzgerald	4 down
J. Pratt	5 down

Correspondence

CYCLISTS' MEET. SUNDAY AFTERNOON SPORTS.

To the Editor of the Teesdale Mercury.

Dear Editor,

I have been questioned by many people as to why the Sunday afternoon Cycle Meet Service (re-introduced last year) is to be replaced this year by sports, and where I stand in the matter as Cycle Meet Chaplain and as a Minister and Youth Leader in the town. I feel I ought to make my position clear in this matter and so crave space in your columns.

First let me point out that I am no longer a member of the Cycle Meet Committee, and according to the current programme, no longer Chaplain either. As a committee member and Chaplain, I did what I could according to my conscience and the time at my disposal. I was not able to attend the last Annual Meeting and was not re-elected.

Since coming to Barnard Castle I have tried to serve the town according to my limited time and ability and have not confined my interests to my own Church. I felt the Cyclists' Meet offered wonderful possibilities for providing the people of the North with first-class entertainment and I was anxious that the tone and quality of the whole thing should be raised. The majority of interested people evidently think otherwise and therefore my services in this direction are no longer required.

Nevertheless I am still interested in the Meet and I am happy to note that cyclists are to attend this year in large numbers and that it will really be a cyclists meet. I am concerned however about the religious service being replaced on Sunday afternoon by a sporting event. Just what this will mean I dont know but why it could not have been included in either the Saturday or Monday programmes, and the visiting cyclists invited to a service instead of running it as a counter-attraction to the Sunday Schools I cannot understand. I see it is due to commence at the time the Schools meet. There are already two or three events on Sunday, and I am sure there was no need to incite the disapproval of so many Sunday School and Church workers who are otherwise concerned for the success of the meet. I feel the Committee have made a big mistake here.

I want to make an observation concerning the Gymkhana. This I have always felt is good sport and a grand sight, providing as it does many real thrills. I simply love to see the ponies scamper and the horses jump, but why such a small local event and such a good sport should be completely ruined for hundreds of people by the craze for gambling, again I just don't know. To me it is a tragedy to see that row of 'bookies' and to witness young people being provided with the means for fostering the cravings for what is one of our biggest national evils. I am told that if the facilities for gambling were removed there would be no Gymkhana—what a very poor conception of sport and sportsmanship some people must have.

I have made these comments only because I am deeply interested in all that concerns our town, and therefore in the Cyclists' Meet. As a Vice-President I appreciate all the work that has been and will be done by the President, Secretary and Committee Members. I appreciate their desire to serve the cyclists of the North and the people generally, and though I feel they are mistaken in some of their methods and intentions, I wish all that is best in the week-end, every success, and hope it will be a fine and happy week-end enjoyed by thousands.

Yours etc.,

LEON COOK.

Congregational Manse.

MECHANICS' INSTITUTE WHIST

At the weekly military flag whist on Wednesday night in the Mechanics' Institute, the following were the winners: Mrs Grange, Mrs Hodgson, Mrs Parratt, Mr Lowes; Miss Thompson, Mrs Minnikin, Miss Drury, Miss Bell.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Mr Ben Spraggon, whose second collection of eggs in and around Middleton-in-Teesdale was despatched to the Royal Victoria Infirmary, has received the following letter of thanks:

Dear Mr Spraggon,—Thank you very much for the 135 eggs received yesterday. It is very kind of the people of Middleton-in-Teesdale and district to give eggs to the children of this hospital, and I am sure the children will appreciate the addition of eggs to their diet.—Yours sincerely,

J. T. HUTTON (Matron).

Passing of Mrs M. A. Lamb

TEESDALE FARMER'S WIDOW.

The death occurred on Sunday week at the home of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr and Mrs J. T. Swinbank, 8, Dene Road, Barnard Castle, of Mrs Margaret Ann Lamb, aged 77, widow of Mr John N. Lamb, a well-known farmer, of West End, Romaldkirk, who formerly worked Sandford Farm, Cotherstone, for some 20 years.

Sandford, it is interesting to note, resumed its original title, Thwaite Hall, by which it had been known for many centuries, following Mrs Lamb's departure for Barnard Castle in 1936. It is situated between Doe Park and High Shipley, two residences of great historic interest, and is believed to have originally held a position in the district equal in importance to that of its immediate neighbours.

Mr and Mrs Lamb took over the farm in 1898, and worked it successfully until 1920, when they took over West End, Romaldkirk. Mrs Lamb stayed on for five years after the death of her husband in 1931. Up to that time she had been a regular attender at the Cotherstone Wesleyan Chapel.

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She was also a member of the British Women's Temperance Association at a time when that body was first making its influence felt among the peoples of the dale. She was of a retiring disposition, but never lost an opportunity to show kindness. She remained cheerful until the end and passed away peacefully during sleep.

She leaves a son, Mr Harry Lamb, timber merchant, of Harmire Saw Mills, Barnard Castle, and a daughter, Mrs Gertrude Gill.

The funeral took place on Wednesday following a service in Cotherstone Wesleyan Chapel conducted by the superintendent minister, the Rev. J. W. Elkington. The organist was Mrs Cory Lamb.

Chief mourners were: Mr and Mrs Harry Lamb, son and daughter-in-law; Mr and Mrs Robert Gill, son-in-law and daughter; Mr and Mrs Geoff. White, Joan Lamb, John and Harry Gill, grandchildren; Mr W. Swinbank (Northallerton), Mr and Mrs J. Swinbank, Mr and Mrs J. Swinbank (Barnard Castle), Mr and Mrs Robert Swinbank (Winston), Mr and Mrs Ray Swinbank (Middleton-St.George), Mrs P. Lamb (Doe Park), brothers and sisters-in-law; Mr and Mrs N. Wrightson (Middleton-in-Teesdale), Mr and Mrs J. N. Paul (Soulby), Mr and Mrs Joseph Swinbank (Eggleston), Mr and Mrs A. Bowes (Great Stainton), Mr and Mrs J. M. Swinbank (Streatlam), Mr and Mrs Joseph Swinbank (Brafferton), Mr and Mrs T. Swinbank (Brafferton), Mr Watson Swinbank (Greystone), Mr and Mrs J. Johnson (Carlton Green), Mr W. Swinbank (Newsham Grange), Mr Eric Swinbank (Greystone), Mr and Mrs Cory Lamb, Miss Freda Lamb, Mr Harry Lamb, Mr and Mrs Harry Thompson (Barnard Castle), nephews and nieces.

Others present included: Mrs J. Tarn (Woodland), Mr T. Tarn and Miss M. Tarn (Bishop Auckland), Mrs J. Rudd, Mr H. Browning, Mr E. Watson, Mr T. Foster, Mr and Mrs H. D. Robinson, Mr R. Robinson, Mr T. Sutton, Mr H. Cowling, Miss Jenkinson, Mr Bruce, Mr E. Watson, Mrs Myers, Mr and Mrs T. Peacock, Mr and Mrs Colin Bainbridge, Mr and Mrs R. Taylor, Mr and Mrs S. Gill, Mrs Greenwood, Miss M. Wearmouth, Mr and Mrs J. Metcalf, Mr and Mrs T. Metcalf, Mrs and Miss Merryweather, Mrs G. Swindle, Mrs V. Swindle, Mrs Aden, Miss V. Cross, Miss S. Cross, Mrs T. Kipling, Mr and Mrs C. Swindle, Miss Heming, Miss Ridley, Mr W. Hodgson, Mrs J. J. Bainbridge, Mr J. Ireland, Miss Nixon, Miss Andrews, Mrs T. Donkin, Mrs Freeland, Mrs F. White, Mrs J. Robinson, Miss B. Richardson, Mrs J. Richardson, Mr J. Alderson, Mr Job, Mrs G. Smith, Mrs C. E. Robinson, Mrs D. Browning, and others.

Six nephews were underbearers.

Richmond

POSSIBLE LAST QUARTER SESSIONS.

Mr Norman Harper, Recorder, at Richmond Quarter Sessions on Friday, said: "I am told this may be the last occasion that the Court of Quarter Sessions will sit at Richmond. If it is it will be a matter which all of us will regret."

He added there had been Quarter Sessions at Richmond for centuries and he had reason to believe—for more than 800 years. It would be a pity to see an institution of that kind disappear. He took the opportunity of mentioning that matter and also expressing to the jury the thanks of the borough for attending that day. Their services had not been required that day, and he discharged them during the adjournment of the Court.

The Town Hall, where the Sessions are held, used to be called St. John's House. It was rebuilt in the year 1756 at a cost of £600. Before then the Quarter Sessions used to be held in the North Aisle of the Trinity Church (Chapel of the Holy and Undivided Trinity) and certainly long before the time of Elizabeth, because mention is made of her Charter to Alderman who was then Mayor of Richmond. Mr D. Brooks, Town Clerk, told me that the Corporation rebuilt the Town Hall for the sole and separate use of the Court of Quarter Sessions. At that time old oak table and benches were presented for that Court.

Northern Dairy Shorthorn Breeders

FIFTH ANNUAL SPRING SHOW AND SHOW.

Th fifth annual show spring show and sale of Northern Dairy Shorthorns was held at Leyburn Auction Mart on Thursday, when some good cattle were forward and met with a steady demand from a large crowd of buyers.

Championship winners were:—The Chairman's Cup for the best newly calven heifer, Mawer Hammond, Leyburn, £50; Leyburn Auction Mart's Cup for the best female, John Spink, Haughton-le-side, reserved at £70; Reserve champion, Mr M. Iveson, Leyburn Moor, £75; Leyburn Tradesmen's Cup for the best bull, Mrs D. Robinson, Low Newstead, £70.

Other results:— Cow or heifer in milk with more than four broad teeth—1st, M. Iveson, Leyburn Moor; 2, Messrs J. R. Hudson and Sons, Marriforth, res. £60; 3, H. W. Horn, Castle Bolton, £58. Cow or heifer to calve May or to August—1, R. H. Metcalfe, Maythorn, Leyburn, £74; 2, J. F. Lister, Gammersgill, £57. Cow or heifer to calve September to November—1, J. Spink, res. £70; 2, M. D. Portre, Healaugh, £57 10s.; 3, M. Hammond, Leyburn, £57 10s. Heifer in milk or in calf—1, J. Spink; 2, M. Hammond, £50; 3, J. W. Binks, Caldbergh, res. £50. Recorded cow or heifer—M. Hammond, £57 10s. Bull—Mrs Robinson, Low Newstead, £70; 2, R. Metcalfe, Arkengarthdale, £51; 3, W. Calvert, Keld, £62.

Other prices included: Cows in milk, £50 to £74; attested males, £40 to £71; supervised females, £55 to £77 10s.; supervised males, £47 to £48; non-attested cows, £48 to £60; non-attested males, £36 to £58.

Mr Bert Metcalfe was the auctioneer and the judges were Messrs T. Tarn, Nateby, Kirkby Stephen, and Mr G. Wearmouth, Cotherstone. The referee was Mr William Rowling, of Cockermouth.

Middleton-in-Teesdale Mart.

Tuesday, May 16th.—Bull, I. Tarn, £15. Geld—W. J. Busby, £30 15s.; T. Hutchinson, £21 15s. Bullocks—F. Coatsworth, £13 15s., £15 10s. Heifer—T. Hutchinson, £16 10s. Sheep: Geld ewes—J. Bussey, £3 2s.; J. R. Addison, 55s.; T. Davison, 56s.; J. W. Watson, 65s., £9 17s. H.B.); J. Beadle, 70s.; I. Tarn, 127s. (Wensleydale); Mrs Wearmouth, 105s.; E. Hutchinson, 56s.; H. V. Temple, 62s. 6d. Ewes and lambs—T. Davison, 120s. 110s.; J. W. Watson, 121s.; P. Bainbridge, 118s.; J. Beadle, 70s., 91s.; S. Bainbridge, 90s.; T. Collinson, Harker Springs, 78s.; J. Walton, 66s.; J. G. Walton and Son, 75s.; A. Metcalfe, 99s. res.; J. S. Coulthard, 132s.; Mrs Wearmouth, 106s.; E. Hutchinson, 70s., 67s. (Herd wicks); H. V. Temple, 123s.; J. W. Collinson and Son, 100s. B.F. gimmer hoggs — S. Bainbridge, 53s.; I. Tarn, 67s.; E. Robson, 86s.; S. Nicholson, 32s., 58s.; S. Ireland, 62s.; E. Hutchinson, 78s.

BARNARD CASTLE MART.

Weekly prize show and sale of calved cows and heifers (including 25 attested) met a good trade.

Attested—1, J. G. Beadle and Son, Eggleston, £74; 2, I. H. Hutchinson, Langleydale £74; W. J. Thompson, Etherley, £75; G. Collinson, Forest, £74 10s.; C. Morton, Woodland, heifer £70 10s.; G. W. Foster, Bowes, £67; J. G. Gargate, Middleton., £66; E. M. Kipling, Bowes, heifer £66; F. T. Littlefair and Son, Staindrop, £65; C. Grise, Staindrop, £64; R. W. Hutchinson, Langleydale, £61; E. M. Wearmouth, Forest, £60 10s.; A. Mitchell, Bolton, £57 10s., J. M. Alderson, Barras, £55 10s.

Non-attested—2, H. Marwood, Whashton, £54 10s.; J. Stout, Whorlton, £52 10s.; H. Heaviside, Cockfield, £50; Capt. F. S. Beadon, £47; Mrs Heads, Cockfield, £44; J. E. Hind, Stainmore, £44; G. W. Binks, Field House, £38; R. Raine, Wolsingham, £43 10s. J. Addison, Lunedale, heifer £43; S. Fenwick, Caldwell, £42;; Sir F. Milbank, £41 10s. 93 store cattle to £51.

Radio Luxembourg

SUNDAY, 28th MAY.

2-30—The Stanley Holloway Show with Billy Mayerl Orchestra. 3.00—Hollywood Calling! Presenting the stars of M.G.M. 3-15—Edmundo Ros and his Music Box. A programme of Latin American Music. 3-30—The Gracie Fields Half Hour with the Keynotes and Billy Ternent Orchestra, Bernard Braden 4-00—Masters of Melody, Cahn and Styne. 4-15—True Story Programme £35 to be won each week. 4-15—Opportunity Knocks, Hughie Green as Master of Ceremonies with Cyril Stapleton Orchestra. 5-00—Sons of the Pioneers, Hillbilly programme. 5-15—Carroll Gibbons and Savoy Hotel Orchestra with Alan Dean. 5-30—Max Wall in Radio Roundabout, Miff Ferrie Orchestra. 6-00—Introducing Mecca Dancing, This week the Locarno, Streatham. 6-15—Ovaltineys' Concert Party. 6-30—Jo Stafford, Time for a Song. 7-00 - 9-30—Continental Programme 9-30—Richard Attenborough's Tanner Tunes. Make a bid for your request. Proceeds to S.S.A.F.A. 10-00—Jack Jackson, Strictly off the Record. 10-30—Fred Hartley and his music with Brian Lawrence. Music in the bedside manner. 11.00—Top Twenty, Last week's best selling songs. Midnight—Close down.

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TO DARLINGTON Every Wed. & Sat. to 3rd June Middleton-in-Teesdale dep. 11-35am 3/9, Mickleton 11-39 3/6, Romaldkirk 11-44 3/3, Cotherstone 11-49am 3/-; return 4-10, 5-30 or 7 p.m.

TO REDCAR, MARSKE & SALTBURN (Redcar fares shown) Sundays 28th May and 4th June Bd. Castle dep. 9-45am 5/3, Broomielaw 9-50 5/3; Return from Redcar 6-23 pm. Marske 6-15, Saltburn 6-10 pm.

Every Mon. Wed. & Sat. to 3rd June Bd. Castle dep. 8-8am 8/2; also from Broomielaw 8-14 am 7/9, Winston 8-20am 7/-; For return times see handbill.

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