



Grim determination during the bowling competition at Bridge fete on Saturday, organised by the Hospital League of Friends.

## Bridge fete helps the hospitals

A recruiting campaign and money-raising effort was launched by the Bridge Group of the Friends of Canterbury Hospitals at a fete and open day at The Close, Bridge, on Saturday. The afternoon raised £200.

Opening the fete, the chairman of Bridge-Blean Rural Council, Cllr. Dr. R. A. C. McIntosh, who is also a vice-patron of The Close, said that the Bridge Group of the Friends collected £220 last year and that money was spent on providing comforts, not only at The Close but also at the Kent and Canterbury Hospital, Highland Court, and they made a donation to the new Post-graduate Medical Centre in Canterbury.

"The Group," he continued, "considers that it now needs to collect somewhere near £300 and would like to see its present membership of 371 raised to 400. I know there have been a lot of new houses built in Bridge and I am quite sure there are enough people to swell the membership to this target."

The chairman of the Group, the Rev. C. Perry, had earlier introduced Cllr. Dr. McIntosh and thanked all those who worked for the Group, especially those who helped organise the fete. The secretary, Mrs. F. Apps, proposed a vote of thanks to Cllr. Dr. McIntosh.

Apart from the sideshows and competitions, there was a miniature cinema. Pupils from Bridge Primary School gave a display

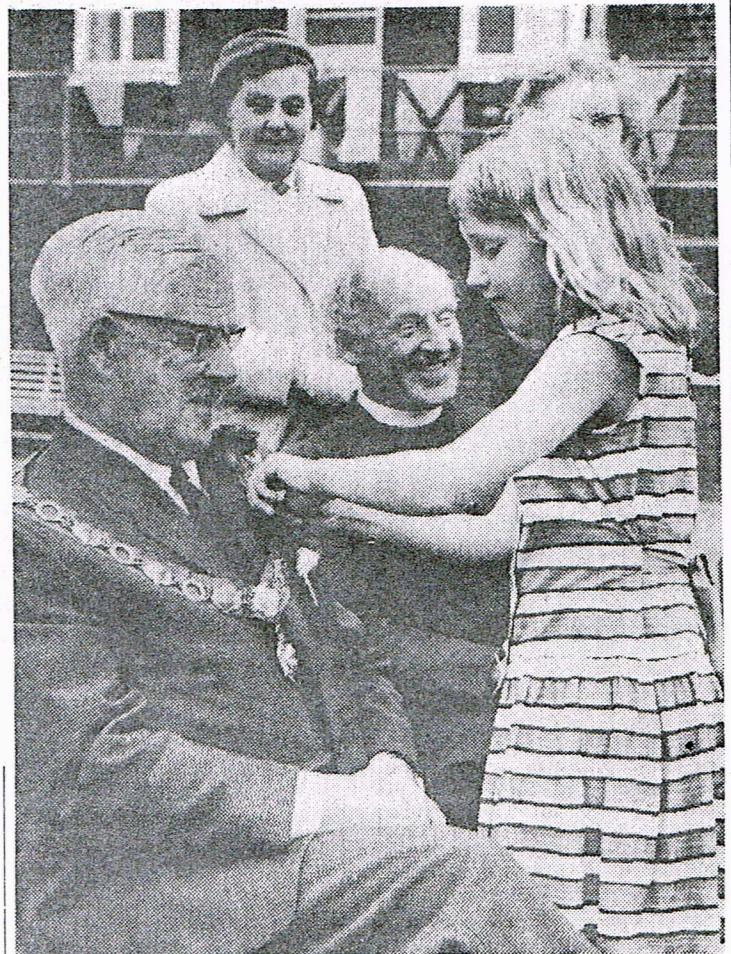
and the band of the 5th (Volunteer) Battalion The Queen's Regiment played during the afternoon.

Stallholders: Soft drinks, Mrs. I. Morgan and Mrs. G. Beaumont; cakes, staff of The Close; home-made gifts, Mrs. W. Clarke and Mrs. E. Webb; fancy goods, Sister J. Bryant and helpers; sweets, Mrs. F. Apps and Miss M. Wraight; kitchenware, Mrs. M. Jones and Mrs. I. Lawrence; jackpot, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Milton; jumble, Miss Williams and helpers; cinema, Mr. J. Purchase.

Wheel of fortune, Mr. O. Thomas; bowling for a prize, Mr. J. Morgan and Mr. E. C. Pomroy; treasure hunt, Graham and Nicholas Smith; the Friends' display counter, Mr. Pratt; rolling the ball, 1st Bridge Brownies; guess the weight of the cake, Mrs. F. Wimpory; raffles, Mr. Pratt and Mr. Turpin; teas, Mrs. Pratt and helpers; darts, Christian Urwin; name the dolly, Mrs. Ladd.

## Castle fete

Villagers dressed in costumes of the 1780's will parade at the fete organised by Lympne Parish Council at Lympne Castle, near Hythe, on Saturday. Apart from the many usual types of stalls, there will be a display by Police dogs, and the band of the Royal Fusiliers will play throughout the afternoon. It will be opened by the Castle's owner, Mrs. H. Margary, at 2 p.m.



Cllr. Dr. R. A. C. McIntosh, chairman of Bridge-Blean Rural Council, receives a button-hole after declaring Bridge fete open.