

Tickets can be obtained from the Kent County Cricket Club headquarters at the St. Lawrence Ground.

but had walked out again before the meeting was held. The public hearing was adjourned until Tuesday.



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St. Nicholas. There was a total of 294 signatures from an area with just short of 1,000 tenants—or about one-third.

The Finance and General Purposes Committee reported that it had met a deputation from the Association and received a copy of a statement setting out the Association's objections and suggested alterations.

The chairman (Cllr. George Bishop) had said that this would have to be studied in detail and asked if the Association had anything to add.

A spokesman then asked that the increase should not be implemented pending the full consideration of the points made by the Association.

### Deputation

After the deputation had left, however, the committee considered this request and decided that the Housing Revenue Account should not be allowed to build up a deficit while the committee considered the protest or while it considered the possibility of a rent rebate scheme being introduced.

The committee recommended that the Council stick to its decision to increase rents on July 3; that the Rent Sub-Committee be authorised to deal with the objections; and that the sub-committee meet as soon as possible without waiting for an anticipated circular from the Government on rent rebate schemes.

The Council agreed and Cllr. Bishop said they were most anxious that the sub-committee should be convened at the earli-

est possible date. A rebate scheme should not be considered the cure-all for this problem."

## A walk with an incentive

Forty-five youngsters set out on Friday from Canterbury Cathedral to walk the 60 miles to St. Paul's Cathedral. The incentive was £300.

While rain poured down nine of the members of the Aylesham Baptist Youth Club carried on and arrived in London at 3 p.m. on Saturday.

They were walking for sponsors, whose contributions went to pay off the debt on the Aylesham Baptist Hall. Although a number dropped out on the way, all the sponsors paid up and the debt is now paid, with extra money going towards Youth Club equipment.

The walk was organised by the Rev. Keith Clarke, Baptist Minister and youth leader, and his wife was sponsored for the highest amount — 17/8 a mile.

One of the walkers, 16-year-old John Kyle, persuaded 60 of his workmates to sponsor him for 1d. a mile each and the others collected from family, friends and colleagues.

Before the walkers set out on Friday Canon H. M. Waddams led prayers in the Cathedral.

## farewells to doctor

"Our doctor—and our friend. These words sum up the tributes paid to Dr. Roger Hunter, of Bridge, by a host of well-wishers at a presentation ceremony held at The C. Bridge, on Wednesday evening to mark his semi-retirement from medical practice after years.

Mr. A. Stickels, chairman of the Bridge Parish Council, came as visitors residents of Bosingham, Petham and Foston. Everyone regretted that ill-health had compelled Dr. Hunter to give up visiting, they were very pleased to know he would still be doing his surgery work.

It was this situation that prompted the suggestion that a presentation fund be opened.

On behalf of Patrician residents, Mr. Paul Green said Dr. Hunter had earned their gratitude and affectionate sentiments which were expressed by Mr. H. T. Price, of Bridge.

Mrs. Urwin, Matron at the C. Bridge, expressed their thanks. Dr. Hunter for his service as Medical Officer. He would be greatly missed.

Mr. Michael P. Young presented an inscribed wallet, a pair of binoculars and a chair subscribed for by Bridge, Brixbourne, Bekesbourne and Bishopsbourne.

### A presentation

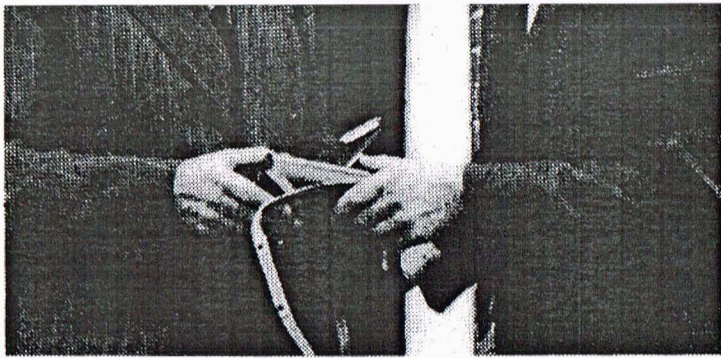
Mrs. E. Keeler, of King's C. Bridge, made a presentation and Dr. Hunter received a bouquet from Miss Alexandra Vaughan.

After some light-hearted references to his early days at Bridge, Dr. Hunter expressed the thanks of his wife and himself for all the generosity shown to them.

He had learned by experience that medicine was a relation between doctor and patient which kindness was more appreciated than mere cleverness.

He also thanked the residents of Bosingham, Petham and Kingston for their gifts of a gold pencil, a gold watch and a record player which had been presented previously.

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In his closing remarks, Mr. Stickels mentioned that every penny subscribed to the fund had been used for that purpose, the expenses having been met by a group of friends.

Thanks were due to all who had helped in organising the fund and to the Superintendent and Matron for the use of The Close and its facilities.



Villagers from Bridge, Patricxbourne, Bekesbourne and Bishopsbourne watch the presentations to Dr. Roger Hunter on Wednesday.

## Shot fired at train?

Police were investigating the possibility of a shot having been fired at a London to Canterbury train as it passed the A.B.C. steps at Harbledown on Wednesday evening.

The incident was reported by the guard when the train arrived at Canterbury East Station with a window smashed. No-one was hurt.