

The Amateur WINEMAKER

From the Editor's Chair



SOUTHPORT 1969

As we pen these notes the ink on the results sheets of the eleventh National Conference and Show at Southport is hardly dry, and winners are still undoubtedly in that golden haze of glory which a triumph against such stiff opposition engenders.

It is therefore too early to see the whole weekend in true perspective or to assess accurately gains and losses, financial or social. One's first impressions, however, are that this was a highly successful conference, thoroughly enjoyed by everyone who attended, and there is no doubt that the National Executive are to be complimented upon a grand job of organisation which, to the ordinary visitor, was virtually faultless.

Just how much work is entailed in organising a wine show of some 3,500 entries is still not generally realised, except, possibly, by those who have the running of regional or other large shows, and to ensure that all those bottles reach their right place on the show bench—and their rightful owners afterwards, is a mammoth task. So is that of the awards secretary, who, to allocate the Show's ever-growing array of trophies, is involved in ever-more-complicated permutations of points scored. Both these tasks were carried out to the general satisfaction.

But so were all the other hard and so often thankless chores entailed in the running of what is now a large and important Conference.

With such an entry—the biggest ever—and such an attendance, our Conference and Show is indeed now very firmly established, and all seems set fair for the future of both it and of the National Association.

Socially the Conference was undoubtedly one of the best so far, more free time having been allowed for meeting friends and social contact, and the civic reception and ball was a real highlight, with the Southport Corporation proving most generous hosts.

The only mild criticism we heard was that accommodation in some cases could have been better (and more 'accommodating' about late hours) but against this charges were reasonable and in most cases the welcome was warm and friendly.

Congratulations, therefore, to committee, exhibitors, and all who attended upon a most enjoyable weekend. Roll on. Brighton!

Since production of the May "AW" was well advanced by the end of the conference we have not, unfortunately, been able to include photographs or as full a report as we would like, though we held back pages to accommodate results and the main report. See our next issue for more! — Editor.

SOUTHPORT:

"One of the best ever"

There is no doubt that Southport 1969 will remain in the minds of those who attended as one of the outstandingly successful National Conferences and Shows.

As regards the "Show" part of the title, it was also certainly the biggest ever, with some 3,500 bottles on the shelves, and necessitating an overflow hall for its accommodation.

The attendance was high, and although exact figures are not available, must have been well over the thousand. Certainly over 800 people enjoyed what was the highlight of the Conference, the Civic reception on the Saturday night.

Socially Southport gave the Conference a warm welcome, even if weatherwise the reception was cold and blustery. The Guildhall offered varied and convenient accommodation, with the main wine show and exhibits in the Ballroom and a smaller section of the show and the trade stands in an adjacent hall, an arrangement that seemed to work quite well. Trade stands included Winemakers Equipment Ltd., The "Amateur Winemaker," "Sweet 'n' Dry," Colley Nockolds Ltd. and Vina Ltd., and there was a most impressive array of prizes on the draw stand set up by Mrs. F. Stagg and her helpers.

Staging was complete by late Friday night, when the judges and their stewards were briefed in the Council chamber by "Andy" Andrews. The quite elaborate council chamber of Southport's "city fathers" made a most unusual setting for lectures and debates, and was packed to the doors for all of them. So big was the wine show, incidentally, that the whole membership of the Guild of Judges—about 80—had to be called upon to cope with it, only two being unavoidably absent.

Judging took the whole of Saturday morning, and there was a sequel for half an hour after tea when Judges stood by their classes to explain their findings to competitors: always a valued and appreciated exercise, this.

EPSOM'S DAY

Epsom Downs emerged as the Circle with the most points, winning the coveted "AW" shield, and Mr. G. Holt, of Epsom, carried off the Bournemouth Master Winemakers' Cup for most points in the general classes, with last year's winner, Mrs. R. Dodds, as runner-up. But a pleasant feature, as a glance at the trophy list will show, was that this year the main awards were well scattered over the country—Epsom, Wickford, Bexley Heath, Derby, Oxford, Merseyside, Totnes, Harrow, Bournemouth, Twickenham, Reading, Mid-Cheshire, Birmingham, Liphook and South London. . . .

A lecture in the Council chamber by Mr. Ken Hill on home brewing—reported separately—was followed by an "Any Questions?" session chaired by "AW" editor C. J. J. Berry, for which the members of the panel were Mr. W. Millett, Mr. B. C. A. Turner, Mr. A. Ritchie, and Mr. S. W. Andrews. They dealt with questions ranging from beer judging (with the help of Don Hebbs!) and wine yeasts, to wines as aphrodisiacs and "should winemakers make money out of their hobby?"

LIVELY RECEPTION

The highlight of Saturday, however, for everyone was without the slightest doubt the splendid civic reception and dance in the floral Hall, on the Southport esplanade, in the evening. The hall was full, but not uncomfortably so, and the function was thoroughly enjoyed by well over 800. The company were entertained by the Mayor and Corporation of Southport, who provided an excellent buffet supper for everyone. Needless to say, everyone's wines were much in evidence, and there was some spirited dancing.

. . . . which brings us to the subject of the cabaret, provided (officially) by an acrobatic turn, and by a Southport lass and (unofficially) by one of our wine judges, Mrs. Jean Nicholls, whose dancing achieved the ultimate—everyone else stopped dancing and crowded round to watch

There is no doubt that the evening finished on a highly operational note, and we hear that in some hotels was protracted until about 5 a.m. There were some tender heads on Sunday morning.

Nevertheless Dr. Webb had a full attendance for his lecture on judging, and the main hall was crowded to capacity for the final prize-giving, which the Mayor of Southport performed with great gusto and good humour; he, too, obviously thoroughly enjoyed the Conference and made a most charming host.

The President thanked him for his hospitality and it only remained for the Chairman to sum up the Conference as "one of the best that we have had. Things have gone very smoothly; we can go away feeling that we have enjoyed ourselves for the whole of the Conference period"—for which he thanked the individual members, and the local Circles for all the work they had put in.

FULL LIST OF RESULTS

TROPHY WINNERS

"Amateur Winemaker" Shield (most points) Epsom Downs Circle.
Bournemouth Master Winemakers' Cup (most points, classes 8-37): G. Holt (Epsom)
Hill Cup (runner-up, Classes 8-37): Mrs. R. Dodds (Wickford), Mr. J. George (Bexley Heath)
Turner Trophy (Classes 38-39): Mr. D. Bowler (Derby).
Atcherley Trophy (Classes 40-46): Mr. G. Collyer (Pressed Steel Fisher).
Cedric Austin Cup (Classes 47-51): Mrs. S. Hill (Merseyside).
Wilf Newsom Cup (Classes 55-57): Mr. & Mrs. F. P. Russell (Totnes).
Temple Tankard (runner-up, Classes 55-57): Mr. D. Moon (Harrow).
Lucas Cup (Bournemouth members): Mr. F. Benton (Bournemouth).
Gordon Instone Cup (Classes 60-61): Mr. G. Purton (Southall).
Beall Trophy (Middlesex members): Mrs. M. Gregory (Twickenham).
Eric Malin Trophy (Classes 1-4): V. Owen (Reading).
Bastin Cup (Classes 5-6): Dr. P. Dransfield (Mid-Cheshire) and Mrs. I. Chambers (Birmingham).
Vina Trophy (Classes 1-6): Dr. P. Dransfield (Mid-Cheshire).
Marconi Club Trophy (Class 7): Twickenham.
Shaw Porter Cup (Classes 11-20): G. Holt (Epsom).
Andrews Cup (Class 20): Mrs. P. Lee (Liphook).
Roycroft Cup (Classes 25-33): Mr. & Mrs. F. P. Russell (Totnes).
Southern Vineyards Trophy (Class 34): Mrs. M. Gregory (Twickenham).
Loftus Cup (Class 35): W. Shand (South London).
Hidalgo Trophy (Classes 36-37): Mrs M. Gregory (Twickenham).

MEMBERS' CLASSES

- 1. Table, red, dry:** (Judges; Dr. P. Dransfield, G. Lloyd). 1 Mrs. M. Gregory (Twickenham), 2 W. Smith (Bishops Cleeve), 3 F. Forster (Faversham), 4 A. Newton (Hull), 5 W. Aggas (B'mouth), F. Rose (Harrow), I. Addis (Luton), L. Argent (Marconi), v.h.c. Mr. & Mrs. T. Buxton (Cleveland), h.c. Mr. & Mrs. F. Russell (Totnes).
- 2. Table, white, dry:** (Judges; Mrs. Nicholls, F. Haswell). 1 Mr. & Mrs. E. Smith (Wolverhampton), 2 Mr. K. Gunn (South London), 3 Mr. R. Johnson (Crosby), 4 Mr. K. Bilham (Epsom).
- 3. Table, white, medium sweet:** (Judges; L. Gilbertson, L. Stagg). 1 Mrs. P. Gough (Hounslow), 2 V. Goffen (Liphook), 3 V. Owen (Reading), 4 A. Boyles (Epsom), 5 D. Halliday (Lockheed), Mrs. F. Stagg (Birmingham), v.h.c. R. Ward (Coventry), h.c. Mr. & Mrs. H. MacEachern (Merseyside).
- 3. Rose:** (Judges; D. Rouston, A. Rowland, I. O. Barton (Solihull), 2 P. Delmon (Northampton), 3 V. Owen (Reading), 4 C. Chambers (Birmingham), 5 W. Luger (Bramcote), v.h.c. A. Boyle (Epsom), h.c. Mrs. P. Outen (Pressed Steel Fisher).
- 5. Dessert, red:** (Judges; Mrs. Golding, Mrs. Austin). 1 Mrs. I. Chambers (Birmingham), 2 Mr. K. Gunn (South London), 3 G. Davies (Reading), 4 Mrs. Smith (Wolverhampton) 5 D. Gray (Stockton), v.h.c. F. Trivett (Nottingham), h.c. G. Holt (Epsom).
- 6. Dessert, white:** (Judges; V. Goffen, S. G. Finch). 1 Dr. P. Dransfield (Mid-Cheshire), 2 Mrs. W. Luker (Guildford), 3 Mrs. M. Gregory (Twickenham), 4 S. Hadlow (Faversham), 5 Mrs. R. Dodds (Wickford), F. Rose (Harrow), v.h.c. Mrs. G. Blacklock (Heighington), h.c. Mrs. E. Eaton (Manchester).

CIRCLE CHAMPIONSHIP

- 7. Table, white, dry,** (Judges; Mrs. S. Hill, Mrs. R. C. Lucas). 1 Twickenham, 2 Southall, 3 Northampton, 4 Wellingborough,

GENERAL

- 8. Flower, sweet:** (Judge: Mrs. A. Beall). 1 Mr. & Mrs. S. Pickford (Fyde), 2 Mr. & Mrs. E. Smith (Wolverhampton), 3 D. Wyles (Luton), 4 Mrs. R. Dodds (Wickford), 5 Mr. J. O'Connor (Crosby), v.h.c. Mr. & Mrs. J. Dodd (Southport), h.c. Mrs. T. Kitching (Preston).
- 9. Elderflower, sweet:** (Judge: Mrs. S. Addinall). 1 Mrs. T. Kitching (Preston), 2 Mr. & Mrs. A. Mountford (Birmingham) 3 D. Bowler (Derby), 4 Mrs. J. Miller (B.E.A. Silver Wings)
- 10. Rose petal, sweet:** (Judge: Mrs. P. Farmer). 1 A. Jubb (Crosby), 2 W. McCarthy (Ilford), 3 Mrs. M. Meadows (Widnes) 4 Mrs. W. Bell (Bishops Cleeve), v.h.c. Mr. & Mrs. W. Barnett (Southall), h.c. J. O'Connor (Crosby).
- 11. Fruit, red, dry:** (Judge; S. Trivett). 1 L. Parker (Southampton), 2 G. Holt (Epsom), C. Kent (Harrow), D. Saunders (Middlesbrough), 5 Cmdr. W. Cornish-Bowden (Totnes).
- 12. Elderberry, red, dry:** (Judges; W. Harvey, E. D. Evans), 1 J. O'Connor (Crosby), 2 Mrs. A. Lilley (Manchester), 3 S. Buckley (Luton), 4 T. Marshall (Merseyside), Mrs. R. Dodds (Wickford), R. Haslam (Manchester).

- 13. Fruit, red, sweet:** (Judges; A. Ackroyd, K. Bilham). 1 G. Holt (Epsom), 2 Mrs. M. Gregory (Twickenham), 3 R. Sawford (King's Lynn), 4 Mr. & Mrs. E. Wrigley (Halifax), 5 Mr. & Mrs. A. E. Mountford (Birmingham), Mr. & Mrs. W. Fairholme (Nottingham), F. Forster (Faversham).
- 14. Blackberry, sweet:** (Judges; Mrs. A. Saunders, F. Bastin), 1 Mrs. D. Salmon (Guildford), 2 Mrs. R. Dodds (Wickford), 3 Mr. & Mrs. M. Sims (Solihull), 4 W. Owen (Bishops Cleeve), 5 Mrs. A. Dovey (Wakefield), C. Johnson (Solihull), H. Burrell (West Kent), v.h.c. K. Robinson (S.T.C. Paignton), h.c. Miss A. Jones, (Ellesmere).
- 15. Elderberry, sweet:** (Judges; O. Smart, R. Brooksbank). 1 Mr. & Mrs. Wrigley (Halifax), 2 N. Garratt, (Ellesmere), 3 Mr. & Mrs. A. Brocklehurst (Merseyside), 4 Mrs. M. Wood, (W. Kent), 5 D. Gray (Stockton), Mrs. B. Conyers (Hull), v.h.c. H. Needham (Furness), h.c. J. O'Connor (Crosby).
- 16. Citrus, white, dry:** (Judge; P. Delmon). 1 Mrs. R. Dodds (Wickford), 2 Mrs. M. Wood (W. Kent), 3 W. Elliott (Barnsley), 4 Mr. & Mrs. M. Sims (Solihull), 5 W. Owen (Bishops Cleeve), v.h.c. Mrs. M. Broadwater (British Radio Corp.), h.c. C. Caldwell (Kidderminster).
- 17. Citrus, white, sweet:** (Judges; T. R. Brown, W. B. Smith). 1 J. George (Bexley Heath), 2 Mrs. B. Baker (W. Kent), 3 M. Wallin (Pressed Steel Fisher), 4 G. Holt (Epsom), 5 Mr. & Mrs. C. Chambers (Birmingham).
- 18. Apple, white, sweet:** (Judge; J. Toule). 1 J. George (Bexley Heath), 2 N. Radford (Mirlifax), 3 Mrs. W. Bell (Bishops Cleeve), 4 G. Holt (Epsom), 5 Mrs. & Mrs. W. Barnett (Southall), v.h.c. Mrs. B. Baker (W. Kent), h.c. H. Cooke (Liphook).
- 19. Fruit, white, sweet:** (Judges; W. Grainer, D. Rudkin). 1 F. Forster (Faversham), 2 Mrs. W. Bell (Bishops Cleeve), 3 G. Daplyn (W. Kent), 4 G. Holt (Epsom), 5 Mr. & Mrs. Ward (Coventry), F. Crook (Preston), F. Hearnden, v.h.c. J. George (Bexley Heath), h.c. K. Sparks (Ilford).
- 20. Fruit, white, dry:** (Judges; F. Spark, C. G. Howden). 1 Mrs. P. Lee (Liphook), 2 R. Pegg (Liverpool), 3 Mr. & Mrs. D. Abruzzi (Manchester), 4 Mrs. G. Blacklock (Heighinton), 5 Mrs. P. Outen (Pressed Steel Fisher), v.h.c. Mr. & Mrs. W. Barnett (Southall), h.c. L. Green (W. Kent).
- 21. Blended, dry:** (Judge; W. Millett). 1 J. O'Connor (Crosby), 2 Mrs. N. Boyes (Crosby), 3 Mrs. D. Harrison (Nottingham), 4 J. Harper (Ellesmere), v.h.c. Mrs. V. Gallimore (Southport), h.c. D. Lowe (Ross on Wye).
- 22. Blended, sweet:** (Judges: Dr. G. Faxman, C. Rickman). 1 D. Bowler (Derby), 2 F. Benton (Bournemouth), 3 G. Collyer (Pressed Steel Fisher), 4 S. Bagot (Wakefield), 5 Mr. & Mrs. W. Barnett (Southall), S. Hadlow (Faversham), v.h.c. Mr. & Mrs. W. Fairholme, (Nottingham), h.c. W. Clements (Belfast).
- 23. Mead, dry:** (Judge; L. Hender). 1 Mrs. R. Dodds (Wickford), 2 Miss A. Jones (Ellesmere), 3 Mr. & Mrs. E. Smith (Wolverhampton), v.h.c. Mr. & Mrs. C. Chambers (Birmingham) h.c. Mr. & Mrs. M. Warts (W. Kent).
- 24. Mead, sweet:** (Judge; L. Hender). 1 J. George (Bexley Heath), 2 C. Howarth, 3 Mr. & Mrs. M. Sims (Solihull), v.h.c. S. Miles (W. Kent), h.c. C. Johnson (Solihull).
- 25. Aperitif, dry:** (Judge; A. C. Pickering). 1 D. Gray (Stockton), 2 J. Stevenson (Nottingham), 3 Mrs. M. Bingham (Nottingham), 4 Mrs. J. Miller (B.E.A. Silver Wings), 5 K.

Gunn (S. London), v.h.c. Mrs. P. Outen (Pressed Steel Fisher), h.c. E. Maynard (W. Kent).

26. **Aperitif, sweet:** (Judge: L. Argent). 1. Mrs. G. Andrew (Ross on Wye), 2 Mr. & Mrs. M. Watts (W. Kent), 3 Mrs. M. Gregory (Twickenham), 4 Mrs. F. Handy (Birmingham), v.h.c. J. Harper (Ellesmere), h.c. Mrs. R. Dodds (Wickford).

27. **Table, red, dry:** (Judges: C. J. Berry, A. Francis). 1 Mr. & Mrs. F. Russell (Totnes), 2 J. George (Bexley Heath), 3 L. Clayton (Southall), 4 H. Harper (Grantham), 5 J. Row (Hemel Hempstead).

28. **Table, red, medium sweet:** (Judge: M. Chase). 1 D. Mudway (Crawley), 2 H. Harper (Grantham), 3 Mr. & Mrs. M. Simms (Solihull), 4 F. Rose (Harrow), 5 N. Newson (W. Kent), v.h.c. R. Haslam (Manchester), V. Owen (Reading), h.c. J. George (Bexley Heath).

29. **Table, rose:** (Judge: D. A. Conyers, A. Broadwater). 1 Mr. & Mrs. F. Russell (Totnes), 2 Mrs. M. Richardson (Coventry), Mrs. G. Shoesmith (Tadmorden), 4 W. Lugg (Bramcote), 5 L. Green (W. Kent), V. Owen (Reading), B. Parsons, v.h.c. V. Deane (Southall), h.c. Mrs. P. Outen (Pressed Steel Fisher).

30. **Table, white, dry:** (Judges: Mrs. P. Baker, E. Hickson). 1 G. Holt (Epsom), 5 Mrs. A. Lilley (Manchester), Mrs. R. Dodds (Wickford), 4 Mrs. A. Keitt (Bexhill and Hastings), v.h.c. J. Cairns (Crosby).

31. **White, medium sweet:** (Judges: Miss V. Clapham, M. Dickenson). 1 Mrs. P. Outen (Pressed Steel Fisher), 2 V. Owen (Reading), 3 Mrs. N. Harris (Southend), 4 F. Rose (Harrow), 5 W. Aggas (Bournemouth), C. Kent (Harrow), v.h.c. Mrs. M. Stead (Manchester), h.c. Mr. & Mrs. A. Mountford (Birmingham).

32. **Dessert, red:** (Judge: R. Skelton). 1 Dr. J. Harrison (Wembley), 2 Mrs. A. Dovey (Wakefield), 3 K. Gunn (S. London), 4 Mrs. M. Gregory (Twickenham), 5 J. J. O'Connor (Crosby), S. Wright (Bexhill and Hastings), v.h.c. Mr. & Mrs. W. Barnett (Southall), h.c. E. Miller (Epsom).

33. **Dessert, white:** (Judges: F. Leadbetter, J. Whiteman). 1 J. Pullinger (Guildford), 2 D. Wyles (Luton), 3 Mrs. G. Shoesmith (Tadmorden).

34. **Grape concentrate, red, dry:** (Judge: Mrs. D. Robb). 1 Mrs. M. Gregory (Twickenham), 2 Mr. C. Howarth, 3 E. Maynard (W. Kent), v.h.c. D. Morley (Nottingham), h.c. Mr. & Mrs. E. Wrigley (Halifax).

35. **Grape concentrate, red, sweet:** (Judge: Mrs. D. Robb). 1 W. Shand (S. London), 2 G. Holt (Epsom), 3 G. Meeking (Tay Valley), v.h.c. C. Newton (Shooters Hill), h.c. I. McDougall (Crosby).

36. **Grape concentrate, white, dry:** (Judge: D. Fairfield). 1 Mrs. M. Gregory (Twickenham), 2 Mr. & Mrs. A. Boyles (Epsom), 3 Mr. & Mrs. F. Russell (Totnes).

37. **Grape concentrate, white, medium sweet:** (Judge: D. Fairfield). 1 J. McNeil (W. Kent), 2 D. Gray (Stockton), 3 Mrs. B. Conyers (Hull), h.c. Mrs. M. Gregory (Twickenham).

38. **Three bottles, red:** (Judge: G. Woore, V. Vincent). 1 Mrs. M. Gregory (Twickenham), 2 J. George (Bexley Heath), 3 F. Rose (Harrow), v.h.c. I. McDougall (Crosby).

39. **3 bottles, white:** (Judges: R. C. Lucas, A. H. Ritchie). 1 D. Bowler (Derby), 2 V. Owen (Reading), 3 R. Brake, v.h.c. I. McDougall (Crosby), h.c. Mr. & Mrs. M. Watts (W. Kent).

RESTRICTED: BARRED TO PREVIOUS WINNERS

40. **Fruit, red, dry:** (Judge: G. McWilliams). 1 J. Greenfield (Nottingham), 2 Mrs. M. Simmons (Luton), 3 J. George (Bexley Heath), 4 Mrs. I. Cross (Widnes), 5 Mrs. J. Whiteman (Hull), v.h.c. C. Howarth, h.c. Mr. & Mrs. Sullivan (Southport).

41. **Elder, red, dry:** (Judge: Dr. C. B. Lucas). 1 L. Piper (Hounslow), 2 Mrs. M. Broadwater (British Radio Corporation), 3 W. Elliott (Barnsley), 4 Mrs. M. Davis (Tay Valley), v.h.c. D. Saunders (Middlesbrough), B. Maliphant (Pressed Steel Fisher), h.c. D. Halliday (Lockheed), D. Ives (York).

42. **Fruit, red, sweet:** (Judge: J. Wadhams). 1 G. White (Liphook), 2 Mrs. R. Hebbs (Twickenham), 3 Mrs. G. Pheasant (Three Rivers), 4 Mrs. M. Broadwater (British Radio Corp.), 5 R. Wilson (Stockton), v.h.c. Mrs. J. Whiteman (Hull), h.c. C. Griffiths.

43. **Elder, red, sweet:** (Judge: C. W. Martin). 1 C. Griffiths, 2 E. Baxter (Derby), 3 J. Greenfield (Nottingham), 4 Mr. & Mrs. Wrigley (Halifax), v.h.c. J. Birks (Pressed Steel Fisher), I. Craggs (Huyton), h.c. L. Piper (Hounslow), R. F. Keyhoe (Ellesmere).

44. **Fruit, white, dry:** (Judges: B. Turner, Dr. R. Webb). 1 G. Collyer (Pressed Steel Fisher), 2 R. F. Keyhoe (Ellesmere), 3 F. Lawson (Preston), 4 V. Deane (Southall), 5 D. Halliday (Lockheed), E. Gibson (Ellesmere), H. Tittle (Lockheed).

45. **Fruit, white, sweet:** (Judges: Mrs. E. Skelton, H. Beall). 1 G. Collyer (Pressed Steel Fisher), 2 Mrs. M. Mitchell (York), 3 N. Clegg (Rochdale), 4 G. Poulton (Manchester), 5 Mrs. B. Conyers (Hull), v.h.c. M. Wallin (Pressed Steel Fisher), h.c. Mr. & Mrs. A. Brocklehurst (Merseyside).

46. **Flower, white, sweet:** (Judge: Mrs. O. Trivett). 1 Mrs. M. Simmons (Luton), 2 R. Ruck (Faversham), 3 G. Eade (High Wych), 4 J. Birks (Pressed Steel Fisher), v.h.c. E. Swift (Merseyside), h.c. J. George (Bexley Heath).

JUDGES & STEWARDS

47. **Table, red, dry:** (Judge: C. Austin). 1 Mrs. S. Hill (Merseyside), 2 E. Tunnecliffe (Manchester), 3 G. Newton (Hull), 4 Mrs. R. Golding, v.h.c. Mrs. R. Jones (Hemel Hempstead), h.c. A. Francis (York).

48. **Table, white, dry:** (Judge: D. Lancaster). 1 K. Bilham (Epsom), 2 Mr. & Mrs. C. Tubb (Nottingham), 3 Dr. P. Dransfield (Mid Cheshire), 4 D. Sayers (Bexhill & Hastings), 5 S. W. Andrews, v.h.c. Mrs. R. Golding, h.c. Mrs. E. Tilt (Kidderminster).

49. **Dessert, red:** (Judge: E. Adcock). 1 J. Brewer (Cleveland), 2 W. Grainger (W. Kent), 3 Miss D. Washington (Southport), 4 Mrs. S. Hill (Merseyside), 5 D. Hebbs (Twickenham), v.h.c. G. Newton (Hull), h.c. J. Toule (Oakfield, Bristol).

50. **Dessert, white:** (Judge: B. Hutchinson). 1 E. Adcock (Harrow), 2 A. Dransfield (Kettering), 3 A. Francis (York), 4 Mrs. A. Beall (Winchmore), 5 F. Haswell (Southampton), v.h.c. W. Harvey (Bournemouth).

51. **Sparkling, white:** (Judge: Dr. Lucas). 1 F. Bastin (Harrow), 2 D. Hebbs (Twickenham), 3 J. Toule (Oakfield, Bristol), v.h.c. D. Sayers (Bexhill & Hastings).

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52. **Sherry type, dry:** (Judge: D. Fairfield). 1 Mrs. R. Dodds (Wickford), 2 R. Wappit (Hull), 3 E. Miller (Epsom), h.c. Mrs. M. Stead (Manchester).

53. **Sherry type, sweet:** (Judge: Mrs. M. Jackson). 1 Mrs. M. Stead (Manchester), 2 C. Kent (Harrow), 3 J. George (Bexley Heath), v.h.c. D. Wyles (Luton), h.c. D. Gray (Stockton).

54. **Port type:** (Judge: Mrs. M. Jackson). 1 T. Keene (Ross on Wye), 2 Mrs. K. Meyer (Kidderminster), 3 R. Pegg (Liverpool), v.h.c. J. O'Connor (Crosby), h.c. Mrs. G. Andrew (Ross on Wye).

BEER AND STOUT

55. **Pale ale:** (Judge: D. Hebbs). 1 Mr. & Mrs. E. P. Russell (Totnes), 2 A. Price (Pennine), 3 A. Briggs (Wakefield), 4 Mr. & Mrs. M. Sims (Solihull), 5 R. Haslam (Manchester), R. O'Neill (Bishops Cleeve), v.h.c. W. Wadeson (Cleveland), h.c. C. Morrow (Belfast).

56. **Brown beer:** (Judge: G. Newton). 1 K. Hill (Merseyside), 2 D. Moon (Harrow), 3 V. Owen (Reading), 4 Cm. W. Cornish-Bowden (Totnes), 5 E. Maynard (W. Kent), v.h.c. J. Binns (B.E.A. Silver wings), F. Foster (Faversham), h.c. T. Standen.

57. **Stout, Irish:** (Judge: G. Newton). 1 V. Whitehouse (Torbay), 2 R. Haslam (Manchester), 3 Mr. & Mrs. F. Russell (Totnes), 4 D. Moon (Harrow), 5 Mrs. T. Kitching (Preston), v.h.c. C. Morrow (Belfast), h.c. E. Clarke (B.E.A. Silver Wings).

COOKERY

58. **Savoury dish:** (Judge: Mrs. S. Hill). 1 Mrs. E. Quayle (Manchester), 2 Mrs. J. Shapland (Bookham), 3 Mrs. T. Maynard (W. Kent), 4 P. Chivers (Southampton).

59. **Sweet dish:** (Judge: Mrs. L. Lucas). 1 Mrs. E. Quayle (Manchester), 2 Mrs. M. Rudkin (Hull), 3 Mr. & Mrs. A. Boyles (Epsom), v.h.c. J. Shapland (Bookham).

DISPLAYS

60. **Display:** (Judge: Mrs. J. Adcock). 1 G. Purton (Southall), 2 Mr. & Mrs. Sullivan (Southport), 3 Totnes.

61. **Artistic exhibit:** (Judge: Mrs. Adcock). 1 Mrs. H. Fairfield (Harrow), 2 A. Stutt (Hull), 3 Mrs. V. Gallimore (Southport).

62. **Item of interest:** (Judges: K. Hill, P. Awbery). 2 L. Parker (Southampton), 3 W. Lax (Harrow).

63. **Presentation bottle:** (Judge: Mrs. Adcock). 1 Mrs. S. McLoughlin (Harrow), 2 G. Purton (Southall), 3 Mrs. E. Eaton (Manchester), 4 D. Sewell (Birmingham).

64. **Wine label:** (Judges: Mrs. Adcock, F. Bastin). 1 C. Wood (York), 2 K. Bilham (Epsom), 3 G. Holt (Epsom), 4 A. Mower (Billericay), v.h.c. H. Burrell (W. Kent), h.c. G. Eade (High Wych).

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Some happy people!



Trophy winners and representatives at the Southport National Show

Right-hand page: Shots of celebrities and other participants at the National—at the Saturday reception, the Brains Trust, Dr. Webb's talk, and prize-giving.

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