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# Queen Alexandra Memorial Hospital

WESTON-SUPER-MARE



## SOUVENIR

*of the opening of the Hospital*  
by

THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES  
*The DUKE and DUCHESS of YORK*

JULY 6<sup>TH</sup>

1928



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THE QUEEN ALEXANDRA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, WESTON-SUPER-MARE.

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PROGRAMME of the  
Ceremony of the Opening  
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QUEEN ALEXANDRA  
MEMORIAL HOSPITAL  
by Their Royal Highnesses  
THE DUKE AND  
DUCHESS OF YORK  
6th July, 1928

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## *Foreword.*

**S**EVENTY years ago, when a Westonian fell from some scaffolding and broke his leg rather badly, there was no hospital in the village, and no ambulance service. The poor fellow, in consequence, was driven the twenty miles in a jolting cart, over indifferent roads, to the Bristol Infirmary for treatment. This incident set the few Weston folk thinking, and the outcome was the erection of a small Cottage Hospital in the fields with four or five beds. This Building, since then, has been enlarged from time to time, and now we have arrived at the climax, through the free and open-handed liberality of everyone in Weston and its neighbourhood, and we see before us the great and wonderful Queen Alexandra Memorial Hospital. This, we trust, will for many years suffice for all the needs of the sick and suffering, who will always find its doors open.

Perhaps one of the greatest and most wonderful features in connection with this Hospital is that it has been paid for; we all helped, and we are all thankful.

Through the kindness of Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York in coming to Weston, the Hospital is having a splendid send-off, and we cannot be too thankful for their practical sympathy.

E. E. B.



THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF YORK.

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# *Programme*

## AT THE RAILWAY STATION (G.W.R.)

3.40 p.m. THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF YORK, attended by THE LADY HELEN GRAHAM (Lady-in-Waiting) and Mr. P. K. HODGSON, C.M.G., C.V.O., O.B.E. (Private Secretary), arrive at Weston-super-Mare Station.



Mr. J. J. JACKSON-BARSTOW (Deputy-Lieutenant of the County of Somerset) will present the CHAIRMAN OF THE WESTON-SUPER-MARE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL, and Lieut.-Colonel H. C. METCALFE, D.S.O. (Chief Constable for Somerset), to THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES.



The CHAIRMAN will present the following Ladies and Gentlemen :—

Mrs. T. ERNEST MACFARLANE.

Miss MOLLY MACFARLANE (who will present a bouquet to HER ROYAL HIGHNESS).

The TOWN CLERK and Mrs. SYDNEY C. SMITH.

The VICE-CHAIRMAN of the Council and Mrs. B. T. BUTTER.

The MEMBERS of the WESTON-SUPER-MARE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL and their WIVES :—

Mr. and Mrs. C. COLES  
Mr. and Mrs. H. J. FEAR  
Mr. J. H. HILLMAN and Mrs. M. TYLER  
Mr. F. J. HURST and Miss HURST  
Mrs. B. L. E. JONES  
Mr. and Mrs. J. J. LEAVER  
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. MASTERS  
Mr. and Mrs. E. W. PERRETT  
Mr. and Mrs. A. QUICK  
Mr. and Mrs. J. SALISBURY  
Mr. and Mrs. E. M. SMITH  
Mr. and Mrs. F. C. STEPHEN  
Mr. and Mrs. E. S. STRADLING  
Mr. and Mrs. J. G. WESTERN  
Mr. and Mrs. W. WILCOX  
Mr. and Mrs. F. YOUNG

The TOWN SURVEYOR and Mrs. HAROLD BROWN.

The MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH and Mrs. JOHN WALLACE.



The CHAIRMAN will read an Address of Welcome to THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES from the Weston-super-Mare Urban District Council.



HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS will reply.

## ROUTE

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THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES will proceed *via* :—

STATION ROAD  
WALLISCOTE ROAD  
MOORLAND ROAD, WEST  
UPHILL ROAD  
passing the ROYAL WEST OF ENGLAND SANATORIUM  
BEACH ROAD  
REGENT STREET  
HIGH STREET  
WATERLOO STREET  
THE BOULEVARD  
TO THE HOSPITAL

as under :—

- FIRST CAR.    H.R.H. THE DUKE OF YORK  
                  H.R.H. THE DUCHESS OF YORK
- SECOND CAR.    Mr. J. J. JACKSON-BARSTOW, H.M. Deputy-Lieutenant  
                  The LADY HELEN GRAHAM, Lady-in-Waiting  
                  Mr. P. K. HODGSON, Private Secretary  
                  Lt.-Colonel H. C. METCALFE, Chief Constable
- THIRD CAR.    THE LORD ERSKINE  
                  LADY MARJORIE ERSKINE  
                  THE CHAIRMAN OF THE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL  
                  (Mr. T. Ernest Macfarlane)  
                  Mrs. T. ERNEST MACFARLANE
- FOURTH CAR.    THE VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL  
                  (Mr. B. T. Butter)  
                  Mr. E. S. STRADLING  
                  The TOWN CLERK  
                  The TOWN SURVEYOR

## AT THE HOSPITAL

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4.30 p.m. THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES will arrive at the Queen Alexandra Memorial Hospital, in the Boulevard, Weston-super-Mare.



A Guard of Honour of the 4th Somerset Light Infantry, under the command of Captain V. ROUSE, will present the Royal Salute, and will be inspected by H.R.H. THE DUKE OF YORK. Colonel J. E. GIBBS, M.C., and Colonel G. FLEMMING, O.B.E., M.C., will be in attendance.



HER ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUCHESS OF YORK will inspect a unit of the Voluntary Aid Detachment (Somerset—16) of the British Red Cross Society, under the command of Mrs. J. H. BERE, and HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS will pass along the ranks of representatives of the Ex-Service Men and the British Legion, St. John Ambulance Brigade, and the Weston-super-Mare and District Nursing Association.



THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES will be received by the PRESIDENT OF THE HOSPITAL (Mr. Henry Butt, J.P., C.C.) and Mrs. BUTT.



HER ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUCHESS OF YORK will be presented with a basket of flowers by the Misses JILL and BRIDGET JAMES and with a Commemoration Medal for HER ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCESS ELIZABETH by Miss VALDA KELSON.



The PRESIDENT will present HER ROYAL HIGHNESS with a key with which to open the Entrance Door of the New Hospital.

THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES, escorted by the PRESIDENT and Mrs. BUTT, will proceed along the Drive to the Portico, as under :—

THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES

Mr. and Mrs. HENRY BUTT

Lady HELEN GRAHAM

Mr. P. K. HODGSON, C.M.G., C.V.O., O.B.E.

Mr. J. J. JACKSON-BARSTOW, D.L., J.P.

Lieutenant-Colonel H. C. METCALFE, D.S.O.

The Lord and Lady MARJORIE ERSKINE

Brigadier-General H. C. FRITH, C.B.

Colonel J. E. GIBBS, M.C. and The Lady HELENA GIBBS

Colonel G. FLEMMING, O.B.E., M.C. and Mrs. FLEMMING

Mr. and Mrs. T. ERNEST MACFARLANE

and the Members and Officials of the U.D.C. of  
Weston-super-Mare



Under the Portico, the PRESIDENT will present the following Ladies and Gentlemen to their ROYAL HIGHNESSES :—

| Name.                                | Designation.                                          |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| Mr. and Mrs. ERNEST E. BAKER ...     | Past President, Joint Honorary Secretary              |
| Miss SYBIL B. BAKER ... ..           | Vice-President Ladies' Linen League                   |
| Miss SOPHIA BUTT ... ..              | "The Henry Butt" Ward                                 |
| Mr. F. C. BANWELL ... ..             | Sub-Contractor                                        |
| Miss LUCY A. BERE ... ..             | The Matron                                            |
| Captain and Mrs. H. G. PICTON DAVIES | Joint Honorary Secretary                              |
| Mr. LESLIE J. FURLAND ... ..         | Clerk to the Governors                                |
| Mrs. ARTHUR V. JAMES ... ..          | Vice-President Ladies' Linen League                   |
| Mrs. B. KELSON ... ..                | Vice-President Ladies' Linen League                   |
| Mr. HAROLD KING ... ..               | The Somerset County Council                           |
| Mr. JESSE MARCHE ... ..              | Vice-President of the Hospital                        |
| Sir WILLIAM and Lady PEAKE MASON     | High Sheriff of Somerset                              |
| Dr. and Mrs. F. N. KAY MENZIES ...   | Advisor on Building Scheme                            |
| Mr. and Mrs. R. H. P. ORDE ... ..    | The British Red Cross Society                         |
| Mr. and Mrs. THOMAS A. POLE ... ..   | The Architect                                         |
| Mr. and Mrs. H. C. SPARKS ... ..     | Foreman to Messrs. Hayward & Wooster, the Contractors |
| Mr. and Mrs. GILBERT STOKES ... ..   | Member of House and Building Committees               |
| Mr. and Mrs. E. W. WOOSTER ... ..    | Of Messrs. Hayward & Wooster, the Contractors         |



THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES will proceed to the West Ward on the First Floor.

4.45 p.m. THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES will proceed to the Dais, and all being assembled in the New Ward :—

The PRESIDENT will read an Address of Welcome and Thanks to THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES and will request HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS to declare the Building open.



HER ROYAL HIGHNESS will unveil the Tablet over the Door naming the Ward the "DUCHESS OF YORK" Ward.



HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS will reply.



The RECTOR OF WESTON-SUPER-MARE (the Reverend Prebendary G. L. Porcher, M.A.) will offer Dedicatory prayers.



The Reverend JOHN HOLDEN, M.A., will pronounce the Benediction.



The PRESIDENT will present the following Ladies and Gentlemen to THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES :—

MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE:

|                                 |                            |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Miss K. E. JAMES and Mrs. JAMES | The Rev. F. G. SHEPHERD    |
| Mr. and Mrs. A. V. PAWSON       | Mr. and Mrs. W. H. SHORNEY |

MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE:

|                                      |                                       |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| The Rev. and Mrs. J. H. DOORBAR      | The Rev. Preb. & Miss G. R. G. NORRIS |
| Mr. B. H. HILL, J.P.                 | The Rev. Preb. & Mrs. G. L. PORCHER   |
| Major VERNON HILL, J.P., & Miss HILL | Mr. CECIL POWELL and Miss POWELL      |
| The Rev. and Mrs. JOHN HOLDEN        | The Rev. and Mrs. T. E. ROBERTS       |
| Mr. NORMAN MOODY & Miss MOODY        | Mr. and Mrs. WM. C. THOMAS            |

HONORARY SURGEON DENTIST:

Mr. WALLACE A. TAYLOR, L.D.S., R.C.S. (Eng.)

HONORARY DISPENSER:

Mr. EDWIN NORMAN, M.P.S.

| Name.                                | Designation.                                     |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| Mr. THOMAS ADEY ... ..               | W-s-M. & Dist. Licensed Victuallers' Association |
| Mrs. ERNEST ALFORD ... ..            | The "Ernest Alford" Ward                         |
| Mr. S. J. BAILEY ... ..              | W-s-M. St. John Ambulance Brigade                |
| The Misses E. and M. JACKSON-BARSTOW | The "Jackson-Barstow" Ward                       |
| Mrs. F. BLACKMORE ... ..             | W-s-M. Ladies' Swimming & Athletic Clubs         |
| Mrs. W. E. BRACEY ... ..             | Hospital Ladies' Linen League                    |
| Miss A. B. BYRNES ... ..             | The British Red Cross Society                    |
| Mr. R. HOARE BYERS ... ..            | W-s-M. Operatic Society                          |
| Mr. H. BOWDEN ... ..                 | Worle & Dist. Church Parade Committee            |
| Mr. W. G. BURROUGH ... ..            | Wedmore & District Hospital Collection Committee |
| Mr. E. T. BUCKNELL ... ..            | Boys' Private Schools of W-s-M. and District     |

| Name.                                     | Designation.                                                            |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mr. GEORGE CHARLTON ... ..                | W-s-M. & District Electric Supply Co.                                   |
| Mrs. E. C. CLARKE ... ..                  | Hospital Sewing & Mending Guild                                         |
| Mrs. A. CARPENTER ... ..                  | Ladies' Hospital Fete Committee                                         |
| Mrs. T. W. CETCH ... ..                   | Kewstoke Sewing & Mending Guild                                         |
| Mr. A. M. B. CRIDDLE ... ..               | W-s-M. & District Branch of the Somerset Farmers' Union                 |
| Mrs. HERBERT DALTON... ..                 | Sister of Doctor G. H. Temple                                           |
| Mr. F. DAY ... ..                         | Weston-super-Mare & District Trades and Labour Council                  |
| Mr. W. B. FRAMPTON ... ..                 | <i>Weston-super-Mare Mercury &amp; Somerset Herald</i>                  |
| Mr. F. FELL ... ..                        | W-s-M. & District Branch of the U.K. Commercial Travellers' Association |
| Mr. and Mrs. T. G. GOODMAN ... ..         | W-s-M. & District Elementary Schools                                    |
| Adjutant W. H. GROTICK ... ..             | The Salvation Army                                                      |
| Miss S. D. GIBBS ... ..                   | The Women's Hospital Aid Association                                    |
| The Misses M. J. & C. M. P. HARVEY ... .. | The "Harvey" Ward                                                       |
| Miss BLANCHE HILL ... ..                  | The British Legion, Women's Section                                     |
| Mr. W. A. HAWKINS ... ..                  | The Amalgamated Society of Tailors & Tailoresses                        |
| Mr. R. K. KINSEY ... ..                   | Winscombe & District Hospital Collection Committee                      |
| Mr. H. J. LANCE ... ..                    | The "H. J. Lance" Ward                                                  |
| Mr. GORDON LANE ... ..                    | Weston-super-Mare Dramatic Society                                      |
| Rev. Preb. G. M. LAMBRICK, R.D. ... ..    | W-s-M. & District Church of England Churches                            |
| Mr. T. E. LINDFIELD ... ..                | Somerset County Secondary Schools                                       |
| Rev. Canon JOHN LYONS ... ..              | W-s-M. & District Roman Catholic Churches                               |
| Mr. W. I. LOWER ... ..                    | The Friendly Societies' Hospital Collection Association                 |
| Mr. T. W. LUCKHURST ... ..                | The W-s-M. Gaslight Co.                                                 |
| Mrs. PHILIP MARTIN ... ..                 | Wife of Doctor P. S. Martin                                             |
| Capt. P. J. MATTHEWS, M.C. ... ..         | <i>The Weston-super-Mare Gazette</i>                                    |
| Mr. CECIL MERCHANT ... ..                 | The Amalgamated Society of Woodworkers                                  |
| Mr. H. MOGG ... ..                        | Mogg's Military Band                                                    |
| Mr. THOMAS OLIVER ... ..                  | W-s-M. U.D.C. Employees                                                 |
| Mr. C. H. PEMBERTY ... ..                 | The Royal Antediluvian Order of Buffaloes                               |
| Mr. W. E. PERRETT ... ..                  | The Masonic Lodges of Weston-super-Mare and District                    |
| Mr. H. G. PEDRICK ... ..                  | W-s-M. Sunshine Carnival Committee                                      |
| Dr. W. J. PETTY ... ..                    | The Doctors of Outside Districts                                        |
| Mr. E. PHIPPS ... ..                      | Weston-super-Mare Rotary Club                                           |
| Mr. W. J. H. PORTER, J.P., C.C. ... ..    | The Axbridge Board of Guardians                                         |
| Mr. C. E. POTTINGER ... ..                | Weston-super-Mare & District Angling Association                        |
| Mr. E. J. POOLE ... ..                    | The "Poole" Ward                                                        |
| Mr. G. B. POLKINGHORNE ... ..             | Weston-super-Mare and District Post Office Employees                    |
| Mr. GEORGE SPRAKE ... ..                  | W-s-M. & District Building Trades                                       |
| Mr. W. N. SETTLE ... ..                   | The British Broadcasting Corporation, Cardiff                           |
| Rev. J. W. SIMISTER ... ..                | The Free Church Council                                                 |
| Miss M. L. SMITH ... ..                   | Girls' Private Schools of Weston-super-Mare and District                |
| Mr. P. VENNEL... ..                       | The British Legion                                                      |
| Mr. WALTER N. WAKE ... ..                 | The Athletic Clubs of Weston-super-Mare and District                    |
| Mr. CECIL WALKER ... ..                   | The Town Advertising Association of Weston-super-Mare                   |
| Mr. ERNEST A. WALLACE ... ..              | The Amalgamated Society of Plasterers                                   |
| Mrs. RICHARD WARREN ... ..                | Wife of Doctor Richard Warren                                           |
| Captain C. V. WILLS ... ..                | Chairman, Winscombe and District Hospital Fund                          |

THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES will leave the " DUCHESS OF YORK " Ward as under :—

THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES

Mr. HENRY BUTT

Lady HELEN GRAHAM

Mr. P. K. HODGSON

Mr. J. J. JACKSON-BARSTOW

The MATRON

Mr. ERNEST E. BAKER and

Captain H. G. PICTON DAVIES



THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES will visit the Operating Theatre, where the members of the Surgical Staff will be presented by the PRESIDENT to THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES :—

G. H. TEMPLE, M.B., C.M.

P. S. MARTIN, M.C., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

RICHARD WARREN, M.D., M.Ch., F.R.C.S.

A. D. CHARTERS, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.



THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES will visit

The " JACKSON-BARSTOW " Ward

The " HENRY BUTT " Ward

The " ERNEST BAKER " Ward

and will proceed along the " ROLL OF HONOUR " Corridor to the Kitchens (Mrs. E. WEEKS, Cook)  
the X-Ray Department (Mr. J. ROWE DUTTON, Radiographer)  
to the Maternity Home  
and the Board Room (for Afternoon Tea)



5.30 p.m. THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES will proceed to the Alfred Street Entrance Door, where the Hospital Nursing Staff will be assembled, and the Drive will be lined with representatives of the Weston-super-Mare and District Boy Scouts and Girl Guides.



*President:*  
Mr. HENRY BUTT,  
J.P., C.C.



*Joint Honorary  
Secretary:*  
Captain H. G. PICTON DAVIES.



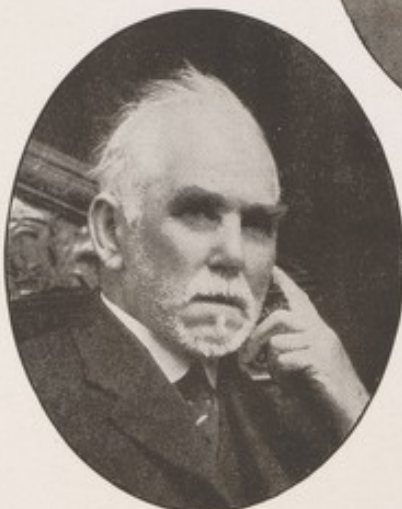
*Matron:*  
Miss LUCY A. BERE.



*Joint Honorary  
Secretary:*  
Mr. ERNEST E. BAKER, F.S.A.



*Chairman, Urban District Council of  
Weston-super-Mare:*  
Mr. T. ERNEST MACFARLANE, C.C.



*Chairman, House Committee:*  
Mr. F. J. HURST.

5.30 p.m. THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES will enter their cars in  
Alfred Street and will proceed *via* :—

ALFRED STREET

LOCKING ROAD

JUBILEE ROAD

BAKER STREET

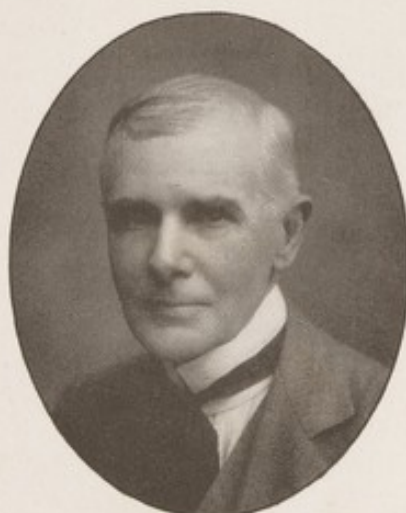
GEORGE STREET

SWISS ROAD

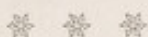
MILTON ROAD

passing the U.D.C. Housing Sites,

and so to the boundary of Weston-super-Mare.



*Architect: Mr. THOMAS A. POLE, F.R.I.B.A.*



The new portion of the Hospital Buildings will be open for inspection  
by subscribers at the Boulevard Entrance Door from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.  
on July 6th, 1928, and from Saturday, July 7th, 1928, until Saturday,  
July 14th (Sunday, July 8th, 1928, excepted), from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m.  
daily.

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