

**SPORTS**  
**BY PLAYER**  
**SOCCER.**

Recent matches have been confined to our own Unit, and a few good games have taken place.

**NURSING STAFF V GENERAL DUTY.**

Teams representative of the above divisions played off for the championship on April 15th. A great number of spectators were present, including a few Gyppos. The game was played on the desert sand, which was very loose in places making the play a little hard. Winning the toss the "G. D's" elected to play with the wind in their favour. The Nursing staff kicked off and were early in the vicinity of their own goal, whence they had been driven by a magnificent kick by Sgt. McLaren. The Nursing Staff, however, were not to be outdid so easily, their positions being ably defended by Pte. Cumming (alone I did it—no interruptions, please). Sgt. McInnes was prominent in their charge which followed, with Pte. Tennent keeping close up in the rear. However, "P. A." turned this onslaught by kicking a piece of the desert sand into Mac's eye. Cries of "Fowl" were heard, but as none of the feathered species were to be seen Captain Isaacs said "Carry on." The game was resumed 'mid storms of dust, and following a brilliant kick by Peters the G. D's were again pressing, when Haigh relieved. Harder and harder they pressed until at last success crowned their efforts, and Cpl. Baker with a well timed shot at close range beat Pte. Cumming. A heated altercation, however, arose between the two Scots as to whether or not the goal was legitimate.

Sgt. McInnes "Its no a goal, it was ower high."

Sgt. McLaren: "But it is a goal—he did'na jump for it."

Sgt. McInnes: "He did jump, and coud'na near touch it, an' onyway if he didna jump he was affside."

Sgt. McLaren: "Gae awa' mon, yi're bletherin."

Sgt. McInnes: "Haud yer tongue mon."

Sgt. McLaren: "!!!! ?????"

The referee put his fingers to his ears at the last remarks, so they must have been fairly strong, and disallowed the goal. The Nursing staff commenced to get disheartened after this, and a raid was made on Cpl. Kingsford, but without success. Half time was called without score. The Nursing Staff commenced the second half in great style, and Sgt. McInnes, cleverly evading the other Mac, almost had the ball within shooting distance, but the G. D's again relieved. From then till the end of the game the ball was kicked about the field in good style, but when time was called the score sheet was blank.

Several more games of Soccer were played during April and some good exhibitions of football were given.

Cricket is all the rage in camp just now, and every evening practices are held. The Unit should soon have an "eleven" capable of taking on any team in Egypt.

Although I suppose the news has not travelled very far yet, it may interest our readers to know that a Chess Club has been formed in camp, and is progressing very satisfactorily.

**SOME MORE GYPPO LETTERS.**

Most Gracious Sir,

I rite to tell you that I am milkman which milk cows for hospitals at Port Said and Damietta and has very good cow. I am also give you good chicken and fish cheap, and I the poor man with large family, and I will drive cows to hospital and give you milk fresh.

Yours reverently,

MOHAMED EL HASSAN.

To the Chief Hospital,

Abraham Mohamed presents his compliments to the New Zealand Hospital which has come to look after the wounded soldiers. I am very good ironer and wash. If you please I wash for the big hospital and have give entire satisfaction for two ½ piastre per dozen pieces, but as I am now without food and having two wives and child I will irons and wash for two piastre. Please do me this favour and remain.

ABRAHAM MOHAMED,

Ironer, Port Said.

**OUR PUZZLE COLUMN.**

BY "G."

Readers are specially invited to hand in suitable puzzles for insertion in this column, which has been commenced to add to the interest of our readers. A few puzzles will appear in each month's issue, the correct answers being given in the following numbers.

As an offset we append the following puzzle, in the form of a disjointed story, the answer being the filling in correctly of the blank spaces, with the correct names, which are to be found among the List of Staff contained in the Supplement at the end of this issue. The small prize of 5/- will be given to the most successful answer to this puzzle.

Those competing should forward their answers together with this page to "G" C/o The Secretary, Pte. N. Procter, before June 1st.

**PUZZLE No 1.**

On our way through the.....we had to cross several.....which were swollen by the heavy..... We then visited the..... of the..... having walked over..... and..... He told us that he had a bad..... in the..... We then visited the..... to see his prize..... As we entered his garden our.....made for his..... and caught it, but a..... of his just came in time to save its..... We rang a..... and his..... came and invited us inside. We were told that the..... had gone to.....to see about a..... At dinner we had some..... pie, but it was like..... We finished up with a..... of ....., and were given some for the.....

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*The temperature to-day has been 1...° in the shade.*

*The sand has { quite } covered up everything.*  
*{ almost }*

*I have swallowed .....doz. flies to-day.*

*Had { Marmalade } for tea.*  
*{ Orange Jam }*  
*{ Lemon Jam }*

*I think the war will be over in ..... years.*

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