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**WHIST DRIVE**  
Tables were occupied at the five at the Recreation Hut on evening. Mr. Sid Speller was prizes were won by: Ladies—1, each; 2, Mrs. F. Owens; 3, Mrs. Gentleman—1, Mr. H. Kaslo; Craignyle; 3, Mr. C. W. Tuck.

**THE EARL HAIG FUND**  
Total amount sent to the Earl for ex-Servicemen as the sale of poppies in the Purton was £25 1s. 6d.—an increase on last year's total. The received since the previous collection at Purton Church is. 6d.; sale of car poppies (Mr. E. J. is 5d.; donation from Upper Methodist Church, £1; sale of wreath, 7s. 6d.

**DEAR VICAR'S DEATH**  
With very great regret that the death of the Rev. R. B. Harris received in the village. He lay at his home at Woking after his illness. For 10 years Mr. was Vicar of Purton, and it is 12 years since he left the is still remembered with great by a large number.

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before going on to fulfil an engagement, gave a contribution towards the funds. It was announced that the for funds had so far realised 1d. and £87 5s. 3d. has been Up to the present 201lb. of wool been bought. Many articles have already knitted and some workers are out three pairs of socks a week. The Association has air individual knitters as well societies and organisations, and non-political, who are comforts. Everyone, it was most keen. Subject to the sanction Appeals Committee, an election will be held in Swindon 10 to 17 January next. This has appealed to all cinema town to permit a collection taken for the Association an favourable replies have been by him from the Palladium, I Arcadia cinemas. Arrange the collection were made Association and the Mayor thanked for his aid.

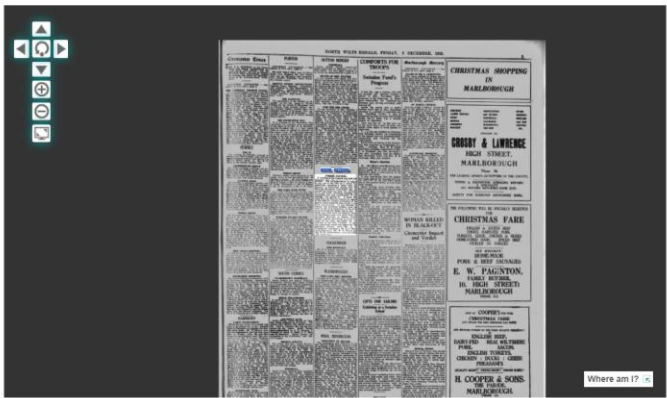
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