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Southburn was again the scene of an enthusiastic gathering when Private James Davison, the third member of his family to don khaki, was farewelled. There was a large attendance. Mr J. Ward, chairman, said he had known Private Davison nearly all his life, and hoped that he would be present at the taking of Berlin. He wished him the best of luck and a safe return. Mr A. S. Elworthy made Private Davison a presentation of an inscribed wristlet watch from the residents of Southburn. The watch was buckled on by Miss M. Chamberlain. Miss Gunning, representing the local Guild, then asked Private Davison to accept a parcel of knitted comforts, with the sincerest good wishes of the Guild. After singing the National Anthem, hearty cheers were given for the guest of the evening. A bountiful supper was provided by the ladies, and music was supplied for the dance by Mrs Caird, Messrs W. Brassell and H. Caird, while Mr N. Bell, acted as M.C.