

"Star" goes into retirement

"Star," a nine-year-old mare formerly owned by British Railways went into retirement on Saturday by courtesy of a group of Widnes animal lovers, including members of R.S.P.C.A., Hough Green and District Animal Welfare Clinic, Widnes and District Animal Welfare Clinic, Our Dumb Friends' League and Blue Cross.

"Star" was to have been destroyed, but was saved from this untimely fate and handed over to the care of Mr. Harold Burgess of Springfield Farm, Tarbocks. Fifty pounds went to Our Dumb Friends' League and Blue Cross for their part in the rescue operation.

The money was part of the funds of the Hough Green and District Animal Clinic, which ceased to function as a clinic last August and which have now been handed over to the Ward district committee. Mrs. Barrett, animal welfare pioneer, performed the handing over ceremony.

Seated on "Star" is Mrs. V. Pullen, local secretary of the Widnes and District Animal Welfare Clinic, while holding his new charge is Mr. Burgess and next to him Mrs. Barrett.

Also in the picture are Mrs. Fraithwaite, Mrs. Parker, Miss Taylor, Alderman and Mr. L. Midwood.

