

Mr. Stagg

Call them Sir after lunch

TWO of Britain's finest sportsmen become Sir Jack Hobbs and Sir Gordon Richards at the Investiture of Coronation honours today. Here are their outstanding achievements:—

JACK HOBBS

Record aggregate for first-class cricket—61,237 (1905 to 1934).
Most centuries—197. Most first-wicket century partnerships—166.

Most Test runs and centuries against Australia. Test appearances:—

	Games	Runs	100's	Av.
Australia ..	41	3,636	12	56.26
South Africa 18	1,562	2	60.72	
West Indies..	2	212	1	106
Total ..	61	5,410	15	56.44

GORDON RICHARDS

4,685 winners (60 this season) to date—world record.
Champion jockey 25 times since 1925. Highest total for one season—269 in 1947.

Classic winners: Derby—one; 2,000 Guineas—three; 1,000 Guineas—two; Oaks—three; St. Leger—five.

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INVESTITURE NEXT WEEK

60 TO BE KNIGHTED

The Queen will bestow the accolade of knighthood on Jack Hobbs, the former Surrey and England cricketer, and Gordon Richards, champion jockey, at Buckingham Palace to-morrow week. They will be among more than 60 to receive the accolade.

Most of the 300 people summoned to the investiture received their awards in the combined Coronation and Birthday Honours List. A number of those in the list have already received their honours in private audience.

No summons has yet been sent to the members of the British Everest expedition upon whom the Queen has bestowed knighthoods. They are Col. Hunt, the leader, and Mr. Edmund Hillary. The date of their return to England is not known.

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GORDON WILL NOT RETIRE JUST YET

Quintin Gilbey's racing gossip

IN the course of a chat at Ascot on Saturday, Gordon Richards made his most definite statement so far concerning his retirement since the subject was first mentioned after he had received his knighthood in the Coronation Honours list.

Gordon told me: "I shall definitely ride for another season, at the end of which, I shall probably call it a day."

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