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## DEATH OF ALD. DR. A. W. LIMONT

The death of Alderman Dr. A. W. Limont in August last has deprived the school of a good friend. He was a member of the Governors for many years and always took a great interest in the affairs of the school.

## MR. T. PYE

We regret to announce that Mr. Pye has resigned his appointment on account of ill-health. He has been on sick leave since January, 1951. An appreciation appears elsewhere in this issue.

## School Notes

At the beginning of the term there were 582 boys on the School roll.

Two new masters joined the Mathematical staff at the beginning of term: Mr. C. J. Dyer, B.Sc. and Mr. D. Tristram, B.Sc. We extend to them a very hearty welcome to the school.

A meeting of boys due to leave school took place on 3rd July, at which Mr. T. Booth, Chairman of the Old Boys' Association, gave a talk on the aims and objects of the Association. P. Waddington was elected to the Committee of the Old Boys to represent the leavers. Already a large proportion of last term's leavers have become life members of the Association.

The annual Swimming Gala took place on 4th July in the Victoria Baths. The usual high standard of performance was maintained.

School expeditions took place on the 7th, 8th and 10th July, to places of Geographical, Architectural and Biological interest.

On 8th July we had the pleasure of entertaining five school teams—Barrow Grammar School, Bolton School, Liverpool Institute, King Edward VII School Lytham, and Manchester Grammar School—at a six-sided Athletic Contest. A most interesting afternoon resulted, in which the standard of performance in nearly every event was very high indeed. We did well to be placed second to Manchester Grammar School.

The Old Boys' Cricket Match and the annual Exhibition of Photography, Handicraft and Art were held on 15th July. The cricket match resulted in a win for the Old Boys by seven wickets.

Parents of new boys were entertained at the school on the evening of 8th October. After looking round the school they had an opportunity to meet members of the staff.

At half-term we lost the services of the Rev. F. J. Alsop, who for the last two and a half years has been the parents' representative on the Governing Body. We are very grateful to Mr. Alsop for all he has done for the school and wish him every success in his new work in Liverpool.

At a general meeting of parents on 22nd October, the Rev. T. T. Williams was elected parents' representative in place of Mr. Alsop.

Members of the Sixth Form heard, on 30th October, a lecture by Dr. Smylie on "Nigeria."

On 17th November a small party from Form Upper VI Modern went to Liverpool to see a performance of French Plays.

P. L. T. Owen had the distinction of winning a University Cadetship in the R.A.F. in September. He was one of 20 selected from the 150 entrants, and after a year's training will proceed to Cambridge to read for a degree in Engineering.

The collection this term was taken for the Royal National Lifeboat Institution and realised £10 2s. 3d., and the sale of Poppies in November realised £8 8s. 6d.

## VALETE.

- Hilton, M. B., 1943-52.—Leech's, Upper VI Science B, G.C.E. (A1) 1952-52, House Almoner 1951-52.
- Burras, G. A., 1944-52.—Edwards', Upper VI Science A, G.C.E. (A3,01) 1952, School Prefect, House Captain, 2nd XV Colours 1950-51, Athletic Colours 1952, School Choir 1952.
- Glassberg, J. A., 1944-52.—Rogers', Upper VI Modern, G.C.E. (A2,01) 1952, School Prefect, Librarian, 2nd XV Colours 1951-52.
- Harris, L. M., 1944-52.—Spencer's, Upper VI Science B, G.C.E. (A2,01) 1952, School Prefect, 2nd XI Colours 1951-52 (Captain 1952), 2nd XV Colours 1950-51-52, Choir 1951,52.
- Holmes, D. M., 1944-52.—Mason's, Upper VI Science A, G.C.E. (A3,01) 1952, School Prefect, R.L.S.S. Award of Merit, School Play 1950.
- Howard, D. S., 1944-52.—Gear's, Upper VI Science A, G.C.E. (A3) 1952.
- Kaitiff, D. I., 1944-52.—Mason's, Upper VI Science B, G.C.E. (A3,01) 1952, School Prefect, 2nd XV 1951-52, R.L.S.S. Bar to Award of Merit, School Choir 1951-52.
- Noar, G. A., 1944-52.—Edwards', Upper VI Science B, G.C.E. (A2) 1952, House Almoner, School Plays 1946-51, School Choir 1952.
- Owen, P. L. T., 1944-52.—Mason's, Upper VI Science A, G.C.E. (A3,01) 1952, State Scholarship 1952, R.A.F. University Cadetship, School Prefect, 2nd XV Colours, R.L.S.S. Bar to Award of Merit.
- Preston, D. S., 1944-52.—Gear's, Upper VI Science A, G.C.E. (A3) 1952, School Prefect, House Captain, 1st XV Colours 1951-52 (Captain 1951-52), Athletics Captain (Colours 1951,52), Chairman Scientific Society, Committee of Debating Society and Photographic Society 1951-52, School Plays 1949-51, School Choir 1951-52.
- Smith, J., 1944-52.—Mason's, Upper VI Modern, G.C.E. (A3,01) 1952, School Prefect, House Almoner, Librarian, School Plays 1949-51, School Choir 1952.
- Waddington, P., 1944-52.—Mason's, Upper VI Science A, G.C.E. (A3,01) 1952, School Prefect, School Plays 1949-51.
- Binns, D. R., 1945-52.—Gear's, Lower VI Special, G.C.E. (08) 1952, R.L.S.S. Award of Merit 1951.
- Clark, J. D., 1945-52.—Evans', Upper VI Modern, G.C.E. (A3,01) 1952, School Prefect, House Captain, 1st XV Colours 1950-51-52, Athletic Colours 1951-52, Librarian.
- Cowen, E. G., 1945-52.—Spencer's, Upper VI Modern, G.C.E. (A3,01) 1952, State Scholarship 1952, Senior Librarian.
- Cunliffe, F. A., 1945-52.—Edwards', Lower VI Science B, G.C.E. (06) 1951-52, Bantam Colours 1947-48.

Dowling, K., 1945-52.—Mason's, Upper VI Modern, G.C.E. (A3,01) 1952, Southport Major Award 1952, School Prefect, Librarian, Secretary Debating Society, R.L.S.S. Bronze Medallion, School Plays 1946-50.

Edmondson, T. R., 1945-52.—Grear's, Lower VI Modern, G.C.E. (03) 1951-52, School Plays 1944-51.

Fox, C. J., 1945-52.—Mason's, Lower VI Special, G.C.E. (06) 1952.

Holden, D. T., 1945-52.—Edwards', Lower VI Special, G.C.E. (04) 1952, Secretary Photographic Society 1951-52.

Johns, I. F., 1945-52.—Rogers', Upper VI Science B, G.C.E. (A3) 1952.

Jones, A. T., 1945-52.—Leech's, Upper VI Science A, G.C.E. (A3,01) 1952, State Scholarship 1952, School Orchestra 1951-52.

Partington, D., 1945-52.—Grear's, Upper VI Science B, G.C.E. (A2) 1952, 2nd XV Colours 1952, Photographic Society Committee 1951-52.

Usher, C. D., 1945-52.—Leech's, Upper VI Science B, G.C.E. (A3) 1952, School Choir 1952.

Weber, J. R., 1945-52.—Woodham's, Upper VI Science B, G.C.E. (A3,01) 1952, School Prefect, 2nd XV Colours 1952, School Play 1951, School Choir 1952.

Clark, E. G., 1946-52.—Edwards', Lower VI Special, G.C.E. (05) 1951-52, Chairman Art Society.

Clumpus, H. H., 1946-52.—Edwards', Lower VI Special, G.C.E. (06) 1951-52.

Gott, D. R., 1946-52.—Grear's, Lower VI Special, G.C.E. (04) 1952, R.L.S.S. Award of Merit 1951.

Heaton, N. M. F., 1946-52.—Woodham's, Upper VI Science A, G.C.E. (A3) 1952, State Scholarship 1952, School Prefect.

Kirkham, J. A., 1946-52.—Woodham's, Upper VI Modern, G.C.E. (A1,05) 1951-52, House Almoner.

Mighall, M. P., 1946-52.—Rogers', Lower VI Modern, G.C.E. (06) 1951-52, Secretary Games Committee, R.L.S.S. Bronze Cross.

Ogden, E. A., 1946-52.—Spencer's, Upper VI Science B, G.C.E. (A1,03) 1951-52, School Choir 1951-52.

Ralph, N., 1946-52.—Woodham's, Upper VI Science A, G.C.E. (A3,01) 1952, Southport Major Exhibition 1952, Chairman Photographic Society 1951-52.

Wilford, S. P., 1946-52.—Grear's, Upper VI Science A, G.C.E. (A3) 1952, State Scholarship 1952, House Cricket Captain, Committee Scientific Society, School Choir 1952.

Wilson, B., 1946-52.—Leech's, Upper VI Modern, G.C.E. (A1) 1952.

Alsop, D. J. A., 1947-52.—Leech's, Lower VI Science A.

Booth, C. G., 1947-52.—Rogers', Upper VI Modern, G.C.E. (A3,01) 1952, School Captain 1951-52, Senior Librarian, 1st XV Colours 1950-51, 2nd XI Colours 1952, Half Colours Athletics 1951-52, Games Committee, Chairman of Debating Society 1951-52, Chairman Choral and Orchestral Society 1951-52, School Play 1948-50, Orchestra 1949-52.

Boyle, A. T., 1947-52.—Grear's, Upper VI Modern, G.C.E. (A1) 1952, Librarian.

Butterfield, P. F., 1947-52.—Edwards', Upper Va, G.C.E. (06) 1952, Colts XV Colours 1951-52.

Chandler, A. J., 1947-52.—Evans', Upper Va, G.C.E. (05) 1952.

Cohen, C. W., 1947-52.—Rogers', Upper Vb, G.C.E. (02) 1952.

Dalzell, D., 1947-52.—Spencer's, Lower VI Special, G.C.E. (05) 1952.

Donbavand, R., 1947-52.—Mason's, Upper Va, G.C.E. (03) 1952.

Edwards, D. F., 1947-52.—Mason's, Lower VI Special, G.C.E. (05) 1951, 52.

Fish, D., 1947-52.—Evans', Upper Vb.

Glendenning, E., 1947-52.—Woodham's, Upper Va, G.C.E. (07) 1952, School Play 1950.

Graham, D. G. S., 1947-52.—Leech's, Upper Va, G.C.E. (07) 1952.

Haarhaus, P. F., 1947-52.—Grear's, Lower VI Special, G.C.E. (06) 1951-52, Secretary Art Society.

Halliwell, B., 1947-52.—Leech's, Upper Vb.

Harris, D., 1947-52.—Woodham's, Upper Vb, G.C.E. (03) 1952.

Hopper, B., 1947-52.—Leech's, Upper Vb, G.C.E. (01) 1952.

Kelsall, J. R., 1947-52.—Evans', Upper Va, G.C.E. (07) 1952, R.L.S.S. Award of Merit.

Kenney, K., 1947-52.—Grear's, Upper VTrans Sc.

Lawson, T. K., 1947-52.—Grear's, Upper Va, G.C.E. (02) 1952.

Lloyd, B., 1947-52.—Edwards', Upper Va, G.C.E. (04) 1952.

Macmichael, J. K., 1947-52.—Edwards', Upper VTrans Sc., Bantam Colours 1949-50.

Marshall, L., 1947-52.—Grear's, Upper Va, G.C.E. (04) 1952, Colts XV 1951-52.

Mileson, J. G., 1947-52.—Grear's, Upper Vb, G.C.E. (02) 1952.

Norris, G. W., 1947-52.—Edwards', Upper VI Science B, G.C.E. (A3) 1952, School Prefect, 2nd XV Colours 1951-52, School Badminton team, School Choir 1952.

Palmer, D. E., 1947-52.—Mason's, Upper Va.

Poole, M. S., 1947-52.—Edwards', Upper Va, G.C.E. (02) 1952.

Richards, B. G., 1947-52.—Edwards', Upper Va, G.C.E. (02) 1952.

Sinnott, E. E., 1947-52.—Woodham's, Lower VI Special, G.C.E. (05) 1952, R.L.S.S. Bronze Medallion.

Stelfox, G. R., 1947-52.—Leech's, Upper Va, G.C.E. (04) 1952, 2nd XV Colours 1951-52.

Sumner, G., 1947-52.—Rogers', Upper VTrans Mod., G.C.E. (04) 1952, Colts XV Colours.

Sumner, P., 1947-52.—Spencer's, Upper Va, G.C.E. (04) 1952.

Tabron, J. J., 1947-52.—Rogers', Upper Vb, G.C.E. (02) 1952.

Vyner, N. A., 1947-52.—Evans', Upper Vb, G.C.E. (01) 1952.

Whalley, G. W., 1947-52.—Rogers', Lower VI Special, G.C.E. (07) 1952.

Williams, D., 1947-52.—Spencer's, Lower VI Special, G.C.E. (05) 1951, 52.

Cranshaw, R. H., 1948-52.—Evans', Upper Vb, G.C.E. (04) 1952, R.L.S.S. Award of Merit.

Hughes, R. B., 1948-52.—Woodham's, Lower Vb.

Robinson, A. E., 1948-52.—Woodham's, Lower VY.

Kippax, R., 1949-52.—Evans', IVb.

Paterson, D. S., 1949-52.—Rogers', Upper VI Science A, G.C.E. (A2) 1952, R.L.S.S. Bronze Cross.

Stewart, A. D., 1949-52.—Grear's, Upper VI Science B, G.C.E. (A3,01) 1952.

Wilson, G. R., 1950-52.—Grear's, Upper VI Modern, House Almoner 1951-52, Half Colours Swimming 1952, R.L.S.S. Award of Merit 1952.

Akhurst, E. G., 1951-52.—Leech's, Upper Vb, G.C.E. (01) 1952.

Alsop, P. A., 1951-52.—Leech's, IIIb.

Hirshman, W., 1951-52.—Woodham's, Lower Vb.

Saint, R. A. V., 1951-52.—Rogers', TransX.

Watts, P. G., 1951-52.—Edwards', IVb, School Orchestra.

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 Ancient History and Literature. UpVIMod.—B. G. Murgatroyd.  
 Latin. UpVIScA.—P. Rushton. LrVIMod.—J. V. Boothman, C. M. Drake, D. Goldberg, J. C. C. Meunier. LrVIScA.—A. Bond, D. Dandy, N. R. Nutter, R. S. Rubins. UpVTrMod.—J. Hughes, D. R. Isenberg. UpVTrSs.—I. M. Blair.  
 French. UpVIMod.—C. Dyer, B. G. Murgatroyd. UpVIScB.—A. D. Stewart. LrVIMod.—M. R. Boothroyd, W. A. Burgess, J. J. S. Davidson, C. M. Drake, J. D. Giddens, S. Huglin, B. Ramm, R. Stopforth. LrVIScA.—F. W. Ball, A. Bond, S. N. Booth, D. Dandy, F. H. Dearnley, K. F. Edwardson, D. Fenna, J. B. A. Hyde, C. Ineson, R. N. Jenkin, R. A. S. Kay, D. J. Mansell, N. R. Nutter, P. Robinson, R. S. Rubins, C. H. Slater, B. M. Townes, N. Wolstenholme. LrVIScB.—D. Buckels, B. A. Davies, P. Griffith, G. J. H. Hodge. LrVISp.—D. R. Binns, H. H. Clumpus, D. Dalzell, C. J. Fox, G. W. Whalley. UpVTrMod.—G. Sumner. UpVb.—S. Hoyle, P. W. Pearce, A. E. Thompson.  
 German. UpVTrMod.—G. Sumner.

Mathematics. UpVIMod.—C. Dyer, B. G. Murgatroyd. UpVIScB.—M. H. Irving. LrVIMod.—J. V. Boothman, M. R. Boothroyd, W. A. Burgess, J. J. S. Davidson, C. M. Drake, J. D. Giddens, D. Goldberg, S. Huglin, J. C. C. Meunier, R. Stopforth, D. E. Sutton. LrVIScA.—S. N. Booth, P. W. Brunt, R. N. Jenkin. LrVIScB.—R. H. D. Smith, M. J. Stock. LrVISp.—D. R. Binns, H. H. Clumpus, D. Dalzell, G. T. Evans, C. J. Fox, D. R. Gott, P. F. Haarhaus, D. T. Holden, E. E. Sinnott, G. W. Whalley. UpVa.—D. D. Bryce, P. F. Butterfield, A. J. Chandler, R. Donbavand, E. Glendenning, D. G. S. Graham, K. R. Hardisty, J. Kelsall, T. K. Lawson, B. Lloyd, L. Marshall, B. G. Richards, P. H. Rimmer, K. C. Slater, G. R. Stelfox, P. Sumner. UpVb.—R. H. Cranshaw, S. N. Ginsberg, D. Harris, B. Hopper, S. Hoyle, J. G. Mileson, J. J. Tabron, A. E. Thompson.

Physics. LrVIScB.—F. A. Cunliffe, R. H. D. Smith. LrVISp.—D. R. Binns, E. G. Clark, G. T. Evans, C. J. Fox, D. R. Gott, P. F. Haarhaus, D. T. Holden, E. E. Sinnott, D. Williams. UpVa.—P. F. Butterfield, E. Glendenning, D. G. S. Graham, J. Kelsall, B. Lloyd, P. Sumner. UpVb.—S. Hoyle, A. E. Thompson.

Chemistry. UpVIScB.—K. R. Ball, M. B. Hilton. LrVISp.—D. R. Binns, E. G. Clark, D. F. Edwards, C. J. Fox, D. R. Gott, P. F. Haarhaus, D. T. Holden, E. E. Sinnott, G. W. Whalley, D. Williams. UpVa.—D. D. Bryce, P. F. Butterfield, A. J. Chandler, E. Glendenning, D. G. S. Graham, J. Kelsall, B. Lloyd, L. Marshall, M. S. Poole, K. C. Slater, G. R. Stelfox, P. Sumner. UpVb.—R. H. Cranshaw, S. Hoyle, A. E. Thompson.

Biology. UpVIScA.—D. S. Paterson. UpVIScB.—K. R. Ball, M. B. Hilton. LrVIScB.—F. A. Cunliffe. LrVISp.—D. T. Holden.

Handicraft. LrVIMod.—M. P. Mighall. LrVISp.—H. H. Clumpus, D. F. Edwards, E. E. Sinnott. UpVa.—A. J. Chandler, E. Glendenning, D. G. S. Graham, J. Kelsall, P. Sumner. UpVb.—R. H. Cranshaw, R. W. Hammond, D. Harris, S. Hoyle, A. E. Thompson.

**The following boys have gone on the Universities, or are accepted after National Service:—**

Booth, C. G., Heaton, N. M. F. (Cambridge); Burras, C. A., Wilford, P. S. (Leed); Noar, G. A., Smith, J., Stewart, A. D., Weber, J. R. (Liverpool); Holmes, D. T. (London); Cowen, E. G., Glassberg, J., Jones, A. T., Norris, G. W., Ralph, N. (Manchester); Waddington P. (Reading); Howard, D. S., Preston, D. S. (Sheffield).

**Training College:—**

Edmondson, T. R. and Wilson, B.

**State Scholarships have been awarded to:—**

Rimmer, D. E., Sourbut, B., Burstall, R. M., Wilford, S. P., Cowen, E. G., Durham, E. W., Heaton, N. M. F., Jones, A. T., Owen, P. L. T.

**Southport Major Scholarships were awarded to:—**

Burstall, R. N., Cowen, E. G., Dowling, K., Durham, E. W., Heaton, N. M. F., Jones, A. T., Owen, P. L. T., Rimmer, D. E., Sourbut, B., Wilford, S. P.

**A Southport Major Exhibition was awarded to:—**

Ralph, N.

**SCHOOL PREFECTS.**

Bracken, C. E., Brocklehurst, J. E., Burstall, R. M., Davidson, M. S., Durham, E. W., Hamilton, D. H., Marsh, D. M., Rimmer, D. E. Baddeley, F. A., Baker, T. N., Bond A., Boothroyd, M. R., Buckels, D., Burgess, W. A., Dyer, C., Edwardson, K. F., Giddens, J. D., Harris, M. J., Hyde, J. B., A., Ineson, C., Irving, M. H., Kay, R. A. S., Lewis, J. D., Morrell, G. S., Robinson, P., Smith, R. H. D., Sourbut, B., Wolstenholme, N.

**LEAVERS, 1951-52.**

The analysis below shows all those boys who left between September 1951 and July 1952, excluding those who were transferred to other schools owing to their parents leaving the district.

University .....	20	<b>Universities.</b>	
		Cambridge 2, Leeds 2, Liverpool 5, London 2, Manchester 6, Reading 1, Sheffield 2.	
		<b>Courses.</b>	
		History 1, Chemistry 3, Physics 1, Geology 1, Mathematics 3, Commerce 1, Engineering 1, Horticulture 1, Metallurgy 1, Law 3, Medical and Dentistry 4.	
Teachers' Training College	2		
Industry, Research Depts.	3		
Dentistry .....	1		
Pharmacy .....	3		
The Services .....	6		
		Army, Regular Commission	1
		Army Apprentice .....	1
		M.N. Apprentice Officer	2
		R.N. Apprentice .....	1
		Lancashire Police .....	1
Accountancy .....	4		
Banking .....	4		
Insurance .....	1		
Surveying .....	2		
Engineering Apprentice ..	8		
Hotel Management .....	1		
Civil Service and Local Government .....	13		
Shipping Office .....	1		
Farming .....	1		
Timber Trade .....	1		
Retail Trades .....	11		
Family emigrated .....	1		
Uncertain .....	3		
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## House Reports

### EDWARDS'

At the end of last term we lost two distinguished members of the House—Burras (House Captain) and Norris, and we wish them, and all other members who have left, every success in their respective careers. At the same time, we extend a warm welcome to all new members, and hope that by now they have settled down and are taking an interest in the many School and House activities.

Brocklehurst, Bond and Robinson are School Prefects, and in addition, Ball, Grundy, Johnson, Boothman and Stopforth are House Prefects. Boothman has been appointed House Almoner.

The House Senior Rugby XV has started the competition well with a convincing win against Woodham's, and, with the same keenness and determination in future matches, should once again reach the final.

Since they have won the only match so far played, we hope that our Badminton pair, Bond and Brown, will be successful in retaining the cup.

The performance of the House Chess team has been rather disappointing. The competition being completed, our team has won only one of the seven matches played. We urge our younger members to learn the game so that the House may have a stronger team in the future.

Life-saving classes under Ball and Stopforth have progressed favourably during the term, and we hope that our candidates will be successful in the forthcoming examinations.

Last, but certainly not least, we hope to maintain our high standard in the Honours List, and the gymnastic competitions.—J.E.B.

### EVANS'

Captain—D. H. HAMILTON. Vice-Captain—T. N. BAKER.  
House Secretary—D. E. SUTTON. House Almoner—M. H. IRVING

The end of last term marked the retirement of Mr. I. Evans as Housemaster. Happily, however, the House has not lost complete contact with him as he is still a member of the staff. Mr. Evans was the last original Housemaster to retire from his post. To him we extend our sincerest gratitude for his long service and devotion to duty.

The House extends a cordial welcome to its new Housemaster, Mr. Hargreaves. We hope that he will have a long and happy stay with us.

We are pleased to welcome all new boys and hope that they will soon adapt themselves to their new surroundings and take a keen interest in the activities of the House and in at least one of the many School activities.

D. H. Hamilton succeeds J. D. Clark as House Captain. To Clark we send our best wishes and our thanks for his services. T. N. Baker, M. H. Irving and R. A. S. Kay have been appointed School Prefects. P. W. Brunt and F. Dearnley are new House Prefects.

During last term the House Junior Cricket team boldly fought its way to the final under the captaincy of F. H. Colledge. At first our prospects of winning the shield by defeating Woodham's were very favourable, but unfortunately they faded out in the course of our batting. We congratulate T. N. Baker on acquiring his 1st XI cricket colours at the end of last term.

A number of Life-saving awards were received by certain members of the House. R. A. S. Kay was awarded the Award of Merit and Bar to Bronze Cross, M. A. Haigh, Bar to Bronze Cross and Bar to Bronze Medallion, A. J. Cranshaw and B. Livesley, Award of Merit, Bar to Bronze Cross and Bar to Bronze Medallion, M. S. Cohen, Bar to Bronze Cross and Bar to Bronze Medallion, D. N. Barton and C. G. Knowles, Intermediate Certificate.

This term we are represented in School Rugby teams by T. N. Baker, D. Dandy and D. Massey, 2nd XV; C. F. Wilson, Colts, and A. Perry, Bantams. Our House Senior Rugby practices have been attended with enthusiasm, and we hope this keenness will persist during the coming matches.

The Chess team, D. Dandy, captain, R. A. S. Kay, D. G. Mann and F. Dearnley, as reserve, has unfortunately not reached our early expectations. The same may be said of the Badminton team, A. B. Cranshaw, D. Latchford and R. A. S. Kay. All our representatives tried hard, but it is imperative that boys interested in these games should train hard so that we may have stronger teams next year.—D.E.S.

### GREAR'S

House Captain—E. W. DURHAM.  
House Secretary—B. G. MURGATROYD.  
Vice-Captain—M. R. BOOTHROYD. House Almoner—D. J. MANSELL

At the end of last term we said farewell to Mr. Mayne, who was our Housemaster for thirty years. We take this opportunity of wishing Mr. and Mrs. Mayne many years of happy retirement. Mr. H. Evans is our new Housemaster, and we feel sure that he will prove a worthy successor to Mr. Mayne.

The House congratulates Durham and Wilford, who won State Scholarships as a result of last summer's examinations.

This term Boothroyd has been appointed School Almoner. The House is to be thanked for its generous response to the charity appeal.

Our Senior Rugby team, under the captaincy of Durham, seems to be quite strong. It has not played any matches in the competition as yet, but has done well in practices. We are represented in the



1st XV by Durham, Steele and Brown, in the 2nd XV by Boothroyd and Elliott, in the Colts XV by Whittaker, Sharp and Fiddler, and in the Bantams XV by Bennett, Barton, Wright and Rostron, who is also captain of the Chicks.

Life-saving classes have been progressing steadily under Elliott, the captain, Stock and Sharp. The Swimming captain, Pearce, has been conducting Saturday morning swimming classes. Weekday classes are also being arranged. A great deal of promise is shown, by the new boys in particular, and the captain reminds all boys that they can play their part by qualifying, although they are not fast swimmers.

Our Badminton team, Pearce and Mansell, won two of its three matches, and as these are our first successes for over twenty years, we have high hopes for the future, especially since promise has been shown in practices.

The Chess team, led by Mansell, has not had a very successful term, but it must be remembered that all the members of last year's team have left. However, we hope for better luck in the future.

Finally, we welcome the new boys to Grear's and hope they will have a happy and successful school career.—B.G.M.

### LEECH'S

*House Captain*—D. E. RIMMER. *Vice-Captain*—C. E. BRACKEN.  
*House Prefects*—K. F. EDWARDSON, M. J. ABBERLEY, P. GRIFFITH,  
B. RAMM, R. S. RUBINS, P. RUSHTON.

*Almoner*—B. A. DAVIES.

Last term the House said farewell to Mr. R. J. Thompson, who had been Housemaster for 20 years. We thank him for all he has done, and at the same time welcome Mr. W. R. Caff, knowing that under him the House will continue to flourish.

The House also congratulates C. E. Bracken on his appointment as School Captain, and sympathises with him for his unfortunate injury sustained while playing for the School 1st XV. D. E. Rimmer continues as House Captain, and K. F. Edwardson has been appointed a School Prefect.

Last term the Junior Cricket XI just failed to reach the final, owing to their being unable to win after dismissing Evans' for 23 runs. The team on the whole, however, played very well.

The Senior Rugby XV, captained on the field by G. Topping (whose name incidentally seems to have appeared in every edition of these notes since he came to the School) lacks no enthusiasm, even though it was narrowly defeated in the only match played to date.

The Badminton team, made up from P. Rushton, N. R. Nutter and Topping, whilst good on paper, seems to lose confidence at times with the result that it has finished the season with only one victory.

In contrast, the Chess experts, Rimmer (Captain), Bracken and J. B. Knowles, have enjoyed themselves each Monday afternoon and, what is perhaps more important, have won more games than were lost. Next term it is hoped to stage a House Chess competition. All boys, and juniors in particular, are urged to take an interest in this pastime which, if played according to the rules, does not result in so many injuries as occur in other games.

Edwardson has started Life-saving classes this term and reports that everyone is very keen to do well. It is hoped that this will result next Summer in our being placed higher than we have been accustomed to.—D.E.R.

### MASON'S

At the end of last term our Prefects left us, and we wish them, and all other boys who have left, the best of luck in their respective careers. We had more than our share of academic honours, Owen and Sourbut gaining State Scholarships and Dowling a Southport Major Scholarship.

The new House Prefects are Burgess, W. A., Dyer, Giddens and Sourbut; they must also be congratulated on their appointment as School Prefects.

The House Rugby team, under the captaincy of Burgess, gained a convincing win in its first match against Evans', and we expect great things, especially as we are again well represented in School teams.

Last term we were pleased to welcome to the House room the Ingham Cup for swimming qualifications. Classes held by Burgess and Giddens have so far proved very successful; it is hoped that, before next year's competition, every boy in the House will be able to swim the required distance. Life-saving classes are also progressing favourably under the leadership of Giddens.

The Chess team has excelled itself, winning six matches out of the seven played. The final result of the competition hangs tantalisingly in doubt at the time of writing.

Finally, a warm welcome is extended to all new boys, with the hope that they will take advantage of the many School and House activities open to them, and so make the most of their school career.

B.S.

### ROGERS'

The House is pleased to extend a very hearty welcome to its new members, who, having settled down to their new School life, will, we hope, immediately try to pull their weight in the many activities available for them. It is, therefore, encouraging to note that the new boys occupy promising positions in the Half Term



reports, and that they are displaying a keen interest in the swimming classes held by Ineson on Saturday mornings. Last term we retained the Ross Cup for Life-saving, and added to our achievements by winning the Bradburne Cup for the swimming championship. We hope the efforts of the Juniors will help us continue to play a prominent part in the School swimming activities.

Last term we were also successful in winning the Senior Cricket Shield after an exciting duel with Mason's in the final, in which Wolstenholme played a true captain's innings. Although the House did not cover itself with glory in the Athletics competition, there were, nevertheless, one or two fine individual attempts.

D. Marsh has been chosen Captain of School Rugby, and we are represented in the various School teams by Baddeley, Booth, Buckels and Hyde in the 1st XV, Webster, Wolstenholme and Woodfine in the 2nd XV, Crompton, P. W. Marsh, Norman and Rimmer in the Colts; Birch and Probyn are our sole representatives in the Chicks and Bantams respectively. In the Senior Rugby competition, our team won its first match with Spencer's, and we wish it the best of luck in its later games.

Although Hyde and his team failed to start well in the Chess competition, we hope that now their first win has been secured better luck will favour them in their last matches.

We congratulate D. Marsh, Baddeley, Buckels, Hyde, Ineson and Wolstenholme, who are our School Prefects. D. Marsh is our House Captain, Huglin our Secretary, and Pearson our Almoner.

Finally, we appeal for better all-round support for the Charity collection and for all School societies, including the Choir and Orchestra.—S.H.

#### SPENCER'S

*Captain*—R. M. BURSTALL.

*Vice-Captain*—M. HARRIS.

*Secretary*—J. C. C. MEUNIER.

*Almoner*—J. D. LEWIS.

All new members of the House are welcomed, and it is hoped that they will distinguish themselves in work and games both for themselves and for the House.

The following boys are congratulated upon playing in School Rugby teams—Burdell, who is the captain of the Bantams; Hill and Burstall T., who play for the Colts; Burstall, R. M., who has played for the 2nd XV, and Wareing, Harris and Smith, who have played for the 1st XV, Smith being vice-captain.

In House Rugby the Senior team was unlucky to meet one of the most powerful House teams, Rogers', in the first round. A magnificent job was done by the forwards, led by Harris, in holding a pack containing four 1st XV players. The tackling of our three-quarters was fine, but some more experience is needed there. Smith, our captain, played his usual reliable game at full-back. The

score against us was 21-3, but it is hoped that with such a promising team we will do better in the next two games.

In the other Inter-House competitions, we are doing well. The Badminton team won its first match; Life-saving and Chess tuition are being given, and the House Chess team, Hughes, Farrington and James, have done remarkably well in winning the Chess competition for us for the first time in our history.

We are well represented in the School play, having Whatmough playing the leading role, and Meunier, Maclean and Burstall, T., also taking part.

In closing, we remind boys of the many societies in the School and that they should attempt to be an active member of at least one.

J.C.C.M.

#### WOODHAM'S

A cordial welcome is extended to all new boys, and it is hoped that they have settled down to School life.

At the end of last term it was a pleasant surprise to learn that the House had been awarded the Jubilee Cup. The Junior side of the House helped greatly in this by winning the Rugby, Cricket and Gymnastic Shields, whilst the Seniors gained the Chess Cup. On the scholastic side, the last Captain of the House, M. N. F. Heaton, won a State Scholarship to Cambridge University, and J. Weber is now studying at Liverpool University.

M. S. Davidson is present House Captain, and is a Prefect, together with G. S. Morrell.

This term the Chess team, G. S. Morrell (capt.), C. R. Cheffins and C. M. Drake started well, but one defeat put them out of the running for the championship. It has now been learnt that the House finished third in the competition. On the other hand, the Badminton team, which has been represented on various occasions by M. S. Davidson (capt.), R. Walker and B. Shaw, has done extremely well and is now in the final.

In the Senior House Rugby competition, one match has already been played against Edwards'. The team played well, but the game was lost mainly because of our opponents' dominance in the pack. The Junior competition starts next term and it is sincerely hoped that the Junior team will be able to retain the Shield for another year.

It was recently learned that Mr. Booth has again been taken ill. A message has been sent to him expressing our regards and the hope that he will be back with us soon.

While he is away, Mr. Flemming is to act as Housemaster. The task is not an easy one, and we are sure that all the members of the House will give him their full support.—G.J.H.H.

## Old Boys' Section

### NEWS OF OLD GEORGIANS.

#### Appointments.

- R. Duckworth (R) (1940-47) has obtained his L.D.S. and is House Surgeon at Liverpool Dental Hospital.
- F. Eyres (L) (1933-38) Commandant of No. 5 R.A.F. Reserve Centre, Cambridge.
- N. Gordon (R) (1933-40) Assistant Planning Officer to Ayr County Council.
- R. N. R. Greenall (R) (1939-46) research work with the I.C.I. at Widnes.
- K. Hulme (S) (1941-49) research work in Physics at Bristol University.
- L. G. Jaeger (Ed) (1936-43) Lecturer at the Gordon University, Khar-toum.
- H. Lomas (Ev) (1935-42) Lecturer at Helsinki University.
- R. Nichol (S) (1948) Assistant Professional at Rancho Park Golf Club, Los Angeles.
- P. J. Owens (Ev) (1935-44) Lecturer in Mathematics at University College, Leicester.
- K. Rostron (Ev) (1926-33) a Senior Registrar at Liverpool Stanley Hospital.
- A. R. G. Westwell (S) (1930-37) in December is going on a World Tour with the Stratford Memorial Theatre Company.
- A. S. Whitehead (Ev) (1926-34) has obtained his M.D. degree and is on the staff of Mill Hill Maternity Hospital, Liverpool.
- C. M. Woodham (L) (1938-47) graduate training in Aerodynamics at Rolls Royce, Derby.
- D. M. Holmes (M) (1944-52) has played golf for London University against Cambridge.

#### Examination Successes.

- D. P. G. Ardern (R) (1942-47) and D. H. Hobley (M) (1945-48) Part I of the final examination of the Society of Incorporated Accountants and Auditors.
- A. B. Dodd (Ev) (1933-39) diploma in Architecture with distinction.
- P. Glendenning (W) (1943-49) pass certificate in Agriculture at the County Institute of Agriculture.
- B. S. Helliwell (W) (1935-44) qualified A.M.I.R.E.

#### At Durham.

- H. Bridge (Ev) (1938-44) B.Sc.
- C. N. Watson (M) (1941-49) B.Sc. Naval Architecture, 1st Class Hons.

#### At Liverpool.

- N. A. Gordon (R) (1933-40) M.C.D.
- C. B. Holmes (M) (1942-49) final Class I, School of Marine Engineering.
- E. D. Fletcher (M) (1941-48) B.Sc. Hons. Physics, Class II, Div. II.
- J. E. Pearson (M) (1945-48) B.Sc. Part III.
- E. S. Usher (L) (1942-49) B.Sc. Part III.
- R. A. Johnson (Ev) (1941-48) M.B., Ch.B. final Part I.
- J. B. Cardwell (W) (1942-49) 2nd examination, M.B., Ch.B.
- P. W. Davies (R) (1945-48) 2nd examination, M.B. Ch.B.
- D. H. Macleod (G) (1942-50) 2nd examination, M.B., Ch.B.
- C. Wynne (S) (1943-51) Part A, 1st examination, M.B., Ch.B.
- K. Matson (M) (1943-47) Part II, L.D.S.
- E. Radam (M) (1940-48) Part I, L.D.S.
- D. J. Williams (M) (1943-51) Part I, L.D.S.

- R. N. R. Greenall (R) (1939-46) B.Sc. Part II, Class II.
- R. McIntyre (M) (1946-50) B.Sc. Part II.
- B. Newton (Ev) (1943-50) B.Sc. Part II.
- E. N. S. Spafford (R) (1942-47) B.Sc. Part II, Class II.
- K. Knowles (S) (1942-50) B.Sc. Part I.
- A. J. Leadbetter (Ed) (1945-51) B.Sc. Part I.
- J. S. Moorman (M) (1943-51) B.Sc. Part I.
- J. H. Fairhurst (W) (1947-51) B.A. Part I.
- A. C. Wynne (S) (1942-50) B.A. Part I.

#### At Manchester.

- P. Radcliffe (W) (1943-49) final LL.B.
- D. Halton (Ev) (1939-44) B.Eng. Hons. Elec. Eng.
- F. H. Rees (S) (1937-43) B.Eng.
- D. M. Lloyd (Ed) (1940-47) B.Comm.
- M. Glautier (S) (1947-51) Part I, B.Comm.
- G. O. Jones (W) (1941-49) B.A. Hons. English, Class II, Div. I.
- J. R. Wignall (Ed) (1946-50) Part I, B.A. Hons. Hist.

#### At Oxford.

- L. Barton (S) (Christ Church) (1944-51) 1st Class Hons. Moderations Natural Sciences.

## NEWS FROM THE UNIVERSITIES.

### Leeds University

The Leeds University Old Georgians have gathered within the portals of Devonshire Hall to compound the following epistle, the first ever, we believe, to come from Leeds.

The freshers amongst us, G. A. Burras and S. P. Wilford, spend many blissful hours in the Brotherton Library studying the various forms of beauty displayed therein, whilst Roland Smith informs us that he has put aside such childish pastimes in favour of a good nap. In fact, he seems to divide his time equally between sleeping in the Brotherton and wandering about the countryside, in the company of many learned men, looking for fossils and bits of rock.

S.P.W. proudly claims that, after repeated visits to the Union rifle-range, he can now hit the side of a house at ten paces, with the solemn proviso that the house be big enough. We may add also that S.P.W. has been seen in the company of a certain amorous young lady from Harrogate and has been reported in the vicinity thereof on several occasions.

The imminence of the University Choral Concert, combined with the sonorous voices of R.S. and G.A.B., adds to the mental unrest of the choirmaster.

G.A.B. may sometimes be seen at the entrance to the Union in a truly professional attitude, endeavouring to sell the current editions of the Union newspaper to unwilling buyers. When questioned on the above matter he replied that he was getting a bit of practical experience "as a stand-by."

As the Christmas examinations draw nearer, our faces grow longer and we hope that this letter finds you in a better state than it leaves us.

### Sheffield University

We are pleased to report that all the Old Georgians have passed their examinations last Summer.

We were delighted to welcome two Freshers to the University this year, D. S. Preston and D. Howard both joined the Faculty of Pure Science. D.S.P. has already distinguished himself on the Rugby field and has regularly played for the University 1st XV. D.H. has played Badminton for the University and has also taken part in inter-faculty football.

D. J. Williams, now in his second year doing Chemistry Honours, has won the Professor Clarke Challenge Trophy for the most promising boxer of the year. He did not gain the Trophy without some cost, as he now sports a very formidable-looking black eye. P. Lapes has taken to the journalistic field and is sub-editor of the University Engineering Magazine.

The "old hands" J. A. Cheetham and W. E. Marsden, are now in their final year doing Economics and Geography Honours respectively. The former had the pleasure of hearing D. H. Robertson, Professor of Economics at Cambridge, give a talk on the "Dollar Gap" during the term. W.E.M. has now finished his geographical dissertation on the Southport area, in which he has uncovered many interesting and surprising facts. But apart from visits to football matches they appear to be very occupied with their work. They, however, along with the other O.G.s, took a prominent part in Rag Day, and it is doubtful whether their own mothers would have recognised them in their costumes.

### Liverpool University

Although, this session, the University Swimming Club has lost an outstanding member in C. B. Holmes, his place has been more than ably filled by J. O. Clark, who lately swam for the English Universities against Ireland. K. V. Bladon, too, has swum regularly for Derby Hall.

M. Dennett and R. McIntyre continue to play Soccer for University teams, and G. C. Burton has resumed his support of the Judo Club.

As for the newcomers, Noar has secured a part in this year's production of "Pantopera," while J. Weber will be appearing in the wild and hilarious "Kem. Soc. Koncert."

J. Levin and R. A. Eccles remain the guiding lights of the University T.A. Corps. Eccles wears the dogged, set expression

of the veteran; and the feet of J. Levin have already assumed a military flatness.

A. C. Wynne, as secretary of French Society, spends his time addressing envelopes.

### Manchester University (Tech.)

For the benefit of readers we should like to point out that Manchester University is divided into two parts, Tech. and Owens (the latter spelt with a small o whenever possible). Last year a letter supposedly from Manchester University in which Tech. was dismissed with a metaphorical wave of the hand, was, we trust by mistake, published in the Red Rose. So that this grave error will not recur, the Old Georgians at glorious Tech. have put pen to paper.

At the moment there are three Old Georgians at Tech. The two old lags, H. Crystal and B. H. Shorrock, are still going strong; Crystal may be found at any time (we did say "may be") investigating the wonders of the world of Metallurgy (B.H.S.—"I'm sure you spell Bridge"), whilst Shorrock seems to be very happy applying his Applied Physics right, left and centre. This year's welcome newcomer is R. Lawrence, who is in the department of Textile Industries and looks very dangerous when he is indulging in his favourite sport of waving his analysis glass at sundry suitings.

We are pleased to see several more familiar faces at Manchester University this year, but cannot help feeling sorry for the misguided majority who have entered Owens, thus bringing the total number of Old Georgians to 18.

### Oxford University

It is whispered that H. H. Solomon in view of his record run as an undergraduate, has been approached by the curators of the University chest, requesting leave to reproduce his features on one of the gargoyles in the restored Old Bodleian. Even now he may occasionally be seen gracing the graceless Balliol with his presence.

On November 5th, the University gave its reply in no uncertain fashion to the newspapers which have accused Oxford of not being what it used to be. The celebration produced the biggest rag since the war. J. D. Bonney, after assisting in the gallant defence of his college, put the finishing touch to the evening by performing acrobatics on the scaffolding outside a High Street bank, much to the delight of the huge crowd watching. L. Barton, on the other hand, felt it wiser to hover in the shadows, having been discovered by the proctors on the previous Saturday, delivering an oration, about nothing in particular, from half-way up the New Bodleian. Now blissfully freed from the toils of Science Mods., the latter employs his time representing the House at Rugby,



Soccer and Hockey. Early on in the term, Bonney joined the other worshippers of the great god Leviathan, freely giving his services as one of the strokes.

Although the Varsity match at Twickenham has not yet been played, the O.U.O.G.S. are confident of the result, but in deference to our rivals we shall refrain until next term from congratulating our team.

### Cambridge University

This term we have been joined by two more Old Georgians, M. F. Heaton and E. T. Royds, who have both come up to Caius. Heaton, we understand, is trying to re-establish the School's traditional prowess on the Cam, which has fallen sadly by the towpath since the glorious days of Woodham and Clements. Royds, however, disdain- ing the more traditional forms of exercise, has taken up fencing.

Yet another convert to the cult of athleticism is P. Stephens who has gained a place in Selwyn's 2nd Hockey XI. He is also the first Old Georgian to gain a place in "Varsity" where we are informed that next term he is to produce an excellent presentation of "The Rivals."

G. Findley has not been seen this term, but it is rumoured that he has asked his College Authorities to readjust their rules so that he can "keep nights" in the Classics Library. It is also said that in an attempt to reconcile Man's motivating urges of hunger and love, he attends regularly the teas provided by the Christian Union.

M. Seal is now doing research in the Department of Rubbing Solids where, with the assistance of an electron microscope, he has been investigating certain properties of diamond and stoutly denying any mercenary motives.

S. K. Runcorn, the Assistant Director, has shown a party of Part II physicists around the Geophysics Department. Among those present was J. C. Higgins, who has spent most of his time hiding from organisers of concerts.

Finally, we should like to wish all the scholarship candidates the best of luck. We trust they will not return empty-handed.

### Marriages.

- R. Walker to Dorothy Hampson at St. Cuthbert's Church, on July 19th.
- R. H. Kilburn to Margaret Richardson at Emmanuel Church on Aug. 23rd.
- G. Rimmer to Gwendoline Rigby at All Souls' Church on Aug. 25th.
- L. Becker to Dora Galkoff at the Synagogue on Aug. 31st.
- G. R. Lund to Mary Howard at Emmanuel Church on Sept. 20th.
- W. J. Williams to Barbara Litton at Holy Trinity Church on Sept. 27th.
- G. A. Kenward to Kathleen Moore at All Saints' Church on Oct. 1st.
- D. Priestley to Frances Blundell at St. Cuthbert's Church on Oct. 1st.

### Obituary.

It is with deep regret that we record the deaths of the following old boys of the school:—

- July 27—G. J. Marsh (Ed) (1937-44.)
- Sept. 30—K. Evans (Ed) (1937-44), son of Mr. I. Evans.
- Oct. 12—L. Wilkinson (W) (1947-50).
- Nov. 4—M. W. Gibbs (L) (1940-46).

## Sport

### RUGBY

1st XV 11 ..... Ormskirk G.S. 0

Playing with 14 men for nearly the whole of the game, owing to Bracken's breaking his leg, the team put up a good display in their first game under difficult conditions. The forwards won possession of the ball for most of the game, supplying the backs with chances to score.

1st XV 11 ..... Birkenhead School 8

A try from the backs early in the game gave the School a good start. In the wet conditions later in the game the forwards took control and scored a good try by clever interpassing of the wet ball.

1st XV 43 ..... Liverpool Collegiate 3

A good display of team work over a poor team gave the School a big win. In the perfect conditions the backs ran through their opponents, scoring almost at will.

1st XV 12 ..... Wigan G.S. 8

A grand display was given by both teams. The strong wind induced both teams to keep the ball tight. The forwards were especially good in the loose and fought their way to their opponents' line before supplying the ball to the backs.

1st XV 18 ..... Manchester G.S. 0

The game was comfortably won by the School who were superior to their opponents in every department. The backs, however, failed to make full use of the opportunities provided by the pack.

1st XV 19 ..... Wallasey G.S. 0

Fast, open play was possible in the dry conditions. The play was in Wallasey's half most of the game and the forwards gained possession from the line-outs and loose scrums.

1st XV 29 ..... Blackpool 9

Blackpool scored first and looked impressive. But after the School forwards scored a wonderful try with interpassing that left their opponents standing, the School took command. Despite having 14 men all the second half (Brocklehurst having broken his ankle) the School never lost their hold on the game.

1st XV 5 ..... Upholland G.S. 3

Extremely muddy conditions made open play difficult. The School pack outclassed their opponents and scored the School's try which was well converted by Steele from the touchline. The School defended well in the closing stages against strong attacks by Upholland



1st XV 5 ..... Manchester University 0

Playing with a strong wind behind them in the first half the School scored only one try by keeping the ball close in the second half, and by hard, first-time tackling the School wore the Manchester team down and were attacking strongly towards the end.

1st XV 3 ..... Balshaw's G.S. 19

Balshaw's G.S. smashed the School's unbeaten record and in doing so gave a lesson in effective three-quarter play. The School team, with few exceptions, lacked form against a quick, extremely fit team.

1st XV 3 ..... Calday G.G.S. 3

A team, weakened by injuries to the captain Marsh, Hyde and Baddeley, gave a poor display against Calday. The forwards lacked determination and were beaten in the set scrums.

#### RESULTS

September 24th v. Ormskirk. 1st XV (a) 11-0. 2nd XV (a) 29-3.  
 October 1st v. Birkenhead. 1st XV (a) 11-8. 2nd XV (h) 0-16. Colts (a) 3-23. Bantams (h) 3-11.  
 October 4th v. Liverpool Collegiate. 1st XV (h) 43-3. Under 15 (a) 6-41.  
 October 8th v. Wigan. 1st XV (h) 12-8. 2nd XV (a) 14-16. Colts (a) 8-3. Bantams (h) 18-25.  
 October 11th v. Manchester G.S. 1st XV (a) 18-0. 2nd XV (a) 16-3.  
 October 15th v. Wallasey G.S. 1st XV (a) 19-0. 2nd XV (h) 63-0. Colts (a) 3-6. Bantams (h) 8-3.  
 October 18th v. Blackpool G.S. 1st XV (h) 29-9. 2nd XV (a) 25-3. Colts (h) 6-9. Bantams (a) 3-25.  
 November 1st v. Upholland G.S. 1st XV (a) 5-3. Colts (h) 0-21. Bantams (a) 0-18.  
 October 22nd v. King Edward VII. Colts (a) 25-3. Bantams (a) 9-8.  
 November 5th v. Manchester University. 1st XV (h) 5-0.  
 November 8th v. Balshaw's. 1st XV (h) 3-19. 2nd XV (a) 0-0. Bantams (h) 18-3.  
 November 15th v. Calday. 1st XV (a) 3-3. 2nd XV (a) 0-9. Colts (h) 54-0.  
 November 19th v. King Edward VII. Colts (h) 64-5. Bantams (h) 8-6.  
 November 22nd v. Arnold G.S. 1st XV (a) 19-3. Colts (a) 13-6.  
 November 22nd v. Balshaw's G.S. Bantams (a) 5-5.  
 Chicks XV—October 18th v. Bishop's Court (a) lost 0-28.  
 November 1st v. Upholland (h) lost 9-11.

#### SWIMMING

Captain—M. J. HARRIS. Vice-Captain—F. A. S. BADDELEY  
 Secretary—R. A. S. KAY. Assist. Secretary—R. J. ELLIOTT

The School Swimming Team had four matches after the examinations had finished in the Summer term. They have had two more matches this term. The results are:—

Date	Opponents	Result	Score
June 21—	(H) Bolton School	Won	40½-37½
June 28—	(A) Lancaster Royal G.S.	Lost	25-43
July 5—	(A) Liverpool College	Won	37-35
July 11—	(A) Fylde and District Gala	Won, i.e., 1st	
Oct. 24—	(A) Liverpool and District Gala ... Sen. 2nd; Jun. 4th		
Nov. 19—	(A) Manchester Grammar School	Won	33½-32½

There was keen competition in all the matches. At the Fylde Gala, we still held on to the two cups — the Charles Wilkinson Trophy for the highest aggregate of points and also the cup for the victors of the Free Style Squadron Race. One record was broken when we were swimming against Bolton. This was the Medley Squadron record which was broken by the new time of 55 seconds.

At the end of the Summer term, the School Swimming Gala was held at the Victoria Baths. The high standard of swimming was maintained. One record was broken—the 100 yards Free Style, which was won by M. J. Harris in a time of 59 seconds. The Swimming qualifications had a very close finish. Life-saving Examinations were held as usual at the end of the term. Mr. Johnson, the Life-saving Examiner, has given another illustrated lecture this term.

#### RESULTS OF SWIMMING GALA

- 100 yards Free Style Senior.—1, Harris (S); 2, Wilson (G); 3, Haigh (Ev). Time 59 secs. Record.
  - Long Plunge.—1, Haigh (Ev); 2, Ralph (W); 3, Smith (M). Distance 68ft. 7ins.
  - 50 yards Breast Stroke Senior.—1, Baddeley (R); 2, Knowles (L); 3, Sharp (G). Time 33.8 secs.
  - 25 yards Free Style Junior.—1, Pickering (G); 2, Brookfield (R); 3, Knowles (S). Time 15 secs.
  - 50 yards Free Style Senior.—1, Harris (S); 2, Wilson (G); 3, Burgess (M). Time 28.2 secs.
  - 60 yards Back Stroke Junior.—1, Redman (R); 2, Savage (G); 3, Dixon (Ed). Time 42.8 secs.
  - Junior Neat Dive.—1, Kent (M); 2, Gautrey (L); 3, Knowles (S).
  - 25 yards Free Style (under 13).—1, Rimmer (S); 2, Rawcliffe (M); 3, Mellor (R). Time 17 secs.
  - Style Competition.—1, Baddeley (R); 2, Haigh (Ev); 3, Harris (S).
  - 50 yards Free Style Junior.—1, Pickering (G); 2, Brookfield (R); 3, Kent (M). Time 32.2 secs.
  - 50 yards Back Stroke Senior.—1, Baddeley (R); 2, Harris (S); 3, Stopforth (Ed.) Time 31.6 secs.
  - 50 yards Breast Stroke Junior.—1, Pickering (G); 2, Hill (S); 3, Barton (Ev). Time 40.8 secs.
  - Senior Neat Dive.—1, Equal, Baddeley (R); Haigh (Ev); 3, Stopforth (Ed)
  - Junior Squadron: 4 x 25 yards Free Style.—1, Grear's; 2, Rogers'; 3, Spencer's. Time 67 secs.
  - Senior Squadron: 4 x 50 yards Free Style.—1, Rogers'; 2, Spencer's; 3, Grear's. Time 2 mins. 4.8 secs.
- The Swimming Cups were awarded as follows:—

- The Ross Cup, for the highest number of points in the Gala.—1, Rogers', 47 points; 2, Grear's, 37 points; 3, Spencer's, 32 points.
- The Ingham Cup, for the highest number of points in the Swimming Qualifications.—1, Mason's, 137 points; 2, Grear's, 135 points, 3, Equal, Rogers' and Evans', 97 points.
- The Lancashire Cup, for the highest number of points in Life-saving.—1, Spencer's, 187 points; 2, Grear's, 150 points; 3, Rogers'.
- Bradburne Cup, for the highest aggregate in all competitions.—1, Rogers', 50 points; 2, Grear's, 49 points; 3, Spencer's, 42 points.

R.A.S.K. R.J.E.

### MR. T. PYE

It is with deep regret that we learned, soon after half-term, that Mr. Pye had resigned his appointment on the staff, owing to continued ill-health.

Mr. Pye, who was educated at Preston Grammar School, and graduated at London University, came to King George V School from Widnes at the beginning of 1932.

At first he taught Mathematics, Science and French, but he had very strong linguistic leanings, and nothing pleased him better, as time went on, than to be given an ever-increasing share in the work of the French staff.

He was conscientious and painstaking, possessing, in addition to those qualities looked for in a good teacher, boundless patience with, and understanding of, the slow and pedestrian pupil.

Not a few of those who had despaired of ever "making the grade" in School Certificate French, owed their ultimate success to Mr. Pye's unique method: a judicious, discriminating blend of sympathetic encouragement and relentless drive.

His deep understanding and kindly help given to boys near the bottom of the form enabled them to overcome their despondency and work with renewed hope and confidence.

He did not spare himself, alas!

On Sports day his was a dominant figure which we shall miss.

His arduous and unflagging energy contributed in no small measure to the success of the various School, and Inter-School Swimming activities, the distinctions in Lifesaving, the enjoyment of the Annual Swimming Gala.

It is now two years since he was compelled by his illness to give up work, but we had hoped he might be with us again before long.

We are indeed very sorry that he has been compelled to resign owing to his ill-health, but extend to him our sincerest wishes for a full and speedy recovery.

## Miscellaneous Reports

### BIOLOGY EXPEDITION

After a long and exhausting journey we arrived at the Idwall Cottage youth hostel at 12-30 p.m. We immediately went to the banks of Llyn Ogwen, where there was a high wind and signs of a storm. Regardless of conditions we had our meal and then went on to Llyn Idwall and en route we were detailed to our duties, some to flora and fauna, some to surveyance and some to soil-collecting. At 2-30 p.m., the threatening storm broke and we beat a hasty retreat to the hostel. The remainder of the day was utilised in drying and, for some, recuperating.

Next day, taking full advantage of the rather doubtful, but nevertheless, dry weather, we set off at 9-30 a.m. and walked to the dam of Llyn Ogden where we collected several aquatic species of plant life. Several of us attempted the Devil's Kitchen, but low cloud made any ascent impossible. As an alternative we made our way to new territory—the Llyn Bochlywd area. We were able to collect more aquatic species on crossing the Idwal-Bochlywd ridge, owing to the fact that several bogs were discovered on our particular route. On arriving at the lakeside we were able to identify many mosses, ferns and gorses with the help of our very able and experienced mountain-guide. Before our final gathering on the island of Ogwen, some were able to ascend the very inviting Devil's Kitchen and return with a somewhat rare plant—hymenophyllum Wilsoni.

When all were gathered we set off as a party to test the knowledge gained in recognising and naming the plants of this particular region. On returning to the youth hostel, once again in a downpour of rain, some spent the evening drying out, and some eavesdropping on a colourful account of a day's climbing by the more experienced.

The final day was started by re-visiting Idwal where we looked for as many recognisable species as possible in the time given. Zero hour came along and we had to make our way back to the youth hostel, where we collected our tackle, boarded the bus, and were on our way back to civilisation.

F.A.S.B.

### ARCHITECTURE EXPEDITION

This year the Art Society organised an expedition to the castles of Flint, Rhuddlan, Conway and Beaumaris in North Wales.

We set off at 8-30 on a lovely Summer's morning and had a very good run down to Flint. Flint castle, in spite of the good offices of the Ministry of Works, is in an advanced stage of decrepitude. It is also, unfortunately, under the walls of a large power-station. For all its rather disappointing character, many photographs were taken of this castle.

Our next stop was the castle of Rhuddlan on the River Clwyd. An interesting feature here was the fortified harbour on the river-side below the castle where provisions used to be landed. The bases of the walls and towers had suffered from extensive stone robbing by the inhabitants of the valley, but the castle was in a better state of preservation than that of Flint; it was felt, however, that a better place could have been found for the Ministry of Works nissen hut than in the bailey of the castle itself. There is the site of an old motte and bailey castle near the existing one, and this was visited by several of the members of the party.

After eating our sandwiches we travelled to Conway on the coast road below the magnificent slate quarries of Penmaenmawr.

On reaching Conway we found a fine castle situated in an impregnable position overlooking the river. Considerable time was spent here exploring the many towers and mural chambers. There were some fine views out to sea from the top of the curtain walls. The castle commands the walled town of Conway and many photographs were taken of this view.

It is a long journey from Conway to Beaumaris, but it was well worth while. This is a fine example of the castle built on the concentric wall system, and has a moat as well. As this was the most extensive castle we visited, a considerable time was spent wandering around inside the passages, chapels and rooms inside the walls. It is a somewhat scaring position to be standing on a narrow wall about seventy feet above the moat with a howling gale trying to push you over the parapet-less edge. No one did fall, however, and we returned home tired and slightly dirty, but happy. We would like to take this opportunity of thanking Mr. Waddington and Mr. Woodcock for taking us, and of thanking those boys who organised the retinue.—J.C.C.M.

### SCOUT CAMP AT LLANSANNAN

We chose Wales again this year for our summer camp. Our tents were pitched by the Afon Aled, just above the little village of Llansannan in Denbighshire. The site was a picturesque one, in the terraced bottom of a little valley, with steep pasture-land behind us, rising up to the road and Nantbleddwyn farm, and in front beyond the river an even steeper, thickly-wooded slope. The Aled itself is a shallow, swift-running mountain-stream, flowing for most of its length in the shadow of trees.

This valley was sheltered from the winds and would have been a perfect sun-trap—if we had had any sun. For the weather was, for the most part, cold and rainy, and as usual the weather determined the nature of our camp and the form taken by its activities. This was

no camp for lolling on the grass or idly splashing in the stream; instead, almost every day there were hikes and expeditions in all directions from the camp.

There was a prodigious hike southwards over the high moors to Llyn Aled, the source of our river, and back via the "Sportsman's Arms," which boasts that it is the highest inn in Wales. Two scouts, on their journey for the Venturer Badge, penetrated even further, to the Alwen Reservoir and camped for the night in that bleak place. Thereafter lads set out almost every day in groups of two, on their First-class Journey, laden like baggage-mules with hike-tents, billy-cans, food and other impedimenta (one Scout included in his "skeleton kit" a large Bible and a set of detective novels) to hike to a given part of the wilds and there camp for the night. Weather conditions made every journey a true test of stamina and resourcefulness. Scouts arrived, wet and weary, at some desolate place and were then, from lack of dry tinder, hard put to it to light a fire. One group, having failed completely to get a fire going, resorted to the kitchen fire of a nearby inn to cook their breakfasts and were later congratulated on their enterprise.

Another hike was made to Abergele, the nearest spot on the coast and was rewarded by a sight of the fabulous Gwrych Castle, that refuge of latter-day champions and knights-errant, and by a very cold dip in the sea. Others hiked in the Snowdon area or made their way to the great camping-area of Bryn Bach.

There was little bathing this year. The river was too shallow and the weather too cold. The advance-party laid the foundations of a great dam, which, if it had continued to grow at the same rate throughout the camp, would have flooded the whole of South Denbighshire; but building was not taken up with the like enthusiasm by the main party and the dam remained, a thwarted engineering project, to serve the camp as an unsteady bridge to our wood-supply and to ensure that several boys, by a sort of ironical justice those most loath, had at least one dip this year.

The spot abounded with rabbits, and the river was teeming with fish—at all events so it appeared at first. Dozens of snares were bought and many night-lines were set in the river. But lest it be thought that our trapping was inhumane, it should be recorded that not a single rabbit suffered pain as a result of our efforts, and but one fish, who must in any case have been the runt of a very under-sized family of some minute species, succumbed to our bait. An otter was seen frisking on the river-bank on the day we arrived, but he, too, wisely made himself scarce thereafter. A large hawk—someone said it was a buzzard—was noted almost daily hovering over the camp; perhaps he caught the rabbits. On one of our hikes a mole was unearthed and examined before being allowed to shamle back to his burrow; later in the day a herd of about a dozen mountain-ponies galloped by us on the moors.



Because of the number of hikes, corporate camp activities were reduced to a minimum. We did, however, have an excellent camp-fire, which promised to be the best ever until it was washed out by a heavy downpour. We also held a very successful Sports Day, which happened to coincide with our Parents' Day. So many parents and friends came this time that there were picnicking parties all over the camp, and for a time the field took on the appearance of the Happy Valley or the Delph Tea Gardens on a bank-holiday. They enjoyed our Sports Day, and so did we. We had a bushy-top tree race, throwing the mallet, putting the shot (a stone), throwing the javelin (home-made), throwing the discus (a tin plate), tossing the caber, chariot-race, hop, step and jump, and a fire-lighting contest.

This year Mr. J. Burton, "Mr. B." to us, who used to be S.M. of the School's 2nd Troop, the 2nd/31st, came with us to camp. We wish to record our thanks to him for his help in every sphere of camp life. He helped with the cooking and the shopping and proved an expert at camp-fires. In particular he was our Chancellor of the Exchequer, and brought to the irksome task of balancing our budget, an experienced and careful hand.

A German lad, Jürgen Hulsch, came with us, too. He enjoyed the camp and we were glad to have him, for he fitted well into all our activities. He took his share of the fatigues, sang German songs at our camp-fire, shone at our Sports Day, and was liked and admired by all for friendliness and his magnificent physique.

The District Commissioner paid us a visit and took our prayer-meeting, after which he presented the First-class Certificate to John Wareing, an event which marked an important step in the progress of our re-formed troop.

Mr. and Mrs. Aled Jones, of Nantbleddwyn Farm, were our hosts this year and once again we were fortunate. Mr. Jones helped the Advance Party to get the equipment down the steep slope, and we had our first night's supper at the farmhouse. Throughout the camp he took a helpful interest in our welfare.

This was a "different" camp, but, though we could have wished for more sunshine, we enjoyed it no less than its predecessors.

### THE STRATFORD EXPEDITION

On Tuesday, July 8th, a group of boys again travelled by coach to Stratford-on-Avon. En route, those seasoned campaigners who had "done" Stratford last year expatiated upon the pleasures of the town (including, incidentally, the plays presented at the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre) to those less fortunate.

The weather was perfect and Stratford showed at its best. We looked round the town or tried the attractions of the river, in, on or at the edge thereof, until we were taken to the hostel where we were to spend the night, a pleasant country-house in its own grounds,

Then we made our way to the theatre to see a performance of "The Tempest."

The exterior of the Memorial Theatre is often criticised as an architectural monstrosity. This is unjust, for though the structure is neither imposing nor even beautiful in itself, it nevertheless fits well into its surroundings. There is little criticism, however, of the interior. This does not appear as large as might be expected from seeing the outside, and it is a wonder that the crowds which flock to the performance can be accommodated. In every part the view of the stage and the acoustics are excellent. The drawback of poor ventilation is offset by the provision of open-air balconies which can be used during the intervals.

The keynote of the production of "The Tempest" was originality. There were certainly many novel conceptions, including the storm-scene and masque, but the extravagant stage-settings and devices did not achieve the desired effect. They were all too artificial.

As there is no curtain in the Memorial Theatre, we could study the scenery beforehand. This took the form of a mass of rocks and sea-shells strewn around the stage, the predominant colour of which was green, to represent the sea-bed. The artist's impression was that the whole play took place under the sea, his justification being that the unreal and fantastic effect was thereby increased. Unfortunately, unless one was warned beforehand, it was not easy to realise what was intended. The only thing that could be ascertained was that the action took place near the sea. In any case such an unusual setting did not add anything to the understanding of the play and was a far-fetched flight of fancy, which defeated its own purpose. There was none of the rugged beauty expected from the mystical atmosphere of "The Tempest."

The main action takes place around the person of Prospero; it is he who holds the play together. As Sir Ralph Richardson was to play this part, expectations were high. But again there was a disappointment. Although his voice is rich and sonorous, he did not seem able to express the full meaning of Shakespeare's poetry, and very often it was difficult to follow his meaning. Nor did he seem perfectly at ease in his portrayal of the character. He made Prospero appear a sort of god who, even when expressing his love for his daughter, could not bring himself down to the level of human tenderness, but showed rather a patriarchal condescension. Sir Ralph seemed never to decide quite how the character should be presented and hence his Prospero was not entirely convincing.

The fairylike spirit of the play depends largely upon Ariel. This part was admirably played by Margaret Leighton whose voice, figure and actions were alike wispy. Her sprightly presence could be felt even when she was immobile watching the actions of the other characters. She spoke in a high-pitched voice, only occasionally varied,



which, however, never became monotonous, but rather added to her aetherial quality. Not only was her acting perfect, but she had a singing voice exquisitely fitted to the character, an attribute not common to many actresses. Everything she did added an air of freshness and fantasy.

The third important character, Caliban, is usually given more importance than Shakespeare intended for him on account of his grotesqueness. It has been the fashion for actors, misguided by this, to overplay the part. He has been portrayed, contrary to the text, as a poor, misguided animal, exploited by a slave-driving Prospero, and an object for unqualified pity. Michael Hordern did not fall into this trap. Caliban, although his fate was cruel and calculated to arouse a certain amount of sympathy, was shown to be inherently evil.

Both Stephano (Lyn Evans) and Trinculo (Michael Bates) were in the best tradition of Shakesperian fools. In their slapstick and music-hall type of back-chat, they provided much-needed humour, shining especially in the drunken scenes with Caliban.

All the other characters are subsidiary and are given little chance to show great acting ability. The nobles of Milan and Naples were adequately played, but of the lesser characters Nena Walker's Miranda was the most outstanding. This is a most difficult part to play convincingly, as Shakespeare purposely made Miranda somewhat characterless so that her love-scenes with Ferdinand should not detract from the more important issues of the play. Nena Walker not only showed the accustomed tenderness, but was also alive and vital, and far removed from the colourless girl that might easily have been portrayed.

The main impression left by the production was one of perplexity. The play itself is somewhat enigmatic and the acting and stage settings, with their successes and failures, seemed to add to this effect. But whatever faults there were, we were greatly reassured during the intervals by countless American voices expressing superlatives of praise ("Say, it was marvellous!") and the production afforded much material for discussion for those who, disdaining the offered coach, preferred a nocturnal walk back to the hostel.

The following morning we quitted the hostel and set off to enjoy Stratford.

Some few are believed to have visited the shrines of the "Immortal Bard" (all grossly commercialised). This, however, was too costly in comparison with the enjoyment or even instruction obtained, and most preferred the pleasures of the river.

The improvement in the punting ability of the party was noticeable. No doubt the members who had come before had profited from experience, having learned the hard way. It is to be hoped that in future years it may even be possible to steer properly without the aid of someone swimming at the side. There were no serious mis-

haps this year, and the boat-owners of Stratford should consider themselves very lucky.

After lunch in Stratford the party divided, some to see a performance of "Macbeth" at the Memorial Theatre, while the rest were free to do as they wished.

It was with mixed feelings that we entered the theatre, for it seemed a pity to spend such a beautiful day indoors and the river was still tempting. But, putting aside such thoughts and with our minds on higher things, we went in to see "Macbeth," remembering also that, after all, the plays were the primary object of the expedition (a thing sometimes forgotten) and that a performance by the Stratford Company could not be seen every day.

The performance of "Macbeth" was more satisfactory than that of "The Tempest." Because of the many changes of scene, the scenery had to be simpler and more mobile. This, however, added to rather detracted from the effect. There was no brightness, as the predominant colour was, not unnaturally, black, the castle walls showing up dark against a background only slightly lighter. The combreness of the play as a whole was shown up in greater relief by the richness of the banquet scenes and of the regal red of the clothes worn by Macbeth and Lady Macbeth. Some of the stage effects were very striking, in particular the movement of Burnham Wood to Dunsinane. The battle-scene was also artistically portrayed, a difficult thing to show in the theatre, but one which seems to be a speciality of the Stratford Company, as was shown last year in their production of "Henry IV, Part I."

Once again the two leading parts were taken by Sir Ralph Richardson and Margaret Leighton. Sir Ralph made a better Macbeth than a Prospero, although he still seemed unable to express the full feeling of Shakespeare's poetry and appears to be more at home in modern drama than in Shakespeare's plays.

He portrayed Macbeth as a noble figure driven unavoidably to his fate. He was ruled by his destiny and was unable to help himself, wondering continually how he came to be committing such foul crimes. Perhaps his fatal weakness of ambition was not brought out sufficiently, but the downfall of a character which even to the end possessed a certain nobility, was fully shown.

Margaret Leighton as Lady Macbeth, however, did not come up to the high standard which she set in "The Tempest." This was not surprising since that is one of the last parts which she would be expected to play. It is one of the evils of a company producing "Macbeth" and "The Tempest," that the leading actress must take the parts of Ariel and Lady Macbeth. Margaret Leighton could never quite summon up enough anger and spite and could not be thought of as the evil instigator of her husband's actions. As a result, the tragedy of Macbeth almost became a double tragedy, for Lady Macbeth tended to assume some of Macbeth's importance.

Outstanding in an outstanding cast were Raymond Westwell (a stalwart of the Company who played Gonzalo in "The Tempest") as Banquo; Jack Gwillim as Macduff; and Laurence Harvey as a young and vigorous Malcolm.

After coming out of the theatre we had immediately to take the coach for home which we reached at about 11 o'clock after an uneventful journey. It was hard to believe that we had only left Southport the day before, so much had been crammed into the time.

A great part of the success must be attributed to Mr. Wakefield who had to all the arranging beforehand. So smoothly did everything run that one tended to forget about the organisation. It is to be hoped that the Stratford Expedition will become an annual event and provide the same enjoyment and interest for others.

### THE GEOGRAPHY EXCURSION

Our party of would-be pioneers arrived at Malham on a dull July day.

The first stage was a hike to Gordale Beck, where we climbed the waterfall to the top of Gordale Scar. After the boys had caught up with the Masters, we walked almost due northwards to the Tarn. We had lunch at this stage, and later arrived at the Tarn.

Here the party divided into three groups. The energetic group tackled the hill to the North of the Tarn and their struggles were followed, with the aid of a telescope, by the static or intelligent group. Two Spartans, comprising the third group, staggered into the Tarn for a swim. They learnt, in the hard way, that Tarns are mighty cold and have stony bottoms.

On the return stage, we found the area where the river disappears into the ground owing to fissured limestone. We passed through much glorious limestone country, descending a precipitous scarp, and arriving at the famous Malham Cove, where the river reappeared. Whilst negotiating this second steep descent, some junior Al Read reminded us that a person was killed last year from this very spot. And so, very chastened, we executed a wide detour and came down the scree slope to that delightful camping area at the foot of the cave. In these lovely surroundings we had tea and a well-deserved rest.

Later, we strolled by the river, southwards to Malham, and so to the inevitable argument as to how far we had walked. This grew like the proverbial fisherman's fish, but there was agreement on the fact that this day had been a most enjoyable one.—P.F.N.

### PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY EXHIBITION

It seems to be the accepted tradition in this magazine to describe this event as of a high standard, and I cannot find any more fitting description for this particular exhibition.

It was pleasing to note more variety in choice of subject than in recent years, originality and careful thought showing clearly in the exhibits and the artistic picture having predominance over the mere enlarged snapshot.

Another gratifying improvement was in the "Events of the Year" section. The Sports Day atmosphere, prevalent formerly, was, while not completely lost, shown in right and proper proportion with photographs of events throughout the whole year.

Less pleasing was the "Old Boys'" section, not, let it be hastily added, because of the quality of the exhibits, but because so few O.B.s had submitted prints.

Undoubtedly the most popular item was the Sports Day film, and the projectionist is to be congratulated on his skilful manipulation over, and tactful explanation of, the torn parts.

Finally, all the organisers are to be congratulated on yet another fine exhibition.—C.D.

### Prose & Verse

#### AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF AN ULTRA-MODERN POET

I  
had  
always  
wondered  
why people  
should ever want  
to learn mathematics,  
until one day I took up  
geometry, and swamped myself  
with pages of fascinating figures,  
rectangles, rhombi, triangles and squares,  
a thought-provoking subject for a poet  
to wallow in; and very gradually,  
I got to know the strange power  
of limiting myself; and so  
ever since, I have done  
my very best to get  
a sense of form  
into my work;  
it's fun,  
isn't  
it?

R. Sourbut.

## MURDER IN THE CHAPTER

Archdeacon Wisbech Jones rose, nodded to the Dean, drew out a large handkerchief with green border, and having performed the necessary operation commenced:—

"Er, Gentlemen, we are met together today to select a candidate for the position of Rural Dean of Newton Segbury and district. We have, as you no doubt know, the following names: Canon Percy Scroggins, late Rector of St. Cuthbert's and All Souls', Westlake, and the Rev. Wilfred W. Wilfred, of Abbots' Hendon. Now I must impress upon you . . ."

The plaintive tones of Archdeacon Wisbech Jones died away as Mr. Quentin Ball, Mus.Bach., organist of the Cathedral, walked along the sunlit cloisters. It was a bright, sunny morning and the sun cast colourful shadows through the beautiful oriel windows in the chancel. Mr. Ball leaned over the stone parapet. Way below him in the busy market square he watched the hive of activity centred in the little cathedral town. As he watched, a small black beetle of a car drew up in front of the "Brown Cow," and a portly personage emerged. The head was covered in a large round black hat and the appropriate size, shape and colour of collar, signified the wearer to be a member of the clergy. Mr. Ball presumed that this was Canon Percy Scroggins come for his first stay in the town in anticipation of being elected Rural Dean. Mr. Quentin Ball, Mus.Bach., would have patted himself on the back had he known he had surmised correctly (Mr. Quentin Ball, Mus.Bach., always patted himself on the back when he surmised correctly). He walked slowly back along the balcony and into the cloisters.

" . . . and so, gentlemen, I leave you to make your election," concluded the Archdeacon. The Dean then handed out slips of paper to each man and when all had written a name he collected them in.

"Gentlemen," began the Dean, "the Chapter has decided by a majority of five votes to one to elect Canon Percy Scroggins as Rural Dean of Newton Segbury."

Archdeacon Wisbech Jones heaved a sigh of relief and then took his leave of the Chapter.

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It was a fine Summer afternoon a year later, and Mr. Quentin Ball was again airing himself in the upper cloisters. Away in the precincts of the nave the verger could be heard stacking away hymn books; otherwise all was quiet. Mr. Quentin Ball was not in a good mood this afternoon. He had just had to reprimand a choirboy for carving his name on the back of the stall. He leaned over the parapet. Below him was the cathedral garden separated from the market place by a high wall. As his gaze passed over the verdant lawns

and herbaceous beds, he saw directly below him two figures seated on a rustic bench. It was Archdeacon Wisbech Jones deep in conversation with Canon Percy Scroggins. What fun it would be thought Mr. Ball to remove the Archdeacon's hat with a well-directed missile. He patted himself on the back (Mr. Quentin Ball, Mus.Bach., always patted himself on the back when he thought of a good idea).

He turned and sat down on a stone bench. At that moment a bird alighted for a second on a small grotesque gargoyle on one of the pillars. As it flew away he noticed the stone shake. Rising, he walked over towards the pillar and picked up the gargoyle. It was about the size of an orange. Perhaps it was a little too big for removing the Archdeacon's hat. Reluctantly, he put it back on its pedestal and returned to the parapet. He looked down again at the two men. It was then the fiendish thought came into his head. After all, wasn't it Canon Percy Scroggins who had moved at the last but one meeting of the Chapter that he, Mr. Ball, who had been there five years now, should be asked to resign; wasn't it Canon Percy Scroggins who had opposed his idea of having the 109th chant on Trinity Sunday; wasn't it Canon Percy Scroggins who had distributed lollipops at the Christmas party last year to all the children except his; wasn't it Canon Percy Scroggins who had stoically refused to remove his hat when he had met Mrs. Ball in the butcher's shop only last week. Anyway he had never liked Canon Percy Scroggins.

Before he knew what he was doing, he had the gargoyle in his hand and with a playful grin he let it drop. Had Mr. Quentin Ball known his aim was going to be so good, perhaps this story would never have been told. However, the stone landed fair and square on the victim's head and bounced neatly on to the path where it shivered into a thousand pieces. Mr. Ball could hardly resist patting himself on the back (Mr. Quentin Ball, Mus.Bach., always patted himself on the back when he accomplished something well).

One of Archdeacon Wisbech Jones's principal ailments was that he was stone deaf, and indeed it wasn't until he had finished telling his companion how Mrs. Elsie Murray had spilt tea down his wife's frock at the garden fete last Wednesday that he noticed Canon Percy Scroggins's head was bent low.

The Dean preached the following Sunday referring to what he termed "this most lamentable accident to one of our noblest workers in the Chapter." Poor Archdeacon Wisbech Jones was most disturbed.

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### THE LARK

As I was walking down a lane,  
I heard a sweet lark sing;  
I turned my head, and there I saw  
It rising on the wing.

It soared and soared right to the sky,  
It was a wondrous sight;  
But as I stood and watched it there,  
It vanished from my sight.

Where did it go up there so high,  
That lovely feathered thing?  
Methinks, perhaps it went to heaven,  
In the angels' choir to sing.

R. B. Austin.

### FELLOW TRAVELLERS

I was worrying. It was through this that I had got up late and missed breakfast, that I had spilled the milk, which I was pouring out for the cat, over the brand new Axminster carpet, that I had misjudged the number of stairs to our staircase, and in reward received an extra-large bruise on the back of my head. I was still worrying because, you see, I was to make a train journey. Although I have not made many train journeys, my experience was sufficient to terrify me at the thought of another. I knew from the very beginning that I was doomed to a dreadful passage. I was even late to the station, but that was really on purpose. The train had not gone, however, and I just had time to rush along the platform and fling myself into a carriage as it started to move away.

As I had predicted, the carriage was full and the train was an express—an express, that is, in the sense that it did not stop at any stations, but in no other sense. Thus I should have to remain in the carriage for three-quarters of an hour. My entrance had not created a very good impression since I had tripped over a plump woman's outspread foot, knocked some delicious sandwiches out of a gentleman's lap clean through the opposite window, and caught a youth

in soldier's uniform squarely in the solar-plexus with my attache case. I afterwards discovered that the hurricane which swept through the carriage at my entrance had put out the match of another gentleman who was using it to light his cigar. It happened, so help me, to be his last match. I sat down, or to be more precise, squeezed in between a young tittering girl and the pompous, fierce major whose cigar now hung limp and unlit from the corner of his mouth. I surveyed the battlefield. The stout woman by the door was clutching her foot with an agonized expression across her oval face. The businessman was eating imaginary sandwiches, trying to recollect their excellent taste. The young soldier was doubled up in a most unnatural position, staring blankly at the floor. The farmer opposite tried to knock the dottle from his pipe out of the window, but he was obviously no student of science since he would have known that the wind-pressure from outside would blow it back along our row. The major ducked, and it passed clean out of the other window. The farmer returned to chewing his now empty pipe nonchalantly. The young girl started to titter and quiver, and a ripple went the whole length of our row and back again. A most unpleasant and irritating state of affairs.

A stony silence now enveloped the company. Everybody was regarding everybody else with suspicious eyes, or trying not to look concerned. A ripple, caused by that wench, kept occasionally travelling the length of our row. The stout lady left off caressing her foot for a moment to shut the window. The farmer in his turn for some inconceivable reason shut the other. The major had found another match, in my pocket although he did not realise it, and was now emitting clouds of evil-smelling fumes into the compartment. A contented smile settled on his face. A smoke-screen soon filled the carriage. The businessman tried his hand at breaking the ice when he remarked "Foggy, isn't it?" This remark was greeted with a deathly silence and he returned to trying to read his paper. The soldier had not yet moved. The farmer was snoring loudly. The stout woman was searching for her shoe while she stood up on one leg. She had very little chance of finding it with visibility down to a matter of inches. I was slowly but surely suffocating.

Suddenly it all changed. Somebody said "We're here." Everybody immediately stood up and was met by his opposing number with such force that everybody sat down again. I got up and grabbed my case. The smoke-screen swirled around us as the train lurched to a stop and we prepared to charge our way out. The major thrust the door open and I pushed him out, eager to reach that fresh air so necessary to life. The major disappeared from my sight, and from the blasphemy aimed in my direction from somewhere down below I guessed he had chosen the wrong side. I turned and fled.

J. Hughes, Lr.VIMod.



## STRANGE MEETING

I was sitting on a long wooden seat, my legs sprawled out in front of me, letting the warm sun play on my face, and feeling very lazy. On one side, the road stretched round in a crescent till the grey wall blocked it from view; on the other side lay the long, steep ascent into Ilfracombe; and facing me, across the road, was a line of small, thatched cottages. It was from one of these that the old man emerged. He was small and bent, like the cottages, and in spite of the heat he wore a cloth cap, a muffler and raincoat. He leaned heavily upon a stick, as he crossed the road towards me, slowly.

"Gud ar'newn," he said in a sigh of relief, as he sank on the bench beside me.

"Oh, good afternoon," I replied, as pleasantly as possible.

He was in no hurry. He loosened his raincoat and felt in an inner pocket, producing an old briar pipe which he proceeded to fill with tobacco, in a leisurely manner. He then looked me up and down several times, very deliberately, and glanced at the bicycle propped against the wall.

"Come far?" he inquired at last.

"From Lancashire," I grinned.

There was a long silence. Then a thought struck him. "Deuce of a largn way thaa, en i'?" he said.

I agreed. Then he began to get into his stride.

"Yew be gooin' into Ilfracombe?" I nodded and he chuckled. "Yew be gooin' to have to waalk it then."

I looked at the gradient to my left. "It doesn't look too steep," I said.

He chuckled again. "There be on'y one chap as ever oi seed goo up that 'ill on a boike," he said, "an' that were moi son."

I braced myself for the long family history which I thought would follow. I was not disappointed. The thread of the tale was his son's exploits with the Ilfracombe Road Club, culminating in his heroic attempt to climb the slope.

"'E traaned fer weeks at it," he said; and with a glow of pride, "an' 'e done it, too! 'E done it! But 'e straaened 'isself. An' 'e 'asn't waalked from that day to this."

He began to wax maudlin. Then, suddenly recollecting himself, "If yew arst me, that 'ill 'as a hinfluence," he burst out. "Only th' other day oi seed a young chap killed on that 'ill. On a motor-boike 'e was. An' just as 'e got abewt theer," he pointed, "just fer noo reason at all, 'e swerved roight over the road—car comin' dewn killed 'un." He blinked and nodded his head vigorously, frowning to keep his cap in place. "Not much older 'n yew, 'e wasn't, p'haps 'bewt noine-teen, twen'y. Moind yew," he added, "car was gooin' tew faast. Dratted motorists! Dratted maniacs!" He subsided into his seat and became calm.

I couldn't stop thoughts coming into my brain. First I imagined him shaking with chuckles, as he watched cyclist after cyclist dismount halfway up the hill. I imagined him telling the same stories to countless others before me, sitting in that same spot, telling them about the evil influence of the hill, about the accident which had happened "on'y th' other day." I looked at him sitting hunched up on the seat, his hands crossed on his stick, one clutching the old briar pipe; and he looked so old and lonely. And then I felt a sudden indescribable chill run through me, as if the sun had gone. For a moment I was in the grip of a strange cowardice. I wanted to put my hands in front of my eyes and run.

The fit passed. "Well, I'd better be going," I said.

He seemed to wake with a start.

"Oh!" he said, "Well a pleasant journey to yew, me sonny."

I could feel his eyes boring into my back as I picked up my bicycle and wheeled it into the road.

"Thanks!" I called out over my shoulder, and walked, slowly and deliberately, up the hill.—B. Sourbut.

## EVERY CHRISTMAS

Every Christmas the family foregathers—  
Cousins and uncles and aunts in a bunch;  
Distant relations, both mothers and fathers,  
Guzzling a most indigestible lunch.

Every Christmas the clan re-assembles—  
Countless in-laws in a chattering crush;  
Crowding the dining-room till it resembles  
The Waterloo tube at the height of the rush.

Every Christmas we welcome each other  
Saying we just haven't altered at all;  
Secretly thinking that Jennifer's mother  
Now looks as haggard as poor Cousin Paul.

Every Christmas my stepsister Mabel  
Has, with the turkey, her heartburn attack;  
The last time, we say, she'll sit at our table—  
And every Christmas the old bore comes back.

Every Christmas my great-uncle Andy  
Tells dad he's left all his shares to his wife—  
Adding, while downing his third double brandy,  
That he's never before felt so fit in his life.

Every Christmas Aunt Monica grumbles  
That Christmas is not what it was in her day;  
Every Christmas Aunt Muriel rumbles  
And blames it all on to my little niece, Fay.

Every Christmas, the vicar, old Messum,  
Rises unsteadily (one year he fell),  
Proposing the toast of "The Family—God bless 'em!"  
And poor Uncle Alf says he doesn't feel well.

Every Christmas the relatives scatter—  
Cousins and uncles and aunts in a heap;  
Stomachs distended, and bloated and fatter—  
Back to their homes for a much-needed sleep.

J. S. Nottingham, L.VY.

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## Societies

### ART SOCIETY

This term the Art Society has had a very encouraging attendance from Junior boys and members of the Sixth and Upper Fifth Forms. It is a lamentable fact, however, that boys in the middle school seem to forget the societies. Naturally enough, some of our time has been spent in preparing the scenery for the School play, but most of the members seem to spend their time grovelling on the floor painting on two or three huge sheets of tone paper pinned together. The results of this are extremely lively, even if they cannot be called masterpieces.

Prospective members are reminded that they will be welcomed, and also that all materials are free.—J.C.C.M.

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### BEE CLUB

Chairman—M. H. IRVING.

Secretary—J. B. KNOWLES. Treasurer—MR. G. F. DRAKE.

Committee—J. ASHURST, G. LIVESLEY, M. L. SALKIE.

As last term was drawing to a close, the bees swarmed. After flying round the perimeter of the quadrangle for some minutes, they eventually settled on one of the window-ledges. The club members finally hived them by brushing them into the hive-roof which acted on this occasion as an improvised skep. An encore was given, however, the following day when they were at last hived successfully. The club would like to express its appreciation to the Headmaster and Miss Ingleston who gave their assistance in collection of the swarms.

The club's stand at the School Exhibition was undoubtedly the chief attraction owing to the glass observation-hive which acted

as a living magnet to visitors of the art room. The extraction of several combs of fruit honey helped also to keep the interest centred on the stand.

Owing to the persistent inclement weather while the bees were on Scorton Moors, the yield of heather-honey was extremely small and the bees returned with their numbers considerably reduced. But we hope that with the aid of their new queen they may increase sufficiently to provide a surplus of fruit honey this coming Spring.

J.B.K.

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### BOXING CLUB

The club held its first meeting of the year on October 13th, and since then has been holding meetings on Monday nights in the Gym. At the moment, the juniors by far outnumber the seniors, but it is hoped that members of the Upper and Lower Fifths will make an effort to come along next term. The meetings are divided into two sections, the first for general training and apparatus work, the second for boxing lessons and practice sparring-bouts.

This year there is to be a House Boxing competition. The choice of competitors will be left to the respective Housemasters and non-members will be allowed to enter.—R.P.

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### CHRISTIAN UNION

On Friday, the 18th of June, a party of five boys with Mr. Drake went to the Student Christian Movement Conference in Manchester. We went by train and reached Manchester Grammar School, where the conference was held, just before the commencement. There was a short welcome to the conference by Doctor James, the High Master, after which the chairman, Mr. Percy Lord, introduced the principal speaker. This was to have been Dr. Gerald Moore, of Harrow, but owing to his indisposition, he was unable to attend, and at short notice Principal Cunliffe Jones gave an excellent address on "The God Who Speaks."

After this there was a dinner interval (with two sittings), when all but one of the party, much to his disappointment, were on the same sitting. Then followed in the afternoon, a series of parallel courses which proved very interesting.

After tea there was the concluding item in the programme which took the form of a service conducted by Principal Kenneth Dykes, with a very good address by the Dean of Manchester, President of the Movement. After this we returned home all agreeing we had had an excellent day.—P.W.B.

## DEBATING SOCIETY

Noticing the steadily-decreasing attendance at their meetings in past years, the Debating Society has, this year, embarked upon a more ambitious programme. Such novel features as the Mock United Nations Session have succeeded in this respect as did the Junior Play Reading, but the ordinary debates would be improved if there was a larger audience and more speakers from the floor.

The School Play, "Hamlet," is the largest production we have ever done, but it is felt that it will, under the very capable and hard-working producer, Mr. Wakefield, once more confound the pessimistic critics and prove another success.—J.C.C.M.

## LIBRARY

*Senior Librarians*—M. S. DAVIDSON, DYER, SOURBUT.

*Junior Librarians*—HAMILTON, MORRELL, GOLDBERG, MEUNIER, ABBERLEY, BASS, DRAKE, GIDDENS, HUGLIN, MURGATROYD, PEARSON, PLATT, STOPFORTH, WHATMOUGH.

As usual, the library has been very well patronised by second-formers. But why is it that keen juniors become indifferent seniors? We are well aware that many other interests devour the time of the growing boy, but the importance of wide reading cannot be too strongly emphasised. The new sixth-form borrowing system is working very efficiently, and we are glad to see many boys fully availing themselves of it. All boys, and especially sixth-formers, are reminded that the library is a place for quiet study and should be freely made use of as such.

There have been numerous additions to our shelves this term, and the almost imperceptible influx of new books throughout the years has at last made it necessary to fit some new shelves.

We are grateful to G. A. Burras and P. Edleston for gifts of books.

## MUSIC SOCIETY

*Chairman*—M. S. DAVIDSON. *Secretary*—P. RUSHTON.

*Treasurer*—C. B. WILSON.

*Committee*—I. M. BLAIR, J. V. BOOTHMAN, B. SOURBUT, D. SUTTON

The first meeting of the term was held on October 3rd and took the form of a Members' recital, given by C. G. Booth (clarinet), B. Sourbut, J. V. Boothman and D. Sutton (piano).

Owing to the very small attendance at this recital the committee

thought it would be better for members to meet together in order to play string quartets, piano duets and other concerted music. A cordial invitation is extended to all boys to bring their instruments along to Room 21 on Monday evenings.

The choir, which now numbers one hundred and twenty, has been rehearsing Stanford's "Revenge," which they will sing with the orchestra during the concert at the end of next term. The orchestra is also busy with Schubert's "Unfinished" Symphony, Overture, The Secret Marriage by Cimarosa, and Elgar's Pomp and Circumstance March No. 4. The string section of the orchestra has once again been called on to supply the music for the School Play.—

P.R.

## PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

*Chairman and Secretary*—I. H. BASS. *Librarian*—D. R. K. SEDDON

*Committee*—C. DYER, K. F. EDWARDSON, A. W. A. BROWN, B. A. DAVIES, N. R. NUTTER, D. R. HOLT, B. H. SUTTON.

The work shown in the Annual Exhibition at the end of last term continued to maintain the high standard of former years. The Old Boys' section in particular was better supported than usual, and congratulations are due to the prizewinners, and to all entrants for their excellent efforts. The competition was judged by Mr. G. P. Murgatroyd, to whom we are indebted for helpful criticisms and very good advice. We should also like to thank our Headmaster, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Mayne, Mr. Woodham and Mr. Murgatroyd, for prizes, which were awarded as follows:—

1st Prize.—N. Ralph.

2nd Prize.—A. Murgatroyd.

3rd Prize.—D. R. Holt.

Events of the Year Section.—N. Ralph.

The membership for this year has broken all records and we are pleased to welcome many junior boys into our ranks. Both juniors and seniors are very keen, and attendance at meetings this term has been very high.

At the first meeting held on September 15th there was a practical demonstration on "Developing a Film." This was the first in a series designed to introduce new members to the fundamentals of photography. The audience was large and appreciative, several questions being asked at the end of the lecture.

On September 29th, the series was continued with a lecture on "Contact Printing," which also took the form of a practical demonstration. The attendance was again high and great enthusiasm was shown, especially by the junior section of the audience.



The last meeting to date was a "Lantern Lecture" on October 13th. The audience took an active part, joining in the discussion on the merits and faults of each colour transparency in turn. Before the end of the term it is planned to arrange a lecture on "How to Enlarge" to conclude the series, and lectures on more specialised subjects will be given next term.

The librarian, D. R. K. Seddon, is pleased to note that a fuller use of library books is being made this term. Although the library is now quite extensive, offers of books will be gratefully accepted.

We are again indebted to Messrs. Kay & Foley for help during the past year, and for equipment loaned to us on several occasions.

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### SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY

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C. J. TAYLOR.

Some of the meetings this term have been very well attended, in fact, on two occasions almost 100 boys were present, but it is perhaps unfortunate that this figure can only be approached when a film is included. It is pleasing to see a number of new boys in the audience, and although many must have been baffled by such problems as how to bring about nuclear fission and what differential thermal analysis has to do with cups and saucers, it is evident from the questions asked by some of them that they are very keen to pick up as much information as possible. Members are therefore profiting greatly from their attendance and those who have not yet experienced the many delights of Tuesday afternoon in the Lecture Theatre are invited to do so at the earliest possible opportunity.

The session opened on September 9th, when Mr. D. A. Holdridge, of the British Ceramic Research Association, gave a talk on "Science and Ceramics," a subject which turned out to be far more complicated than most of us had anticipated.

This was followed a fortnight later by a lecture on "Glass," by Mr. Chapman, of Pilkington Bros. It included a film on "Plate-glass Manufacture" and a demonstration of how armour-plate glass may be broken.

On October 7th a lecturer from Liverpool University, Dr. A. W. Merrison, gave an illustrated talk on "Atomic Power." It was notable in that he succeeded in putting across a large section of an extremely difficult subject, not an easy matter considering the difference in ages of those present.

The last meeting to date was on November 4th, when Mr. J. G. Watterson, who has been combating the Tse-tse Fly in Tanganyika, gave a talk on this insect. As in all lectures given this term, first-hand knowledge of the subject led to a very instructive and entertaining talk.

Next term it is hoped that a number of committee members will give talks. In the past, these have been of a very high standard, whilst being of great value to those who give them.—D.E.R.

### SCOUT TROOP

The end of last term and the beginning of this have been notable chiefly for progress with tests. We have now several First-class Scouts and one or two are held up only by the dilatoriness of examiners from becoming Queen's Scouts.

We must thank the Rev. W. Peters, the Assistant District Commissioner, for the help he has given and for the interest he has shown in our progress. He has been a frequent visitor at our Friday meetings.

We have had another influx of recruits and have for the first time admitted members of the Second Forms into our Troop. So far we have had no reason to regret our decision to admit them.

We understand that Mr. A. W. Mayne, who retired recently after having been S.M. of the Troop for some 20 years, has received a letter from Lord Rowallan, the Chief Scout, thanking him for his long and faithful service to Scouting.