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Editorial.

LAST time we had something to say. We raised the editorial pen, confident that though the ink might run dry, the well of inspiration might still rely on the mundane for those ecstasies of wit that our readers demand from us. But now it is a timid hand that stretches for the pen, and the brow of Olympus is fraught with the clouds of uncertainty. Never before did we realise with full appreciation the difficulties of the wireless commentators who must continuously occupy the microphone with verbiage for the relentless ears of unseen critics. We might say a few words about the Magazine Crusade; of the exhortations that have been made to the School to introduce the Magazine to a wider circle of readers; of the unappreciated and unknown editorial labours on the night of the School Exhibition, when we endeavoured to sell the Magazine, and indeed, succeeded; of the posters and slogans that were seen and heard. But perhaps the opportunity is not quite meet. And so we cast about for themes worthier of our muse. But now the canker of idleness sets in; what inspiration we had has ebbed away, and our fevered efforts clutch madly, riotously at half-forgotten cadences and tones penned in other Editorials. Our memory grapples with these phrases of genius, these ecstatic unions of wit, erudition and tact, searches for the true gold and the seam whence we might draw our own themes. But either it is not there or else our readers would find us out. Either fate is hard; uneasy lies the head that wears even the Editorial crown, worn and battered from the throes of generations. But stop! We look up; we glance at the page, and find it filled.

A strange awe steals over us. Was this ours? Was it our hand that drew across paper this inspired mass of prose. In vain we ask the high ones of Olympus. For we have suddenly remembered that *we* are Olympus. The editorial confidence returns; our shoulders are squared; again we go forth to face the world.



MEMBERS of the Sports and Arts Club saw on Monday, January 31st, a display of films through the courtesy of Messrs. Cadbury's Ltd. The programme pleased the taste of all, being concerned with chocolate.

The Upper School were very interested to hear during the term Canon Soulby of the Cathedral descanting some of the beauty and wonder of the building that is growing up on the Mount.

This term saw the beginning of a Magazine Crusade. The School has been encouraged to increase the sale of the Magazine. Posters have appeared on the Iron Gates. There was a stall at the Hobby Show. May we take this opportunity of urging everyone to carry on the good work by every means available. The result of the Form competition in the sale of Magazines is still open; the leading Forms will be allotted space in the Magazine for their own use. All original contributions too are earnestly requested.

We offer our congratulations to Mr. Moy on the occasion of his marriage.

Our congratulations also to four members of the Upper Classical Sixth on examination successes. C. Leak won an Open Scholarship at Corpus Christi College, Oxford; G. R. Holmes an Open Scholarship at Magdalen College; H. K. Burns a Bursary Scholarship at Keble College; and R. J. Hammer an Open Exhibition at St. Peter's Hall.

It may be interesting to record that Arthur Askey, known as the resident comedian of the B.B.C., is an Old Boy of the School, and was actually started on his career in a pierrot entertainment, given some years ago as part of a Hobby Show.

We congratulate Mr. Rawlinson who has had an engraving accepted by the Royal Academy and Mr. Wedgwood, his predecessor as art master, on the acceptance of an etching.

"Sir John in Love"

Presented by the Liverpool Institute Choral and Orchestral Society, David Lewis Theatre, April 5th and 6th.

THIS opera received a somewhat unfavourable review in the Liverpool papers. Undoubtedly the work was exceedingly difficult, as those who have had experience of the rehearsals will testify. But this is not the first time that the School has been courageous enough to attempt the works of Dr. Vaughan Williams. Certainly to the more or less untutored ear, both the singing and the orchestral music were perfectly satisfactory. But then it might be better to leave technical criticism of the music to those who are qualified to speak, and to turn instead to the acting.

It is an interesting problem whether Shakespeare's play can be set successfully to music. The very naturalness of manner and diction of the comedy, and much, too, of the wit of quick repartee and verbal punning, must be lost in singing, or at any rate changed in form. If it is decided to keep closely to Shakespeare's play, then the actors have the initial disadvantage of uniting the exact emphasis of word and tone with the spirit of the music. To convey so much of Shakespeare's meaning as is necessary, in unison with the Orchestra, without losing the sparkle, is decidedly difficult. Nevertheless, in individual instances, the cast was remarkably successful.

The Prologue perhaps is stilted, but none the less impressive. We liked Queen Elizabeth—for us she was one of the highlights of the evening. By Scene II all was going with a swing. Mrs. Chapman, who has added to her admitted prowess as a singer a high reputation as an actress, enhanced both by her portrayal of Anne Page. Mistress Page (Emily Evans) and Mistress Ford (Mrs. Folland) were excellent. Under their care the Merry Wives came to life. Nor must Mistress Quickly (Eileen Ford) be omitted, for if anyone deserved mention it was she. As Mr. Holland pointed out, she was too pretty for the part, but the fault is surely on the right side.

Among the men, Falstaff naturally takes precedence. It would be hard to imagine a better Sir John, as a singer and actor, than the portrayal of Edward Morgan. Although there was no excess of buffoonery, he was very successful in putting across

the desired effect. Second, perhaps, comes H. Young as Ford. His part offered the solitary potentiality of tragedy, and he gave it an impressive manner, conveying at once the tragic and the comic villain. His singing heightened rather than obscured the effect. E. H. Ashcroft, J. B. Shaw, and J. H. J. Bowen made grand swashbucklers, though the two older men made the third look somewhat youthful. Mr. Jones will not be offended if he is told that as Slender he was a most realistic fool, for only the wise can do it. G. Allen was a perfect companion.

A. Crone entered well into the spirit of his part as Fenton, the hero of the sub-plot. Dr. Caius (H. Lowe) showed the proper Gallic fire, conveying well the Elizabethan mockery of the Frenchman, and Rugby (F. Blower) rolled his eyes with great skill. We did not see as much of Sir Hugh Evans (H. Jones) as we might have hoped, but what there was, was of the right temper. E. W. Hicks, as Mine Host, again receives our admiration for the manner in which he took one of those subsidiary parts on which depend the smooth running of the play. Shallow (W. C. Davies) and the others made the most of their opportunities. The chorus must naturally consist of individuals, rather than be one entity, and though some could have done with more rehearsal, on the whole the effect was exemplary.

Mr. Young again took on the task of producer and conductor. The sole point we can make in the way of general criticism that would be worth mention is that the last scene, especially during the abductions, was rather weak. The whole company apparently halted while first one and then the other openly carried off what was too obviously a boy.

Considering the difficulties and the work involved, the production was a success, and deserved fuller houses. "*Sir John in Love*" was worthy of what has become the tradition of this energetic Society.

[Thus far our Dramatic Critic; we have received the following from another of our correspondents.—ED.]

Dr. Vaughan Williams' "*SIR JOHN IN LOVE*" proved to be real opera, and for so young an amateur society to attack it, even after the striking success of last year with a much slighter work, required considerable courage. Perhaps not all the orchestra, nor all of the very large caste had, even so late as the second public performance, quite realised the magnitude of the undertaking or the need of unremitting common effort. Thus, the Chorus sang magnificently—sometimes; and the strings did not uniformly rise to the very high standard set them by the woodwind. If the band, as a whole, could have heard how admirably

they brought off much of the delightful humour and striking beauty of the writing provided for them they would, we feel sure, be kindled to a much stronger desire to make themselves into a team; the same is true of the Chorus, which appeared to have the makings, but not the confidence born of unflagging united effort, of that very important corps upon which so much of the success of opera depends.

Those of us who took the opportunity of hearing more than one performance brought away with us a conviction of the excellence of "*SIR JOHN IN LOVE*" considered as a delightful rendering of the spirit of Shakespearian romantic comedy. We should not have done so had not Mr. Young inspired his caste and his orchestra to achieve a very high measure of success in catching and passing on to us the spirit of Vaughan Williams. Of individual items in which the composer's genius was exercised at its happiest, the Falstaff solo "O that joy so soon should waste," appeared to us to receive an ideal rendering, and the very beautiful trio "*Vrai dieu d'amour*" received at least one very beautiful performance. The occasion as a whole has, we find in retrospect, left many such happy memories. The School has reason to be deeply grateful to Mr. Young and to all who worked with him, and to congratulate him and them without reserve on a very fine achievement.

The Exhibition of Work.

IT is several years since the School last held a Hobby Show; probably only the Senior members of the School will remember it; but it must be many more years since such a successful show as this year's was held. There was no lack of entries in any class, the list of lectures and demonstrations assumed impressive proportions, and the Inter-House Dramatic Competition produced some really good acting. The same, however, can scarcely be said of the House Choirs. Two never lived to see the light of day, a third ought never to have done so, and Tate House alone emerged triumphant with a really well-trained Choir. After Dr. Wallace had given them the final polish, their attack was excellent and they made their points well, especially in the more dramatic piece, "*The Goslings*." If anything, the tenors were a little too pronounced.

The plays cannot be given the detailed comment that they deserve, but it must at least be said that in all the acting was good. The plot of Owen's play, "*A Collection Will be Made*," was somewhat ordinary and obvious, but it was very enjoyable. The clergyman, especially, was very well taken by B. A. Willis, and R. S. Kelly deserves mention for taking so successfully the

part of the husband at such short notice. D. W. Vance was probably the best-looking of all the girls (*i.e.*, boys of course); his acting lacks nothing but closer command over his big moments.

Philip Holt's play "*The Man in the Bowler Hat*," was a dark horse. It was so subtle that the full point escaped even the adjudicators; whereupon the indefatigable producers "adapted" it and even prefixed a prologue, so that there should be no mistake. The result, at times, resembled a brawl more closely than a play, but it was well done, and apparently most acceptable to the audience.

Tate House won the competition, justly, with "*Five Birds in a Cage*," which was awarded second place some years ago. The girl (A. G. Parker) was rather too rigid, and far too apt to put her hands in her pockets; but his inexperience will be no handicap, if he continues this promise. I. R. Stewart's accent and manner as Bert were flawless—his experience enabled him to get across his parts better than most. S. Samuels "deared" in a fascinating way and looked the part thoroughly. The monocle was an inspiration. The Duchess (J. Hall) was convincingly feminine and alive, though too alert with his hands, and 'Orace (H. Hargreaves) seemed to have spent all his life leaning against something and saying, "*Don't know, lady*," "*Can't be done, lady*." We hope he hasn't but have our doubts.

But one always keeps the daintiest morsel to the last, and here it is. The performance by the Junior School of "*The Lady of Shalott*" was not far short of miraculous. The various parts blended evenly; there was no hesitation even when the air was hidden among a difficult series of runs—and the pianist never gave any wave of the hand to bring them in—but most difficult task of all in such a large choir, the words were clearly enunciated. The two soloists, R. Thornley and D. Creswell were excellent and never faltered.

Prizes in the Individual Sections were allotted to or divided by the following: H. A. Cashin, A. G. Mackinnon, S. A. Blackman, J. St. C. Ruthven, G. R. Emmett, A. I. Bender, A. G. Parker, S. Samuels, H. Hargreaves, J. Hall, I. R. Stewart.

The points for the House Competition were allotted as follows:—

	Play.	Choir.	Handi- craft.	Maps.	Photo- graphy	Stamps	Models
Alfred ...	3	—	3	—	7	7	3
Owen ...	5	—	5	3	1	3	1
Philip ...	1	5	7	5	5	1	5
Tate ...	7	7	1	7	3	5	7

The result was: Tate, 37 points; Philip, 29 points; Alfred, 23 points; Owen, 18 points.

Old Boys' Section.

WE learn that L. D. Barnett ('88) has retired from his position as Keeper of Egyptian records at the British Museum.

R. G. Baxter ('19) has been appointed Borough Engineer at Southend-on-Sea. Since he left Cambridge, Mr. Baxter has specialised in seaside towns, having worked at Southport, Salford (!), and Brighton.

Congratulations to R. E. Williams ('18) and W. C. Kneale ('23) on their respective marriages.

We hear from A. E. Ewart of the existence of an original School Song written in English. The music was composed by Alfred Brown Ewart and the words by Mr. Ewart's brother. It was published in the early nineties. We think a verse worth quotation:—

In ancient times a tale was told—

Pull all together!

As dying lay a father old—

Pull all together!

This quiverful, my sons, I ask

To break, it is no easy task,

Unless you can your weakness mask—

Pull all together!

R. Coope, M.D. ('11) has been elected F.R.C.P., Honorary Physician at the Royal Infirmary.

E. G. Watkins ('02), whom we revealed in our last issue as a writer of thrillers, drafted Miss Ellen Wilkinson's Hire Purchase Bill, which has just received its third reading in the House of Commons.

Henry Ravenscroft has sent us a cheque for one pound, part of which he suggests should be used to deliver complimentary copies of the Magazine to Old Boys in the hope that they might be attracted to subscribe. We welcome with gratitude his assistance, and trust that the interest displayed by Old Boys in the Magazine last term will be continued and expanded in future.

One letter from an Old Boy we desire to publish in full:—

ST. MARK'S VICARAGE,

ST. MARK STREET,

HULL, E.

To the Editor *Liverpool Institute Magazine*.

DEAR SIR,

I am very interested in your circular letter, which carries my mind back many years. I first made my acquaintance with the School on January 14th, 1884, and I well remember standing at the door of the Headmaster's Room looking down the passage towards the class room in which Mr. E. B. Ewart taught chemistry, adjoining which was the Chemical Laboratory.

The Head was the Rev. John Sephton, and I was asked to prove the Theorem of Euclid, Book I, Proposition 47, *viz.* : that the square of the hypotenuse of a right-angled triangle is equal to the total of the squares on its sides, called after the great Pythagoras. I managed to do it successfully ; and, so gained a good position in the Commercial School.

The experiences under the various teachers are vivid with me to-day. I am afraid I am not bold enough now to tell of the varied ways in which they were treated. Some had a sorry time. Most had nick-names. When in the physiography book we found that the name Huggins was mentioned, in reading round the class we cited him as an authority for many ideas for which he was not responsible. The geological specimens that were passed along were greatly increased before they reached the boys on the back row. In one class room the quietest time I remember was when a boy played " Les Cloches de Corneville " on a musical box inside one of the old-fashioned desks.

We did not play any tricks, however, with Mr. J. T. Lewis—who made us get up early in the morning to repeat our Euclid. We were rather afraid of Mr. Bulmer's sarcasm. Many were our difficulties. Still we struggled on. Eventually, by means of a Cochrane Scholarship I reached the High School.

One of the Masters was Mr. James Burton. One day, a few years ago I was taking a funeral at our Hedon Road Cemetery, when there passed through the gates his mortal remains. I afterwards taught in the School, and one of my pupils in the Preparatory department of the High School was W. R. Trevitt, who is now ordained and was my predecessor in this benefice. I have been here nearly 17 years. It is a rough task in an industrial area, containing amongst many others the works of Messrs. Reckitt & Sons Ltd.—noted for Blue, Brasso and Starch. In our city the Rev. Arnold Lewis has the Pastorate of Park Street Unitarian Church—and, not many miles away, at Humbleton Vicarage is Rev. W. N. Fraser. I have chatted with these two old scholars of former days. When we formerly sang together the song about " Forty years on "—it seemed a long time ahead. But more have passed ; and, now I realize all it says about our enfeebled powers. Still, we have these precious memories.

I can draw out of my bottom drawer the old photographs. I can think of the opportunities missed. I treasure the old ideals ; and, all I can hope to do in my remaining years is to try to stimulate others to make good use of their chances and powers, remembering our own great motto that we are not born to live for our selves alone but for the good of the whole world.

With all good wishes,

I am, yours sincerely,

EDWARD JOHN CLARK.

LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY.

EXAMINATION SUCCESSES.

Edward Forbes Exhibition—A. Eslick.

Faculty of Medicine :—

Degrees of M.B., Ch.B.—1st Examination :—

S. E. Keidan ; R. C. Nairn.

Diploma in Public Health—Part I :—

A. J. Gill, M.B., Ch.B.

School of Dental Surgery :—

Degree of B.D.S., 1st Examination :—

Part B (General Biology)—J. N. Bywell.

Licence in Dental Surgery. Pre-registration Examination :—

R. N. Pryor-Jones (Physics).

Degree of B.D.S. Second Examination. Part A :—

G. Bate.

Faculty of Arts :—

Diploma in Architecture—4th Examination :—

R. H. Browning.

House Notes.

ALFRED HOLT.—Only towards the end of last term did the House seem to find its feet, but this term the improvement has been maintained and our efforts have met with some success. We have won the Boxing Competition and have earned more points for football this term than any other House. In the Horsfall Cup itself, both Seniors and Juniors reached the inter-terminal final, although in both matches we were defeated by Philip Holt. Finally, we heartily congratulate R. J. Parkinson on winning the Junior Steeplechase. Our cricketing talent is, however, rather an unknown quantity and it is with mixed feelings that we look forward to the Summer term. D. NODEN.

Owen.—This term the report is much more encouraging, as the House had other things to do besides play football. We must congratulate the Fives team on winning the Shield and also the Chess team on their success in winning the terminal league. Our chances of carrying off the Chess Trophy seem bright.

Thanks mainly to the efforts of B. A. Willis, we succeeded in securing second place in the House Play Competition. In the steeplechase, the results have not been published to the time of writing, but it seems that we will be a close second, if not first.

Next term, we have the Sports and cricket. In the Senior division the prospects are bright, but I would appeal to the Juniors to pull their weight in the House as they can by a little united effort.

A. ROBERTSON.

Philip Holt.—The House has again had a successful term. Our Senior and Junior Soccer teams were victorious in the finals of the Horsfall and Whitehouse Cups. The Gym. team beat Tate by half a mark ; they are to be congratulated. Thomas must also have our warmest thanks for his untiring work with

the Running team: he fully merited his success in the Steeplechase.

Our showing in the Boxing Competition and Hobby Show was creditable. We thank all those who helped to place Philip second to Tate in the latter. We congratulate Tate on their fine performance.

This term we have the Sports and Swimming. Every member of the House must put his back into it, if we are to maintain the excellent standard of the past two terms. Above all, teamwork will tell; and I feel sure the House will respond as it has done in the past.

J. W. MCBURNEY.

Tate.—This term the Hobby Show was held—the greatest opportunity for team work which the School year offers. Almost every member of the House played his part by entering exhibits in one or more of the various sections, and of our ultimate triumph everybody in the House may feel justly proud. We feel that in the light of this great achievement Tate may be congratulated on possessing that indefinable something known as team spirit.

Next term we shall have an opportunity of proving that this was no mere flash in the pan, for the Sports offer another occasion on which concerted effort will triumph over individual brilliance. We hope that a large entry, backed up by some serious training will mean another victory for Tate.

We must not forget to congratulate our Gym. team which was only defeated by a fraction of a mark; our Junior Steeplechasers who were first in their section; our Junior fives players; and our football teams which did very well throughout the term, but suffered through injuries and depleted teams in the Cup matches.

Finally we offer our best thanks to Mr. Wormald, Mr. Roberts, and Mr. Weltman for the advice and help which they have always been most ready to give. To them we must attribute a large measure of our success.

I. R. STEWART.

Literary and Debating Society.

A MEETING of the Society was held in the Boardroom on Tuesday, January 25th, 1938, with Mr. Moore in the chair.

After the reading of the previous meeting's minutes, R. Brearley was unsuccessful in passing a pedantic motion on the subject of audible sanction. His second attempt to secure an alteration was more successful. H. Kushner failed to defend himself against the secretary's criticism, and then J. G. Vickers protested at the omission of any report of his speech at the previous meeting. It was agreed to draft out a report to appear as an addenda to the minutes. The minutes were then signed.

After a short discussion the minutes for November 16th were signed according to a scheme of alterations ratified by the secretaries and the sub-committee.

E. C. Colville was then called upon to propose that "National happiness is inconsistent with National Greatness." He said that national happiness was national calm, national greatness meant the production of men of genius. Athens' greatness meant misery to its people, as did Ciceronian Rome and Elizabethan England. Greatness was invariably followed by downfall; it was the subsequent period of consolidation that brought happiness. R. J. Hammer, in opposition, drew examples from Greece and Rome and said that only a contented England could have been able to defeat the Armada. The British love for the amateur led both to our national greatness and to our national happiness. National greatness could only arise from internal happiness. Capitalism could not bring greatness. Further national happiness and national greatness could not be separated.

C. Leak, seconding, spoke of such small and happy countries as Esthonia and Lithuania. Canada and New Zealand too were happy, but by no means great. As a contrast he mentioned Japan and praised the lot of the insignificant country. It was paradoxical that the happy should envy the great. E. S. Kelly asserted for the opposition, that small States lived in fear and poverty. Progress was necessary to happiness. The Indian principalities were most unhappy. Art could only flourish under the patronage of a great nation. Happiness and greatness were bound up together, and a great nation must confer happiness on its people to continue strong.

In public debate, U. B. H. Baruch affirmed that a great nation must have many enemies. His fourth lecture of the season on Modern Germany endeavoured to prove that countries trying to be great could not be happy. A. Packter opposed the motion but attributed the greatest advances in science to a period of decadence. H. Kushner declared that he could not make up his mind. The small Baltic States were both weak and wretched, but, too, many great nations were unhappy. Finally deciding that national happiness as such could not exist at all, he urged the Society to compromise by abstaining from voting. H. Hargreaves blamed Napoleon for the unhappiness of France, and said that while England had been great she had known no happiness. The voice of T. R. Eve, abusing both Communism and Fascism, was next heard. He modestly declared that England was only happy because she was not great. R. Brearley shot to his feet to point out two periods of national greatness. The up-grade was one of unhappiness, the period of rest brought content. He mentioned Sibelius to prove his point, and opposed the motion. A. Grabman managed (*mirabile dictu*) to introduce Russia into the debate. This was a great and happy country, but many small States were also happy. Since he believed that happiness was entirely a personal emotion he abstained from voting. H. K. Burns drew a distinction between mental and material greatness, and said that both were necessary to happiness. J. G. Vickers, on the other hand, said that commercial prosperity was sufficient.

J. W. Saunders pointed out that the vital word was "inconsistent." He said that the motion assumed that national happiness did exist. This happiness was consistent with national prosperity, and therefore with national greatness. S. Lipton said that the opposer did not know what he was talking about, and E. Wootton, in a maiden speech, denounced America, and betrayed the alarming influence of the films. R. W. R. Kerruish envied the security of strong nations, and S. Samuels, with many examples, said that all periods of happiness coincided with periods

of greatness for one was the outcome of the other. D. Ellwand being restricted to one minute, spoke of football pools to prove that any great nation could soon become a happy one.

The opposer, summing up, urged that England was free, happy and great, as all three were bound together. In reply, E. C. Colville said that the responsibilities entailed by greatness made national happiness impossible.

The motion was lost by 12 votes to 17.

A meeting of the Society was held in the Boardroom on Tuesday, February 8th, 1938, at 7-0 p.m., with Mr. Hicks in the chair.

After the reading of the minutes, E. S. Kelly was appointed acting-secretary in the absence of J. W. Saunders. U. B. H. Baruch objected in vain to the description of his speech, and R. Brearley, although being able to delete the term "smug" as applied to himself, had to submit to the decision that his facial contortions were suggestive of smugness. E. Wootton and J. G. Vickers were unable to secure alterations in the minutes, which were then signed. Committee members absent were I. R. Stewart, H. K. Burns and E. W. Mills.

In the absence of the L.H.P.I.C., J. W. McBurney was elected to fill this office after the Minister of the Atmosphere had stood down. After an enquiry about the Magazine and the minutes by H. Kushner, time for private business elapsed.

S. Samuels was then called upon to propose that "This House is proud of the fact that England is a free country." England had free speech, free thought and a free press. The Government was a free one, and criticism was invited. The English were privileged to mete out their own justice. He urged the Society to support him by reason of Reason (*sec*) for, he said, the motion was vital to all. R. J. Hammer, in opposition, declared that the English mode of government secured only an approximation of the people's will. Moreover while the Englishman slaved in factory or office he could not be called free. Employers could suppress the people. He spoke, too, of the tormenting of school teachers and the swindling of widows. There was no social equality, and though comparatively free, England was not free from the absolute standpoint.

E. M. Felgate, seconding, said that our government had greater liberty than any before. He commended the hard labour of members of Parliament (*sic*). The element of control distinguished liberty from licence. J. G. Vickers, for the opposition, deplored the unequal divisions of the electorate. The method of justice meant judging by people unfit to judge. There was a great social gap than in any other country, and graft was rife.

B. V. Anderson, in public debate, commended England's freedom in art, and the valour of her soldiers, despite the lack of conscription. Then H. Kushner disdainfully announced that even if England were free he could not be proud of the fact. In any case the people had no power. P. H. Doughty compared England with other countries, and deplored the practice of torture on the Continent. With Olympian magnanimity R. Brearley said that the only true liberty was anarchy. We should be proud that we were not free.

A. Grabman, as a Communist, said there was no equality of rights in England, and condemned the restrictions placed upon Communist demonstrations because of Fascist disorders. He urged the Society not to vote at all, but certainly not for the motion. U. B. H. Baruch carefully avoided lecturing. He said that despite certain injustices the people could force their will. We should be proud of our ability to govern ourselves. He urged support of the motion. The next speaker.

A. Carr, said that the motion was conservative eye-wash to make us believe that we were free. The people could certainly express its will, but it achieved nothing. Propaganda in an indirect way told the people what it should ask for. We were only free so long as we did what we were told.

H. Silver said that England was a free country and supported the motion and E. Wootton again under the plausible influence of the film producers gave his support. Then R. J. Hammer arose to reply for the opposition. Condemning small majorities he declared that the English were not satisfied with their present freedom. The unemployed especially were not free. S. Samuels was then called upon to conclude the debate. The Englishman, he averred, was free. He was free to spend, think and speak as he liked. Referring to this anarchy business he concluded with quotations from Lincoln and Patrick Henry. The motion on being put to the vote was lost by 12 votes to 14.

A meeting of the Society was held in the Boardroom on Tuesday, February 22nd, with Mr. Hicks in the chair.

No sooner had the deputy-secretary finished his reading of the minutes for the previous meeting, than R. Brearley vainly attempted to secure an alteration in the report of his speech. A. Carr gave a short harangue upon A. Grabman's method of voting, but all to no purpose. H. Kushner, thou tried to secure the insertion of "*sic*" but his motion was lost. H. Silver was also unsuccessful in attempting to have a question mark inserted in A. Grabman's speech. Then R. Brearley again—the friend of lost causes—arose to protest against the terms "sickly grin" and "leer" as applied to himself. He failed even to secure a seconder. The minutes were then signed. In the absence of L.H.P.I.C., after a number of members had declined to stand for this office, R. W. R. Kerruish was elected without opposition. Committee members absent were J. G. Vickers and I. R. Stewart.

A. Grabman was then called upon to propose that "There is no place for chivalry in everyday life." Refusing to define chivalry, he was content to point out its connection with the fair sex. He asserted that there was neither time nor justification for chivalry in everyday life. He proceeded to a long discourse upon chivalry in tramcars, and finally dismissed the entire problem with a significant sniff. He concluded by declaring that the emancipation of women made chivalry unnecessary.

J. W. Saunders, complimenting the proposer on his lack of arguments, gave a number of quotations on the subject of original chivalry. Whereas there was no longer need for the old type of chivalry, we still believed in protection of the distressed. Chivalry meant the protection of right against might. Further the chivalrous man was a Christian gentleman. He declared that, in face of the great amount of selfishness in the world to-day, and the ruthlessness of modern business, chivalry was very necessary, though to-day, Sir Galahad had become Robert Taylor, and the damsel in distress, Ginger Rogers.

H. Kushner, seconding the motion, defined chivalry as courtesy plus hypocrisy. Chivalry was conventional and reactionary. He claimed the support of Burke, and was proud of England's lack of chivalry. R. J. Hammer then arose to second the opposition. He asserted that the chivalry was selflessness, and led to a fuller life. Soaring loftily in the clouds of divine love and higher ideals, he became lost and descended once more to the mundane tramcar. Defending good manners, he declared chivalry to be a triumph of humanity over bestiality.

S. Samuels was the first to speak in public debate. In support of the motion he defined chivalry as snobbishness and pride. It opposed the

interests of the workers. The realism that followed the Renaissance, had shattered the power of chivalry. D. Ellwand, opposing the motion, said that chivalry bred gentlemen. The English were courteous, just as they were honest. It was not chivalry but the technique of chivalry that had changed. The roads gave ample opportunity for practising chivalry. H. Silver, quoting the Oxford Dictionary, said that chivalry meant an act of (k)nightly gallantry. He supported the motion. T. R. Eve, in piping tone, claimed that lack of chivalry did not necessarily mean that there was no place for it. Opposing the motion he gave place to R. W. R. Kerruish, who, expressing his dislike for viragos and Amazons, claimed the support of the B. B. C. in condemning chivalry.

R. Brearley, failing to draw the chairman to a definition of chivalry, suggested that it was super-politeness. Chivalry was necessary, for women were physically inferior to men. A. Carr could find no connection between courtesy and hypocrisy. He said that self-sacrifice was necessary for chivalry, and all should be chivalrous on occasion. C. Leak then arose to protest against the "side-tracking" of the motion by the opposition whose conception of chivalry was wholly allegorical and foreign to the modern capitalist world. The chivalrous man was often left "holding the baby." Male superiority was an exploded myth, and abnegation of self was impossible to-day. E. S. Kelly declared that courtesy, by derivation, meant courting of favour, whereas chivalry, to-day, meant co-operation.

J. W. Saunders was then called upon to sum up for the opposition. Chivalry, he said, changed with the times, and Mr. Eden's resignation was a good example of modern chivalry. Scorning "heel-clicking hand-kissers," he asserted that chivalry gave rise to sportsmanship. In reply A. Grabman attributed chivalry to the Feudal Age. He defined chivalry as horse-sense, and adroitly managed to bring in political issues. Socialism meant equality, not the inferiority of any class. He chose Tolstoi as his example.

Before the voting, the chairman told an amusing story of two rivals in an election. When one remarked "May the best man win!" the other not to be out-done in courtesy, said, "Oh, I hope not!"

The motion was lost by 8 votes to 13.

A meeting of the Society was held in the Boardroom on Tuesday, March 8th, 1938, at 7-0 p.m., with Mr. Hicks in the chair.

After the reading of the previous week's minutes, the first speaker was (*mirabile dictu*) R. Brearley, but he could find no seconder. C. Leak was able to secure an alteration on T. R. Eve's behalf, who was than able to secure a further deletion in his own interest. H. Hargreaves, R. Brearley, and A. Carr, were all unsuccessful in attempting to secure a majority for their amendments. The minutes were then signed. Committee members absent were H. K. Burns, A. Grabman, R. J. Hammer and E. S. Kelly. R. W. Kerruish, then, attempted to pass a vote of censure upon the Minister of Atmosphere, but the eloquence of the I. H. P. I. C., the secretaries, and E. M. Felgate's impassioned eulogy on the "fine bouquet of mellowed mustiness" that made the atmosphere of the Boardroom, secured the failure of the motion.

A. Carr was then called upon to propose that "Freedom of the Press is essential to the welfare of a nation." The newspapers, he asserted, were the main product of the Press, and these provide the easiest means of keeping abreast with the times in art, for critiques are rarely misleading. Of the newspapers' features the political side was of most importance. In press-restricted countries, policies, often harmful, were forced on the country. The freedom of the press made for free thought and a critical mind. J. G. Vickers, for the opposition, said that absolute

freedom in war time was dangerous. He had in mind the patriotic and benevolent censor. He proceeded to discuss banned books, misleading advertisements and "phoney" financiers. The world, to-day, even for democracy to flourish, needed censorship.

D. Ellwand, seconding the proposition, asserted that suppression of facts, as in the last war, led to vicious rumours. Ordinary news was necessary. Legal case reports were valuable to the community, because any one might be called upon to fulfil the office of jurymen. A liberal education, and not censorship, would improve the standard of the national taste. E. W. Mills, for the opposition, looked for specific cases where censorship was justified. Divergent explanations of facts were stupid. Further happy nations, such as England and Germany, had no free press.

First to speak in public debate was E. M. Felgate, who pointed out that the printed page was even more powerful than the public speaker. Freedom of the press prevented a stereotyped national mentality. But if it was to be freedom, and not licence, a beneficial censorship was needed. The next speaker, however, B. V. Anderson, asserted that only the Sports page carried any weight. R. W. Kerruish condemned newspaper advertisements, and declared that as regards politics it is best to be ignorant and blissful. E. Wootton, also advocating a beneficial censor, declared that a nation should know all about itself. H. Hargreaves prayed for a strict censorship against immorality and the like, but feared any form of bad censorship. J. W. Saunders was surprised at the worship of ideals, such as a moderate censorship. Censorship would never be moderate, but Fascist in tendency. He therefore appealed to all to champion liberty. S. Samuels, on the other hand, declared that law cases caused a morbid mentality, and the political influence of the press was the main cause of war in a sensation-seeking race.

H. Kushner, sounding his syllables with sensuous surruration, said that the press satisfies the taste of silly sob-sisters saturated in silly sentiment, deplored the bad advice that newspapers give to the Pools' investor. E. C. Colville, indignantly declared that the ordinary man was not sensational, and pleaded with the Society to support the motion. Pointing to Caesar, R. I. Taylor, said that the press was not the cause of war. P. H. Doughty asserted that censorship made control of the government impossible. U. B. H. Baruch then arose to condemn the loose reasoning of the Society. Even Plato, he said, failed to set up the aristocracy of the intelligentsia. C. Leak, in defence of liberty, said that a government must be able to face criticism. He too appealed on behalf of democracy. W. R. Lund, in a maiden speech, said that, at any rate to-day, censorship was necessary.

J. G. Vickers then arose to sum up the case for the opposition. He repeated his original arguments, and mocked the idea of a beneficial censorship. A. Carr, in reply, condemned the supremacy of one man in any sphere. A little knowledge, he said, was a dangerous thing. The heterodoxies of to-day are the orthodoxies of to-morrow.

The motion was carried by 16 votes to 9.

A meeting of the Society was held in the Boardroom on Tuesday, March 22nd, at 7-0 o'clock, with Mr. Brown in the chair.

To the surprise of all, the minutes were passed without alteration. A vote of thanks to the secretaries, in spite of some opposition, was passed by a large majority. Audible sanction was given to the presence of two Old Boys—G. H. Tharme and J. N. Bywell. The committee member absent was J. G. Vickers. The proposal to hold a banquet in honour of the retiring chairman, Mr. Hicks, was passed, and—although R. Brearley constantly murmured of soft drinks and licensed premises,

and P. H. Doughty tried to postpone it until next term—a provisional date was fixed, and further arrangements left to the committee.

C. Leak was then called upon to propose that "Private Monopolies are public evils." He denounced monopolies in that they could only benefit the few, and destroyed competition, the best point of capitalism. In the past they had been illegal, but to-day they took many forms. He used as his example the electricity administration of a certain Southern town that had been mis-managed under a group of monopolists, but which had recovered when the citizens themselves assumed control. Capitalism, he said, had led to the present social and political chaos. The whole system of private property was an unjustifiable monopoly. He appealed to the Society to vote for Socialism. E. W. Mills, for the opposition, blamed the theorising of the proposer. He declared that monopolies destroyed the abuses of competition, and led to standardization. Production costs were lowered, and waste was prevented. Monopolies, he asserted to be the beginning of a new era. We could not go back.

J. W. Saunders, seconding the proposer, declared that monopolists could name their own prices. Governments had been unable to reduce surplus profits. Of the two alternatives to private monopolies he said that individual trading had been unsuccessful, and advocated State control. He used the war-time munition ramp as his example. To-day the whole system was to blame. S. Samuels, for the opposer, said that the purpose of monopolies was to furnish the public with a better article. They led to standardization and increased trade. They led to State control, and had the backing of Trade Unions. It was necessary for monopolists to have the same interests as the State. Monopolies were the only protection for the small traders against cut-prices, and the Co-operative Stores.

The first speaker in public debate was P. H. Doughty, who blamed the large concerns for inferior goods, and the failure of the small shops. A. J. M. Craig then chirped up. He said that competition was necessary for improvement. H. Hargreaves blamed monopolies for the ruin of Spain. E. C. Colville next occupied the floor. He said that the issue lay between private and public monopolies. He favoured the former because men deserved the rewards of their brains and enterprise. Mr. J. N. Bywell, said that monopolists only paid good wages by keeping up the prices. H. Kushner spoke for public monopolies. He blamed mass production for inferior goods and unemployment. He denied that Trade Unions supported private monopolies. R. Brearley declared that the high prices of the monopolists only led to fat dividends for the shareholders. He then sat down to give full play to the casuistry of Mr. G. H. Tharme. The State, he said, was for the good of the majority. We often hear of the romantic rise of a capitalist, but forget the workers. Our aim must be financial equality, and the end of private monopolies. B. V. Anderson said that private monopolies brought peace in industry. In his best parsonic manner R. J. Hammer contributed his now familiar denunciations of vice, luxury and extravagance. He pleaded for economic liberty, and blamed monopolies for the ruin of the Yorkshire woollen trade. He mentioned the attempt to corner pepper. He deplored the fact that Eddie Cantors had so much money to waste.

Summing up for the opposition, E. W. Mills said that there could be no practicable alternative to private monopolies, and repeated his former arguments, finally asserting man's claim to the fruits of his own brain. In reply, C. Leak said that capitalism was not a philanthropic institution. Sooner or later the State must take over. Socialism was necessary and all men were equal. The final aim was internationalism.

The motion was carried by 23 votes to 8.

The accounts of the Mock Trial and Banquet are unavoidably held over till the next edition. Both—especially the latter, given in honour of Mr. Hicks, who has announced his intention of retiring from the chair—were extremely successful.

S. SAMUELS } Hon.
J. W. SAUNDERS } Secs.

On Writing Articles.

EYES are queer things; they seem to be able to do anything—at least, so our modern novelists seem to think, who make them drop to the ground and perform many other wondrous feats. But I do not mind gymnastic eyes; I am always afraid of eyes that have meaning. The maniac's eyes have meaning, but they lack that which is most dreadful of all—purpose. Our Editor's eyes are far worse than those of the maniac, because they possess this fearful quality of purpose. Now, if it were an aimless purpose, they would not bring such dread to my soul; but, for from it, they display an unbending will, which, viewing its goal, goes for it unflinchingly.

I always try to avoid these eyes, because the hard school of experience has taught me what this purpose is. But, however much I cringe before their gleam and flee before their onslaught, dread Nemesis always overtakes me, and I hear the awful words: "Remember! I want an article from you for the Magazine." Argument is absolutely useless against a man who has eyes with purpose like our Editor. He always gets his point, and I often hold the lurking opinion that such a man would be an asset in the administration of public affairs.

You can see, therefore, that once the dread order is given, there is no alternative to its being fulfilled, and—what is still worse—the order is deuced awkward to fulfil. It is bad enough, if one has to write an article from free will; it is infinitely worse to be pressed into writing one. The greatest difficulty is undoubtedly the mode of attack. One needs a little inspiration before beginning, and, of course, if one is to follow the orders of the King to Alice, one must have a beginning to begin at.

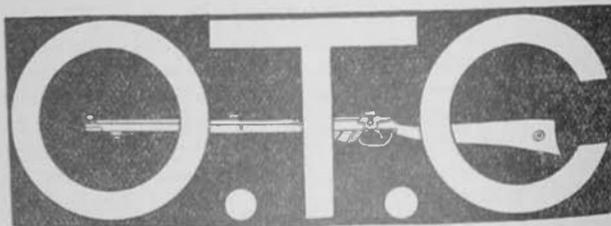
I think that our logic is so far waterproof, and we must, therefore, look to the beginning. Now there are several modes of attack. It is possible to read a little of Keats, and then write an article, full of artistic voluptuousness and beautiful truth. Another means is to turn to some of the saints of this century; I should suggest G. K. Chesterton and P. G. Wodehouse. But, though this is a pleasant means of inspiration, it presents many traps for the unwary one. The present writer has often taken up one of these "inspired" writings, and naturally has

allowed all memory of the proposed article to pass into oblivion, being engrossed in the delights that lie beyond the "magic case-ments." After the delight, however, cold, unfeeling disillusionment follows, and remembrance of the article once more fills the mind with fear. We still have to begin. Take up the pen, therefore; then fall asleep; wake up; write; hope for the best!

Once started, you can run on readily, dwelling upon sweet, insignificant nothings—sometimes you can write boring stuff, just to pay the Editor out! Or again, if you are so minded, you may be able to bring sense into your articles, but this is an exceedingly difficult path to attain—nor is it altogether desirable. Moreover, you should always remember that the whole purpose of writing articles is to produce nonsense in the best and most meaningless way. When, however, your article has reached saturation point, once again it is necessary to take the advice of the King and find a means of ending the composition. Here we do not confront as great a difficulty as we do in starting, for we have the option of ending abruptly with the subtle aim of mystifying the reader. Again, you can round off your writing with an eloquent appeal which will in all probability remain unread. Of course, it is really immaterial how you *do* end—or begin even—for articles in magazines are not usually read. They are merely written to suit the whim of the persistent and obstinate Editor.

The Editorial eyes, after perusing this little thesis, will look at me in a different way. A different purpose will, I hope, gleam through them. It is my earnest hope that I have taught the Editor a lesson—but, unfortunately, Editors are not taught lessons, and I shall not escape.

R. J. HAMMER.



THIS last term has been, for the Corps, one of unusual interest. The first Field Day of the term was held at Altcar, when the Company took up a position at right-angles to the line of the beach. Numbers I and II platoons were the front-

line defence, with number III lying in reserve, giving depth to the position. The contingent was a unit of a larger force holding Hightown against an imaginary enemy. The scheme was proposed mainly for the benefit of the Certificate "A" candidates, who, being in command of sections made many mistakes by which they profited in the criticism held later. Section commanders posted sentries, drew up range-cards, and sent messages back to platoon H.Q.'s; but in spite of this efficiency, the sections, in the main, occupied positions which covered a very small field of fire. The platoons, too, were spaced out much too far apart, so far indeed, that an enemy could quite easily have surrounded and wiped out any one of the platoons without the others having any idea of what was going on. In country so broken up as Altcar, the platoons should have been situated closer together than they would have been if they had been posted on the level ground by the canteen, say. The main principles of depth, mutual support, all round defence, and continuous inter-communication, however, were attempted.

In the afternoon the contingent carried out a defence against imaginary raiding aircraft, which attacked suddenly while the company was marching along in battle formation. Captain Ledger explained methods of concealment against enemy aircraft, and the methods of protection, available to troops on the march, against poisonous vapour and blister gases used by such aircraft.

The 19 certificate "A" candidates, who were instructed by an N.C.O. from the King's Regiment Depôt at Seaforth, took the Practical examination on the 8th of February, 18 passing. Captain Jones and Lieutenant Bateson of the King's Regiment gave a number of lectures on tactics and organisation to the candidates who took the theoretical examination on the 8th of March.

Just before the final Cert. "A" examination, the contingent experienced a Route March to Thurston; for the recruits it was a rather unpleasant experience, but one which is very necessary in the training of the P.B.I. On both Field Days we enjoyed fine weather and paraded almost a full company.

The annual Corps Soirée was held on the 17th of March, when an energetic but inexperienced set of entertainers amused an audience of about ninety past and present members of the Corps. The Headmaster, Vice-Principal and other members of the Staff were again welcome visitors. Incidentally, we must congratulate Lance-Corporals Gledsdale and Taylor on their superb rendering of the "Come to the cook-house door boys!"

Platoon commanders are urged to complete their weapon training and arms-drill syllabus as soon as possible, since we are

to be inspected by Brigadier-General Latham on the 31st of May. The senior N.C.O.'s, too, are reminded that they must shoot their course at Greenbank at least once every term.

There is still room in the band for a number of buglers, and any wishing to take up this profession should see L/Sgt. Rumjahn about it. Camp this year is at Strensall, Yorks, and we are allotted 49 for our contingent; names must be given to Captain Ledger early.

Finally, we wish our last C.S.M., J. R. Winstanley, all the best in his new vocation.
J. GOULD, C.S.M.

The Sixth Form Science Society.

AS the number of lectures and visits had been considerably reduced from that of the previous term, the Society did not enjoy such an obviously successful term. Those who attended the lectures and the solitary visit, however, derived considerable knowledge and enjoyment, and we are pleased to note, in this connection, that the Classical forms are at last taking an interest in the Society.

The first meeting of the term was held on Thursday, January 27th, when Mr. J. Weltman delivered a paper on "Some interesting psychic phenomena." His audience numbered 42, a record for the Society. Although some had come in the hope of seeing demonstrations, Mr. Weltman declined to commit himself to attempting them.

After quoting Max Weber, Professor Crooks, Dr. Tischler, Dr. Koorin, and Dr. Buchanan, and explaining why he preferred the term "intermediary" rather than "medium," Mr. Weltman dealt with various sub-divisions of Psychic application. He mentioned the case of people, on whom emetics, carefully wrapped up, when handled, produced immediate and drastic effects. Material manifestations brought the discourse to a close, Mr. Weltman admitting in conclusion that there was a possibility of material explanation for some or all of the many phenomena.

The Society's only visit during the term was on Wednesday, March 2nd, to the Clarence Dock Power Station. The select few who attended thoroughly enjoyed this visit, and, contrary to old-established custom, the Secretary was in no danger of being electrocuted.

On Friday, March 11th, Mr. F. W. Reece delivered a paper on "Intelligence Testing." It was pleasing to note a large attendance from the Classical Sixth, and, if the number of

questions asked is indicative of the amount of knowledge assimilated, then the Classicists present gained considerably. After tracing the history of the new type of test, Mr. Reece dealt with the need for reform in the Examination System. He pointed out that Intelligence Tests enabled people to find their most suited vocation, in a manner impossible under the old system.

On Friday, April 8th, Mr. F. R. Howell, a former Secretary of the Society, gave a lecture on "Strowger Automatic Telephone Equipment." The subject is of topical interest, as an automatic exchange will shortly be operating in Liverpool. The lecture was not well attended, but those who were there heard a very interesting lecture. Unfortunately, the demonstrations had to be curtailed, owing to difficulties with the supply from the School mains.

For next term it is hoped to arrange visits to the Lancashire Steel Corporation's Works at Irlam, and Messrs. Brotherton's Ammonia and Tar Distilling Plant at Litherland. The activities of the Society will be restricted owing to the system proved obsolete by Mr. Reece, but still considered indispensable by the powers that be.

W. A. MITCHELL } Hon. Secs.
A. GRABMAN }

Red Hair.

"AUGUSTA'S great-granduncle was Edward's grandfather, you know," said Ethel cheerfully.

"That's all very well," growled another voice. "But where on earth does Einstein come in?"

"Dean Inge would say . . ." asserted another.

"It just wasn't English," came from the corner, "and I let him know it."

Arthur gazed into the fire. What was the word? Oxymoron? Or was it? Why must everyone chatter like magpies? Still, he should have known what to expect. These affairs always degenerated into small talk. And then some one would tell a yarn which a child could see through. Yes, he was right. The man with the red hair had enticed attention. Looked the sahib in every inch—middle-aged, severe features, steady eyes and square. Voice was strange though; not at all brusque; it was mild, expressive, even musical. But then these army men were often surprisingly even-tempered. Arthur idly wondered whether it would be worth while striking up an acquaintance. Perhaps the fellow played golf, and after all

one did have to do something on the Sunday afternoon. Never met him before, though. Must find out who brought him along.

"Africa's cruel," he was saying, "it can unhinge the mind. It can make a brave man a coward, and even a coward a brave man. Now, take homicides, for instance. Now the only murderer I ever knew . . . you're sure I'm not boring you?"

Arthur smiled. Same time-honoured technique.

"Well, the only murderer I ever knew was an utter coward. But the African sun gave him courage, cool, not foolhardy. He was ruthlessly courageous. Would you like to hear?"

Arthur found himself nodding.

"Well, if I may tell the story in my own way. . . . It was in Kasongo, some thirty years ago. It's up the Congo, you know, and as tropical as you could wish. Nothing but stench and dust three parts of the year, and in the wet season all heaven and earth are waterlogged. We were stationed out there; I was in charge of a contingent sent to help the Belgians with a native insurrection. We had been there a few days, and had had enough. All of us would have welcomed the opportunity to get away from routine, even at the cost of a tussle with Thm Jan. He's the native leader who was causing all the trouble. Well, I was glad—but surprised, mind you—to receive a visit from a man whom I'd not seen since we left school. Hayes, his name was, little man, with all the marks of five years or so in the Congo on him. He was an engineer, I believe, at the Falls of the Comani. White men are pretty rare out there, so we were glad to see Hayes. I never liked him much; we were never friends. He was quick-tempered, but a coward, and we had one or two tussles. But we fell to talking easily enough, and he invited me to look over his place in the hills. It wasn't far, so I agreed to go. Anything was better than routine.

"We arrived towards evening. He took me over his quay and warehouse, and then we went up to his bungalow. On one side was the river, all around the forest. It was built in a clearing and seemed to me the most solitary place in all the world. Hayes must have led a lonely life out there. Yet he didn't seem to care. As he said, when we were talking after supper:—

"It's convenient to live alone. Besides I have no choice. The blacks aren't bad companions. Better than some whites."

"He looked at me, and I was alarmed. The atmosphere of the place made me very uneasy, and justifiably so. One of us was never to see daylight again. . . .

"I have considerable power over the natives," he continued.

"Do you know anything about this 'Thm Jan?' I asked.

"He is a fine man. He has legitimate grounds for revolt too. These Belgians are bad governors!"

"He looked at his watch. I noticed he was drinking very little. He stared at me again. There was a long silence.

"I think it's time for me to tell you exactly why I brought you out here. You see. . . .," he went on before I could speak, "In five minutes from now, you and I and Thm Jan will have a little conversation."

"Thm Jan?"

"Almost absently, he went on, 'I don't suppose you know much about the habits of the Ilungi people?'

"The Ilungi?"

"Thm Jan's followers. Their habits are very peculiar. For instance, they have in their sacred writings the revelation of their prophet that a champion shall come to lead them against the white conqueror, when the Comani shall burst its banks and a white man shall be sacrificed on the altars of their god."

"He halted, and went on deliberately.

"Now since the coming of the white man the Comani has been bounded by concrete dams. But owing to an unfortunate accident, quite unforeseen, of course, during the heavy rains three months ago, the river burst through the concrete. The Ilungi looked about for their champion. They found him in Thm Jan. They now look for a white man to fulfil the last condition. Thm Jan is coming here in about half a minute for his sacrifice."

"He looked at me again and I knew he was out of his senses.

"Or to put it more tersely, my friend, you have about two hours to live. You see, the Ilungi have another peculiar habit—of all white men they hate most those with red hair."

The man with the red hair paused and looked at his audience. Arthur smiled indulgently.

"Well, sir, now surely you will tell us how you escaped from the villain?"

The other smiled faintly.

"You have struck upon one of two possible hypotheses, young man. I have said that one of the two in the bungalow that evening never saw daylight again. I have told you that a murder took place. I must therefore be either the murderer or the murdered."

Arthur nodded.

"I'm very sorry to disappoint you," said the man with the red hair. And he vanished. And where he had sat was empty void.



L.N.U. Notes.

ONCE more we hope to refute the pessimism that antagonises any strengthening in the hold the League has over national policy. To say the League is dead is perhaps to put the wish before the thought; for the independent observer must believe that, although the machinery of the League has failed, our Government have gone too far to desert a policy of collective security and that their sole course in the present crisis is to improve the system or even recreate it. Although Mr. Eden has resigned, and the Government will not have his contribution towards the strengthening of respect for international obligations, the L.N.U. is still a force to be considered in the final estimate. If Mr. Chamberlain succeeds in his policy towards a European appeasement, he will have a splendid opportunity to reform the League, and will have past errors to help him. It is the duty of every member of the L.N.U. to maintain strong support, and to assist towards the education of public opinion for the future; and it is the duty of every non-member to join.

We have had a successful term in the School Branch. S. Samuels and E. S. Kelly succeeding in winning for us the last debate, when we opposed the motion that "*Colonies are essential to Great Powers.*" J. W. Saunders and S. Samuels were placed first and second in our own Speech Competition, the former going on to win the Inter-Schools Competition. It was a pity that more did not cross the water to hear Dr. Olaf Stapledon at Wallasey High School—his summary of the world position was invaluable. But on the whole the enthusiasm displayed has been most encouraging. Mr. Peters again receives our thanks for his invaluable services.

It is not pleasant to remind members of the annual torment

of the Treasurer. There are many members who have taken major parts in Branch activities who have not paid their subscriptions. Now, what about it? Our figures of paid-up membership are already satisfactory—let us make them really good. It depends entirely on the personal honesty of members.

Last of all, a reminder about *Pax*. This excellent magazine will be on sale towards the beginning of the term. Members of the School have written articles for publication; there are the prize-winning speeches, contributions in verse, and, we hope, one cartoon. It will be well worth the money. The School has already a big reputation for selling the highest numbers of *Pax*. This term let us set up a record sale.

J. W. SAUNDERS, *Hon. Sec.*

L.N.U. CADETS.

On February 15th, Saunders spoke on the position in Spain and all that it involved for Europe and for ourselves. The Insurgents were failing to take Teruel at the time and it seemed likely that the Government might win. Question time was lively and rather heated, the majority favoured the Government and a smaller majority expressed themselves as willing to fight for the Government.

On March 15th, Stewart addressed an unusually large meeting (owing to the Austrian coup) on Germany's former colonies. He outlined the story of Germany's not very successful attempt at colonising since 1884—how many Germans went out as settlers and how few remained; he went on to say how much development had taken place under the British Mandate from the League at Britain's expense. Stewart mentioned rather inferior gold mines, and from that moment a strange cupidity manifested itself in the meeting and on the faces of quite young boys. Such remarks as "*We can do with the gold,*" "*We won, didn't we?*" "*Will they refund the money we spent on railways?*" were heard. It was decided by an overwhelming majority that we keep the Colonies.

We are deeply grateful to Saunders and Stewart for their continual help and interest.

Scout Notes.

AT the Patrol Leaders' Meeting at the beginning of last term the decision was made (and later confirmed by the whole Troop) that all five Patrols, and not, as usual, only one, should enter for the Behn Colour Camping Competition: as this competition is based on Tenderfoot and Second Class work, the

regular meetings during the first part of the term were devoted to a thorough revision, and also to Badge training, each patrol choosing one badge to study. In addition, classes were held for the Basket Makers', Handyman's and Ambulance Badges—for the latter, we are greatly indebted to Mr. Barnard's sustained interest.

For the few weeks preceding the School Opera, many volunteers from the Troop combined a good turn with "handyman" training in helping to make scenery and props, for it.

The one Field Day held took place in the first half of the term at Childwall Woods. Most of the morning was taken up with cooking for second-class, first-class and cook's badge tests. Afterwards the S.M. laid a long and intricate track with green and blue marbles. Near each of the blue marbles was hidden a set of five playing cards of which each patrol had to collect the sequence allotted to it. The five patrols started at different places on the trail, and points were allotted both for the number of marbles seen by each patrol and for the number of playing cards obtained. The hard-contested prize of chocolate was won by the Kingfisher Patrol.

The remaining time was spent in first- and second-class work, and at four o'clock the Troop was dismissed after a very successful Field Day. The Troop is to be congratulated on its full turn-out—especially since the field day took place on a half-holiday.

U. BARUCH (P.L.)

T. CORLETT (P.L.)

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UNFORTUNATELY, owing to School functions, the number of visits last term was reduced considerably, but those that were carried out can be described as very successful. The first visit of the term was made to the factory of Messrs. Strawsons, where we saw the manufacture and bottling of many

different types of mineral waters. After our guide had thoroughly explained the processes involved, the "thirsty glances" of the younger members of the party had the desired effect and consequently it was some time before we reluctantly made our departure.

Another excursion which proved very popular was that made to the Old Swan works of Messrs. Goodlass Wall. Here we were shown every stage in the manufacture of paints and enamels from the raw materials. We were struck by the complexity of the manufacturing methods and the care taken by the makers to ensure uniformity in their products. We were all rather amazed to learn that Messrs. Goodlass Wall export large quantities of dry-colour annually to Africa for use as "war-paint" by the negroes. When the long and sometimes precarious tour of the works came to a close, we were all agreeably surprised to find that tea had been supplied for us, thus providing a fitting ending to a most interesting visit.

A very enjoyable visit to Messrs. Jacob's Aintree Biscuit Factory marked the end of last term's activities. The two visits, planned for the end of last term, which were postponed, will be included in next term's programme.

Also next term it is hoped to hold the Club's annual outing, suggestions as to its nature will be gladly received by Mr. Elliot or the Secretaries.

A. C. BRIDGE, *Hon. Sec.*

Photographic Section.

It might have been expected that the approach of the School Exhibition would rouse the photographers of the School from their state of lethargy—and so it did. But it was far from stimulating them all to activity. Except for a few of the more hardy veterans, they merely turned over in their sleep, made a feeble suggestion of a sound, and were lost again in the depths of forgetfulness. The list of names submitted by avowed would-be exhibitors was most promising, but, in spite of the time spent by Mr. Stell in teaching the practical side of the art, and the more theoretical information offered by Mr. Barnard to whomsoever wanted it, the number of those who carried out their promise was lamentably small. Nevertheless we fully appreciate the efforts of those who did exhibit, and, in particular, we must congratulate H. A. Cashin on winning the first prize in our section.

Next term we will have no Exhibition to spur us on, but the finer weather will be here—at least we hope so—and the cameras that hibernate will be rescued from their hiding-places once more. Those who have not as yet attempted to develop their own films or make their own prints, or who, having attempted, have been disappointed, might note the fact that next term we will have

for the use of the Society two booklets, one on "*The Perfect Negative*" and the other on "*Print Perfection*." Other books we hope to add to these in the course of time if they prove useful and suggestions will be welcomed. Owing to the prevalence of cricket next term, we do not propose to hold regular meetings of the Society, but, if there is any demand for them such as for the purpose of distributing books and magazines, meetings will be held, possibly in the dinner-hour.

Finally we must offer our thanks to Mr. Stell and Mr. Barnard for all they have done for the Society during the term and especially in connection with the Exhibition. We hope that the interest they show in our activities will be still more appreciated next term.

A. CARR.

Elephantium.

IT was five past twelve on the morning of the third of July, 1939, when the elephant turned the corner and entered Bold Street. In front of him walked five policemen; vainly calling upon him to stop, and vainly exhorting the crowd to keep back.

Motorists furiously backed their cars, and tried to turn them. Klaxons blared, drivers cursed at pedestrians, pedestrians cursed at drivers, and cyclists cursed everybody. Shopkeepers hurriedly ejected their customers, and locked the doors of their shops. Assistants peeped from behind counters. Women rushed wildly away from the beast. Men followed them trying to look dignified in their haste, and only looking ridiculous. Children cheered and shouted fearlessly.

The elephant noticed these disturbances with astonishment, but ambled along in a very sedate and seemly manner. The screaming of women, the perpetual whistling of the policeman, the cheering and shouting of the children produced not the slightest petulance in him. The unaccountable stupidity of the policemen in obstructing the free movement of his feet bothered him a little, but certainly not enough to necessitate any violent disapproval on his part.

His tail idly flicking away flies from the end of his back, he gazed about him in solemn intensity, observing that one car had been left behind. He examined the outside of the car curiously, and then turned it upside down to look at the bottom. Immediately a door sprang open, inviting attention to the inside. The elephant's father had been a very inquisitive elephant, and had brought up his son on the same lines as himself, only more so.

The elephant, therefore, must not be condemned for his inquisitiveness. Exploring the interior of the car he evidently turned the wireless switch. Strangely enough, instead of a sonata in D flat, a calm voice announced that rain was to be expected during the afternoon.

Now the elephant had no love of cold, English rain, and was profoundly distressed by the news, so much so that he left the car still droning about fog on the Channel, and approached a general store further along the street. He leaned against the door (much to the door's agitation) and entered. There were many raincoats hanging up in the shop, and the elephant tried several on. None of them fitted perfectly, however, so he draped a thick blanket over his back and re-entered the street. Behind him an awe-struck assistant rose from behind an arm-chair.

A hundred feet on either side of the doorway the street was deserted. Beyond that a multitude of people surged to and fro. The five policemen came out from the next doorway.

Not condescending to notice them, the elephant again advanced at his steady pace, with his trunk in the air and his short tail proudly curled.

Forty yards further on he came abreast of a shop window full of flowers. Twisting his long trunk round the conveniently open door, he unhooked a wreath of pink roses, and placed it precariously upon his head.

A music shop then attracted his attention, and, the iron door being closed, he gently strolled through the window, and sat down on a small stool facing the piano. He discovered, however, that the stool was not capable of supporting his weight, and was obliged to sit on his haunches instead. On the piano were several pieces of music. He eyed them critically for a moment, and then selected a composition by Mozart, and began to play it. It was a melancholy piece, and as he delicately pressed down the notes with the tip of his trunk, two tears trickled down his old, grey cheeks, and fell softly on to the carpet.

Slowly closing the piano, he stood up with a sigh, and carefully avoiding the jagged edges of the window he went out into the street. The five policemen now became so annoying that he felt compelled to seize one of them by the neck, and deposit him further down the street on his head.

He now saw, by the clock above the optician's, that it was past twelve-twentyfive and nearly lunch-time. So, remembering how far he was from home, he increased his pace to an even thirty miles an hour, and disappeared round the corner in a cloud of blanket and pink roses.

R. S. SHARROCK.

Film Society.

THE term has been a successful one for the Film Society. We have had several inter-School meetings, and on every occasion the School has been well represented.

The first meeting of term was held on Friday, January 28th, at the Bluecoat Chambers, when the famous German film: "*Kameradschaft*" was shown. Despite its age and its primary value as propaganda it was enjoyed by all. The acting was impressive and the vivid scenes in the mines exploited to the full. The essential grimness of the theme and the slow production of "atmosphere" gave the correct tone of seriousness which a film of such a nature required. The four divisions of the plot tended to cause some confusion, but the splendid direction kept the basic idea of friendship and co-operation between workers to the fore.

On Thursday and Friday, February 17th and 18th, there was a special display of recent and outstanding documentary and publicity films in the theatre of the Gas Company's new building. Large parties from the School saw what was perhaps one of the finest collections of short films ever assembled. After an introductory address by the Rev. F. Heming-Vaughan, several productions of the G.P.O. film unit under the direction of Cavalconti were shown. These were followed by the latest Gas Publicity films featuring "Mr. Therm," and a film showing the early camera tricks which led up to the recent photographic deceptions in "*The Invisible Man*" and "*Topper*." There were also "*The Calendar of 1937*," a film on the development of telephonic communication, and John Grierson's "*The Smoke Menace*." The commentary of the latter was by Professor J. B. S. Haldane who revealed the dangers of smoke to property and public health, especially in the industrial areas of Lancashire and Yorkshire. The film showed how the unscientific use of coal was harming health and promoting civic unsightliness. In view of the present controversy over the new Films Bill, the achievements of Britain and her proved capacity in the sphere of the short film must not be forgotten.

The next meeting was in the Bluecoat Chambers on Thursday, March 24th, when Messrs. Hesketh and Moir gave an interesting lecture demonstration on Amateur Film Making. The first two films shown were of local interest, on the rise of Liverpool, and on ferry-boats; the next were taken further afield, being on the Lake District and Boy Scouts' Camps. The last was a magazine—a miscellaneous collection of amusing shots, Mr. Moir gave some useful hints after the display to amateurs, and described his methods in taking apparently difficult views.

The final meeting of the term was on Friday, April 8th, at the Gas Showrooms, and was well attended by the School. The sole picture shown was that mighty epic of the screen: "*The White Hell of Pitz Palu*." Although flawless acting performances were given by Leni Riefenstahl and the other artistes, the true star of the picture was the mountain Palu ever towering in the background. The impressive heights of the "North Wall" dominated everything, and the fatal attraction which the snow-capped peaks held to the climbers could be clearly appreciated. The suspense of the three helplessly blocked on the mountain ledge is vividly portrayed, with the right sense of the inevitable. The film is technically perfect, and though silent we cannot help but feel that all sound effects would be hopelessly inadequate in a film which relies on its natural splendour and intrinsic qualities of faultless photography and direction for its greatness.

Our meetings must necessarily be fewer during the summer term, but by their continued support of the Film Society it will be possible for members to see films of artistic and cultural value not otherwise available in the public cinemas. Finally, it is my pleasant duty again to express our thanks to Mr. S. V. Brown for his unfailing interest in the activities of our Society.

S. SAMUELS, *Hon. Sec.*

MacAlister Society.

LAST term these notes were brief through lack of space; and this term they will be, if possible, even briefer through lack of material. We held one meeting this term, when Mr. Eric Williams, of Lewis's Ltd., lectured to a large gathering on Interior Decoration. He spoke well, from a wealth of practical experience, chiefly on the art of interior decoration. A second meeting was to have been held, when Mr. Chapman would have spoken on the subject of National Parks, but the dates chosen clashed time after time with the dates of other meetings, and it had to be abandoned.

G. R. HOLMES, *Hon. Sec.*

Errant Columbian.

THE mellow tranquillity of evening had settled over the rooftops of the village of Granfort when the Errant Columbian shattered the illusion. He came down the road in a huge, black automobile, and he brought his wife with him. Hodges and I halted. Cars were rare enough there, but

this shining, purring beauty breathed of the empyrean. Hodges edged his cap off his forehead, as a head appeared from the car.

"I'll say we're lost," mused the head. "I just don't know where we've got to."

"Well, go do something," sweetly retorted his consort.

"Indeed I will," decided he, lifting out his frame and scanning critically the whereabouts. "Say—you!"

Hodges started. "Me, zur?"

"Sure—come over here, will you? I guess we're lost. Now where are we?"

Hodges grunted, somewhat surprised. "Where are you?" he murmured.

"That's what I said."

"Why, sur, you're *here*, that's where you are."

The wanderer smiled. He turned to his wife.

"I'll say, dear, we've struck a real piece of old England. Grown from the earth. Quite Shakespearean."

"So what?" queried impatiently his better half. "Do something, Where *are* we, anyway?"

"Now listen," said the man from the States. "Let's get this straight. What is—the name—of this—place?"

"Oh—I see, sur. Why, this be Granfort."

"That's what we want to know. We are no wiser. I don't suppose Granfort is on the map, dear?"

It wasn't. At this moment I intervened.

"I know the country pretty well. If you'd tell me where you wanted to get . . . ?"

"Well, we want to get to Stratford . . ." said the American.

"Stratford," interrupted Hodges, "why, that'll be across the river Strangham way?"

"That's right," I said.

"Well, you see, sur," said Hodges. "You take this road on the right till you come to the old windmill. Then—let's see—you take the lane down to White's Farm—that'll be the first on the left past the mill, or maybe it's the second. Anyway, you can't miss it. There's a beech tree at the corner. Well, when you've got to the farm, you'll find a signpost. You don't take any notice of that—no, you go straight on. Where do you go next now? Ay—you turn off by the new road down the hill, and . . ."

The American grunted. "The heart of old England, I'll say. What did your G. K. Chesterton say about the rolling drunkard?"

Hodges shook his head. "I don't know, sur."

"Look here," I said, "I've got to go to Strangham railway

station. So if you'll give me a lift, I'll come with you and show you the way."

"Sir, your assistance is truly welcome." So we left Granfort. The roads were waterlogged from the thunder showers of the past night. All day, grey clouds had threatened a further cloudburst. And no sooner had we moved off than the storm came. Rain rushed against the windscreen and pounded on the roof. But our Columbian was made of sterner stuff. For most of the time expressionless, occasionally he betrayed a sardonic smile.

"I've met things like this in 'Texas,'" he said, "round the oil-fields."

I felt a strange, proud exhilaration. Was not the wanderer from the boundless and mystic continent of America? He had seen the suns of California, the plains of the South, the steeps of the Rockies and the skyline of the big cities. He was of the home of celluloid, of tinsel and glamour, of the great showmen. He was part of the new world, a continent of boundless hopes, dreams and glories. But my exhilaration was cut short. We had turned down the hill to cross the river by the old bridge at Strangham. It was steep and the road was cobbled. Our brakes were on hard, and the car lurched about as we descended into the storm. Suddenly the American hurriedly brought the car to an abrupt halt. A cyclist was stopped on the road in front of us. He was standing by his bicycle, looking in our direction. The rain drenched down his coat, and under his hat his face was soaked. He was shouting something at us, and as we stopped we heard what he said.

"You can't go no further!"

The American looked out. "What's up?"

"The bridge is blocked. The river's overflowed. Where was it you were going?"

"Stratford road," I replied.

"Ah! well you'll have to go round by the hills."

We backed round and edged up the hill. We reached the main road and I found the station.

There are some experiences which leave an indelible impression. This was one. As the train bore me back to civilisation, the clear recollection came: the man from the continent of boundless hope; the storm; the bleak, cobbled road down the hillside; the solitary cyclist drenched by the rain; and his words that had shattered the illusion of civilisation into which the American and I had been for the moment lulled. And, after all, we had been forced to turn to the hills.

Turn to the hills . . . As the train passed on, the rain raged unabated outside, and now it was night.

Philatelic Society.

THE School Exhibition at the end of last term naturally stimulated the enthusiasm of most members of the Society, and great use was made of the library, which has proved rather inadequate to meet all the demands placed upon it. During the whole term there was seldom a week in which a book was left in the library, and the demand for the Stamp Catalogue has been so great that members have been allowed to keep it for only one evening at a time.

The number of entries for the Stamp Section of the Exhibition was a record, and we must thank the adjudicator, Mr. Allender, for spending so much of his valuable time in assessing the marks for each individual entry. It is noteworthy that the joint prize-winners—G. R. Emmett (Alfred Holt House) and A. I. Bender (Owen)—and the exhibitors of "Highly Commended" entries were all members of the Philatelic Society. Although another Exhibition will probably not be held for another three years or so, it is well worth your while joining this Society, if you are a stamp-collector at all. I may add that the Society has succeeded in finding foreign correspondents for a few of its members (who have been chosen by ballot), and it is likely that more will be found in the near future.

Although the Summer term usually sees a gradual falling off of attendance at meetings, owing to the new arrangements for the dinner-hour, at least one meeting a week will be held during that time.

In conclusion we have to thank Mr. Folland, who though he has had to devote a great deal of time to the Opera and the Hobby Show, has still found time to preside at our weekly meetings.

H. K. BURNS.

Music Club

LAST term has been the most successful yet for the Club in its short history. Two meetings, one towards the beginning, the other towards the end of the week, were held regularly in the dinner hour. They took the form of talks, gramophone—or personal recitals.

The first recital of the term was given by Mrs. Chapman, who, in her usual delightful style, sang for us some songs by Schumann. Then followed Dr. Wallace, who gave a most fascinating talk on the Choral Prelude, while the third week, the Polonaise by Chopin and a Beethoven Sonata were really excellently played by Mr. Baxter. The next talk, on Programme

Music, given by Mr. Pollard, greatly interested the audience. Finally Mr. Chapman with expert knowledge gave a talk on Bach. All these performers we thank most heartily for generously giving their services to the Music Club, thus helping to make it a success. We sincerely hope that some other time they may again give talks or recitals.

While members of the Staff and friends have thus willingly come forward to support the Club, the response from the School itself has been by no means so encouraging: so much so, that, owing to the lack of performers, the concert planned for the end of last term has had to be postponed. It is hoped, however, that the lack of support last term was due solely to the extraordinary School activities, notably the School Exhibition, and so we hope to hold the concert at the beginning of next term with the aid of the Junior Orchestra.

As a grand finale to the activities for the term, the members of the Club went to Rushworth & Dreaper's on the last Monday afternoon of the term. A comprehensive inspection of musical instruments was made. The antique instruments were shown to us by Mr. Rushworth himself, who, by his clear and comprehensive explanations, practical demonstrations and his own great love for the instruments, thoroughly roused our interest.

Finally, we wish to acknowledge our great debt to Mr. Chapman (who last term deputised for Mr. Young), to whose untiring enthusiasm and persevering industry it is solely due that we have been so successful this last term.

U. BARUCH.

Chess Notes.

FIRST place in this record must undoubtedly be accorded to what was of course the highlight of the year in School chess circles, the great achievement of the first team in defending its position at the head of the Merseyside Secondary Schools League, and retaining the Wright Challenge Shield for the second year. We feel indeed that this is an occasion in which restraint would be out of place, and so perhaps the reader will excuse our ardour. For we cannot refrain from saying that the team's achievement in winning all its matches again is something to be proud of. We are creating, not following a precedent. Last term's matches were all won, three by large margins, the last after a hard fight in which three games remained unfinished at the end of play. After the adjudication by the Liverpool Chess Club, however, all three were decided in favour of the School, the whole match being won by 5 games to 2. Thus last term's hope and prediction has been fulfilled and we have

revealed ourselves true prophets (only in chess, alas!). We heartily congratulate the team on its success. In the past we dared to cherish hopes of winning the shield only *once*. We have exceeded our fondest hopes. We have won it *twice*. May the present achievements prove the inspiration and prelude to a still more glorious future. The prospects are good, may the team never look back!

Here are last term's results in detail:—

SCHOOL v. OULTON. Feb. 8th.		Won 6½-1	
1. Leak ...	1	Charnley ...	0
2. Vickers ...	1	Newton ...	0
3. Colville ...	1	Franklin ...	0
4. Edwards ...	1	Lappin ...	0
5. Lund ...	1	Morton ...	0
6. Hargreaves ...	1	Braley ...	0
7. Jones ...	½	Sonabend ...	½
	6½		½

SCHOOL v. BIRKENHEAD SCHOOL. Feb. 15th.		Won 7-0	
1. Leak ...	1	Copnall ...	0
2. Vickers ...	1	Pelling ...	0
3. Colville ...	1	Everall ...	0
4. Edwards ...	1	Davis ...	0
5. Lund ...	1	Keeling ...	0
6. Hargreaves ...	1	Challenor ...	0
7. Hammer ...	1	Kyler ...	0
	7		0

SCHOOL v. ROCK FERRY H.S. March 3rd.		Won 7-0	
1. Leak ...	1	Redwood ...	0
2. Vickers ...	1	Gibbon ...	0
3. Colville ...	1	Boundy ...	0
4. Edwards ...	1	Hartley ...	0
5. Lund ...	1	Griffith ...	0
6. Hargreaves ...	1	Nelson ...	0
7. Jones ...	1	Pover ...	0
	7		0

SCHOOL v. WALLASEY G.S. March 24th.		Won 5-2	
1. Leak ...	1*	Baldwin ...	0
2. Vickers ...	1*	Knowlson ...	0
3. Colville ...	0	Taylor ...	1
4. Edwards ...	1	Coffee ...	0
5. Lund ...	1	Rish ...	0
6. Robertson ...	1*	Birks ...	0
7. Hargreaves ...	0	Ellis ...	1
	5		2

* After adjudication.

The Club continued to thrive last term, although little took place except the first team matches, and there were few additions to the roll of members. All efforts to arrange second team fixtures proved even more abortive than last term's. Only one match could be secured, the School defeating Merchant Taylor's School by 6 games to 3. Full use of all available sets was made throughout the term, both in the dinner hour and after school, but few members have felt any inclination to play off their matches in the two leagues. Perhaps this would be too much like work.

The final decision of the House Competition for the Paul Limrick Trophy has had to be postponed until next term owing to the more exacting demands of other interests upon members' time. The chess year therefore is by no means ended yet, and there is still something to look forward to. In conclusion we should like to remind members that the Club will be open for play next term as usual, and that chess proficiency though infinitely worth while, is a precarious thing, hard won and easily lost. You cannot drop chess altogether one term and expect to pick it up again at will the next without finding yourself seriously out of practice. So remember everyone, for your own enjoyment and good, don't give up chess completely next term. C. LEAK.

Johannes and Mitzi.

THERE is honour, it is said, even—or perhaps especially—among thieves. Johannes and Mitzi had long been companions in the gentle art; the coalition had been formed on the ostensible pretext that two heads are better than one, and for the more immediate reason that Mitzi, being small and slight, with strength of mind rather than of body, could not move a certain ladder to its appointed position; and it had continued as being of advantage to both. Mitzi planned the various "jobs," while Johannes did all the hard work and received a portion of such booty as he could never have won on his own.

Of the two, it must be admitted that Johannes was the gainer by this partnership. His duties grew less and less onerous, for Mitzi had found his metier and was specialising on work which suited him. The situation was becoming strained; Mitzi had never thought highly of Johannes except as a beast of burden, and now he was superfluous even in that capacity.

The crash came suddenly, as crashes usually do. Mitzi heard of a delightfully easy and delightfully rich victim, and began at once to lay his plans. Then he thought of the thirty

per cent. which had been Johannes' share from the first. He knew the approximate wealth of the place and therefore could not be cheated as usual. Forgetting, in his excitement, the customary expletives, Mitzi went straight to the point. Johannes must go.

And go he nearly did. Arriving at a false rendezvous he was attacked by five policemen, and would have been captured had there been another five to make the odds more equal. His mighty brain pondered revenge, and at once—or nearly so—thought of Mitzi's store. The two had never been so friendly as to have a common treasure chest, but they had sworn not to watch each other when they went to their own caches. Johannes had therefore been compelled to use binoculars before he could see Mitzi pace out fifty-six steps from an old oak over perfectly smooth and scarless ground.

He communicated this long-cherished information to the police, in return for his own safety. Truly a good bargain, for Mitzi was dangerous, and Johannes was very small game. But the police scented a hoax, and it took all Johannes' pleading—in the end he came near to tears—to make them believe him, especially since the way was by no means short. At last they went. From the oak one after another took fifty-six paces. The ground itself, rough but featureless, gave no help. They dug—and dug—

Johannes is now serving three months' imprisonment for contempt in one form or another. He sits stupefied at the turn of events, but were he cleverer he would be tearing his hair because he had not seen that policemen, having large feet, must needs step further than the dapper, almost tiny, Mitzi.

Boxing Notes.

THE end of the Easter term brought with it the end of the boxing season, 1937-38. We have now to wait until the Christmas term before we can begin again. As usual, at the end of the season there was the House Boxing Competition, and the match with Quarry Bank. Here are the results:—

Inter-House Boxing Competition.—March 14th, in the gymnasium. 1st, Alfred 48 points; 2nd, Philip 45 points; 3rd, Tate 43½ points; 4th, Owen 17 points.

Malone, C. (A)	beat	Miller, H. (P)
Price, B. E. (P)	..	Haugh, A. L. (A)
Gordon, G. A. (A)	..	Pink, G. (A)
Coop, H. (A)	..	Parry, J. S. (T)
Kirkham, S. (P)	..	Draper, C. (T)
Morris, J. A. (O)	..	Blackman, S. A. (T)
Hepburn, W. E. (T)	..	Hughes, K. (P)
Drummond, R. O. (T)	..	Rose, M. H. (O)
Adams, W. H. (A)	..	Rawlinson, K. (T)
Beastall, K. (P)	..	Sharrock, R. S. (T)

The fighting was hard and clean, and provided an exciting evening. The fight between Vickers, J. G. (O) and Taylor, R. I. (T) was scratched owing to a misunderstanding.

School v. Quarry Bank, at Quarry Bank. April 12th.
School won, winning 10 fights to Quarry Bank's 4.

INSTITUTE.		QUARRY BANK.
Malone, C.	beat	Pierpoint
Gordon, G. A.	..	Holliday
Pink, G.	..	Kirkwood
Kirkham, S.	..	Thomson
Morris, J. A.	..	Shore
Coop, H.	..	Evans
Adams, W. H.	..	Rudge
Leak	..	Snow
Hughes, K.	..	Graham
Sharrock, R. S.	..	Price
Kaufman, D.	lost to	Baker
Parry, J. S.	..	Hollway
Price, B. E.	..	Forster
Beastall, K.	..	Stainthorpe

Most of the fights were very close, and Quarry Bank put up a hard resistance, but the Institute lads fought very well indeed, and thoroughly deserved their victory.

It remains now to thank Mr. Bowen and Mr. Pincher for all the help they have given. Mr. Bowen has given up much of his time to attend on Monday evenings, and he worked untiringly at the end of the season in order to arrange the competitions. He has been helped throughout the season by Mr. Pincher, who attended regularly on Friday nights. We thank them both.

Thanks no less are due to Mr. McEvoy the instructor. His excellent coaching and never-failing advice have been appreciated by all. With the help of these people, we have had a very good season, and it is hoped that next season will be just as successful.

Half colours were awarded to S. Kirkham, and full colours re-awarded to K. Beastall. K. BEASTALL.

Fives Notes.

THE beginning of the term, as is usual in January, was marked by a distinct lack of interest on the part of the School.

This was partly due to the shortness of the day and partly to the reluctance of the School, especially the Seniors, to face the weather. But Spring came at last and with it the long-awaited boom. The Fifts and Removes, however, still show a dispirited attitude towards the game. In a few years' time the School team will be chosen from their number and upon them will depend its standard.

Last term I complained about the selfishness of players who booked courts and did not use them. This time it is *gloves*! A meeting was actually held in which all who played Fives were asked to return gloves immediately after their game. The request was adhered to for a few days only, with the result that in the last School match a member of the team had to use an old withered pair. Not even the School team has the right to retain gloves. The use of gloves is a privilege and should not be abused.

By far the most interesting event was the Fives Singles and Doubles Competition. It is well on its way to completion, and we hope that it will not suffer the same fate as other competitions. The House games were concluded this term, leaving Owen champions after a replay with Tate, and Tate Junior champions. The two successful Houses will be the first to have their names on the new Fives Shields. The School team has played five matches this term, and the sixth was abandoned owing to wet weather. They are now beginning to show more combination in the doubles, but are still weak in their singles.

The necessity for an established code of rules has long been apparent, and after some effort we have procured a book of rules in concordance with those of the Rugby Fives Association. By the time these notes are in print we shall have distributed copies to members of the School.

Last of all it is my pleasant duty to thank Mr. Doughty for his untiring help towards the betterment of the game. It is he who has been most responsible for the success of the team.

School Match Results.

Feb. 16	v. Hulme Hall	...	...	Lost	142-164
Mar. 5	v. Liobians	...	...	Won	135-128
Mar. 19	v. Wallasey Grammar School	...	...	Lost	171-265
Apl. 6	v. Wallasey Grammar School	...	...	Lost	236-275
April 13	v. Oxford University Old Boys	...	...	Won	178-108

Full colours have been awarded to Kushner and Varey, M. P. and half-colours to Taylor, R. I. and Varey, J. F.

H. KUSHNER.

Gymnasium Notes.

THE House Gymnasium Competition took place on Thursday, April 7th, and was presided over by the Vice-Principal;

Mr. Halton acted as judge. This year, owing to the reduction in the number of Houses, the number of competitors was reduced but this was made up for by the keenness and high standard of the House teams. The practices were well attended. Tate House especially are to be commended on their attendance.

The Contest for the "House Cup" was mainly between Philip Holt and Tate. Although the four Houses were equally good in the Swedish Exercises, only the above Houses possessed "old hands." It was thus the marks gained by individuals which decided the result.

The final marks for the House Cup were as follows:—

1.	Philip Holt	...	...	246
2.	Tate	...	...	244½
3.	Owen	...	...	234
4.	Alfred	...	...	182½

Style and skill in the individual work were naturally more in evidence in the "old hands," but the new-comers showed much promise and should do well next year.

The awards for the Individual Championship were:—

1.	G. C. Billington	Tate	...	42
2.	R. S. Sharrock	Tate	...	38
3.	J. W. McBurney	Philip Holt	...	37½
4.	K. Beastall	Philip Holt	...	37

The highest possible mark was 44.

An amusing and welcome interval was afforded by boys from 3a and 3b in the nature of gymnastic games; later in the evening York House Boys' Club gave a very good display of elementary exercises. The enthusiasm and promise of the Junior boys reflects much credit on their trainer, Mr. Stell.

We thank Mr. Halton for his able services in the adjudication. We hope to have the pleasure of his presence on future occasions. Our thanks are also due to E. C. Colville for his work at the piano. Finally all the competitors extend their sincere thanks to Mr. Stell for the interest and patience which he has shown in once more training the House teams.

Full colours have been awarded to G. C. Billington.

Half colours have been re-awarded to J. W. McBurney and awarded to R. S. Sharrock and K. Beastall.

It is hoped that new competitors will come forward next year; Senior members of the School are permitted to attend any practice and Junior boys who wish to attend should see their House Captain. In these days when physical fitness is an important factor in all walks of life, boys would be wise to take advantage of this valuable opportunity at School.

G. C. BILLINGTON.

Hockey, 1937-38

ONCE again we have come to the end of another season, quite a successful one, but not so successful as one would like to expect.

We are more fortunate than those who played hockey during its introduction to the School nine seasons ago, in having better facilities for playing, but why have we not more playing the game to-day, with that keenness shown in previous years? I especially ask everyone to do their very best by recruiting new players for next season.

Out of nine matches played, the eleven has won 4, lost 3, and drawn 2, scoring 24 goals against 19.

The School defence has had quite a good season; Edwards, in goal, has played some good games, but wants more experience, he has filled a very difficult position very successfully. The most improved person in the School team is Billington, who has filled the centre-half berth very well, and is a dogged defender. Our full-backs, Stone and Culshaw, have had a good season, and have made up for the apparent weaknesses in our wing-half positions. Carr, at left-half-back has played a very courageous game all season, and should strengthen his game by more experience next season; our right-half position has had many candidates, and was the weakest spot in the team. As for the forwards they have done all that was expected of them.

We are indebted to the Northern Hockey Club for the invitation they extended to us to play in the Christmas holidays, and also to West Derby H.C. who invited several of our team to play in their 3rd XI occasionally.

We are very grateful to Mr. G. D. Roberts, who has spent hours umpiring our games, and building up a side which has gradually improved, through the careful advice he has so thoughtfully given us.

Finally our thanks are due to Wass for the good pitch he prepares.

Hockey colours have been awarded to the following:—

Full. P. U. Rumjahn, E. J. Rumjahn (re-awarded), E. Mayhew, G. W. Culshaw, G. C. Billington.

Half. A. Stone, C. P. B. Molyneaux, H. K. Burns.

RESULTS:

SCHOOL v. BIRKENHEAD SCHOOL. Home. Lost 6—2
Edwards; Stone, Holmes; Johnson, Billington, Carr; Burns,
Molyneaux, Rumjahn, E. J., Rumjahn, P. U., Flanigan.
Scorers: Rumjahn, E. J., Rumjahn, P. U.

SCHOOL v. CHESTER COLLEGE. Away. Lost 4—3
Edwards; Stone, Culshaw; Molyneaux, Billington, Carr; Burns,
Johnson, Rumjahn, E. J., Rumjahn, P. U., Flanigan.
Scorers: Rumjahn, P. U. (2), Rumjahn, E. J.

SCHOOL v. COLLEGIATE. Home. Won 6—1
Edwards; Stone, Culshaw; Holmes, Billington, Carr; Johnson,
Molyneaux, Rumjahn, E. J., Rumjahn, P. U., Flanigan.
Scorers: Rumjahn, P. U. (3), Rumjahn, E. J. (2), Molyneaux.

SCHOOL v. WEST DERBY "A". Home. Won 3—1
Edwards; Stone, Culshaw; Johnson, Billington, Carr; Rumjahn,
R. M., Molyneaux, Rumjahn, E. J., Rumjahn, P. U., Flanigan.
Scorers: Rumjahn, E. J. (2), Rumjahn, P. U.

Cross-Country Running Notes.

GLORIOUS summer days are with us once again, and now that the rigours of the weather are no longer to be tested, cross-country running, like all good things, must come to an end. In the invigorating sharpness of winter, we bounded along in the wind and rain, with free, ungirt spirits. Now, in the warmth of the sun, we are tamed into refinement.

The performances of the School team during the past term have surpassed our greatest expectations, and a fine measure of success has been achieved. The *Liverpool Daily Post* described one of our victories as "fine packing by a speedy Institute team," and this has been characteristic of all the team's victories. All except one of the term's matches have been won, bringing the season's total to 6 wins against 4 defeats.

The team is indebted to the perseverance of F. W. Myerscough, as Secretary, for the increased number of fixtures this season, and whole-hearted enthusiasm has enabled the team to carry out these fixtures with credit. To this year's School team let me say, "Well done!" Next season, with most of this year's team staying on at School, the running team can face the future with confidence.

Full colours have been awarded to A. W. C. Thomas, E. S. Kelly, and J. F. Charnock; and half-colours to F. W. Myerscough, H. A. Appleton, B. Downs, A. R. Brown, and G. H. Townend.

SCHOOL v. CHESTER COLLEGE. Home. Saturday, January 22nd.
School: (2) A. W. C. Thomas; (4) J. F. Charnock; (5) F. W. Myerscough; (7) E. S. Kelly; (8) H. A. Appleton; (9) G. H. Townend.
Chester College: 1, 3, 6, 11, + 21. Result: Won 35—42

SCHOOL v. QUARRY BANK H.S. Home. Saturday, February 12th
(Over a 4 mile course. Time—22 mins.)

School: (2) A. W. C. Thomas; (3) J. F. Charnock; (4) F. W. Myerscough; (5) G. K. Williams; (7) E. S. Kelly; (10) H. A. Appleton.

Quarry Bank H.S.: 1, 6, 8, 9, 14, 15. Result—Won 31—53

SCHOOL v. 'VARSITY II. Away. Wednesday, February 16th
(Over a 5 mile course. Time—29½ mins.)

School: (1) A. W. C. Thomas; (3) J. F. Charnock; (4) E. S. Kelly; (5) H. A. Appleton; (6) F. W. Myerscough.

'Varsity II: 2, 7, 9, 10, 14. Result: Won 19—42

SCHOOL v. S.F.X. Home. Wednesday, February 23rd
(Over a 4 mile course. Time—23 mins.)

School: (1) A. W. C. Thomas; (4) F. W. Myerscough; (5) E. S. Kelly; (6) G. K. Williams; (7) H. A. Appleton; (9) B. Downs.

S.F.X.: 2, 3, 8, 12, 13, 14. Result: Won 32—52

SCHOOL v. OULTON H.S. Away. Wednesday, March 2nd

School: (1) A. W. C. Thomas; (2) H. A. Appleton; (3) F. W. Myerscough; (5) E. S. Kelly; (6) B. Downs; (7) A. R. Brown.

Oulton H.S.: 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13. Result: Won 24—59

SCHOOL v. ORMSKIRK G.S. Home. Saturday, March 5th
(Over a 4 mile course. Time—22 mins.)

School: (1) E. S. Kelly; (2) F. W. Myerscough; (4) J. F. Charnock; (5) B. Downs; (6) G. H. Townend; (7) H. A. Appleton.

Ormskirk G.S.: 3, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13. Result: Won 25—57

The School had to send a weakened side to Manchester for a four-cornered fixture with Manchester G.S., Blackpool G.S., and Kirkham G.S. The team did not run very well in this fixture and finished fourth. Nevertheless, the runners enjoyed their visit and we are grateful to Manchester G.S. for their hospitality in inviting us to lunch.

RESULT:	1. Manchester G.S.	...	...	38
	2. Blackpool G.S.	...	...	86
	3. Kirkham G.S.	...	...	90
	4. Liverpool Institute	...	...	108

School: (10) A. W. C. Thomas; (11) J. F. Charnock; (18) H. A. Appleton; (21) F. W. Myerscough; (23) G. H. Townend; (25) A. R. Brown.

Junior Running.—The Junior running team has taken part in two more fixtures, but not with the success expected. There is a high standard of running amongst our Juniors, but those boys who wish to represent the School must consider the honour worth while, and refrain from getting Wednesdays. Illness has also weakened our Junior team.

SCHOOL JUNIORS v. OULTON H.S. JUNIORS. Away. Wednesday, March 2nd

School: (3) N. A. Hamling; (4) R. J. Parkinson; (8) A. P. Comaish; (9) W. H. Fox; (10) S. R. Buckley; (11) E. Rogansky.

Oulton H.S.: 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 12. Result: Lost 45—33

SCHOOL JUNIORS v. QUARRY BANK H.S. JUNIORS. Saturday, March 26th

School: (2) G. K. Williams; (3) R. J. Parkinson; (4) N. A. Hamling; (11) P. R. de Gruchy; (12) A. P. Comaish; (13) W. H. Fox.

Quarry Bank H.S.: 1, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9. Result: Lost 45—36

HOUSE RUNNING.

Good packs have set off from Fletcher's Farm each week, and whilst the number of Seniors is still disappointing, the Juniors continue to turn out in good numbers. There are some fine runners amongst these Juniors and I would urge them, as they get older, to continue their enthusiasm for the sport and aspire to a place in the School team. Philip Holt are to be congratulated on winning both the Senior and Junior competitions and upon their large turn-outs of Juniors. The results of the competitions are as follows:—

SENIORS:	1. Philip.	JUNIORS:	1. Philip.
	2. Owen.		2. Owen.
	3. Alfred.		3. Tate.
	{ Tate.		4. Alfred.

The Steeplechase took place on Saturday, April 9th, over courses of 5 miles (Junior) and 6 miles (Senior) from the L.B.A. Ground, Allerton, in beautiful weather. The courses crossed Okell's Farm, and we are grateful to Mr. Robertson for permission to use this land, which made the courses so much more interesting. We congratulate A. W. C. Thomas on winning the Senior race and G. W. Davies and R. J. Parkinson on running to a dead heat for first place in the Junior race.

The Steeplechase results were as follows:—

Seniors: (1) A. W. C. Thomas (P); (2) E. S. Kelly (O); (3) H. A. Appleton (P)

House Results: (1) Philip; (2) Owen; (3) Alfred; (4) Tate.

Juniors: (1) G. W. Davies (P) and R. J. Parkinson (A); (3) C. Draper (P)

House Results: (1) Tate; (2) Philip; (3) Alfred; (4) Owen.

Our thanks are due to those members of the Staff and School who acted as markers and in particular to Mr. Folland for his marking of the course and to Mr. Jones and Mr. Wormald for their untiring work both at the time of the Steeplechase and throughout the running season when their work with the School team and the House running is greatly appreciated.

E. S. KELLY.

Association Football.

WE began the term with high hopes which, however, did not come to fruition. After the first game with the Collegiate, Walker had to leave the team in order to have an operation, and after only one more game Stewart was unfortunately injured in a House match. His injury seemed minor at first, but turned out to be serious enough to prevent him playing for the rest of the term. The culmination came in the vital Shield Match with King's School, Chester, in which Hepburn was unable to play. The changes thus necessitated, seriously weak-

ened the combinative powers of the team. This was especially evident in the Chester game, in which we were overwhelmed, being fortunate in only having three goals scored against us.

The defence, as a whole, has been reasonably steady, the majority of the work being done by the half-backs, among whom Hepburn, in particular, stood out. The full backs were apt to be uncertain, Green seeming a little nervous in a fresh position.

Among the forwards, the work has been done mainly by Raby and Hughes. Gregory only reached his true form towards the end of the season when the light ball seemed to suit him.

Once again we thank Wass and Edwin who have prepared us excellent pitches, and Mr. Moy for his help and encouragement.

A. ROBERTSON.

The 1st XI has generally been composed as follows: Muskett; Sanderson, Green; Weedon, Robertson, Hepburn; Gregory, Cohen, Raby, Hughes, K., Emmett.

Results for the Spring Term.

v. Liverpool Collegiate School	...	...	...	(h)	...	2-2
v. Alsop High School	...	...	...	(a)	...	4-3
v. Quarry Bank School	...	...	...	(a)	...	3-4
v. Warrington Grammar School	...	...	...	(h)	...	8-1
v. St. Francis Xaviers	...	...	...	(a)	...	3-2
v. Prescott Grammar School (Shield)	...	...	...	(h)	...	5-0
v. King's School, Chester...	...	...	...	(a)	...	0-3
v. University 3rd XI	...	...	...	(a)	...	2-3
v. Warrington Grammar School	...	...	...	(a)	...	4-1
v. Bootle Secondary School	...	...	...	(h)	...	4-1
v. Manchester Grammar School	...	...	...	(h)	...	2-3
v. An Old Boys' XI	...	...	...	(h)	...	6-2

The goals were scored as follows: Raby 32, Hughes, K., 11, Emmett 7 Gregory 4; Robertson, Hepburn, 2 each; Stewart, Weedon, Walker, Ferguson, Fisher and Tyrer 1 each.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst.
1st XI	19	12	1	7	66	37
2nd XI	15	6	1	8	27	33
Juniors	12	2	3	7	17	25

SENIOR SHIELD—1st ROUND.

SCHOOL v. PRESCOT GRAMMAR SCHOOL. At Greenbank. Won 5-0.

The School team, at full strength except for the absence of Stewart, lined up as follows: Muskett; Sanderson, Green; Weedon, Robertson, Hepburn; Gregory, Walker, Raby, Hughes, K., Emmett.

Robertson won the toss, and the School kicked up the slope. Any hopes that the School may have had of an easy victory were soon crushed, for Prescott were the first to settle down, and neat work on the right wing

harassed the School defence considerably. Once Green headed off the goal-line with Muskett beaten, and for some time there was a "kick-it-anywhere" spirit in the School goalmouth. Occasional bursts by the home forwards were unrewarded and play was scrappy and unscientific. After about 20 minutes, the School got their first goal, a cleverly placed shot by Raby. Encouraged by this lead, the School play improved considerably, and two further goals were added. Raby scored a similar goal to his first, and Walker, almost on the touch-line, was as surprised as anyone to see his intended centre curl round the post. Half-time came with the score 3-0.

We had not been as superior as the score might suggest, for Prescott had had their fair share of the play. Yet we might have had more goals if we had not thrown away our chances. Emmett, for instance, was blazing away on the left wing without apparent aim or purpose, when with a little care, he might have scored more than once.

Still three clear goals lead at half-time, and the advantage of the slope to come was not a bad state of affairs and the School team restarted full of confidence. But we could not score any goals. The defence had little to do except ply the attack with chances, of which our forwards made little use. Prescott did break away on occasions, but Robertson and Sanderson always sent them away empty-handed. Play became scrappier and eventually the School added two more goals through Hepburn and Raby. The final score was 5-0 for the School.

The form of the team was far from encouraging. The defence was adequate but hardly inspired confidence. Robertson was a tower of strength at centre-half and was well supported by Hepburn, who was brilliant in defence and attack. The forwards were poor. They revealed little combination and threw away many chances. The whole team seemed below standard and will need to improve if it is to go much further in the Shield.

CRITIQUE.

- A. ROBERTSON (Left-back).—Captain.—He possesses a strong kick and heads well but is rather clumsy at times. Was uncertain at centre-half but played better after becoming accustomed to that position.
- I. R. STEWART (Centre-half).—Vice-Captain.—Very good at dealing with a ball in the air. He is inclined to dribble close to the goal and must learn to kick with his left foot.
- G. R. RABY (Centre-forward).—After a poor start he improved in the Spring term. Shoots well with his right foot but to be really good he must practise with his left.
- K. HUGHES (Inside-left).—A hard worker who has provided many goals for Raby. Inclined to hold on to the ball too long and to talk to the referee too much.
- R. W. WEEDON (Right-half).—A good wing-half with a strong kick. His positional play is good and he provides his wingman with many passes.
- W. G. HEPBURN (Left-half).—A born footballer with a strong kick in either foot. Heads well and is the starting point of many attacks.
- H. T. MUSKETT (Goal-keeper).—He has had a moderately successful season. Inclined to be rather slow off the mark at times.
- T. R. SANDERSON (Right Back).—He found it hard to settle down in a strange position but improved as the season progressed. Dribbles too much in his own penalty area.
- H. T. GREEN (Left Back).—A keen player with a strong clearance, sometimes uncertain in direction. Inclined to lie too far back and give his wingman too much room.

- G. E. GREGORY (Outside Right).—He has had a moderate season on the whole, but played well towards the end when the ball was light. He must remember that a corner put anywhere in play is far better than put outside and wasted.
- G. COHEN (Inside Right).—He dribbles well but his shooting is rather weak and hesitant. He combines well with Hughes.
- R. E. WALKER (Inside Right).—Very promising with all the ingredients of a very good player. Has a strong shot and must not hesitate to use it.
- G. R. EMMETT (Outside Left).—A strong and willing winger. He is very speedy and attempts to shoot and centre far too fast with consequent lack of direction. Restraint is necessary.

Rugby Football.

THE Rugby XV began this term full of confidence, with a match against St. Mary's College, Crosby. The match was played on our own ground, and although we were defeated by 14 points to 3, our performance against such redoubtable opponents was distinctly encouraging. Our early promise, however, was not fulfilled and perhaps as a result of a severe defeat at the hands of the Collegiate School, our confidence slowly evaporated. Although we played close and enjoyable games against Southport and St. Helens, our only successes were a win against the Old Boys and a drawn game against Oldershaw. Towards the end of the term a School XV played an O.T.C. XV and after a hard but rather scrappy game the School won by 12 points to 3.

The principal fault of the team still lies in its inability to combine but this is unavoidable, considering the fact that some members only started to play Rugby this season. On the whole the team, especially some of the forwards, worked hard and deserved more success than it obtained.

Once again our thanks are due to Mr. Halton who has taken charge of the Juniors, and to Mr. Chapman and Mr. Bowen for refereeing and coaching. For yet another season, Edwin has kept the pitch in splendid condition and we thank him also. But above all we are indebted to Mr. Pollard who has spent much time and energy in coaching the XV, and to whom alone is due any success which we may have achieved.

D. NODEN.

RESULTS.

SCHOOL v. ST. MARY'S COLLEGE "A" XV.
 Played at Mersey Road, January 19th. Lost 3—14 pts.
 Beastall, K.; McBurney, Wootton, Noden, Bridge; Briggs, Baruch;
 Heslop, Beastall, D., Bourns, Gould, Thompson, Gray, Hartley, Ham-
 mer. Try: Bridge.

For the first match of the term the School showed a vigour and a

power of co-operation which had been sadly lacking at the end of the previous term. Against a well-combined line of three-quarters the whole team pulled its weight and showed its ability to tackle effectively, while the forwards in particular displayed promise, and it was only by strenuous efforts that the quick movements of our opponents were brought to no effect. Bridge scored a fine try which was unconverted, and at the interval the scores stood equal at 3 points each. In the second half the weakness of our halves proved our undoing, and, in spite of the excellent tackling and touch kicking of K. Beastall, who throughout gave a magnificent display at full back, our opponents succeeded in crossing our line three times, one try being converted. Although the School lost by 14 points to 3, the team had shown powers which gave hopes for better results in subsequent matches.

SCHOOL v. COLLEGIATE SCHOOL 1st XV.

Played at Holly Lodge, February 2nd. Lost 0—39 pts.
 Beastall, K.; McBurney, Wootton, Noden, Bridge; Briggs,
 Baruch; Heslop, Beastall, D., Evans, Gould, Thompson, Hartley,
 Felgate, Hamuer.

SCHOOL v. KING GEORGE V SCHOOL, SOUTHPORT, "A" XV.

Played at Mersey Road, February 12th. Lost 5—20 pts.
 Beastall, K.; McBurney, Wootton, Noden, Bridge; Briggs,
 Hammer; Gould, Beastall, D., Hartley, Bourns, Evans, Heslop, Felgate,
 Gray. Try: Bridge. Goal: Noden.

SCHOOL v. AN OLD BOYS' XV.

Played at Mersey Road, February 19th. Won 17—9 pts.
 McBurney; Hartley, Wootton, Noden, Bridge; Briggs, Hammer;
 Gould, Beastall, D., Thompson, Bourns, Heslop, Gray, Parkin, Evans.
 Tries: Bridge (2), Hartley, Thompson, Wootton. Goal: Noden.

SCHOOL v. OULTON SCHOOL 1st XV.

Played at Long Lane, March 2nd. Lost 0—18 pts.
 Beastall, K.; McBurney, Wootton, Noden, Bridge; Briggs, Ham-
 mer; Heslop, Beastall, D., Evans, Gould, Thompson, Hartley, Parkin,
 Gray.

SCHOOL v. WEST PARK "A" XV.

Played at St. Helens, March 5th. Lost 11—13 pts.
 For this match the team was unchanged.
 Try: Hartley. Goals: Noden (3) penalties (2).
 The game was played in brilliant sunshine, but in spite of the heat, it proved excellent and enjoyable in every respect. Noden was in great form with his goal-kicking, and within a few minutes of the beginning of the game he landed a penalty goal from a difficult angle. The School held on to its lead for most of the first half, but just before the interval West Park went ahead with a converted try. In the second half, Park pressed hard and mainly through slackness on our right wing they added two tries, of which one was converted. Our forwards then took command of the game, and under the energetic leadership of Hartley proved a constant menace to our opponents. Noden landed another penalty goal and soon afterwards Hartley scored a try from a scrum on the Park line following a forward rush. Noden converted. The last ten minutes were full of incident, but the School was unable to gain the mastery, and the score remained 13 points to 11 in West Park's favour.

SCHOOL v. OLDERSHAW "A" XV

Played at Wallasey, March 16th. Draw 9—9 pts.
 Beastall, K.; McBurney, Wootton, Noden, Bridge; Briggs,
 Baruch; Heslop, Beastall, D., Evans, Gould, Bourns, Hartley, Parkin,
 Gray. Tries: Bridge (2), McBurney.

SCHOOL v. RUABON XV.

Played at Ruabon, March 23rd. Lost 9—39 pts.
 Beastall, K.; McBurney, Wootton, Noden, Bridge; Briggs,
 Hammer; Heslop, Beastall, D., Evans, Gould, Thompson, Hartley,
 Parkin, Gray. Tries: McBurney (1), Gould (1). Goal: McBurney (1)
 (penalty).

CRITIQUE.

- K. BEASTALL (Full-Back).—A brilliant tackle and a safe catch. His consistently good play has saved the School line on many occasions.
- J. W. MCBURNEY (Right Wing Threequarter).—Runs well occasionally and has a good knowledge of the game. His tackling however is still weak and his comments far too numerous.
- E. WOOTTON (Right Centre Threequarter).—A good tackle but is apt to drop his passes. He should make a very good player next season.
- A. C. BRIDGE (Left Wing Threequarter).—The strongest runner in the team. He is fast, and a good tackle but should use his imagination a little more.
- J. G. BRIGGS (Fly Half).—Handles well but should learn to kick judiciously. Too often he allows his opposite man to slip through.
- R. J. HAMMER (Scrum Half).—A good tackle but is inexperienced at this position, and so lacks an understanding with his outside half. Has been greatly handicapped however by the clumsy heeling of the forwards.
- U. B. H. BARUCH (Scrum Half).—Has played consistently well; he is very energetic but should curb his desire to run back into the pack.
- W. E. HESLOP (Forward).—One of the best forwards in the team. He works untiringly and applies his weight intelligently.
- D. BEASTALL (Hooker).—A good all-round forward and with experience should make an excellent hooker.
- S. EVANS (Forward).—A keen and energetic player but should study the game more closely.
- L. E. THOMPSON (Forward).—A big powerful forward whose height has been very useful in the line-outs. His robust tackling is very effective, but he is inclined to be off-side.
- J. GOULD (Forward).—The most improved player in the team. Having only begun to play Rugby this season he is now a steady and reliable forward; his example of tackling low might well be followed by the other forwards.
- P. GRAY (Forward).—Shows promise and should be a great success next season at wing forward.
- G. D. PARKIN (Forward).—Packs low and binds well. Tackles well and is good in the loose despite his lack of experience.
- G. W. H. HARTLEY (Forward).—Another powerful forward whose work in the loose has been invaluable. Has led the pack well and has set them a fine example but he must learn not to hold on to the ball.
- D. NODEN (Captain).—Has proved himself an excellent captain, and has always kept cheerful even in the greatest trials and adversities. His own play has improved considerably during the year, and has been an example to the rest of the backs.



CLOUD CUCKOO TOWN.
 April, 1938.

To the Editor, *Liverpool Institute Magazine*.

DEAR SIR,

You ask us to tell of our deeds at Oxford, and you have had to beg so long and earnestly that you have ample proof that we do not like talking about ourselves. But since you compel us to cast off our English reserve we shall bare our souls to the curious, and blame you if it seem exhibitionism.

First and foremost comes our man of weight, the redoubtable Mr. Ankers, who has had a very successful term as President of the Jesus J.C.R. He finds time to think of many things—of work, good stories, marriage and the irresponsibility of Welshmen. But for stories the palm goes to Mr. Page who tells in a style he has made his own, tales which seem to owe their origin to a partnership of Beachcomber and Ronald Frankau. We wish them both luck in Schools in June.

Mr. Peaston, our moral guide, has left us to convert the heathen of Lancashire. Our best wishes go with him.

Mr. Curtis assures us that he is still losing weight. Perhaps his scales are as unbalanced as his mind, for he contrives to win exhibitions for his philosophy. Mr. Little, however, remains sane as ever, unmoved by the bustle and clamour of Greats. Nothing seems able to disturb his calm, so why not ask him to write the next letter, Mr. Editor?

Mr. Leather and Mr. Hopwood wasted valuable time on securing themselves Seconds in Moderations. Now free from envy on the one hand and scorn on the other they can face the world unworried. They both have other interests; Mr. Leather's took him far afield on a dangerous game. He has already

played three away matches in the distant South, and we feel that a home fixture might see him bowled out neck and crop, but with thoughts of Spring, tra-la-la, he refuses to listen to our friendly advice. Mr. Hopwood deprecates the hints which former writers of this letter have made about his conduct. Freshmen believe the scandal and ask his advice, for they seem as eager to lose their good names as he is to retain his.

Mr. Tharme always seems worried and with good cause, he assures us. He is composing a series of sermons which he wants to see become an integral part of the marriage service, but his co-authoress delays publication by falling a victim to strange diseases, jaundice and leprosy, or so a cryptic message of hers led the poor author to understand. Mr. Martin, however, is always cheerful and hearty; he rows, Mr. Editor, and that is explanation enough; in fact he stroked a College crew in Juggers. Mr. Ion, too, has pleasant recollections of Juggers, for the rowing men of his college destroyed an armchair of his which they disliked as much as he, and Mr. Ion now occupies a throne when he holds those select bridge parties to which we are never invited.

Mr. Hughes is an ardent member of two Societies, his College Dramatic Society and the Welsh; the first through heroine worship, the second that he may have someone to whom to croon his Welsh songs. Last of all, to keep the party clean, comes our pillar of perfect sobriety: Mr. Hawthorn remains untouched by any breath of scandal. His virtue would not interest you, Mr. Editor; we can only put it on record.

And now, Mr. Editor, you have the facts, carefully selected. We can only hope that Messrs. Leak, Holmes and Barnes whom we congratulate on their achievements, will provide you in the future with a more interesting story.

Yours sincerely,

J. I. KNOXCLAVE.

THE UNION,
CAMBRIDGE.

The Editor, *Liverpool Institute Magazine*.

DEAR SIR,

Human nature does not change in a day, and so we are much the same as you found us last term. We might, as others do, try to hide this bald fact behind a rather rickety screen of classical quotations and allusions to Julius Caesar, or other departed heroes. This, we feel, would be taxing your readers too much, and so to our chronicle.

Mr. Peters has not been in hospital this term. He still contrives to keep some life in our Society, although a deep "economic" depression still lingers above his head. Doubtless this will depart in June. Economics makes us think of Mr. Campbell, who declares that he is going to call a meeting of his creditors. At times he tries to make both ends meet in more ways than one. He and Mr. Peters should see less of each other.

We seldom see Mr. Patterson, and when we do he is never any different to the time before. We have given up hope. Mr. Corlett still retains his piety and rightly frowns at the goings on of certain members. He is our hope and pride.

As for Mr. Collett, well, he even believes Mr. Campbell and pays cash for things he has never seen.

Mr. McCloy rowed in the Lents and seemed to enjoy it. He is justifiably bored at the re-hash of political views, with which Mr. Campbell and Mr. Peters regale Mr. Wallace whenever they see him. Apparently they wish to convert him to something or other. We think it all has something to do with Mr. Campbell learning Spanish. Mr. Wallace, by the way, is still under the ban of his first love, figures. He still thinks, however, that there is safety in numbers.

We cannot say very much of Mr. Scarisbrick; for, as prophesied in our last letter, he has vanished into thin air. In other words, we have neither seen nor heard of him this term. And it is on this note of mystery, Sir, that we conclude.

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THE UNION,
LIVERPOOL,
Better late than never, 1938.

To the Editor, *Liverpool Institute Magazine*.

DEAR, DEAR, MR. EDITOR!

Tut and tut! Though full well we know our last epistle to have been penned on The-Morning-After-The-New-Year's-Eve-Before, and accustomed as we are to libellous and unrepeatable descriptions of our style of hand-writing, this enormity has shaken us—even until we thus early shed these literary tears—as per your flattering request. For, Sir, where we had imagined ourselves to have written MR. MACLESE (faintly redolent perhaps of toothpaste) we read, if no one else did, MR. MULEX (definitely reeking of the stable). Yet our plaint is not of so personal an insult, but of its effect upon others. For, if ever there was, or is, such a man, surely he had friends—and what of the worry

brought upon them by his senile appearance in our midst? Please tender our apologies to them, and to MRS. MULEX (if extant); we assure them that he leads no double life.

Moving, in this wise, the Editorial Board in resounding manner*, and now having paused thus—for the stifling of this ribald laughter, we hasten to chronicle the doin's of our lads.

But, first, looking to the future, we foresee a bright career for Mr. Bender—quoth Gipsy Liarsfinkso—and for the other four Liobians on Guild Council next year. Mr. Bender has talked his way in, Mr. Chas. Jones has smiled his way in—but how has Mr. Whellan done it?

Now, in the dark past of last term, strangely the darkest, wettest and windiest shines back supreme—Panto Day. It is only of those we recognised that we can speak, and luckily it was a very dark day. We had, at least, two Liobians at the head of affairs—Mr. Bean, Head of Guild and Mr. Whellan, Head of the Biologist's Dragon. Mr. Bone has stage-managed the Chem. Soc.'s entertainments; it speaks very well for the Society that their shows were a success. Mr. Corlett appeared on Panto Day looking disarming and most realistically simple in a beautifully cut smock done in a too-too-eggy shade of sack-cloth (or some such). This we know to have been a mere sham, for Mr. Corlett has since spent some weeks in Port Eriú with Mr. Whellan—ostensibly studying sea-life and attempting to verify this rumour that there are still as many fish in the Irish Sea as ever came out of it. Some fish seem, however, to have strayed into the night-life of the Isle of Man. Otherwise we defy even Mr. Corlett to explain this "Dutch Café" affair.

We have seen nothing of Mr. Nairn who, by the way, has passed one of these exam. things, the results of which, like a rash, come out suddenly in the most unexpected places—and, speaking of rashes, Mr. Keidan has come all over Red—or perhaps pink—as a leading member of the Socialist Society. Mr. Waugh, too, was one of the great unrecognised; he, let it be whispered, has a secret vice—tandem-riding—and who is that other half?

All the Engineers were hard at work, for once, on Panto Day. MR. MACLESE was in great form as an old Spanish custom—but surely the weather was not all those things. Mr. Maclese? Mr. Robson blacked his face very thoroughly for the occasion and in thus "going native" justified our previous statement that he is a very dark horse. Mr. Roberts blackmailed Liverpudlians very enthusiastically as an expectedly ugly school-girl, had the choice of a "date" with two tram-guards and a dustman. Mr. Williamson, too, was worried by high-winds—in his kilts—but

*We deny all responsibility—EDS.

endured until the afternoon when he lost his dignity too frequently to continue. Mr. Nicholson "cut" lectures very nobly in order to complete the Engineers' lorry and consequently had a free ride around the City.

Now, having exhausted our stock of fragrant (?) memories, a word in parting, Mr. Editor, please—no more of this -EX complex and, for our sake at least, don't read "flattening" for "flattering" in that first flood of expostulation. Further, it will be of no avail for you to attempt any reply to these attacks for the spirit of Liosphinx now transmigrates—and some other mug burbles.

Yours thankfully,
LIOSPHINX.

Prefects' Letter.

THE P.R.,

April, 1938.

DEAR SIR,

It was in a light-hearted spirit that I first accepted the task of writing the Prefects' Letter but the prospect became in time so onerous that I now commence on the last day of the holidays. However there has been a wealth of happenings in the P.R. to somewhat lighten my task.

Looking back on the term, the event which stands out is the Exhibition. As the fateful day approached, daily lamentations could be heard concerning lack of tenors, altos, and reviling those actors who apparently intended to give an impromptu performance. And at last, the P.R. was littered with an assortment of articles which would have done justice to a pawnshop. Hurricane lamps, top hats, wigs, dresses, etc., hardly added to the usually tidy appearance of the P.R.

Mr. Samuels, at last, came out in his true colours as a bloated capitalist of rather doubtful intelligence. He also appeared in a new light as a basso profundo of promise. He continues to organise as madly as ever and possesses an attache case of great sentimental value.

Mr. Stewart has shown himself the possessor of a marvellous Cockney accent. However his character to the casual observer, remains as irreproachable as ever. We must therefore ask him to keep a restraining hand on the activities of his friend, Mr. Noden. He seems to occupy his time by hurling a Rugby ball around or else chewing his pen in a state of pretended work. He was, however, actually seen to read four pages of a Spanish book in a fortnight. Another of our Rugby enthusiasts is Mr. Gould,

honest as ever. His main interest seems to be to maim as many fellow players as possible on the Rugby field and he adds to our amusement by demonstrating his methods on Mr. Samuels.

Mr. Vickers, during his spasmodic appearances from retirement, plays chess and also attempts manfully to beat Mr. Kelly at table-tennis. Mr. Kelly, who must have run before, was very scornful after the Steeplechase, when the P.R. slightly resembled Chelsea Hospital with its collection of fellow-sufferers moaning in anguish every time they hobbled down the stairs. This was due to our having become painfully acquainted with Mr. Robertson's vast estates in Halewood. There was a suggestion that if he drained his ditch, he would make a fortune from the pumps left therein. Mr. Burns was peculiar enough before but since the advent of news from Oxford, there has been no holding him. He wanders around, emitting nonsensical remarks and arousing general suspicion as to his sanity. Mr. McBurney and Mr. Hammer can play Rugby and Mr. Carr can imitate a cow, but they both seem rather inclined to slack in room 30a.

Comments about the strong and silent Mr. Saunders are entirely futile since he is the ultimate arbiter of what shall be left in this letter and what shall not.

So, I close with a sigh of relief,

A PREFECT.

Correspondence.

[May we remind correspondents that the nature of the Magazine forbids the publication of letters dealing with political controversy; and that such statements of opinion might more conveniently be directed to the Daily Press.—EDS.]

To the Editor, *Liverpool Institute Magazine.*

DEAR SIR,

All who are interested in athletics in the School will agree that the past two terms have sent a flood of fresh and vigorous energy through the sporting life of the School. The new House-system has put all branches of inter-House activity—cross-country running, soccer, fives, etc.—on a more stable basis. There are no longer aimless matches played now and then to encourage inter-House spirit, but this spirit is well kindled and increases in strength week by week. The Houses are now much larger and it is now less difficult than it has been hitherto for athletic captains to turn out full teams. There is, however, one serious obstacle to this end—the system of Wednesday afternoon detentions. Boys who habitually get "Wednesdays," though their

offences may be trivial, are "gated" for weeks on end. This would be an evil even had they committed really criminal offences. As it is, boys are gated for the smallest offences committed quite unconsciously without wilful intention.

As a result, sports-captains cannot be certain of their teams until the end of morning school on Tuesdays, when it is almost too late to find substitutes. The latter evil is of course greatly relieved since the "Wednesday-list" has been closed at 12-30 on Tuesdays—but to balance the relief afforded by the latest system there is the new nightmare of half-hour Wednesdays. Masters are finding this more convenient and effective than Order Marks. They forget, however, that a half-hour Wednesday penalises the boy quite as much as would an hour or two hofirs, and not the victim alone but the sports-captains too, and perhaps a whole team also. The loss of one of its best men may lose a team a match, or even a House trophy. The older method by which Order Marks accumulated to earn a "Wednesday" was far less damaging to athletics, though perhaps less effective; but surely no more serious penalty is merited by some of the trivial offences for which "Wednesdays" are now given.

A far more beneficial method of punishing real offenders would be a revival of the obsolete system of detentions at 4-10 in full school-days. Lates used to be punished by a half-hour detention after school hours on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. The present method is both ingenious and effective, but what is there to hinder the use of the old method for offenders who in class have earned more than a mere Order Mark. Certainly there are difficulties. A detention after school can rarely exceed half-an-hour, but a detention hanging over a boy for a whole week, as it would in the case of an offence meriting a two-hours' detention, might be more effective than the loss of one Wednesday afternoon; whereas boys deserving only a half-hour detention would be able to get their punishment over more quickly and would feel their crime less than the more serious offenders, as does not happen when all alike have their half-holiday ruined for them.

The effect of such a revision of the penal system would be to increase the efficiency of all branches of school athletics, and allow all boys the certainty of enjoying the two half-holidays to which five whole school days entitle them.

Yours, etc.,

A. W. C. THOMAS.

To the Editor *Liverpool Institute Magazine*.

SIR.

Of late you have been pestered with letters of negligible contents written by people of self-conceived wit, with the purpose of inflicting their nonsensical and trifling complaints upon your unfortunate readers. This letter, I assert, has been written in a serious vein. Hitherto, my inward reserve has prevented me from writing in epistolary form. But circumstances of the most serious consequences compel me to burst forth from my blushing retirement.

The fact is, sir, the tuckshop system is hopelessly deficient. When I first came to the School and wanted to relish the culinary qualities of the tuckshop, I had to take my place at the end of a long queue and await my turn to be served. But now, *in quos ego!* a howling pack of cubs clustering around the counter with carnivorous clamours for cakes, chocolate, and non-alcoholics. But this is not all! As if training for the A.R.P. they squirt the contents of their beverages with aim which is miserably erratic. I have often received lemonade full in the eye, and what is worse (for I hate the stuff!) in the mouth. But the matter does not end there! This same howling pack, struggling near the lemonade counter, disturb the drinkers of coffee. Not even the most brilliant swerve can extricate them far from the madding crowd, without their cups being emptied.

I have no remedy. If I did, it would not be heeded; and so I am merely lodging this complaint with the hope that steps will be taken to the satisfaction of,

Yours truly,

H. KUSHNER.

Editorial Notices.

WE wish to remind all Secretaries and contributors that articles should be written on one side only of essay paper, obtainable from the Editor, who should receive all contributions at latest by the end of the first week of the holidays. Any received after that date cannot be accepted for publication.

We acknowledge the receipt of the following contemporaries and apologize for any omissions:—

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Calendar.

Summer Term, 1938.

Tues., May	3	TERM BEGINS.
Thurs., "	19	King's Visit to Liverpool.
Mon., "	23	} School Certificate Oral Examinations (Modern Languages).
Tues., "	24	
Wed., "	25	
Fri., "	27	Field Day for O.T.C. and Scouts.
Tues., "	31	O.T.C. Inspection.
Thur., June	2	School Excursion to the Glasgow Exhibition. The Whitsun and Half-term Holiday is from 4 p.m. on Thursday, June 2nd, to 9 a.m. on Wednesday, June 8th.
Sat., "	18	SPORTS FINALS.
Mon., July	4	SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS BEGIN.
Mon., "	11	SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS BEGIN.
Mon., "	18	Field Day for O.T.C. and Scouts.
Fri., "	22	TERM ENDS.
Sat., "	23	Troutal Camp opens.
Tues., "	26	O.T.C. Camp opens.

Next Term begins on WEDNESDAY, September, 14th.

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Cricket fixtures, 1938.

DATE.	1st XI	2nd XI	3rd XI
May 7 S	_____	_____	_____
" 11 W	Cowley H	Cowley A	_____
" 14 S	Collegiate H.S. ... A	Collegiate H.S. ... H	_____
" 18 W	Sefton C.C. A	Waterloo G.S. 1st XI H	_____
" 21 S	Merchant Taylor's H	Merchant Taylor's A	_____
" 25 W	_____	_____	Blue Coat 1st XI H
" 28 S	_____	_____	_____
June 1 W	_____	_____	_____
" 4 S	_____	_____	_____
" 8 W	B'head School ... A	B'head School ... H	B'head School A
" 11 S	Old Boys H	_____	_____
" 15 W	Holt H	Holt A	Holt A
" 18 S	Sports H	Sports H	Sports H
" 22 W	L'pool Univ'sity H	_____	Under 13 XI Quarry Bk. A Blue Coat ... A
" 25 S	Sefton C.C. H	_____	_____
" 29 W	Cowley A	Cowley H	_____
July 2 S	Quarry Bank ... H	Quarry Bank ... A	Under 15 XI Quarry Bk. A
" 6 W	Wallasey G.S. ... A	Wallasey G.S. ... H	Wallasey G.S. A
" 9 S	Alsop H.S. H	Alsop H.S. A	Alsop H.S. ... A
" 13 W	Collegiate H.S. ... H	Collegiate H.S. ... A	_____
" 16 S	Old Boys A	_____	_____

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