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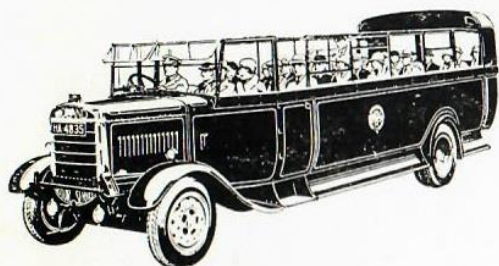
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EDITORIAL.

TWO long and arduous terms, the Winter and Spring terms, with their triumphs and occasional disappointments, have passed since our last number appeared, and here we are at the beginning of the Summer Term, the last of the School Year 1934—1935. It will be a short one, but none the less fully packed with School business than its predecessors. As the School year draws on to its close, we are all concerned to do our utmost to make it a really good one. Work, of course, takes the first place in our thoughts, with examination papers to be met and conquered, with successes to be recorded to give us hope and confidence for the future. Cricket, Tennis, Athletic Sports, and competitions in Swimming, and Physical Exercises will fill up all our spare time and give us health and stamina, with courage and determination to face whatever problems lie before us in the remaining years of School life or in the world outside when school-time is over. May we all live up to the theme of the School Song, and always play the game.

We have received messages and letters from the officials of the Old Students' Association asking present pupils not to forget that on leaving School they should join the Association. The Association,

founded with the idea of keeping Old Students together for their mutual help, meets several times during the year, and the Hockey, Football, and Cricket sections enable those who are interested in these games to keep up their practice in them, and to carry on School traditions of sportsmanship. The opportunities provided for exercise and good fellowship are extremely valuable when business occupies almost all one's time and energies. So we urge all leavers to make a point of joining the Association as soon as they leave School.

We offer our heartiest congratulations to Ralph Stevens on his fine performances, and on gaining his half-blue as one of the representatives of Oxford University in the recent athletic contests; to Bernard Harper on winning the 100 yards and 220 at Birmingham University, and to E. B. Knott on his 1st place in the High Jump at the same University Sports. Also to Mary Kings on her success as girl champion at the Aberystwyth University College Sports. Truly our Old Students' continue to bring honour to the School. We are hoping to hear shortly of further successes when the results of the University Examinations are published.

We are most happy to hear that, at long last, plans and estimates are to be drawn up for the building of our School gymnasium. May we get it soon.

Once again we are indebted to the great generosity and kindness of Mr. G. S. Albright and Mr. W. A. Albright. Not content with having given us our Reference Library, and our Swimming Bath, they have now founded University Scholarships for the benefit of the boys and girls of the Oldbury County High School. Full details are not yet available, but these scholarships are to begin this year in October, and there is to be one every year. The scholarships are to be held by the winners for three years, so that from 1937 onwards there will be three Albright scholars from this School enjoying the benefits of a University education through the goodness of the founders. Our sincerest and most grateful thanks are offered to these two gentlemen.

May we ask all Old Students to let us have immediate notice of their successes and promotions, in business, in examinations, in sport, in any part of their lives. Don't be shy, for we are always deeply interested.

Valete.

- GRACE F. GILBERT.—Form VI. Prefect; Matriculation; House Captain. Offices of S.W.S. Electric Power.
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- MARGARET GUEST.—Form VIB.—Prefect; School Certificate; Clerk, Co-operative Offices.
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- P. F. GRANVILLE-BARKER.—Form VIB. Prefect; Matriculation. Dental Course at Birmingham University.
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- R. N. F. ELLIOTT.—Form VIB. Prefect; School Certificate; Cast of "School for Scandal," "Quality Street" and "Cabbages and Kings"; Inter-School Cross Country Runner; Winner 1st XI. Cricket. Clerk, Stockbroker's Office.
- R. O. HALL.—Form VIB. Prefect; School Certificate; 1st XI. Football; 1st XI. Cricket. Clerk, Stockbroker's Office.
- M. G. HEWITT.—Form VIB. Prefect; School Certificate; 1st XI. Cricket; 2nd XI. Football. Pharmaceutical Chemist.
- J. HOWEN.—Form VIB. Prefect; House Sports Captain; Captain of 1st XI. Cricket; Captain of 1st XI. Football; Football Colours; Cricket Colours. Accles and Pollock's.
- F. W. JONES.—Form VIB. Prefect; House Captain; Football Colours; 1st XI. Cricket; Runner-up for Senior Boys Championship, 1935. Clerk in tobacco firm.
- R. P. WATTS.—Form VIB. Prefect; Matriculation; Cast of "Quality Street" and "Cabbages and Kings." National Provincial Bank.
- J. BATE.—Form VA. British Cyanides Company.
- G. T. BAYLISS.—Form VA. 1st XI. Football; 2nd XI. Cricket. Laboratory at Accles and Pollock's.
- G. A. BEARDSMORE.—Form VA. School Certificate; 1st XI. Football; 2nd XI. Cricket.
- K. ROLLASON.—Form VA. Cast of "Cabbages and Kings." Auctioneer and Estate Agent.
- E. BUTLER.—Form VA. 1st XI. Football. Auctioneer and Estate Agent.
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- J. W. PARTINGDON.—Form IVB. 2nd XI. Football. Accles and Pollock's.
- BETTY I. WARE.—Form IIIB. Family left the district.
- R. M. RICHARDSON.—Form IIIB. Clerk at Accles and Pollock's.
- V. WOOLRIDGE.—Form IIIB. Estate Agent.
- R. M. WATSON.—Form IIB. Family left district, transferred to Hales-owen Grammar School.
- S. FINCH.—Form I.—Returned to Elementary School.

Salvete.

GWENDOLINE D. GIBBS.
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Dates to Remember.

June 1.—“ Joint ” Athletic Sports.
June 6.—School Athletic Sports.
June 10, 11, 12.—Whitsuntide and Half Term.
June 28.—Joint Board Examinations begin.
July 13.—Cricket Match. Parents v. School.
July 30.—School Closes for Summer Holidays.
September 17.—School re-opens.

Speech Day.

THIS year Speech Day was held on October 26th, and although we appreciated the spacious seating provided by the Langley Cinema last year, we all liked having Speech Day once more in our own School Hall.

County Alderman W. T. Davies, J.P., presided on this occasion which was, as he said, the one during the School year when Governors, parents, staff and pupils met together.

Beatrice Taylor (Girls' Captain) gave a report of the School's social activities which consisted chiefly of the events associated with the Joint Societies, including two inter-school debates, and the presentation of the 8th School play, "Quality Street." Other activities in which the School took part were: Guides, the League of Nations Union, and the Scholars' Mediterranean Cruise, besides visits to London and to local works.

Robert Murray (Boys' Captain) followed this with a report on the School's activities in sport, from which it could be seen that the School had fully maintained the high standard set in previous years.

After Mr. Howarth's report, which was a wonderfully comprehensive account of every phase of School life during a School year, Mr. A. P. Braddock, of Birmingham University, presented the prizes and gave an address. Mr. Braddock ensured his popularity from the outset by obtaining a holiday for us, but this was not necessary, for Mr. Braddock's address was one of great interest to pupils and parents alike. He emphasised that it was very important, if possible, for pupils to stay on at school after matriculation, even if they were not going to the University, for he said the better furnished a person's mind was, the better enjoyment a person can get out of life; and also that it was what the school did in those outside-classroom activities that was of very great importance during those two years.

A vote of thanks to Mr. Braddock for coming to distribute prizes and for the excellent address was proposed by the Rev. H. C. Hawkins and seconded by Mr. A. C. Jephcott. Also a vote of thanks was proposed to Alderman Davies by Councillor G. H. Price, C.C. and seconded by Mrs. F. Dawes, J.P., not only for presiding on this occasion but for all his good work for the School, over a period of years, as Chairman of the Governors.

H. G. Jones, P. Andrews, Margaret Dobbie and Mary Warr contributed pianoforte and vocal duets during the programme, which concluded with the School Song and the National Anthem.

Barbara Farrow, Form VIA.

Prize List, 1934.

- Form 1.—A. Gibbs, 1st in Form; C. K. Spalding, 2nd in Form.
Form 2B.—Betty Hands, 1st in Form, History and Geography;
R. Turley, 2nd in Form and 1st in Chemistry.
Form 2A.—Brigid Ryan, 1st in Form, German and Biology; F. D. Nash, 2nd in Form; R. A. Smith, 3rd in Form and 1st in Art.
Form 3B.—Ivy Rollason, 1st in Form, English, History, French, Biology and Physics; D. T. Varley, 2nd in Form, 1st in Geography.
Form 3B.—Iris Hall, 1st in Form; Gwendoline Rose, 2nd in Form, 1st in French and Art.

- Form 3B.—Iris Thornton, 1st in Form, Latin, French, Biology and Art; G. W. Perry, 2nd in Form, 1st in Physics; W. J. Cox, 3rd in Form, 1st in Chemistry and German.
- Form 4C.—Peggy Owins, 1st in Form; S. E. Hobday, 2nd in Form.
- Form 4B.—D. B. Pool, 1st in Form, German, Geography, Chemistry, Handicraft; M. H. Shotton, 2nd in Form, 1st in Physics and Art; G. L. Chatham, 3rd in Form, 1st in Maths., English and Art.
- Form 4A.—J. S. Oakes, 1st in Form and Geography; Mary Bright, 2nd in Form, 1st in German; P. Andrews, 3rd in Form; R. D. Williams, 4th in Form.
- Form 5B.—H. W. Hoskins, 1st in Form, Physics and Chemistry; Hilda Partridge, 2nd in Form, 1st in English and Biology; Doris Walker, 3rd in Form, 1st in Maths. and French.
- Form 5A.—T. W. Miles, S.C. (School Certificate) and Credit in Maths.; G. A. Beardsmore, S.C. and Credit in Hist. and Maths.; H. W. Smart, S.C. and Credit in Maths., Art; Kathleen Wakeman, S.C. in English, French and Biology; Janet Morton, S.C. and Credit in English, Biology and Art; Florence Crump, S.C. and Credit in English. Maths. and Biology; G. T. Bayliss, S.C. and Credit in English, French and Maths.; Margaret Guest, S.C. and Credit in English, Hist. and Maths.; J. W. Jones, S.C. and Credit in German, French and Maths.; T. Cashmore, S.C. and Credit in English, Maths. and Physics; Jacqueline Bird, S.C. and Credit in English and Art; R. N. Turnbull, S.C. and Credit in English and Physics; R. N. F. Elliott, S.C. and Credit in History; Dorothy Morgan, S.C. and Credit in English, Biology, German and French; Isabel Nicholls, S.C. and Credit in English, German, French and Biology; J. S. Knight, S.C. and Credit in English, Geography, French and Maths.; J. W. Fox, S.C. and Credit in Geog., German, French and Maths.; P. Willetts, S.C. and Credit in Hist. and Maths., distinction in French; F. M. Palmer, S.C. and Credit in English, Geog. and Maths.; H. G. Jones, S.C. and Credit in Hist., Physics and Chem.; M. G. Hewitt, S.C. and Credit in Eng., Math., Physics, Chemistry and Art; Rose Hood, S.C. and Credit in French, Latin, Maths. and Biology, and Matric.; P. F. Granville-Barker, Sc. and Credit in Eng., German, Maths., Physics, and Matric; J. H. Cole, S.C. and Credit in Eng., Hist., Physics, Chem. and distinction in Maths.; J. Lee, S.C. and Credit in English, French, Maths., Art and distinction in Handicraft; Thelma Powell, S.C. and Cr. in Hist., German, French, Maths., distinction in English, and

Matric.; R. P. Watts, S.C. and Credit in Hist., French, Maths., Art, distinction in English and Matric.; B. R. Roebuck, S.C. and Credit in Eng., Hist., French, Maths., Chem. and Art, and Matric.; Linda Hands, S.C. and Credit in Geog., French, Latin Maths., and Matric.; Grace Gilbert, S.C. and Credit in Hist., Geog., Maths., distinction in Eng., and Matric.; June Goode, S.C. and Credit in Geog., French, Biology, distinction in English and History; Nancy Poole, S.C. and Credit in Physics, Chem., German, French, Maths., and Matric.

Form 6B (Higher School Certificate).—V. Goode, Kathleen J. Price, Barbara Farrow, Beatrice Taylor, passed in subsidiary subjects with Matriculation.

Form 6A (Higher School Certificate).—Catherine Atkins, passed in Principal Eng. (good), and subsidiary French, Hist. and Latin; Gwendolyn Jones, passed in principal Maths. and Botany and subsidiary Eng. and Zoology, full certificate with exemption from Inter. B.Sc.; T. Greaves, principal Hist. (good) and Eng., subsidiary French and Latin, full certificate with exemption from Hist. and Eng. at Inter. B.A.; E. F. J. Green, principal Maths., Physics, Chem., subsidiary English, full certificate exemption from Inter. B.Sc.; R. H. Murray, principal Chemistry (good), Physics and Maths., subsidiary German, full certificate, exemption from Inter. B.Sc.; Bettie Keyte, principal Eng. (good), Hist. (good) and subsidiary French and Latin, full certificate, exemption from Eng. and Hist. at Inter. B.A.; J. R. Greenwood, principal Maths. (good), Chem. (good), and Physics, subsidiary English, full certificate, exemption from Inter. B.Sc.

SPECIAL PRIZES.—Chess: Mr. Round's trophy, M. Hewitt; Dramatics: Muriel Burnett and Jack Lee; Debating: Barbara Farrow and Eric Green; Best original article in School Magazine, June Goode; Junior Sports championships: Girls—Doris Garner; Boys, H. O. Betts; Senior Sports championships: Girls—Margot Jephcott (Mr. Albright's challenge cup and medal); Boys—N. P. Laker (Mr. Vernon's challenge cup and medal); Games Prizes: Mary Stokes and John Howen; House Cup: School House; House Cup for Swimming: (Girls) School House, (Boys) Trinity House; Cup for Physical Training (Girls) King's, (Boys) Kings; Mr. W. T. Davies' Challenge Cup for Musical Festival: Queen's House; Old Students' Medal: John R. Greenwood; Mrs. Dawes' Prize for Leadership: (tie) Betty Keyte and Kathleen Howells; Mr. Dawes' Prize for Leadership: John R. Greenwood.

King's House.

Captains	-	-	D. LEWIS, N. K. MASON.
Vice-Captains	-	-	R. HOOD, F. BIRD.
Sports Captains	-	-	B. EDWARDS, CHILLINGSWORTH.
Secretaries	-	-	K. J. PRICE, D. S. SMITH.

THE last two terms have been filled with many interesting events, one of the most important of which was the Annual Speech Day, when many of our members succeeded in carrying off prizes.

The House was well represented in the School Play. In "Cabbages and Kings," D. Lewis took the part of Maria, Chillingsworth, the Monk, D. S. Smith, the Captain, Johnson, a soldier, and M. Craddock and Sillitoe, peasants, and J. Price in the curtain-raiser, "Sad About Europe," Mrs. Marshall K. Hunt.

Unfortunately at the end of the Winter Term, in the Inter-House Football Competitions, King's House only succeeded in drawing with Queen's and was unsuccessful in her other matches. Owing to lack of time, the Inter-House Hockey matches had to be abandoned.

In the Girls' Gym Display we succeeded in securing the cup, and must congratulate all those members who took part.

Another interesting annual event was the Guides' Display, which took place in the Spring Term, and in which the House was ably represented by many members.

We must also offer our congratulations to two of our old members who have been winning renown for the House since they left School; R. S. O. Stevens, who won the 880 yards in record time at Oxford University and B. Harper who won the 100 yards and 220 yards at the Birmingham University Sports.

We hope to secure even more successes in the future than those which have marked these two terms for our House, and we wish every success to those entering for External Examinations in July.

K. J. Price,
D. S. Smith.

Queen's House.

Captains	-	-	M. A. BURNETT, H. G. JONES.
Vice-Captains	-	-	B. E. FARROW, D. WOODWARD.
Sports Captains	-	-	J. R. HOBDAY, G. SAMBROOK.

THE past two terms have ended very satisfactorily for the House, although there have been very few Inter-House competitions in which they could distinguish themselves.

One of the most important events was Speech Day, when many of our members proudly received prizes, five gaining School

Certificates and three gaining Matriculation. In addition, Queen's House received the Davies' Challenge Cup for the Musical Festival.

During the Autumn Term, the Dramatic Society produced two plays, "Sad About Europe" and "Cabbages and Kings," in which a number of our members took part. All are to be congratulated on their excellent performance.

The Guides' Display which took place last term was another success, and all Queen's House Guides who played their parts so well must be congratulated for the credit they have brought to the House.

In the Inter-House competitions we were not so successful, only gaining third place, but our team must be thanked for its excellent work.

Very soon Sports Day will be here, and in the Sports, and the Examinations which follow, we ask all our members to give of their best in order to maintain the high reputation of Queen's House.

H. G. Jones.

School House.

Captains - - N. D. POOLE, T. GREAVES.
Vice-Captains - L. D. HANDS, R. E. THOMLINSON.
Sports Captains - K. WAKEMAN, J. HOWEN.

THE past two terms have again been very busy ones for School House. The members are to be congratulated on once more obtaining the Inter-House Cup, a feat of which we are very proud.

School House was also well represented in this year's two plays, "Cabbages and Kings," and "Sad About Europe." In the former play "Don Geronimo" was excellently played by Elliot, "Corporal Martiez" by Day, "Maso" Greaves, "Spinoso" Poole, "Cecco" Oakes, and "the Lawyer" by Roebuck. Minor parts were also taken by D. Garner and I. Garner. In the latter play Thomlinson acquitted himself well as "Jim."

In the Winter Term the boys were successful in beating the other three Houses at football.

Three of our members are to be congratulated on winning their sports colours, R. Hall and T. Greaves their football colours and D. Garner her hockey colours.

The House also wishes to congratulate Knott, an old member, on being first equal at the recent Birmingham University Sports.

The House extends a hearty welcome to all its new members and urges them to remember they are part of the "cock" House of the School.

N. D. Poole.

Trinity House.

Captains - - R. H. MURRAY, BEATRICE D. TAYLOR.
 Sports Captains - R. H. MURRAY, BEATRICE D. TAYLOR.
 Secretary - - PEGGY HOMER.

AS no magazine was published last term these notes incorporate the activities of both the Autumn and Spring Terms. Both have been busy ones and all the members of Trinity House are to be congratulated on their keenness in every branch of activity.

We were not fortunate enough to win the inter-House challenge cup this year, but we hope for better luck next time. However, we obtained the boys' swimming cup and the House is proud of the really fine performance of Pugh in this respect.

In the two School plays, "Sad About Europe" and "Cabbages and Kings," Trinity was very well represented and all the members taking part are to be congratulated, especially two of our members, R. Murray and Beatrice Taylor.

In the Inter-House football matches, Trinity House team obtained second place and we sincerely hope that next season they will succeed in gaining first place.

The Inter-House hockey matches were unable to be played to a finish owing to time, but the Trinity House team was in good form and the matches they played were victories for our team. Trinity House was very well represented in the first eleven and one member succeeded in obtaining her hockey colours.

In the Spring Term a display was given by the Girl Guides, and again many members of Trinity House took part and they are all to be congratulated on their excellent performances.

In conclusion we wish all members who have left us every success in their new spheres of life and we offer a hearty welcome to all new members and hope they will keep up the prestige of the House and give their House reason to be proud of them.

Peggy Homer.

The Joint Societies.

President - Mr. J. G. HOWARTH, M.A.

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Dr. F. JOHNSON.

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Secretary—T. GREAVES.

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H. JONES, M. HOWELLS, W. SMITH, F. DINGLEY, D. POOLE,
P. OWENS, E. BUTLER.

ALTHOUGH it is inevitable that the return to School is viewed with mixed feelings, yet there are compensations, for this term the Joint Societies' Tuesday night meetings restart, and these are always looked forward to with great delight.

Sept. 25.—The usual meeting was held to elect a committee—formed by a boy and girl representative from each Form. The "veterans" extended a hearty welcome to all newcomers, and a wish was expressed by the chairman that they should attend the Tuesday night meetings regularly. A committee meeting was then held to decide upon a programme and to elect officers.

Oct. 2.—As the "millionaires" of the School had been cruising during the summer holidays, the other members of the Society considered it only right that they should hear about it. Mr. Stokes came for this purpose, and, how we all longed for those blue seas and sunshine, especially when the lecture was illustrated by a film taken by J. Fox during the trip. (Communistic feelings were very prevalent among the members at this meeting, I fear.)

The sincere thoughts of the Society were expressed in a vote of thanks to Mr. Stokes, proposed by R. Murray and seconded by T. Greaves.

Oct. 9.—A debate was held at this meeting, the motion being—"The modern system of secondary education destroys the zest for life." B. Taylor, W. Hoskins and M. Hewitt spoke with great feeling for the affirmative, while with great eloquence those "hard-boiled" souls, V. Goode, D. Forster and D. Lewis supported the opposition.

A lively discussion ensued and it was pleasing to note that many of the new members showed more than a little anxiety to speak from the floor. The motion was defeated by 40 votes to 21.

Oct. 16.—At this meeting Miss Farrow gave us a lecture on "The Growth of Parliament." She, with great understanding, relieved the fears of many (or perhaps all) of the members, by announcing that she had not come to give us a history lesson. Perhaps she was once a "fellow sufferer." To Miss Farrow we offer our deepest thanks for a really interesting and enjoyable talk which enthralled us all. A vote of thanks was proposed by B. Taylor and seconded by R. Murray.

Oct. 23.—"Music" was the subject of H. G. Jones at this meeting. The gramophone records were very enjoyable, but many thought it a pity that H. G. Jones did not illustrate his lecture more by his own playing. H. G. Jones evidently had spent quite a lot of trouble over his talk, but he must speak up more, for I am afraid his voice did not reach the audience at the back. Those who could hear, enjoyed both the talk and the records, and the Society was represented by B. Taylor and T. Greaves in offering their thanks and congratulations to their fellow student.

Oct. 29.—This Tuesday night I think was greatly enjoyed by all, for we had the pleasure of welcoming Miss Wanklin who came to give us a talk on Fascism and Mussolini. She enlightened many of us upon the good and bad points of Fascism, and although she herself sympathised with it, yet with great justice, she did not hesitate to point out its evils, such as the military mind of the Italians and the loss of individuality.

We gazed at Miss Wanklin with great admiration when she said that she had written to the great Duce himself to request an audience—she even showed us the reply. O Hamlet in these days you could not say "Frailty, thy name is woman," for I do not think many people would have dared to write to the leader of Italy and get what they wanted—except of course a woman.

Miss Wanklin certainly instilled us all with a great admiration for Mussolini and the Italian nation as a whole. The usual votes of thanks, although well executed by J. Price and P. Homer nevertheless seemed inadequate, so here we take the opportunity of once more thanking Miss Wanklin for coming and making us interested in Fascism.

Nov. 6.—Half Term.

Nov. 13.—Play rehearsal.

Nov. 20.—The dramatic section of the Society presented a curtain-raiser "Sad About Europe" and "Cabbages and Kings." This was only the dress rehearsal, but nevertheless it was greatly appreciated by the Juniors.

Nov. 22 and 24.—Two great days for the actors and actresses, for the plays mentioned above were publicly produced.

Nov. 27.—To all those who had in any way been connected with the production of the plays, Miss Jones (our producer) gave a very jolly party. Thank you, Miss Jones.

Dec. 4.—Isn't it surprising how little one knows about everyday things. Well at least, I am speaking for myself. Certainly the papers read at this meeting by B. Roebuck and M. Hewitt on "Coal" enlightened me not only in the process of mining itself, but also the products of coal and their many uses. Our scientists illustrated their lecture very professionally with experiments, and they certainly deserve sincere congratulations of the Society.

Dec. 13.—Some of our members went to the girls' department at Holly Lodge High School to see their play "Once upon a time," by A. A. Milne. The invitation was greatly appreciated.

Two other schools sent invitations to our members—Halesowen Grammar School—to see "Hamlet," and West Bromwich Secondary School to see "Richard III." As both of these plays fell on the same night our forces had to be divided; my lot fell to go and see "Hamlet" and certainly Halesowen can be congratulated on their performance. The two chief people in the play, Hamlet and Ophelia certainly took the honours of the evening.

I am afraid we came away with a covetous desire for the stage facilities of this school, for ours seemed so makeshift against their fixed lighting and curtains. The other play, Richard III., was very enthusiastically praised by those members who went to these schools.

The Society offers its thanks for the kind invitations.

Jan. 19.—The Society certainly began the term well, for we went to see Emile Littler's production of "Aladdin" at the Prince of Wales Theatre. The evening was thoroughly enjoyed, and we returned home late but happy.

Our next engagement was to see that cure for all ills: "1066 and all that" at the Repertory Theatre. Many of us would have willingly seen it again the following night, so I think there is no need to stress the good time we had.

Jan. 22.—This meeting took the form of a series of impromptu debates, and it was interesting to note the psychological effect on various people who, although they can talk with great eloquence in a crowd, yet are absolutely dumb, when called upon to make a speech.

Both the names of the "orators" and also their subjects were chosen by lot. In the first debate, Greaves spoke for the affirmative and Elliott for the opposition. The motion was "that continuous wireless programmes are unnecessary and harmful." The motion was defeated by 46 votes to 6.

The motion that "The modern craze for speed is a sign of degeneracy of the human race," supported by Pugh, was contemptuously dismissed with the scorn it deserved by L. Hands, 35 votes—18.

May Brown spoke for the affirmative and M. Craddock for the opposition while debating the motion "That examinations are an unmitigated evil," this was enthusiastically carried by an overwhelming majority of 34 votes—12.

"Newspapers do more harm than good" was the great problem that fell to the lot of M. Guest who supported it and D. Taylor who opposed. The motion was carried by 36 votes—10.

The motion that "Too much time and attention is given to sport" was very appropriately supported by T. Powell and opposed by Hadley and the motion was defeated 35—11.

The next motion that "It is impossible to maintain the equality of the sexes," supported by M. Bright and opposed by R. Stubbs, was defeated by 25 votes—22.

The ridiculous motion "That the use of cosmetics is both harmful and unnecessary" was supported by Murray and opposed by B. Farrow. The motion was carried by 27 votes—20 (owing to the overwhelming number of the male sex).

The motion "That discoveries of science have done more harm than good," supported by M. Burborough and opposed by M. Stone was defeated by 2 votes to 45.

B. Edwards supported and M. Howells opposed the motion that "Dictatorship is the only successful form of government," which was defeated by 3 votes—44.

The last debate was argued by P. Homer supporting and Betts opposing the motion "The influence of the films is demoralising." The motion was carried by 28 votes—19. (Our IVa. film fans must have been absent).

Jan. 29.—The prestige of the VI. Form was greatly upheld at this meeting by D. Bagnall and L. Hands who gave excellent papers on "Greek Drama." The former gave us an account of the comedy and tragedy and the latter of the construction of the Greek theatre itself. For a thoroughly enjoyable evening the societies' thanks was offered by J. Price and P. Homer.

Feb. 12.—A very enjoyable evening was organised by Miss Allen. The meeting took the form of a botanical exhibition, which was divided into three parts. In the first place a tour of exploration was conducted round the Biology lab., and certainly the exhibits had been arranged well. One table showed the development of the brain (rather a gruesome table this), while other tables had remarkable specimens of shells, butterflies and insects.

In the hall were arranged (very professionally) a series of microscopes complete with slides, the leg of the bee and the fly's tongue being especially interesting, showing what marvellous details of nature the human eye can miss without mechanical aid.

To add to our enjoyment three films were shown. We gazed with wonder at the interesting habits of the Trapdoor Spider. Many of us were initiated into the mysteries of the insect artisans and also of microscopic animal life. The meeting ended by a very sincere vote of thanks, proposed by B. Farrow and seconded by B. Battisson, and by the unanimous thanks of the Society to Miss Allen and her helpers.

Feb. 26.—At this meeting a play-reading of Eden Philpott's "Yellow Sands" was rendered by the Seniors. The part of the drunken old Uncle Dick was ably played by Gibbs, while Linda Hands was that very sweet but clever old lady, Miss Jennifer. The money-loving Mrs. Varvell was amply depicted by T. Powell, B. Thomlinson was very happy in his part as Mr. Mayor—the father of Emma.—M. Burnett who was reconciled to Arthur—B. Murray in spite of the latter's reputation as a polygamist. The rippling giggles of the twins Minnie—P. Homer and Nellie—J. Bird were greatly enjoyed, while once again B. Roebuck proved a cool and efficient family lawyer. The parts of the two other lovers, Lydia Blake, the shy little maid, Joe Varnell, the blaster of capitalists, were portrayed very ably and naturally (especially the grand finalé) by J. Price and T. Greaves respectively.

Owing to the lack of a programme the dramatis personæ and the scenes were ably announced by the two compères R. Hood and K. Wakeman. Our thanks are again due to Miss Jones who superintended the reading and the rehearsals.

March 12.—At this meeting we had the pleasure of welcoming Mr. Burton, of the Birmingham Reference Library, who gave us a lecture on that great man, Dr. Johnson. He dealt with his subject with the greatest skill and enthusiasm.

He first portrayed with great vividness Johnson's character and life, a man who had had great suffering but who nevertheless "faced the battle of life bravely." Mr. Burton also gave us glimpses of Johnson's various works, reading to us extracts.

He concluded his lecture with some very amusing anecdotes which certainly illustrated Johnson's unfailing wit and repartee. A vote of thanks was proposed by D. Bagnall and seconded by T. Greaves.

March 19.—Colour photography was the interesting subject of Mr. Wakeman. He first gave a précis of the methods—the French, German and the Finlay Systems so simply, that even the non-scientific members could understand and appreciate its intricacies.

The plates with which he illustrated his lecture were very much appreciated, not only for their great beauty, but for their originality. His wild Cornish scenes, the bluebell woods and the masses of colour shown in many of the pictures must have brought to many students memories of Keats.

The growth of one of our students was studied with the greatest interest by every one. Mr. Wakeman was thanked by Roebuck and J. Bird (representing the Society) on the very enjoyable meeting he had given.

March 26.—Local talent was prevalent at this meeting represented by B. Farrow and the members of IVa. Barbara enlightened us upon drama up to the time of Shakespeare. Her lecture included not only a description of the stage itself, which seems very embryonic when compared with our modern stage, but also a description of the plays. One of these "Noah's Flood" was performed by IVa. and they certainly were very funny. A vote of thanks was proposed by H. G. Jones and seconded by N. Poole.

April 2.—A very happy evening was given to us by Dr. Johnstone, who talked to us about fishing, and Dr. Johnstone evidently has quite a store of fishing anecdotes for he lavishly sprinkled his lecture with them. He made his audience very interested for he illustrated all his points with slides, thus allowing the non-fishing members to understand.

Some very original facts were brought forward, and all were surprised to learn that a tin-opener was an essential part of a fisherman's kit. The hand-drawn illustrations were enjoyed by all.

The thanks of the Society for such a happy evening were expressed by Pugh and J. Bird.

April 16.—The session was ended by a very enjoyable dance. The Society is grateful to all those friends who have so kindly helped to make the session a success and expresses its good wishes to those members, who soon will be leaving.

M. Burnett (Chairman).

The Annual Play.

THE play presented in 1934 was memorable in two ways; in the first place, it was "Cabbages and Kings," a comedy adapted by Mr. Littler from the Italian of Forzano; secondly, it was preceded by a one-act play—"Sad about Europe." Not only does such an achievement show great versatility on the part of young actors and actresses, but it also permits more of them to be included. It reflects, too, great courage and infinite patience on the part of the producer, Miss Jones, who again must accept our appreciative and sincere thanks.

In "Sad about Europe," Mr. and Mrs. Marshall K. Hunt had acquired many "Americanisms." Their speech was consistently "Yankee"—sufficiently so to amuse all and yet be understood by all. Their facial expressions and little mannerisms were a delight to watch, and Joan Price and Murray deserve our heartiest congratulations. Of the "simpler" characters, Miss Mulberry and Phœbe were very charming. Miss Mulberry won our immediate sympathy as did her returning lover, Jim. The fact that the audiences were quite unprepared for the amusing end of this little comedy reflects the greatest credit on all those taking part. "Sad about Europe," was something quite fresh and modern and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

From Europe of to-day it is a long journey to a mountain village near Siena in the Autumn of 1804. Yet there we travel to the house of the parish priest, Don Geronomo, where we meet him, his house-keeper Agnese, his factotum Maso, his god-daughter Matteo and many of the villagers. There, too, comes a company of French soldiers on a special mission from Napoleon himself.

As Don Geronimo, Elliot had a long and difficult rôle to sustain. Amid all the diversity of dramatis personæ the unifying factor was the character of the old priest. Elliott's success in this part was a notable achievement. We saw him as a happy

vintager, eagerly counting his barrels of wine, as a kindly old man interested in the love affairs of his youthful friends, as a determined priest intent on ruling his people for their good.

As "Mistress of the Household," Thelma Powell again delighted everybody. Her little book, her lucky nuts, however, failed to bring her that dazzling career in Paris in the train of the Emperor.

Greaves, as Maso, was in turn dejected and truculent, and is to be congratulated upon the best dramatic rôle of his school career. As Maria, Dorothy Lewis looked a typical Italian and was equally good as the gay peasant or the hysterical mother.

Mattea, the village beauty, found an excellent interpreter in Muriel Burnett, whether as the impulsive village maiden or the equally impulsive but determined bride of her soldier lover. Another of the most pleasant memories of "Cabbages and Kings" must surely be the crowd scene. It was bright and gay, peasants singing merrily, drinking most convincingly, all happily interested in their simple village activities, devoted to their priest, sympathetic to his reminiscences and swiftly impressed by the French soldiers. All these emotions passed quickly over the faces of the people lucky enough to be taking part in this scene—a happy and charming memory. No wonder the doctor could not make a living amid such people—Hoskins really looked lean and hungry as he enacted this unfortunate rôle.

A very important creature to Don Geronimo was Bianca—a most respectable and imperturbable hen whose lonely name on the programme occasioned much questioning by the younger members of the audiences.

Of the French soldiers—general, captain, corporal and soldiers—all must have been chosen for their handsome features and noble bearing. To these gifts of nature the splendid uniforms, particularly the head-dresses, did full justice; and it was a pleasure to hear the ringing voices coming forth from such glorious creatures! To the peasants and heroes there must, alas, be added the villains. Of these the Lawyer—patient, smooth-tongued and cunning—was well played by Roebuck. As Count Rosse, Gibbs gave an excellent performance as an urbane but unscrupulous noble. The monk, Father Silvestro, eager to make a bad case good and impatiently listening to others' talking, was ably played by Chellingsworth.

The scene of the play was Don Geronimo's home, a very simple but attractive setting, especially in the crowd scene. Many of the costumes were lent by Mr. Littler and were those used by the Birmingham Repertory Company in their original production

last year. Mr. Littler himself showed great interest in the School production which was the first performance by an amateur company. It is indeed very gratifying to all to know that the School production was in every way worthy of its sponsors. Once again the audiences enjoyed the delightful music provided by Lyman, Stanley, Jones and Andrews.

To the list of "Previous Productions" must now be added "Cabbages and Kings" and the names of Littler and Forzano join the noble host of Sheridan, Goldsmith, Pinero, Barrie, Harker and Phillpotts. Now we think the 1934 production better than ever, but next year—such is our faith in Miss Jones and her "unknown stars"—we shall probably be saying exactly the same about the play or plays which will be the tenth of our tradition.

E.M.F.

CAST.

"Sad About Europe":—*Marshall K. Hunt*, R. Murray; *Phœbe*, B. Farrow; *Girlie*, J. Price; *Miss Mulberry*, B. Taylor; *Jim*, R. Thomlinson.

"Cabbages and Kings":—*Agnese*, T. Powell; *Maso*, T. Greaves; *Maria*, D. Lewis; *The Doctor*, W. Hoskins; *Don Geronimo*, R. N. F. Elliott; *Bianca*; *Mattea*, M. Burnett; *Spinoso*, J. Oakes; *Cecco*, D. Poole; *Peasants*, M. Brown, R. Hood, R. Watts, F. Sillitoe, P. Homer, J. Bird, D. Garner, I. Garner, G. Chatham, M. Craddock, D. Forster; *Corporal Martiez*, E. Day; *Lorenzo*, G. Stanley; *Captain Oddoreddi*, D. Smith; *General Miollis*, V. Goode; *Soldiers*, J. Askew, T. Johnson, K. Rollason; *Father Silvestro*, R. Chellingsworth; *Lawyer*, B. Roebuck; *Count Rosse*, S. Gibbs.

The Play.

What an exciting time we had!
With rehearsals and dressings galore,
And when we look back on those happy times
It makes us wish for more.
Morning and evening and dinner time too,
There were calls for the different leads,
Our producer gave up her time with a will,
Which is one way of doing good deeds.

And on the great night, our production complete
Our audience filled the Great Hall,
The Chocolate-girls were flitting around,
They lacked nothing in sweetness at all,
The curtains are drawn and a scene is revealed,
Of an old fashioned cottage so sweet,
Then invasion by tourists from gay U.S.A.,
Its a smart curtain-raiser complete.

The curtains are parted—this time we see,
A room in a far-away land,
With a hard-working maid, who is rolling away,
At dough light as air—so 'twas planned.
A kindly old priest with his sacristan glum,
Whose love tale's gone sadly astray;
And villagers arriving in time for the feast,
They are happy this harvesting day.

Here is a General, so gallant and bold,
With his troops and his Corporal smart,
Who robbed the poor sacristan of his fair maid:
Their lives henceforth wandered apart.
Then the three rascals who came to the priest
With plans of cheap money to make,
But the priest is aroused in righteous wrath
And quickly their leave they do take.

And last but not least, Bianca the pet
Of the old priest—she played a good part.
We oft wonder now where Bianca has gone
Such affairs are not taken to heart.
Well, we had a good time and the audience too,
Whose applause was so pleasant to hear,
This play has fled with the days that are past,
But we hope for another next year.

Thelma E. Powell, Lower Sixth.

Hockey, 1934-5.

Captain—B. D. TAYLOR. Vice-Captain—M. B. JEPHCOTT

Team—

B. STUBBS, M. BURNETT, M. WESTON, I. HALL, M. JEPHCOTT,
D. GARNER, D. WALKER, J. HOBDAV, B. TAYLOR, K. WAKEMAN,
R. SIDAWAY.

WITH the finish of last Term we came to the end of another successful Hockey season.

There was great difficulty in choosing the team, as it was comprised of new members excepting three. Nevertheless the team finally chosen proved equal to the majority of our opponents; we lost only four matches during the whole season.

All the team played well and must be congratulated on maintaining, not only the previous high standard of play but also of team spirit.

At the end of the season Hockey Colours were presented to M. Jephcott, D. Garner, R. Sidaway, M. Weston and D. Walker, for their consistently good play during the season.

We must also congratulate those members of the School, whose names are not mentioned in the team list, who so frequently during the season were called upon, often at the very last minute, to fill the positions of those absent from the team through illness.

Results of the matches played, 1934-1935.

AUTUMN TERM.

Date.	Opponents.	Result.	Goals	
			F.	A.
Oct. 6.—	West Bromwich S.S.	A. ... Won ...	7	— 0
„ 13.—	Dudley H.S.	... H. ... Lost ...	2	— 5
„ 17.—	Waverley Road S.S.	A. ... Won ...	6	— 0
„ 20.—	Halesowen G.S.	... A. ... Won ...	3	— 1
„ 27.—	Kidderminster H.S...	H. ... Won ...	4	— 1
Nov. 10.—	Walsall S.S.	... H. ... Won ...	4	— 1
„ 14.—	Wolverhampton S.S.	A. ... Won ...	8	— 1
„ 17.—	George Dixon S.S.	... H. ... Won ...	7	— 3

SPRING TERM.

Jan.	19.—Kidderminster H.S....	A.	...	Lost	...	3	—	4	
Feb.	6.—Bromsgrove C.H.S...	A.	...	Won	...	2	—	1	
„	9.—West Bromwich S.S.	H.	...	Won	...	7	—	1	
„	16.—Dudley H.S.	...	A.	...	Lost	...	1	—	3
„	20.—Waverly Road S.S....	H.	...	Won	...	16	—	0	
Mar.	9.—Redditch C.H.S.	...	H.	...	Won	...	4	—	0
„	16.—Walsall S.S.	...	A.	...	Lost	...	1	—	2
„	20.—Wolverhampton S.S.	H.	...	Won	...	6	—	2	
„	25.—Cresconians	...	A.	...	Won	...	3	—	2
„	30.—Halesowen G.S.	...	H.	...	Won	...	4	—	1

B. D. Taylor.

Football, 1934-5.

1st XI. Captain—J. HOWEN. Vice-Captain—R. THOMLINSON.

Secretary—T. GREAVES.

Committee—J. HOWEN, R. THOMLINSON, T. GREAVES,

R. HALL and F. JONES.

THIS season's football has proved a very great success for the first XI., who played 21 matches, of which 10 were won, 4 drawn, and 7 lost. During the first half of the season we lost three matches and these only by a very narrow margin, so well did we play together as a team. The second half of the season was not quite so successful as the team was badly disarranged by injuries. However, the newcomers played with commendable pluck when fighting against great odds. J. P. Adams deserves special mention, for he scored a "hat trick" on his first appearance at centre forward for the first team.

Colours were awarded to R. Hall, F. Jones and T. Greaves for excellent play throughout the season.

All of the games were very keenly contested, so great is the competitive spirit in inter-school football. Two of the hardest fought matches were against Stourbridge and the Cresconians. At Stourbridge the team put up a magnificent fight. Weight also told against the Cresconians, who had to be content with a narrow win because of a splendid defence.

The second XI. were not quite so successful as the first XI., winning 4, drawing 2, and losing 8 of their 14 matches.

The following are the results of the first XI. matches:—

Dudley	...	...	H.	...	2 — 3	...	Lost
Lawrence's	...	...	A.	...	5 — 1	...	Won
Wolverhampton	...	...	H.	...	1 — 2	...	Lost
Holly Lodge	...	...	A.	...	1 — 1	...	Draw
St. Philip's	...	...	A.	...	3 — 0	...	Won
Smethwick	...	...	H.	...	5 — 0	...	Won
King's Norton	...	...	A.	...	0 — 2	...	Lost
Redditch	...	...	H.	...	11 — 1	...	Won
Holly Lodge	...	...	H.	...	5 — 0	...	Won
St. Philip's	...	...	H.	...	2 — 2	...	Draw
West Bromwich	...	...	A.	...	3 — 2	...	Won
Dudley	...	...	A.	...	0 — 6	...	Lost
West Bromwich	...	...	H.	...	1 — 0	...	Won
King's Norton	...	...	H.	...	4 — 0	...	Won
Bromsgrove	...	...	A.	...	2 — 1	...	Won
Lawrence's	...	...	H.	...	1 — 1	...	Draw
Stourbridge	...	...	A.	...	0 — 3	...	Lost
Redditch	...	...	A.	...	0 — 0	...	Draw
Stourbridge	...	...	H.	...	0 — 6	...	Lost
Bromsgrove	...	...	H.	...	4 — 2	...	Won
Cresconians	...	...	A.	...	1 — 3	...	Lost

The following represented the 1st and 2nd XI's:—

1st XI.—Hornsby, Pool; Beardsmore, Chellingsworth, Cox, Day; Hall, Thomlinson, Greaves; Cole, Pugh, Howen, Jones, Brinton, Rock, Betts, Adams, Hadley, Hopkins, Pugh.

2nd XI.—Hornsby, Pool; Butler, Cox, Chellingsworth, Lambrooke; Hadley, Hopkins, Pugh, Brinton, Watts, Smith, Mole, Mason, Adams, Johnson, Partington.

T. Greaves.

Girl Guides.

Officers:—

Captain—Miss F. D. TWEEDIE. Lieutenant Miss J. L. DAVIES.

Patrol Leaders—

B. FARROW, B. MORRIS, C. POULSON, J. LEES, B. TAYLOR.

AFTER the long Summer Vacation, the Guides returned to their weekly meetings with renewed enthusiasm, which was consistently maintained, and so the Company has progressed both in work and play.

Our meetings proved to be more enjoyable and beneficial than ever before, and being carefully planned by Captain and Lieutenant, work and play were combined in such a way as to cater for all tastes.

We had a very busy time at the commencement of the term training new recruits, but at last they were ready and Parents Evening arrived, which was "The Meeting" of the term. At this meeting Captain took the enrolment and we welcomed the new Guides into the Company.

Looking very spick and span, as all Guides should look, we were all ready to show our visitors what we could do, and what our meetings are comprised of. To describe any one of our meetings as we enjoy it is for me an impossible task, for they are all really jolly evenings, and not only do we really enjoy them, but we also gain a lot from them.

During the Christmas holidays and Spring Term we devoted our time to preparing for the event of the year, our display.

"Nix-nought-nothing," a light fantastical play performed by the younger members of our Company was the first item on the programme. Here Irene Hollyoak, as the lost King, Dorothy Smith the stately Queen, Jessie Jephcott as their ill-fated son "Nix-nought nothing," E. Westwood, the Commander-in-Chief, N. Taylor the Head Cook, M. Jephcott as the wicked Wizard, L. Dye as Mary, and lastly, J. Woodward as the Foreign Princess all played their parts really well.

Following a short interval, the older members of our Company showed their acting abilities to a great advantage in the play "The Vision at the Inn." This play was of a more serious nature, and contrasted vividly with the previous one. All the Guides taking part, namely, B. Farrow, as the haughty but after-

ward repentant Catherine De Branmarrow; J. Lees, the chivalrous Knight, Sir Guy de Lavel; J. Hobday as Catherine's Tiring Woman; B. Taylor, the Hostess of the Ane Raye; and last but not least, B. Morris as Joan of Arc, all reflected credit upon our Company by their fine performance.

The next scene was a very colourful one indeed, and took place in a toyshop. There a bustling but also well-meaning shopkeeper, with the help of her assistant and servants, endeavoured to please Jeanette and Jean, the excited children of Madame and Monsieur X.

Dolls of all shapes and sizes, Dutch, Soldier, Gipsy, Fairy, Red Riding Hood, Minnie Mouse, were all brought before the children. They were really dreadful, at least the shopkeeper thought so. Would nothing please them? The dolls were very pretty and the children liked them, but would they never make up their minds.

Ah! Jean sees a horse he wants a ride. Is the donkey willing? Why, yes. Jean wants the donkey and proudly displays his treasure before Jeanette who will not attend because she, too, at last, has found something she wants, a singing doll, twice as big as she is. They have to ask daddy's permission to have the toys, and he gives it after carefully asking the price. So after bidding the shopkeeper goodbye the children go out with their parents, leaving the shopkeeper and her assistants looking very dubious at the toys lying about the shop, ready to be carried away.

We all often wonder what really does happen to dolls at night. In the next scene we tried to show our audience what does really happen, and this is what they saw.

Ah! here come Red Riding Hood and Boy Blue, how prettily they dance together! and how dainty their costumes are! They do not stay long, however, and are followed by two Irish, two Scotch, and a breezy sailor doll, who all dance together and have a really jolly time.

Why, even the donkey is determined not to be left out, he prances along the stage and receives the applause he really deserves, acknowledging it by raising his right ear and curtsying.

What lovely dolls they are, all stiff, and how beautiful their dresses are. They are dancing too, but they, too, soon leave us and follow the donkey.

What a dreadful shame, both Harlequin and Jester love Columbine. She flies about and flirts with each one, but finally choses Harlequin, and they dance away together leaving Jester heartbroken.

Why here come a very happy couple, a little Dutch girl and boy. He makes love to her, but she spurns him, until he produces a box of sweets and then she changes her mind and we leave them happy together.

The Japanese dolls looked very pretty indeed, and after these came the Nymphs who, on first sight, seemed asleep, but awakened, and full of life and vivacity danced a really charming dance, delighting everyone. But they were soon tired, and no wonder, and they returned to their beautiful pose.

Now we are to see Minnie and Mickey Mouse, two very delightful little people. Mickey proposes to Minnie and after a great deal of persuasion she accepts and he leads her to the parson's house. Here he knocks at the door and the parson comes out. Mickey asks him to marry them, and after consenting the parson proceeds to do so, but poor Mickey, he can't find the ring, his gloves are too long and he is getting all entangled. Ah! he finds it and places it on Minnie's finger. They say goodbye to the parson, and we say goodbye also.

Here are a merry troupe of jockeys dressed in lovely costumes of red and white, who after dancing, leave us cracking their whips above their heads.

Full of life and vigour we meet the Russian dolls, and we have no time for any more as it is almost dawn.

Our Guide Display was brought to a close by the finale and we then sang "Good-night."

Thus it can be seen what an eventful time we have had, and on behalf of the Guides I should like to thank Captain and Lieutenant who have spent so much time and exercised tremendous patience during the past two terms to give us such an enjoyable time, and to assure them that we do appreciate what they do for us.

B. Taylor.

The Cresconians.

THE Annual Meeting of the Cresconians was held on May 20th and marked the close of the winter activities of the Association. The season has been a good one on the whole, but not so outstandingly successful as might have been wished. The membership remains much the same as last year and Mr. Richards, the Chairman of the Committee, referring to this in his report, expressed his strong wish to see a larger number of members of the Association and greater keenness on the part of those who already belong to it, in advancing its interests.

Actually the number of members varies very little—in 1930-31 it was 175; 1931-32, 188; 1932-33, 179; 1933-34, 171; 1934-35, 172—and that is the trouble; we want the Association to live up to the School motto "Cresco" and follow Mr. Coue's advice, day by day in every way to grow better and better.

During the season the usual dances have been held and most of them were well attended and very jolly. Novelty was provided in an unexpected manner at the January dance by the failure of the band to turn up. I was told afterwards that the faces of the Committee provided an entertainment in themselves but, unfortunately, it was a cold night and the Committee faces, hot as they were, were not enough to keep the would be dancers warm; however, music was soon obtained and Jack Lewis and Lawrie Blundell nobly came to the rescue and played the piano all the evening aided by members of the Committee with combs and saucepan lids and the dance ended merrily after all. It is an ill wind that blows nobody good, as compensation for the non-appearance of his "London Seranaders" Band in January, Mr. Keppy personally brought the "New Embassy" Band to the February dance and the Old Students' were thus enabled to hear one of the finest dance bands in the Midlands.

I had hoped to be able to report that the Committee had at last obtained a suitable piece of land for a sports ground, and am disappointed that this seems as far away as ever. During the season we inspected what appeared to be a likely ground but the cost of levelling it would have been so great that the Committee had to abandon all thought of its purchase. However, while that particular land was impracticable we still feel that our own sports ground is an ideal to strive for, and the Committee appeal to Old Students of every age to support this object. By joining the Association and its sports sections you can assure yourself of a "good time"—jolly dances, membership of hockey, football, rifle or cricket teams of the right sort, the fellowship of your old School friends and, in short, all the satisfaction of being a Cresconian.

E. J. Anderson.

LETTER RECEIVED FROM SECRETARY OF OLD
STUDENTS' HOCKEY CLUB

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the Old Students' Hockey Club, may I, through the School Magazine, appeal to pupils leaving School to join our Club.

We need new players every season, and would welcome any players who are keen to keep up their games.

Will interested people write to me, and I will send full particulars of the Club to them.

Yours sincerely,

ALICE RILEY,

Hon. Sec.

Cameo.

She wanders by the river, all alone,
Her silken gown gleams like some frail, white ghost
Against the velvet darkness of the night.
The air is fragrant with late heliotrope,
And dying mignonette, while crimson roses
O'erladen with sweet perfume, bow their heads,
And almost touch the path beneath her feet.
The ballroom lights shine faintly through the trees,
But here is peace; the laughter far away;
The strain of the gavotte, but fairy music,
Echoing softly in the rippling river,
And mingling with the wind among the poplars.

The night wears on: the first pale flush of dawn
Illumes the east, ere all the guests depart.
The final curtsey made, and farewell said,
The last coach drives away. Alone once more,
She leaves the ballroom: from the terrace steps
She gazes to the south, as if she saw
The land where he is fighting for his country.
His country! This fair England, where the leaves
Are mellow with the richest, warmest tints
Of Nature's palette; where the very paths
Are golden carpets wafted by the winds,
And poppies grow amidst the ripened corn.

The scented garden fills with rosy light:
A thrush calls softly, while a gentle breeze
Plays with the leaves: she turns to go within.
A distant sound arrests her, and she stands
Listening tensely as the far-off thud
Of horse-hoofs comes yet nearer. Up the drive
A horse and rider gallop. Not bad news!
She scarce can wait to hear; her heart beats fast:
Nearer the rider comes, and then she sees
'Tis he, safe and unhurt! And to her now
England seems doubly fair, for England spares
One of her noblest sons from sacrifice.

June H. Goode, Lower Sixth.

Max Stolprian—A Translation from the German.

THERE is a certain misfortune in the world, dear reader, which is of course not considered a misfortune, yet is one. I am the living example of this. My late father kept me zealously at school, and I learnt something, even though our town schools were, at that time, still rather bad. Everywhere, people said of me, "Mr. Max Stolprian is certainly a clever man, but—— one can make no use of him; he is unable to associate with other people; he does not know where to put his hands and feet. Except for this, he is a good decent fellow."

So they spoke of me. Have you noticed yet what my failing was? I had been badly brought up. In school and at work, I was industrious, but in my dress, dirty and untidy. I was pious, obliging, honest, but shy. If strangers came, I ran away, if a stranger accosted me, I did not know where to look, and indeed, if I had to meet a kindly, courteous lady, I stood there stiff and dumb. In short, what is called politeness and good manners is as much a part of life and happiness as bread, potatoes, and a glass of wine.

Several of our young men, I notice, have made no great progress in this art. Many a one, when he comes into company, does not know what to do with his hands and legs, and it looks as if he would rather have left them at home. Many a one does not know where to put his hands: how he sticks them into his waistcoat, then again into his trouser-pockets, then he scratches his neck. I ask you, therefore, to make known my story and my misfortunes to others, for I have drawn upon myself many an evil fate through my clumsiness.

As soon as my aunt Sparhafen died, and I, as her sole heir, had become fairly wealthy, they wished to give me for a wife in my thirtieth year, a young lady who was beautiful, virtuous, kindly, and well off. Miss Gertrude pleased me, I wished to know her better, and was invited as a guest to her cousin's house where I was to meet her. I did not like going into big company, because I was, as a result of my bad up-bringing, shy and timid.

But what won't one do to please a pretty young lady. I dressed myself in my Sunday best; white silk stockings, a new wig, an apple green coat, with mother o'pearl buttons—enough, I was as elegant as a bridegroom. However, when I arrived at her cousin's house my heart was beating with fear, as if I had a smithy inside my chest. "If only there is no great company," I thought, "if only it were all over."

Luckily I found her cousin alone. He was writing up his accounts in his room. "You are somewhat late, Mr. Stolprian," he said. I made twenty bows, left and right, laughed with fear, to appear friendly, and had nothing but that large company in my head. When her cousin had finished the accounts, and was looking for the blotting sand, I jumped up obligingly, and wishing to scatter the blotting sand over the paper, grabbed the ink pot instead of the sand pot, and poured a black stream of the best ink over the paper.

I thought I should have fainted with horror; in the confusion and hurry, I took my snow white handkerchief from my coat-pocket, and with it wiped up the ink.

"Stop, Mr. Stolprian!" shouted her cousin, he thrust me and my black and white handkerchief away, and put his affairs in order. Then he led me into the room where the company was already gathered. I followed behind him, but had no easy conscience and noticed, not without horror, in looking down, an ink spot as large as a dollar on the white silk stocking of my left foot.

"Heaven help me! What would that great assembly say?" The door of the room opened. I, stiff, wooden fellow that I was, must pretend to be graceful and lightfooted, and I hopped into the large room, making bows on all sides, and could not see a female right in front of me who was in the act of carrying a pie to the table; I charged her in the back with my head, so that the costly pie fell from the dish on to the floor, and I walked blindly forwards, without stopping my bows—it seemed to me as if I were standing in a battle before the enemy, and must advance into the line of fire.

What impression I was making on that great company I do not know, for I had not the courage to look up, but continued with my bows like one possessed until a new misfortune put a halt to my politeness. I had advanced in my ardent bow-making almost to the pie, which still lay there, for the maid had not yet recovered from her dreadful fright and was looking down with staring eyes at that masterpiece of cookery, without picking it up. Then, in a fresh bow, my ink spotted foot went into the pie—I saw nothing, for all was blue before my eyes for very politeness. Naturally I slipped in the pie, lost my equilibrium, and fell full length—I measure five feet seven inches—on to the floor, to the no small fright and laughter of a whole, large, honourable company. In falling I pulled down with me two chairs, on to which I tried to hold; and a pretty young lady, who was just about to sit down on one of them, lay just as quickly as her chair, beside me on the floor.

Oh Heavens! And that was my Gertrude! There arose a fearful shout and I, on the floor, shouted also; for as I saw lying beside me, a person as well as two chairs, I firmly believed that a terrible earthquake had taken place. Fortunately, it was no earthquake which had caused this lamentable fall, but only as I have said, a meat pie. We stood up and her cousin made a joke of the whole affair. However, I could have wept and I was terribly ashamed. I placed myself by the stove and said no word to excuse myself but, as everyone around me was laughing and giggling, I also laughed and looked surreptitiously at the shattered pie. At last we had to go to table. Her cousin was so kind as to put me next to Gertrude. I would rather have sat next to a fire-spitting mountain than next to this good and beautiful child, for I felt strange sitting next to my future bride.

I only glanced at the great assembly round the table. Then the soup was passed round. Miss Gertrude offered me a plateful. It was impossible for me to take the plate for she had no soup. I began again to make the customary bows, and forsook that misfortune would again befall me. Therefore I urgently begged Gertrude to take the soup, and looked imploringly into her beautiful blue eyes, and did not look at the plates. Of course the boiling hot soup flowed over Gertrude's lap and clothes, and then as I quickly pulled back the plate the other half flowed into my lap and over my serviette and clothes. It was divided fairly. I shall never forget it; it is as if it had only happened to-day. My good Gertrude left the table while I stammered. They comforted me and gave me another plate.

Meanwhile, my trousers were still steaming from the flood; instead of a serviette I buttoned the tip of the tablecloth into my waistcoat. Gertrude, however, had had to change. She returned, and I excused myself to her a thousand times as well as I could. As soon as I saw that she was smiling kindly, however, I felt better, and I dried the perspiration from my brow, naturally, I did not do this with my hand, but with my handkerchief. But that unlucky handkerchief! I had forgotten the ink stains, and in wiping off the perspiration I smeared my whole face with ink, so much, that all the people suddenly saw me transformed into a negro. Then there arose a great laugh. Out of politeness I also laughed and shouted with them for some time until I noticed that the ladies were frightened by my fearful inky face. Then I realized what had happened. Horrified, I sprang up from the table, intending to escape to the kitchen to wash myself.

Then I pulled along after me the tablecloth, that unlucky tablecloth, the tip of which I had buttoned into a buttonhole of my waistcoat. All the plates, joints, salads, vegetables, bottles, knives, forks, glasses, fish, beef, spoons, salt cellars ran after me across the room with a great clatter. The guests sat there open-mouthed, as if petrified, and saw the magnificent dishes disappear before their eyes, and so many delicacies to which they had already been secretly looking forward. At first, when I saw how all the dishes and plates ran after me and followed me, I thought it was magic, but soon her cousin jumped with both feet on to the cloth. Then the corner ripped from my waistcoat. I, however, ran at full gallop, no longer to the kitchen, but down the stairs, across the street and into my house.

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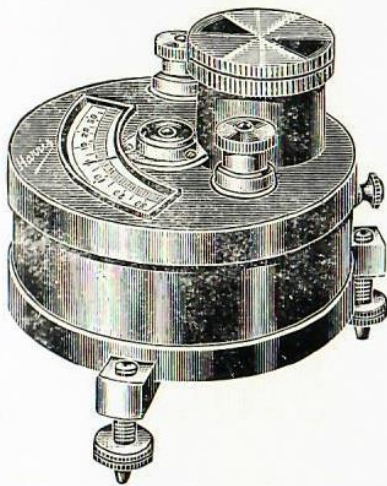
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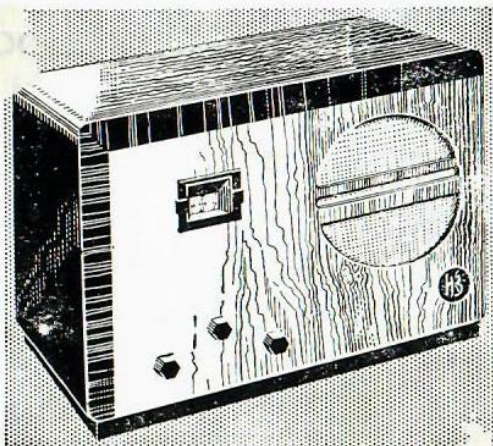


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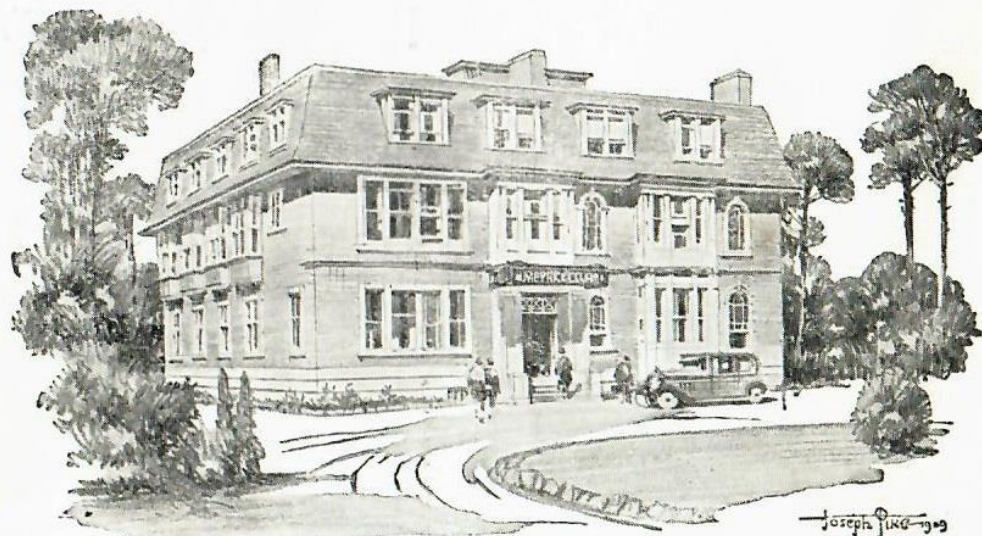
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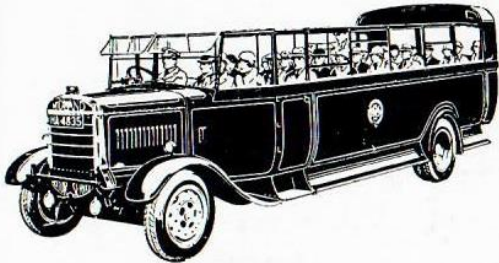
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EDITORIAL.

THE beginning of the new school year brings to us a feeling of loss, the result of so many of the seniors having left school to take up their various careers in life. We wish these "leavers" all the best of good fortune and happiness, and hope that wherever they may be, or whatever work they may undertake, they will always keep in touch with the school and the Old Students' Association.

To the newcomers, who fill up the ranks once again, we offer a hearty welcome, and trust that their school careers will be entirely happy and successful, that they will endeavour to be at least the equals of their predecessors, and create for the school new records of success in their work and on the playing fields. To all present pupils we give the reminder that the honour of the school is in their care.

Our sincerest thanks are given once more to Mr. G. S. Albright, and to his brother, Mr. W. A. Albright, for their generosity in founding the Albrights' University Scholarships, which will provide the means for one Oldbury County High School boy or girl to go up to the University each October for a full degree course. The school owes a great deal to Mr. G. S. Albright, our Reference Library, our Swimming Bath, continued help year by year with our Prize Fund for Speech Day, and now, in conjunction with Mr. W. A. Albright, these University Scholarships. As from now onwards there will be one of these open for competition each year,

after October 1937 there should always be three Albright's Scholars at the University. The Scholarships are only open to pupils of this school, who must have completed at least two years of continuous attendance here, and who in character, school record, and examination results, are considered worthy by the committee appointed to make the awards. These gifts to the school are really magnificent.

We congratulate Robert H. Murray on being the first Albright's Scholar, and also on his County Major Scholarship.

Mr. R. A. F. Newton-Hearn is spending this school year teaching in Stuttgart, Germany, and in his place we have Dr. Hummel, of Stuttgart. We hope that both Mr. Newton-Hearn and Dr. Hummel are happy in the exchange, and that both will enjoy their year in their respective new schools, and benefit greatly by the experience. Dr. Hummel has already made himself at home with us, and we offer him a very hearty welcome, and hope that he will carry away with him a pleasant memory of his English pupils.

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of The Stourbridge Edwardian, The Hammer, and The Throstle.

Dates to Remember.

- Sept. 30.—Charter Day holiday.
 Nov. 4, 5.—Half-term.
 Nov. 6.—Royal Wedding holiday.
 Nov. 8.—Speech Day.
 Nov. 28, 30.—School Play.
 Dec. 20.—School closes for Christmas holidays.
 Jan. 14.—School re-opens.
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S. Gibbs, R. D. Williams (Distinction in English and Biology), Mary Bright, Florence M. Brown (Distinction in History), Maisie Harris (Distinction in History), Marjorie Withers, J. S. Knight, Beryl Battison (Distinction in History), Florence J. Crump (Distinction in History).

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P. Andrews, R. Bates, J. S. Oakes, J. E. Richards, G. Sambrooke, F. Sillitoe, S. D. Smith (Distinction in English), Irene Cowell, Mabel Craddock, Mildred James, Margaret Stace (Distinction in History and Geography), Barbara Stubbs, E. Day, R. C. Hornsby (Distinction in History), W. H. Hoskins, J. R. Nock, Florence M. Burborough, D. Lewis (Distinction in History).

King's House.

Captains	-	-	D. LEWIS, N. K. MASON.
Vice-Captains	-	-	R. HOOD, F. BIRD.
Sports Captains	-	-	B. EDWARDS, R. CHILLINGSWORTH.
Secretaries	-	-	K. J. PRICE, D. S. SMITH.

THIS Summer Term has been full of many interesting events, the most important of which perhaps was Sports Day, when King's House did exceedingly well and gained second place.

The Girls' Swimming Sports were also held, and we must congratulate ourselves on gaining the first position. The Boys in their swimming contests succeeded in gaining second place, Johnson gaining his swimming colours and the Championship.

In the cricket House matches King's did not do as well as usual. We played against Trinity and School and were defeated, but we were successful against Queen's.

We must congratulate our tennis team on their play in the end of term contests; they gained second position.

We also feel very proud of our members who gained their tennis colours.

Although we were unsuccessful in the Boys' Gymnastic Competitions we hope for better luck next time.

Then last, but certainly not least, we must not forget the External Examinations which took place, and we feel that the House should be truly proud of those members who gained such good results.

We are sorry to lose so many of our old members, but we trust that they will find success in their new walks of life, and to the newcomers we offer a hearty welcome, hoping that they will do their very best for the House and take the place of those who have left us.

J. Price.

Queen's House.

Captains	-	-	M. A. BURNETT, H. G. JONES.
Vice-Captains	-	-	B. E. FARROW, D. WOODWARD.
Sports Captains	-	-	J. R. HOBDAV, G. SAMBROOK.

THE Clerk of the Weather has been kind to us this Summer Term, and few outdoor sports had to be postponed on account of rain. As if to make up for this, it poured on Sports Day; nevertheless, the various events were carried through between the showers, and we were successful in obtaining second place, our old rival, School House, being first. Adams distinguished himself as Junior Boys' Champion.

Queen's House was well represented in the tennis team by Barbara Farrow, Margot Jephcott, and Joan Hobday. Barbara Farrow already has her tennis colours, and the two others obtained theirs this season. Congratulations to all three.

In the inter-House cricket matches, Queen's was not particularly successful. We lost to King's and School, but won from Trinity.

The Swimming Sports were held at the end of term. We obtained third place in the Boys' Sports, and fourth place in the Girls'. The Boys also held a Gym. Competition, in which Queen's come third.

Congratulations to all our members who did well in the external examinations. Let us hope this will encourage our younger members to follow in their footsteps.

Good wishes and good luck to all those who have left us, especially to our former captain, Muriel Burnett; and welcome to all those newly enrolled under our banner.

J. H. Goode.

School House.

Captains - N. D. POOLE, T. GREAVES.
Vice-Captains - L. D. HANDS, R. E. THOMLINSON.
Sports Captains - K. WAKEMAN, THOMLINSON.

ALTHOUGH the Summer Term was short, it was very successful for members of School House. In all branches of school life, our members showed a fine spirit and brought great credit to the House.

One of the most important events was the Athletic Sports, in which School House was placed first, being well ahead of the other Houses. Members of the House also won individual championships, Thomlinson winning the Senior Boys', D. Garner the Senior Girls', and D. Holden tying for the Junior Girls'. We congratulate these, and all other members who took part, on their splendid performance.

Two members of School House, D. Garner and K. Wakeman, were included in the School tennis team, and at the end of term were presented with their tennis colours. Unfortunately, in spite of the excellent spirit and good play of members of the House tennis team, they did not succeed in beating the other Houses.

We naturally connect tennis with cricket, and here again, School House scored a success. The House XI. was very strong,

all its members being in the School 1st or 2nd XI., and it easily beat the other Houses. Betts is to be congratulated on obtaining his cricket colours.

Another important event, the Swimming Sports, also took place last term. In the Boys' Sports, School did not do very well, but in the Girls', succeeded in gaining second place.

In another important, if not very welcome event, the External Examinations, members of School House were again successful.

Many members of the House left at the end of last term, and we wish them every success. We welcome the new members, and hope that they in their turn will do their best to "Carry on the good work."

M. G. Bright.

Trinity House.

Captains - - B. TAYLOR, R. MURRAY.

Sports Captains - B. TAYLOR, R. MURRAY.

Secretary - - P. HOMER.

THE Summer Term of 1935, although short, proved to be extremely enjoyable.

The most important event during the term was Sports Day, when the competitions, in spite of the fact that rain continued for most of the afternoon, were keenly contested. Although Trinity failed to secure first place, yet we all felt that those members who had taken part had put up a highly creditable performance. We hope for better luck next time.

In the Girls' Inter-House Tennis Matches we were proud to gain first place and we must congratulate B. Taylor in gaining her tennis colours as a result of her excellent play during the season.

In the Boys' Inter-House Cricket Matches, we did not do so well, only winning one match against King's and losing to Queen's and School.

Nevertheless the boys redeemed themselves by gaining first place in the Boys' Gymnastic Competition, and also by being placed first in the Boys' Swimming Sports. We must congratulate Pugh on gaining his swimming colours. In the latter competition the Girls only succeeded in being placed third.

The last important event in the term was the External Examinations. The results show that Trinity is well represented

in the more serious side of school life and we congratulate all those members who were successful.

We wish those who have left us success and happiness in their new spheres of life, and to all our new members we give a hearty welcome and hope that they will help to raise the prestige of Trinity.

D. Bagnall.

Tennis, 1935.

Captain - - B. TAYLOR.

Team—B. TAYLOR, B. FARROW, M. WESTON, J. HOBDAI,
R. SIDAWAY, K. WAKEMAN, M. JEPHCOTT, D. GARNER.

THE tennis this season passed without any outstanding results, but nevertheless they were by no means unsatisfactory, three matches having been won, to three lost, and it may be noted that those lost were only lost after a hard fight. One, owing to the weather, had to be cancelled.

The results were as follows:—

Opponents	Result.
Wolverhampton	Won 9—1
Halesowen	Lost 8—10
Walsall	Lost 8—10
Wolverhampton	Won 10—0
Halesowen	Lost 7—11
Waverley Road	Won 14—2

Colours were awarded to B. Taylor, M. Weston, J. Hobday, R. Sidaway, K. Wakeman, Margot Jephcott and D. Garner, for their excellent play during the season.

R. M. Hood.

Cricket, 1935.

1st XI.—Captain, E. DAY; Vice-Captain, R. THOMLINSON.

2nd XI.—Captain, R. HORNSBY; Vice-Captain, R. MOLE.

Secretary—T. GREAVES.

Committee—

DAY, THOMLINSON, GREAVES, PUGH, HORNSBY, MOLE.

THE first eleven had a very enjoyable season in spite of the fact that they won only 3 of their 12 matches. Day had no luck in his batting and never really "got going" but Thomlinson

made several good scores, including 51 against Lawrence's College and 57 not out against the Parents, while Pugh and Smith could always be relied on to produce some "fireworks" during the brief periods they were at the wicket. Apart from Betts, whose best performance was 8 wickets for 25 runs, and Thomlinson, the bowling was very mediocre and the fielding was definitely not up to first team standard.

Thomlinson and Betts are to be congratulated on winning their cricket colours for good all-round play and bowling respectively.

Although fewer than those of the first eleven, the second eleven's matches were no less enjoyable and at the end of the season they had won four of the seven matches which they had played.

The results of the 1st XI. are as follows:

Opponents.	H. or A.	Result.	Score.
Lawrence's College	... Away	... Lost	
Bromsgrove C.H.S.	... Home	... Lost	... 55-106-7
Dudley G.S.	... Away	... Drawn	... 57-3-147-4
Holly Lodge H.S.	... Home	... Lost	... 58-62
Wolverhampton S.S.	... Away	... Lost	... 60-74-9
West Bromwich M.S.S.	... Home	... Won	... 72-25
Redditch	... Away	... Tie	... 58-58
Lawrence's College	... Home	... Won	... 119-7-44
Parents	... Home	... Won	... 129-74
Kidderminster G.S.	... Away	... Drawn	... 92-7-127-6
King's Norton S.S.	... Home	... Lost	... 83-91
Redditch	... Home	... Lost	... 87-90-5

Notable averages for the season were:—

BATTING.

	Innings	Times not out	Runs	Average
Thomlinson	... 12	1	230	20.9
Pugh	... 11	1	101	10.1

BOWLING.

	Overs	Runs	Wickets	Average
Betts	... 96.2	280	32	8.75
Thomlinson	... 90.4	203	23	8.82

Those who played in the teams were as follows:—

1st XI.—Day (capt.), Thomlinson (vice-capt.), Betts, Cox, Greaves, Harris, Nock, Pugh, Shotton, Sillitoe, Smith, Chellingsworth, Hornsby and Poole.

2nd XI.—Hornsby (capt.), Mole (vice-capt.), Andrews, BATTERY, Chellingsworth, Hadley, Hoskins, Knight, Poole, Richards, Roebuck, Shotton, Smith and Varley.

B. R. Roebuck.

Athletic Sports, 1935.

IN spite of the inclement weather, the Annual Sports on June 6th, again provided many interesting contests. Doris Garner and Margot Jephcott ran some extremely good races in the senior championship events, and Margaret Parkes and Dorothy Holden were well matched in the junior events. Thomlinson and Adams were outstanding among the boys, and they won the championships rather easily. A new record of 15' 10" was made by M. Jephcott in the Senior Girls' Long Jump.

HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP.

School, 114 $\frac{2}{3}$ pts.; Queen's 67 $\frac{1}{2}$ pts.; Trinity, 40 pts.; King's, 38 $\frac{5}{8}$ pts.

BOYS' CHAMPIONSHIP.

Junior—Adams, 20; Priest, 10; Hopkins, A. R., 9.

Senior—Thomlinson, 29 $\frac{1}{3}$; Mole, 14; Betts, 6.

GIRLS' CHAMPIONSHIP.

Junior—M. Parkes, D. Holden, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Senior—D. Garner, 16; M. Jephcott, 13; R. Sidaway, 3.

Event.					
High Jump—Junior Girls	...	...	M. Parkes and D. Holden		J. Harris
Junior Boys	...	...	Adams	Hopkins, A. R. ...	Crompton
Senior Girls	...	...	D. Garner	R. Sidaway	E. Harris
Senior Boys	...	...	Pool	Betts	Thomlinson, Sillitoe, Hazelwood
Long Jump—Junior Girls	...	...	D. Holden	M. Parkes	M. Nicholls
Junior Boys	...	...	Adams	Partridge	Hopkins, A. R. ...
Senior Girls	...	...	M. Jephcott	D. Garner	M. Stace
Senior Boys	...	...	Sambrooke	Betts	Thomlinson
100 Yards—Junior Girls	...	...	M. Parkes	I. Thornton	D. Holden
Junior Boys	...	...	Priest	Adams	Hopkins, A. R. ...
Senior Girls	...	...	D. Garner	M. Jephcott	M. Burborough ...
Senior Boys	...	...	Thomlinson	Hopkins, L.	Pool
220 Yards—Junior Girls	...	...	I. Thornton	D. Holden	M. Parkes
Junior Boys	...	...	Adams	Priest	Hopkins, A. R. ...
Senior Girls	...	...	M. Jephcott	D. Garner	M. Burborough ...
Senior Boys	...	...	Thomlinson	Hopkins, L.	Smith
440 Yards—Junior Boys	...	...	Priest	Hopkins, A. R. ...	Harper
Senior Boys	...	...	Thomlinson	Chellingsworth ...	Hopkins, L.

SEPARATE EVENTS.

Long Jump, Senior Girls—M. Jephcott, 15' 10".

RECORD BROKEN.

Event.							
Half-Mile—	Junior Boys	...	...	Adams	...	Priest	Hopkins, A. R.
	Senior Boys	...	...	Thomlinson	...	Mole	Chellingsworth
One Mile	...	...	...	Mole	...	Priest	Betts
Steeplechase—	Junior	...	...	Adams	...	Deeley	Hadley
	Senior	...	...	Mole	...	Thomlinson	Chellingsworth
Cricket Ball—	Junior	...	...	Adams	...	Crompton	Hopkins, A. R.
	Senior	...	...	Thomlinson	...	Hopkins	Mole
Relay Race—	Girls	...	...	King's	...	School	Trinity
	Boys	...	...	School	...	Queen's	King's
100 Yards—	Girls under 12	...	...	E. Read	...	H. Brunton	I. Garner
	Boys under 13	...	...	Hackett	...	Craddock	Honeysett
	Boys under 14	...	...	E. Hopkins	...	Harper	Round
	Boys under 12	...	...	Hackett	...	Adams, C. E.	Jones
High Jump—	Girls under 12	...	...	M. Powell	...	H. Brunton	B. Simpson
							D. Lones

Swimming Sports.

WE were fortunate in having fine weather for the Swimming Sports, which were held at the end of the term. All the events were keenly contested and there was some excellent swimming by both girls and boys.

The events and results were as follow:—

BOYS.

Two Lengths: 1 Johnson, 2 Pugh, 3 Buttery. 1 min. 24 secs.

Two Lengths (under 15): 1 Honeysett, 2 Galt, 3 Jones. 1 min. 34 secs.

Two Lengths (Breast): 1 Johnson, 2 Belton, 3 Pugh. 1 min. 34 secs.

One Width (Beginners): 1 Bolton, 2 Walker.

One Length (Beginners): 1 Walker, 2 Nicholls.

One Length (Back Stroke): 1 Johnson, 2 Honeysett, 3 Murray.

Six Lengths: 1 Pugh, 2 Murray, 3 Greaves. 3 mins. 42 secs.

Dive: 1 Johnson, 2 Pugh, 3 Jones.

House Relay Race: 1 Trinity, 2 King's, 3 School, 4 Queen's. Time: 4 mins. 15 secs.

House Championship: Trinity, 61 pts.; King's, 37 pts.; Queen's, 27 pts.; School, 16 pts.

Individual Championship: 1, Johnson, 20 pts.; 2, Pugh, 18 pts.

GIRLS.

1 Length (under 15): 1 O. Harper (Queen's), 2 B. Stubbs (Trinity), 3 J. Harris (Trinity).

1 Length (15 and over): 1 P. Owins (School), 2 K. Wakeman (School), 3 R. Hood (King's).

House Boat Race: 1 King's, 2 Trinity, 3 Queen's.

Diving: 1 M. Howells (King's), 2 O. Harper (Queen's), 3 P. Owins (School).

House Relay Race: 1 School, 2 King's, 3 Queen's.

Life Saving: 1 Trinity, 2 King's, 3 School.

2 Lengths (under 15): 1 O. Harper (Queen's), 2 J. Harris (Trinity), 3 G. Rose (King's).

2 Lengths (15 and over): 1 K. Wakeman (School), 2 P. Owins (School), 3 R. Hood (King's).

Duck Diving to bring up brick—Successful Competitors: M. Howells (King's), P. Owins (School).

4 Lengths (1 Length Breast Stroke, 1 Length Back Stroke (without using arms), 1 Side Stroke, 1 own choice): 1 J. Button (Queen's), 2 G. Rose (King's), 3 O. Harper (Queen's).

1 Length (least number of strokes): 1 B. Stubbs (Trinity) 6 strokes, 2 M. Howells (King's) 7 strokes, 3 M. Parkes (King's) 11 strokes.

Results: 1 King's 40 pts.; 2 School 37 pts.; 3 Trinity 27 pts.; 4 Queen's 23 pts.

The Joint Societies.

IN June members of the Society spent two happy days in visits to Stratford-on-Avon. On June 5th the Sixth Form, with Forms IVA. and VB., went to the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre to see "Antony and Cleopatra," and on June 19th the Fifth Form went to see "The Merchant of Venice."

Leaving School about 12-30 p.m. by private 'bus, we were taken straight to the Theatre, and those whose first visit it was to this historic place availed themselves of the chance to look around. Both plays were greatly appreciated.

From the theatre we went to the Tudor Café for tea, where we were amply provided for. The remaining two hours which we had to spare we happily passed in visiting Shakespeare's house, the river, and the town. Returning to our 'bus, we soon found ourselves homeward bound once more.

For another happily spent day we all thank Miss Jones for the trouble and care she took in its organisation.

Instead of the annual visit to some place of historic interest, this year the Joint Societies held a garden party in the School grounds on Saturday, July 20th.

The weather, which had been beautifully hot and sunny, broke up a few days before the garden party, and on the day of the garden party rain poured down, but by about 3 o'clock the rain stopped and we were able to carry out all the morning arrangements.

The first and perhaps the most interesting of all was the cricket match, Girls v. Boys. Although hampered considerably by the condition of the field after the rain, and more so by the "attire" in which the Girls' XI. turned out in their efforts to save their party dresses from a muddy ball, nevertheless they put up a gallant fight against the Boys who, although playing left handed, could not possibly be beaten by the Girls. (Better luck next time Girls.)

Meanwhile a Knock-out Tennis Tournament was being contested, while many of our "golfers" tried their luck at the Clock Golf and Deck Tennis provided. For those who wished, swimming was also provided.

After the conclusion of the cricket match everyone was ready for that important item, tea, which, owing to the weather was arranged round the corridors surrounding the lawn and not on the lawns as had been intended. There is no need to tell how greatly appreciated was this sumptuous spread with its plentiful supply of strawberries and raspberries and cream.

Then we were solemnly told "seek and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you," and so started the exciting treasure hunt. Although rendered difficult by the misplacement of clues, yet this was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. While some people were "still knocking" we were summoned and told that the prize had already been found. This time the girls had been more successful, for two girls, Molly Howells and May Burborough, succeeded in winning this.

The finals of the Tennis Tournament then had to be played off, after which we retired to the School Hall for a very enjoyable dance, as an end to a perfect day.

Towards the end of the dance Mrs. Howarth kindly came and distributed the prizes to the lucky winners. To the boys' cricket team, to Rhona Sidaway and Thomlinson for their success in winning the tennis tournament. To May Burborough and Molly Howells for winning the treasure hunt, and to Richards and Hornsby for the lowest score in clock golf.

Thus ended our first garden party, and we all thank Miss Jones and her helpers who so ably provided for us a most enjoyable day.

Dorothy M. Lewis, Lower VI.

A Visit to London.

ON May 27th a party of Art Students from the V. and VI. Forms, accompanied by Mrs. Quayle and Miss Williams, paid a very interesting visit to London.

The train left New Street at 8-40 a.m. and arrived at Euston two hours later. From here we took the Underground to Leicester Square, and began the day by visiting the National Gallery. This Gallery contains a collection of pictures from every school of painting in Europe. The Italian and Dutch Schools in which we were very interested, were excellently represented.

Unfortunately our time was limited, and at 12-30 p.m. we left for Lyons, Bridge Street, where we had lunch. This import-

ant item on our programme being over we walked along the Embankment to the Tate Gallery, passing the Houses of Parliament on our way.

At 2-15 p.m. we began our tour around the Tate Gallery. Here we saw a fine collection of British art, as the Chantry Bequest allows a committee to select several pictures each year from the Royal Academy Exhibition. Turner and Watts also bequeathed a number of their pictures to this Gallery. Each collection is kept in a separate room. All seemed to appreciate this collection very much, and we were sorry to leave so soon.

A heavy shower of rain delayed us somewhat on our return to Lyons for tea, but judging from the way the cakes disappeared it was evident that it had not damped our spirits or lessened our appetites.

On our way to the Royal Accademy at Piccadilly, we passed through Bird-Cage Walk, the Green Park, and caught a glimpse of St. James' Palace.

The Academy is essentially a collection of modern art, contributed by living artists. In its many branches it proved equally interesting.

Thoroughly pleased with our day's outing, we again took the Underground from Piccadilly to Euston, where after a hurried raid on the book and sweet stall we boarded the 7-10 p.m. train for Birmingham.

We offer our sincerest thanks to Mrs. Quayle and Miss Williams, whose careful organisation made our visit to London such a success.

May Brown,
Barbara Stubbs.

Girl Guides.

Officers:—

Captain—Miss F. D. TWEEDIE. Lieutenant Miss J. L. DAVIES.

Patrol Leaders—

JESSIE LEE, BEATRICE TAYLOR, BETTY MORRIS,
CHRISTINE POULSON, BARBARA FARROW.

THE Summer Term was a very strenuous and successful one for the Guide Company, and we were able to enjoy many exciting outdoor activities during the fine weather, as well as our own usual indoor programmes.

We worked very hard this term at badge work, and we were especially delighted when Beatrice Taylor gained the first First Class Badge and All-Round Cords in the Company. This is a distinction not easily gained, and we were very proud of this achievement. Other members of the Company have succeeded in

obtaining Dancer, Gymnast, Writer, Scribe, Folk-dancer, Artist, Needlewoman, Health, Sportswoman, and Second Class Badges, and we have more Proficiency Badges in the Company now than we have had for some time.

Jessie Lee and Betty Lamb succeeded in gaining their Bronze Medals for Life-Saving.

We held an Enrolment and Parents' Evening in June, when on this occasion of welcoming new Guides into our sisterhood, we took the opportunity of showing parents how our meetings are conducted, and the aims of our movement. Mrs. Pedley, Divisional Commissioner for Stourbridge, performed the Enrolment, and gave a very interesting address, the rest of the programme comprised games, dancing, competitions, singing.

All through the Summer Term we looked forward to the most thrilling event of a Guide year—camp! We worked very hard to obtain funds, and we held a successful Jumble Sale in Oldbury. At the end of the term we had a campers' party, when we invited campers of the 1st Tettenhall Wood Company to come and meet our campers, and a very jolly party was held.

On August 24th we set off from Snow Hill Station for Morteheo in North Devon. This holiday was rather camping-de-luxe, for instead of sleeping under canvas we stayed in an hotel! The place was very charming, and although the weather was not very kind to us, everyone enjoyed a splendid holiday.

Our thanks are due to Captain and Lieutenant, not only for organising this holiday, but for all their efforts that have made the past term so successful.

Barbara Farrow.

News of Old Students.

WE offer our congratulations to the following Old Students on their successes at Birmingham University:—

- E. M. EVERETT, B.Sc., 2nd Class Chemistry.
- W. J. G. JONES, B.Sc., 2nd Class Chemistry.
- E. B. KNOTT, B.Sc., 2nd Class Chemistry and a two years' Scholarship at a German University.
- E. L. COOPER, B.A., 3rd Class History.
- H. G. BARLOW, B.A., Diploma in Education.
- R. W. MUSGRAVE, B.A., Diploma in Education.
- J. R. GREENWOOD, 1st Engineering Examination.
- B. E. HARPER, Chemistry III., Industrial Fermentation.
- J. C. GOODACRE, Primary Teachers' Certificate.

P. F. GRANVILLE-BARKER, 1st Examination for Diploma in Dental Surgery and a four years' Bursary awarded by the Dental Institute.

We offer, too, our congratulations and best wishes to:—
Clifford Greenwood and Josephine Hebbard who were married in July. Maud Bateman, who in July married H. C. Cook, of Bushey; and to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Mobbs on the birth of a daughter in October.

A Ballad.

I've tried very hard a ballad to write,
But I have not succeeded yet;
I'll try again, I think I might
An inspiration get.

I think I'll write about Farmer Gile,
A sturdy man was he,
But three small boys his temper did rile,
When they climbed his apple tree.

"Come down you young rascals!" cried the man,
And wait till you get down here,
The boys got down and away they ran
As fast as any deer.

The farmer not having fulfilled his threat,
And angry to hear the boys jeer,
His fierce old watch-dog on them set,
And filled three hearts with fear.

"Hurry up! Hurry up! little Tom Jones,"
The biggest boy, he cried,
If you want to be out of the reach of old "bones"
You'll be best on the other side.

Over the fence the rascals went,
Followed close up by "Bones,"
Big Bill Smith had his trousers rent;
And had to be rubbed with Sloanes.

I've tried very hard a ballad to make,
And some kind of one I have made,
This work I have done I hope you will take,
But it's not very good I'm afraid.

Eleanor Hadley, Form IIIA.

King Alfred.

Our gallant King Alfred came out of the West,
Through all the wide country his name is known best,
He slaughtered the Vikings from over the sea,
For spoiling our England, the land of the free.

And to the great chief's tent he went forth so bold,
A poor wandering minstrel, so they had been told;
And as he played sweetly far into the night,
The Danes, by his brave men, were all put to flight.

So back went King Alfred to lands now at peace,
So happy was he that the war could now cease;
The people of Wessex still hold him to-day,
The greatest of kings that o'er England held sway.

Betty Hands, Form III_B.

The Return of Alleyne.

Oh! Lady Maude Loring stands by her window,
Awaiting her lover's return from Bordeaux.
For one weary year she has waited in vain,
For the happy return of her noble Alleyne.

For Alleyne had left a long year ago,
And went with Sir Nigel, to the wars at Bordeaux
A sorrowful farewell took he of his love,
And as a keepsake she gave him her glove.

And so as she stood there, her thoughts far away,
A squire came ariding along the highway;
But she saw him not for her head it was bowed,
And she did not look up until he cried aloud,

" Oh, Lady Maude Loring, at last I've returned,
This is the moment for which I have yearned."
The Lady Maude Loring raised her blue eyes
And looked upon Alleyne with joyous surprise.

Barbara Granville-Barker, Form III_B.

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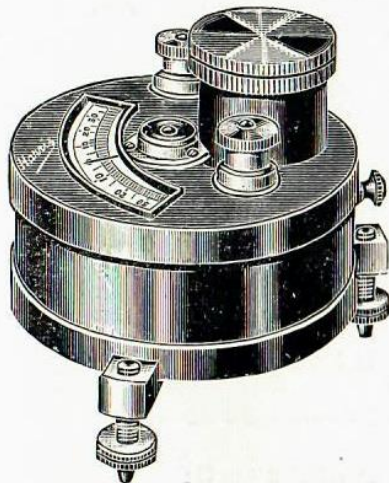
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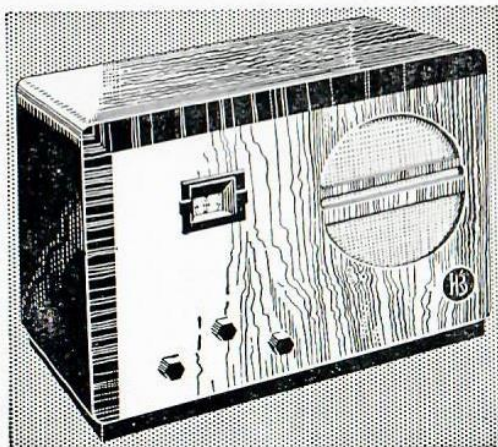
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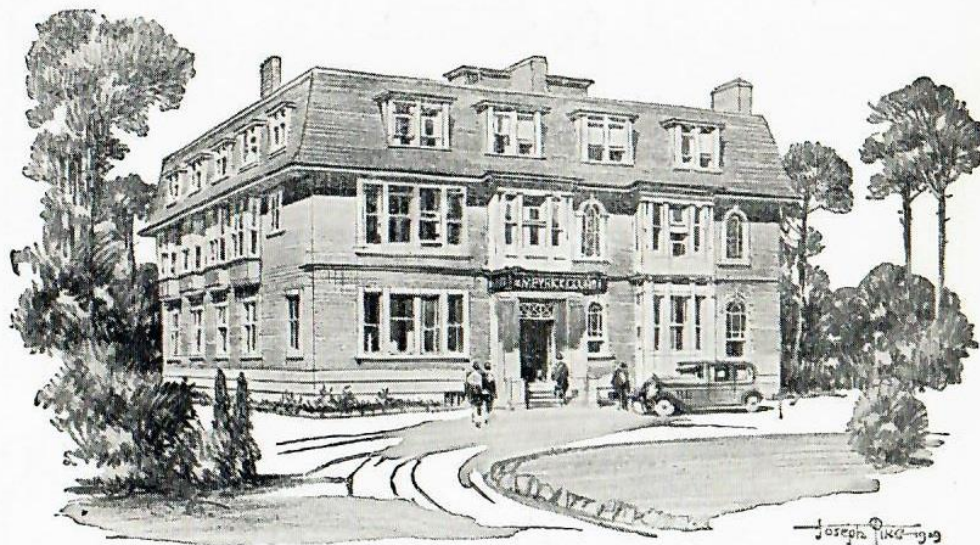
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