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EDITORIAL.

One of the most notable features of the past year has been the very striking increase in the activities of the Old Boys' Association, a fact which gives great pleasure to all who have the interests of the School at heart. The Association has been entirely re-modelled; the Cricket Club, previously a separate organisation, has joined forces with the parent body, and the Football Club, which a few years ago for various reasons was allowed to lapse, has been re-formed and has made a really excellent start in the Secondary Schools Old Boys' League. We would strongly urge any Old Boy who is interested in football to get into touch with the officials of the Old Boys' Club, and can assure him that he will receive a warm welcome at their matches, whether he attends as a player or merely as a spectator. The Club has already set before itself an ambitious programme—no less than the purchase and equipment of a Sports Field, and we of the School wish the Old Boys every success in their new venture. If these lines should catch the eye of any Old Boy who is not a member of the Association, we would urge him to remedy his sad omission at once by sending his name to C. W. Dean, 11 Queen's Road, N.21, and his subscription to J. Jeffrey, jun., 125 Fox Lane, N.13.

We are also pleased to note the formation of an Old Scholars' Dramatic Society, which is fortunate to have the services of May Cawkwell as the producer for their forthcoming production, "Nine-Forty-Five," on Friday and Saturday, January 20th and 21st, 1933.

The School was sadly disappointed that the Headmaster's scheme for the adequate equipment of the Sports Pavilion was banned in the name of "Economy." The Scriptural saying be-

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ginning "Hope deferred" appropriately expresses our feelings. We believe, too, that once we heard the name "Gymnasium" mentioned. That must have been a long time ago, but we still hope.

We are glad to turn to a brighter side, and note that the year's examination results—General School and Higher School Certificate—constitute a record. The School, with 65 Matriculation successes is second out of 383 schools examined by the University of London, and as the school which came first secured one more certificate, but has 700 pupils compared with our 500, our percentage record is an easy first. In June 113 candidates were presented for the General School Examination; 106 passed, 7 failed, 13 gained Honours, and there were 104 distinctions. In the Higher School Examination 12 candidates entered and 11 passed—2 in the Arts group, 7 in the Science, 2 in Commerce. In addition eight of these gained Intermediate Certificates—Barbara Medhurst (Arts), Joan Ennals, Dorothea Motley, R. P. Dell, O. Lawton, J. M. Naish, N. Spoor, T. H. Mobbs (Science), Marjorie Jackson (Commerce, Part II.).

We have also had a particularly good year as regards Scholarship successes. Dorothea Motley won a State Scholarship and also a Drapers' Scholarship; J. M. Naish gained a Scholarship at the Royal College of Science; T. H. Mobbs was awarded an Exhibition at East London College. H. J. Hobbs' success in the Air Force Examination for officers at Cranwell College also deserves mention, as he is a pioneer in this branch so far as the School is concerned.

We are very pleased to report that the Memorial Scholarship Fund is making steady progress. The last effort of the Operatic Society resulted in an addition of £93—a splendid performance. The sum in hand is now £454 4s. 5d., of which £400 has recently been invested in War Assented Stock.

Before this number of the Magazine has been printed the School Dramatic Society will have given us its first full evening performance. They have selected Bernard Shaw's "Arms and the Man," which will be given in the School Hall on December 2nd and 3rd. We congratulate the Society on their bold venture, and believe that the Operatic Society will soon have to look to its laurels.

Again we have the great pleasure of extending congratulations from the School to many Old Pupils who have won successes during the past year. A list of these appears below, and we would assure all Old Boys and Girls that we are always glad to make additions to the list. In particular we would extend hearty congratulations to F. J. S. Gowar, S. H. Jarvis, B. L. Richards and K. Lauder on their very striking successes in examinations. We might perhaps mention that an Old Boy, in writing to the Headmaster to inform him of his most recent success, concludes with a very pleasing sentence:—"I should like to share my good fortune, and enclose postal order for the Memorial Scholarship Fund." It has been said that example is better than precept.

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 E. J. Bath: University of London Intermediate B.Sc. (Econ.).
 P. V. Denbigh: Part I., Institute of Bankers' Examination.
 R. H. Denbigh: Part I., Institute of Bankers' Examination.
 C. S. Downer: Inter. Exam. Chartered Surveyors' Institution.
 F. J. S. Gowar: M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., B.M., B.Ch. (Surgery);
 Lyell Gold Medal and Scholarship in Surgery; The Second
 in Broderip Scholarship in Medicine, Surgery and Patho-
 logy; Appointed House Physician at Middlesex Hospital.
 P. H. Hammon: Section A, Part II., Institute of Actuaries.
 S. H. Jarvis: The Goldsmith and Shute Scholarships for Modern
 Languages at Oxford University.
 K. E. Lauder: LL.B. (London), Bachelor of Laws.
 R. J. Reynolds: First Division of Final Examination Chartered
 Accountants of Scotland.
 B. L. Richards: B.Sc. (London) in Estate Management; Winner
 of Gold Medal awarded by the Auctioneers' and Estate
 Agents' Institute.
 H. J. Spriggs: Pharmaceutical Chemist and Intermediate
 B.Pharm. (London).
 Beryl Stutter: University of London Intermediate B.Sc.
 J. H. Tait: University of London B.Sc., Second Class Honours
 in Chemistry.
 W. R. Westaway: University of London B.Sc.

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IN MEMORIAM.

It is with very deep regret that we record the death of Marion Whatley, which took place after a very brief illness last February. Marion was in the School from 1911-1917. She was a School Prefect and Head of the White House, and all who knew the School in those difficult years will recall how admirably she filled both positions. After she left she kept in close touch with us and hardly ever missed an Old Girls' meeting. In her capacity as a leading sportswoman of the neighbourhood she will be very much missed, while her sterling qualities and lovable nature endeared her to all who knew her.

We offer our sincere sympathy to her family and to her many friends.

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THE GONDOLIERS.

They were large and enthusiastic audiences which listened to the performances of the "Gondoliers," and all agreed that the Operatic Society had not only lived up to its established reputation, but had gone triumphantly forward.

We value highly the opinion of a musical critic of the standing of Dr. Harold Watts, and we feel justly proud of his expressed



it is delightful
to be once
more in
Venice
H. H. H.
Autumn
1932

opinion that "very few schools could give such a finished, efficient and enjoyable performance" as the one he witnessed on March 18th.

Many things contributed to this outstanding success, not the least being the musical talent, enthusiasm and inspiration of the Headmaster, who very ably conducted; the admirable coaching of the Producer, Mr. P. Knowles; the experience of the members of the staff in the cast, and the "spontaneity and naturalness of the whole production." To quote Dr. Watts again: "There was not a weak spot in the cast. Both in singing and acting they were one and all first rate." To select for special mention the numbers that were of outstanding merit would be simply to draw up a list of the solos, choruses, dances, etc., of which the Opera is composed. The principals were excellent, the chorus work always well done, with bright, fresh tone, and an uncommonly good sense of rhythm.

Mr. Thompson, assisted by Miss Munday, designed and executed, with the help of Mr. Hunt, the excellent scenery. The "Collier" family, assisted by members of the School Orchestra, also played no small part in making the production so successful.

The production was in every way a brilliant success, and in spite of the heavy expenses entailed by so ambitious a production, and the fact that the seating accommodation was reduced because of the extension of the stage, the Memorial Scholarship Fund, to which the proceeds were devoted, benefited by £93—an appreciable increase on last year's achievement.

The next production by the Society will be on March 28th, 29th, 31st and 1st April, 1933, when it is hoped to stage "The Pirates of Penzance." It is anticipated that the publication of the dates for these performances will be all the advertisement they will need.

DRAMATIS PERSONÆ.

The Duke of Plaza-Toro (A Grandee of Spain)	J. M. Naish		
Luiz (His Attendant)	H. J. Hobbs		
Don Alhambra Del Bolero (The Grand Inquisitor)	Mr. R. S. Smith		
Marco Palmieri	Mr. J. R. Hands		
Giuseppe Palmieri			
Antonio			
Francesco			
Giogio			
Annibale	Mr. E. J. Armstrong		
The Duchess of Plaza-Toro.....		F. A. Wood	
		Casilda (Her Daughter)	L. F. North
		Gianetta	S. L. Calcraft
		Tessa	R. G. Jones
	Fiametta	Miss May Bell	
Vittoria			
Giulia			
Inez (The King's Foster Mother)	Pearl Willmott		
Pages	Eileen Flowers		
Drummer Boy	Winifred Blenkinsop		
Heralds		Peggy Filby	
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Chorus of Gondoliers—S. J. Calcrafft, M. R. Cantwell, D. R. Cockram, M. Cotton, W. Haddon, H. Hawkes, N. H. Ingle, R. G. Jones, R. T. Little, L. F. North, R. Olley, P. W. Ray, R. H. Sinclair, N. L. Spoor, B. Turner, F. A. Wood.

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MR. and MRS. PEPYS AT "THE GONDOLIERS"

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March 15th, 1932.—To Southgate by coach with my wife, I wearing my new beaver hat for the first time, to hear ye Countie Schoole schollers present their performance of "Ye Gondoliers," by especial invitation of my onetime colleague and ever good friend the Headmaster, ye respected High Master of the schoole, who besides teaching ye schollers ye Humanities and such like doth also infuse into them a liking for musique, being himself no mean praktiser in the Art, indeed he hath gotten himself Diplomas for this especial knowledge.

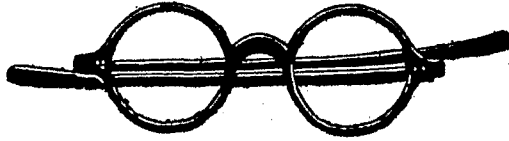
After a mighty good tea with the Headmaster and his wife, who did show us the nattiest rug I ever did see and hath a pretty taste in home-made cakes of which I did eat many, to ye school-room in the Headmaster's coach where ye masters and schollers had contrived a goodly stage, compleat with wings, footlights and such like contrapcions od ye playhouse, all conforming, so the Headmaster said, to ye orders of the Lord Chamberlain.

My wife and I being neatly placed in good seats nigh to ye band who greatly diverted us with their merry tootlings; before ye curtain was drawn up we had time to view ye elegant company, with many of ye quality present, indeed ye hall was full of 'em and came nigh to crowding ye doors. Anon ye band entered and made such a todo a tuning their fiddles and flutes that I minded me of my programme and fell to perusing of the musicians'

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names and was curiously tickled to note that most of 'em belonged to one family, but *quis separabit*?

Ye showe began promptly, as my new gold watch betokened, and we were duly regaled with such a gallant frolique of singing and dancing and pretty cozening as I warrant me could not be better done at the Playhouse; truly I had not thought such ripe stage business possible from such young players, and ye producer, one of ye masters as I was told, must be a right clever fellow of parts and worthy of much commendacion. Such trillings and warblings, and such love-making, too, by these perky schoole boys and wenches, all looking mighty brave in their Venetian habits—in truth, my wife did slyly look at me to note if I had anything of envy—God forgive her! but me thought they would forget to sing at ye proper time for gazing at each other, but they were all agog for the play and missed not a cue (as the players call it) nay, but their sweet young voices and pretty faces did remind me of my own youth and caused me to smile lovingly at my wife, who sat beside me carefully nursing her new hat, lately a present from me, and nodding her head to ye sprightly ditties; indeed later I did find myself stamping my feet to ye rousing lilt of ye cachucha, a right merry dance of Spain, till my wife's reproving eye and my own gouty foot did bid me forbear.

Ye schollers had gotten their masters to help in some of ye characters, and me-thought these as good in their parts as any players I had ever seen. Ye Grand Inquisitor was a robustious fellow of a pompous dignity and full-throated voice withal, yet a witty speech and a roving eye for the pretty wenches too. I did catch my wife quizzing ye two principal gondoliers—Marco and Guiseppe—with an appraising eye, for she hath herself some knowledge of stage craft having produced sundry schoole plays these many years past, but she confessed to nothing but praise for these two talented rogues, though I could not make out which was which, so well did they fill their "twinly" parts—acting and singing to our great content and diversion, and I warrant me these gallant sparks were mightily pleased with their comely sweet-hearts—Tessa and Gianetta—bewitchingly played by two of ye clever girl schollers. Ye Duchess of Plaza Toro was also of ye staff, and right cunningly did she cozen ye old Duke, as her well-sung ditty did tell us.

Of ye schollers themselves, it be no easy thing to over praise for they be apt learners to be sure, and I mind not ever having seen a better make-up than the fusty Duke of Plaza Toro, but how ye boy who played him so truthfully did contrive to disguise his voice so wheeziy I know not, unless maybe he had gotten himself a cold or some rheum for the occasion. For his daughter, ye beautiful Casilda, I found it hard to believe that she was played by a girl scholler—so seemly and imperiously did she comport herself, so ravishingly did she sing and I confess to envying that strapping young blade—Luiz—her Drummer and her lover, and, at the finishing I did think them a mighty fine pair in their royal robes—which doth mind me not to forget to mention ye Lord High Drummer boy, a tender child, whose nose and five fingers

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did impishly flout ye Grand Inquisitor to the great mirth of the company.

At the dropping of ye curtain my wife and I agreed it was a right creditable performance for all concerned, not forgetting ye scene shifters and elektricians—ye prompter is not worth ye mentioning for I confess I noted not his necessity—and ye company applauded loud and long with great clapping, but Lord! how my friend the Headmaster contrived to beat ye time with his left hand, and ye band to follow him so well, fair amazes me, but then the Headmaster is doublehanded and both are right. I forgot to mention ye comfits and wine of which my wife and I partook in ye High Master's privy chamber during the interval, whiles we discussed cheerily with ye musicians of ye band, and a right good band too.

It was a late hour when we did bid farewell to the Headmaster and his wife, with my wife in a twitter lest we should miss ye last coach for Town which, being reached with some little pother, got us home nigh to midnight aweared but mightily content with ye pleasures and diversions of our visit, and hoping the Headmaster will bid us again for we had not seen a play better done these many years. The whiles my wife did prepare her a warming pan I got me a glass of toddy, and so to bed.

"Yes, yes, the lines are very quaintly writ."

(T. G. of V. II., 1, 128.)

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G.K., JULY 1932

The first General Knowledge paper was given towards the end of the Summer term and was designed to occupy—pleasantly and profitably—one afternoon session of the Senior School. It cannot be said that the results were strikingly satisfactory; answers revealed things—good and new—but the good were not new, and the new not good.

Space forbids the reproduction of the whole of the paper, but it may be of psychological interest to give selected specimens of the replies.

It is only fair to the candidates as a whole to say that the reader should not infer that these examples are typical of the whole; even the high and mighty Forms V. and VI., like the great Homer, occasionally nod.

The marking of the papers was a somewhat depressing experience, relieved occasionally by the advent of a howler.

Q. 1.—*Express in one word or phrase—*

(a) *A possession, or a dignity more troublesome and costly than profitable.* (A white elephant.)

Alleged Answers.—Office of Lord Mayor of London; Pride; Vanity; Good looks (a girl's answer)—costly perhaps in these days of the lavish use of cosmetics, but can it be denied that it has, not infrequently, been profitable in the case of one of the sexes?

- (b) *A classical term for a never-ending, incessantly recurring task.* Correct Answer—Sisyphian (given by one boy only).

Spurious Answer—Home work.

- (c) *A synonym for any region said to abound in the means of easily acquired wealth.* (El Dorado.)

Answer.—*The Riviera.* Was the candidate thinking of the man who broke the bank at Monte Carlo?

- (d) *An article of food consisting of meat minced and highly seasoned and enclosed in a cylindrical case or skin.* (Sausage.)

Answer.—*Haggis.* (Candidate of Scotch extraction.)

- Q. 2.—*Name one discovery or invention associated with the name of the following: Among the names given was that of Joseph Priestley (discoverer of oxygen).*

Alleged Invention.—His book, e.g., Angel Pavement. (A case of mistaken identity.)

- Q. 3.—*To name the composers of certain songs, operas and oratorios.*

One candidate disposed of the four oratorios by saying "All Oratorios were written by J. S. Bach"; perchance he had in mind the Sunday afternoon broadcasts of Bach's cantatas during the years 1927—1931. If so, not an altogether unreasonable conclusion.

- Q. 4.—*There died last year—*

- (a) *An Australian singer who invented a name for herself.* (Melba.)

Answer.—"May Bell." (Only the initiated will fathom this answer. Mrs. L—g disclaims colonial origin and says the report of her demise is greatly exaggerated.)

- Q. 7.—*First lines of well-known hymns taken from the school hymn book were given—e.g., "God moves in a mysterious way." The name of the writer of each hymn was required.*

The question produced many "random shots." It would appear that many pupils of the Senior School have lost their hymn books. An official enquiry is indicated.

- Q. 8.—*What is the approximate area of the School playing field?*

Answer.—Two square miles. (Perhaps the candidate was thinking of the playing fields of our more fortunate neighbours of Minchenden.)

- (b) *Translate the School Motto, "Per portam austri ad lucem."*

Answers.—Through Southgate into the sunshine. (Mark for optimism.) Going through Southgate gives knowledge. (I wonder!! In this case certainly not general knowledge.)

- (c) *Write out the Golden Rule*—(Scriptural knowledge is not a strong subject with us, and "Scrutator" was not altogether surprised that less than 10 could quote correctly the Golden Rule.)

Alleged Golden Rules.—(1) Spare the rod, spoil the child. (An excellent rule, and in these times not applied as frequently as it should be.) (2) Early to bed and early to rise, etc. (An-

other sound rule, but more honoured in the breach than observance.)

Q. 9.—*Supply the missing word or phrase—*

(a) *A soft answer—*

Answer.—Is required for a soft question. (Is there more here than meets the eye?)

(b) *Most friendship is feigning, most loving mere—*

The missing word was variously given—Fooling, playing, flattery, craving, deigning, bluffing, nothing. (Apparently the modern youth thinks slightingly of love.)

Q. 10.—*Expand the following abbreviations—*

Q.E.D.—Queen Elizabeth's Drive; Quite easily done.

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Q. 11.—*Correct the following—*

(a) *As Milton says in his Love's Labour Lost, etc.*

Answer.—Milton did not write L.L.L., he wrote "Love's Paradise Lost." (Is this altogether a bad alternative title for Paradise Lost?)

(b) *The sun rises due east and sets due west in our latitude—*

Answer.—The sun does not rise in our latitude. (Somewhat exaggerated, perhaps.)

Q. 12.—*First Aid—*

(a) *How would you stop bleeding from a cut artery?*

Answer.—Tie the artery in a simple knot. Another wrote: Plug with cotton wool and cool with frequent cold-water poultices.

(b) *What is the first thing to do when a person faints?*

It was curious to note that, to the boys, only girls faint; and to the girls only boys are victims of this ailment, for invariably the girls wrote: Give *him* air, and the boys, Give *her* air.

(c) *What is an emetic?*

Answers.—A person who has fits. A person whose blood does not congeal. Something that makes *you* sick.

SCRUTATOR.

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ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The annual Athletic Sports were held on the School ground on Thursday, 14th July, 1932.

The events, on the whole, were well contested, in spite of the fact that in the case of a great many senior competitors there can be little time devoted to training owing to the great demands on their time at this time of the year. As the majority of the long-distance events are concluded before Sports Day in order to ease a heavy programme, it may be possible to devise some arrangement next year to get more training for the events on that day.

It was very gratifying to see such a good muster of members of the Old Boys' and Old Girls' Associations taking part in the Sports. The Old Boys, to mark their new lease of life, sent a good "field" for the "Broomfield" Challenge Cup and a Relay team to run against the School teams. J. G. Stubbs (1916-23),

a very prominent member of the South London Harriers, added to his splendid list of cross-country honours by winning the Old Boys' Half-mile. The event, open to members of the Old Girls' Association, and now a relay race, for which a challenge cup is awarded, was won by Greens House.

There were a few outstanding performances in the programme, including one Senior who spent weeks of training for the Junior events. Paget, in the Junior events, again won the Cross-country Run from a good "field" in March, the Half-mile, and got a second place in the Quarter-mile—a plucky performance. One of our old School records has at last gone—that of the High Jump by P. Bigg in 1921. W. Slate now holds four records, viz.: The Junior High Jump (Inter-Schools, 1931) at Stamford Bridge, with 5ft. 1in.; the School Junior High Jump (1931), with 5ft. 2in.; the Junior Long Jump (1931), with 17ft. 1in.; and the High Jump (open) (1932), with 5ft. 5in. H. J. Hobbs, K. Lovell, S. Butler, K. Cushen—now members of the Old Boys' Association—A. Owers, M. Naish, G. Latham, G. Rignall, D. Marlborough and G. Mastin were other prominent competitors. H. J. Hobbs and K. Lovell were joint winners of the "Victor Ludorum" Cup, and L. Paget won the "Junior" Cup.

In the Girls' Athletic Sports special mention must be made of E. Flowers, L. Ray, W. Blenkinsop and M. Scarr. Cups for the championship of their respective groups were won by E. Flowers, T. Tagg, A. Hagger and B. Fraser.

There was some good material among the Juniors this year, and it is from their ranks that we are hopeful of getting recruits to regain from Stamford Bridge the two trophies which appeared in the School in 1922 and 1923. The more prominent names seem to be L. Paget, N. Ingle, E. Abbot, E. Sentance, D. Dyer, G. Renvoize, J. Lockwood, B. Benger, S. Perrin, P. Watkins, R. Spears and E. Palfreman.

Seven schools, represented by thirteen competitors, entered for the Quarter-mile Invitation Race, which was won by Osborne, of Minchenden School. This is now a popular event in the programme, as the running of these visiting competitors is always of a very high standard.

Mention of the finalists on Sports Day does not detract from the keenness and good performances of scores of other competitors who did not survive the preliminary heats. To cater for both the specialist and the occasional athlete it may be possible in the near future to try the interesting experiment of running all events on the team basis.

The "A. T. Warren" Challenge Cup, awarded for exemplary work in the School teams (cricket and football), was presented to S. F. Ingle. The Championship Cups, the "Vivian" (boys) and the "A. T. Warren" (girls), were won by the Red and White Houses respectively.

At the conclusion of the Sports the numerous trophies were presented by Mrs. Councillor C. M. Vandy, to whom the School and visitors gave a hearty vote of thanks.

EVENTS—BOYS.

- 1.—Cross-country Run (open), March, 1932 (The "Eddie Newman" Challenge Cup).—1, S. Butler; 2, K. Cushen; 3, K. Lovell. Team Results: 1, Black, 23 points; 2, Red, 28 points; 3, Blue, 35 points.
- 2.—Cross-country Run (Junior), March, 1932.—1, L. Paget; 2, N. Ingle; 3, E. A. Abbott. Team Results: 1, Black, 15 points; 2, Red, 45 points; 3, White, 86 points.
- 3.—One Mile (open), June, 1932.—1, K. Lovell; 2, G. Rignall; 3, S. Butler. Time, 5 mins. 28 $\frac{1}{2}$ secs.
- 4.—Throwing the Cricket Ball, June, 1932.—1, J. Hobbs; 2, J. Gutteridge; 3, L. Berry. Distance, 81 yards.
- 5.—Throwing the Cricket Ball (Junior), June, 1932.—1, E. Sentance; 2, J. Lockwood; 3, F. Raffaelli. Distance, 60 yds. 2ft. 1in.
- 6.—Long Jump (open), July, 1932 (The "Bigg" Challenge Cup).—1, J. Hobbs; 2, K. Lovell; 3, W. Slate. Distance, 17ft. 4in.
- 7.—Long Jump (Junior), June, 1932.—1, J. Lockwood; 2, E. Sentance. Distance, 15ft.
- 8.—Half-mile (open) (The "Geere" Challenge Cup).—1, K. Lovell; 2, K. Cushen; 3, S. Butler. Time, 2 mins. 23 secs.
- 9.—Tug-of-war (The "Stanley Wiggins" Challenge Cup).—1, Reds.
- 10.—120 yards Hurdles (under 16).—1, W. Slate; 2, G. Renvoize; 3, G. Mastin. Time, 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ secs.
- 11.—100 yards (Junior).—1, D. Dyer; 2, G. Renvoize. Time, 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ secs.
- 12.—100 yards (open) (The "Norman Leslie Day" Challenge Cup).—1, A. Owers; 2, D. Marlborough; 3, G. Latham. Time, 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ secs.
- 13.—High Jump (Junior).—1, G. Renvoize; 2, E. Sentance. Height, 4ft. 7in.
- 14.—220 yards (under 13).—1, S. Perrin; 2, R. Spears; 3, E. Palfreman. Time, 35 secs.
- 15.—100 yards (open) Handicap.—1, A. Owers; 2, D. Marlborough; 3, G. Latham.
- 16.—220 yards (open).—1, A. Owers; 2, J. Hobbs; 3, D. Marlborough. Time, 24 $\frac{1}{2}$ secs.
- 17.—Inter-House Relay (Junior): (4 laps of 220 yards).—1, Blue; 2, Black; 3, Red. Time, 1 min. 59 secs.
- 18.—220 yards (under 16).—1, R. Olley and W. Slate; 3, G. Latham. Time, 26 $\frac{1}{2}$ secs.
- 19.—120 yards Hurdles (open) (The "Hurdles" Challenge Cup).—1, J. Hobbs; 2, S. Butler; 3, M. Naish. Time, 18 $\frac{1}{2}$ secs.
- 20.—The Quarter-mile Invitation Race (The "Southgate County School" Challenge Cup).—1, Osborne (Minchenden School); 2, Skinner (Ealing County School); 3, Johnson (Chiswick County School). Time, 55 $\frac{1}{2}$ secs.
- 21.—Quarter-mile (open) (The "Old Boys" Challenge Cup).—1, K. Lovell; 2, S. Butler; 3, O. Lawton. Time, 57 $\frac{1}{2}$ secs.

- 22.—High Jump (open) (The "Bradshaw" Challenge Cup).—1, W. Slate; 2, M. Naish; 3, J. Hobbs. Height, 5ft. 5in. (record).
- 23.—220 yards (Junior).—1, D. Dyer; 2, B. Benger; 3, G. Renvoize. Time, 27½ secs. (equals record).
- 24.—100 yards (under 13).—1, P. Dyer; 2, S. Perrin; 3, P. Watkins. Time, 13 secs.
- 25.—Quarter-mile (Junior).—1, L. Paget; 2, B. Benger. Time, 1 min. 4 secs.
- 26.—Old Boys' Half-mile (The "Broomfield" Challenge Cup).—1, J. Stubbs (1916-23); 2, W. Harman (1925-30); 3, S. Downer (1923-29). Time, 2 mins. 5½ secs.
- 27.—Half-mile (Junior).—1, L. Paget; 2, J. Brunton; 3, D. Gihl. Time, 2 mins. 40 secs.
- 28.—Inter-House Relay (open) and the Old Boys' Relay (880 yards, 220 yards, 220 yards, 440 yards) (The "Finlayson" Challenge Cup).—1, Old Boys; Time, 4 mins. 24½ secs. 2, Red; Time, 4 mins. 32½ secs. 3, Black. 4, Blue.

GIRLS.

- 1.—High Jump.—A: 1, L. Ray; 2, V. Pavitt, B. Hale. Height, 4ft. 4in.
B: 1, W. Blenkinsop; 2, F. Winch; 3, T. Tagg, J. Lamb.
C: 1, E. Cox; 2 M. Heybourne, A. Hagger. Height, 4ft. 2in.
D: 1, M. Clark, R. Philpott; 3, B. Pruden. Height, 3ft. 6in.
- 2.—Tennis Service Competition.—
A: 1, E. Flowers; 2, M. Scarr; 3, G. Baldwin, C. Davis.
B: 1, F. Winch; 2, I. Eason; 3, D. Thorn, J. Appleby.
C: 1, A. Reed, B. Leech; 3, P. Hinton, M. Disbey.
D: 1, B. Watts; 2, B. Fraser, M. Crane.
- 3.—100 yards.—
A: 1, E. Flowers; 2, V. Pavitt; 3, L. Ray.
B: 1, T. Tagg; 2, J. Lamb; 3, W. Blenkinsop.
C: 1, I. Reid, A. Hagger; 3, E. Cox.
D: 1, M. Woodbridge; 2, B. Fraser; 3, M. Gay.
- 4.—Long Jump.—
A: 1, E. Flowers; 2, M. Woollaston, L. Ray. 14ft. 1in.
B: 1, W. Blenkinsop; 2, J. Evans; 3, M. Evans. 13ft. 5in.
C: 1, J. Brown; 2, A. Hagger, S. Attwood. 13ft. 5in.
D: 1, B. Fraser; 2, E. Smith; 3, M. Gay. 12ft. 7½in.
- 5.—Inter-House Relay.—
A (Seniors): 1, White; 2, Green. The "Mistresses" Challenge Cup.
B (Juniors): 1, White; 2, Red. The "Prefects" Challenge Cup.
- 6.—Sack Race.—
A: 1, P. Wright; 2, M. Jackson; 3, M. Woollaston.
B: 1, J. Evans; 2, D. Hoyle; 3, T. Tagg, M. Evans.
C: 1, O. Stone; 2, A. Hagger; 3, H. South.
D: 1, K. Fielder; 2, M. Gay; 3, H. Parr, R. Philpott.
- 7.—Old Girls' Relay (Inter-House) (The "Old Girls" Challenge Cup).—1, Greens.

8.—100 yards (open) (The "Marjorie Kindon" Challenge Cup).
—1, E. Flowers.

9.—Potato Race.—

- A: 1, E. Flowers; 2, J. Hollins; 3, L. Ray.
B: 1, T. Tagg; 2, J. Lamb; 3, D. Thorn.
C: 1, H. Smith; 2, I. Reid; 3, P. Hinton.
D: 1, E. Smith, E. Old; 3, B. Whitmore, M. Gay.

10.—Egg and Spoon Race.—

- A: 1, V. Pavitt; 2, M. Harris; 3, J. Ennals.
B: 1, O. Cotton; 2, D. Hoyle; 3, P. Filby.
C: 1, I. Austin; 2, J. Brown; 3, J. Holding.
D: 1, S. Fisher; 2, E. Colloway; 3, P. Haywood.

INTER-SCHOOLS (MIDDLESEX) ATHLETIC MEETING.

Stamford Bridge, July, 1932.

- (a) Senior Team: H. J. Hobbs (220 yards, Long Jump, *Relay),
A. Owers (*100 yards), K. Lovell (*440 yards, 880 yards,
*Relay), S. Butler (One Mile, *Relay), W. Slate (*High
Jump, *Relay).
(b) Junior Team: L. Paget (880 yards), D. Dyer (*100 yards,
*220 yards, *Relay), G. Renvoize (High Jump, *Relay),
J. Lockwood (Long Jump), B. Bengier (*Relay).

* Standard Certificates awarded.

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FOOTBALL 1931 - 32

The School XI.'s played very creditably this season. Although the results do not seem to justify this statement, numerous injuries to members of both elevens made a regular combination difficult. At the beginning of the season both teams were comparatively new, due to the departure from the school of many of the outstanding players of the previous season. However, the teams soon combined very well, and looked like having a very successful season when they suffered from the loss of Conolly, Norris, Hornby, Knudson and Atkinson. The teams consequently had to be re-arranged, only to be shuffled again and again on occasions of indisposition of injured members. The teams, however, combined well under these difficult conditions, but the climax came when Cushen, who had been playing excellently hitherto, sprained his thumb in a particularly vigorous game, thus putting himself out of action for the remainder of the season. Robertson left almost immediately, and the first eleven was left with a weakened defence and attack. It is only fair to add that the poor record of the second eleven is due to the first eleven drawing on its members to fill the gaps caused by successive absences of first eleven members.

RESULTS.

First XI.—Played 18, Won 9, Lost 8, Drawn 1, Goals for 81, Goals against 65.

Team selected from :—

Forwards.—J. Robertson, H. Rance, S. Ingle (Captain), M. Taylor, L. Conolly, W. High, D. Tyler.

Defence.—A. Mills, J. Doughty, K. Lovell, R. Holloway, W. Slate, J. Norris, K. Cushen, H. J. Hobbs, K. Knudson.

Chief Goal Scorers.—S. Ingle (30), J. Robertson (16), H. Rance (16).

Second XI.—Played 17, Won 2, Lost 15, Goals for 36, Goals against 104.

Team selected from :—

Forwards.—A. Hall, W. High, N. Hornby, A. Owers, O. Lawton, N. Ingle, S. Leach, H. Rance, R. Ewin.

Defence.—F. Wood, N. Atkinson, N. Spoor, T. Mobbs (Captain), W. Slate, D. Harper, F. Elkington, K. Knudson, T. Hare.

Chief Goal Scorers.—D. Tyler (8), W. High (7), O. Lawton (6).

Analysis of Results—

	<i>First Eleven.</i>		<i>Second Eleven.</i>	
	<i>Home.</i>	<i>Away.</i>	<i>Home.</i>	<i>Away.</i>
Tollington County .	Draw 3-3	Lost 2-7	Lost 4-5	Lost 1-9
Glendale County	Won 5-3	Won 5-2	Won 6-0	Lost 1-2
Finchley County ..	—	Won 3-2	Lost 4-6	—
Trinity County	Won 23-1	—	—	Lost 2-9
Edmonton County ...	Lost 4-5	—	Lost 1-7	Lost 3-4
Enfield Grammar ...	Lost 4-5	Lost 0-9	Lost 2-5	Lost 0-7
Minchenden Secondary	Lost 0-2	Won 6-1	Won 2-1	Lost 1-5
Hackney Downs	Won 3-0	Lost 1-6	Lost 2-9	Lost 2-5
St. Ignatius	—	Lost 3-5	Lost 2-4	—
Parmiters School ...	Won 6-1	Won 5-3	Lost 0-5	Lost 0-5
Latymer	Won 5-1	Lost 3-9	Lost 2-8	Lost 1-8

The House Matches were again won by the Black House with six points, Reds, Blues and Whites each gaining two points.

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DRAMATIC SOCIETY NOTES.

Looking back and reviewing all that has taken place at Southgate County School since the last issue of this Magazine, it can be felt with justifiable pride and satisfaction that the year has been one of progress. This element of progress has certainly been the outstanding feature of the recent work of the Dramatic Society.

The activities of the Society were first engaged upon the production of "Wayside War," a one-act play by Margaret Napier, for the Christmas Prize-giving concert. This was the second time that the Society had produced a Christmas Play, and to prove that it is a growing organisation, a performance was given on each of the prize-giving evenings instead of the one performance of the previous year. The two performances were achieved without serious hitch, despite the unavoidable defection of an important

member of the cast, at the last minute, owing to a sharp attack of influenza.

It is not permitted to the writer of these notes to judge whether "Wayside War" was a success or not—the reader will have his or her private opinion about that. But the Society conclusively demonstrated that its standard had at least not fallen on the previous year by going to the Enfield Musical Festival in January and once more bringing the Dramatic Cup back to the School. The scene chosen and presented was the "Marriage of Petruchio," from the "Taming of the Shrew." This was the second consecutive occasion on which the Society has taken the Cup, and it will not fail to make every effort to achieve this success yet again in 1933.

The progress of the Society is further displayed by the fact that it is now tackling the many difficulties of Bernard Shaw's "Arms and the Man." The production is due early in December. As they did not come from his pen, the present writer ventures to quote the concluding sentences from last year's notes:—

"The only complaint made by the Dramatic Society is that it is ambitious to do more than at present, i.e. December, 1931, and hopes in the near future to present a full evening's performance. We have the talent and the enthusiasm—we need only the opportunity."

This opportunity was granted, and the Society has immediately demonstrated its *ambition* by selecting as its author "Shaw," who, himself in one of his prefaces, declares that his works are unplayable; it has very vigorously demonstrated its *enthusiasm* by undertaking to prepare the play in less than four months; and the Society is confident that the cast of "Arms and the Man" will have proved before this reaches the readers' hands that it has *talent*.

It is with regret that the Society records the loss of four prominent members: Joan Ennals, R. Ewin, R. Holloway and T. Mobbs. The good wishes of the Society follow them wherever they may be.

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THE VERSE SPEAKING CHOIRS.

The above plural is no printer's error, for, in addition to the original Verse Speaking Choir which, like the brook, goes on for ever, several offspring came into being during the Spring and Summer Terms. This was due to the enthusiasm of the then Second Forms, who responded splendidly to the challenge of the Enfield and Polytechnic Festivals, and sent no less than three choirs into the field, one consisting of boys only. In spite of their short period of training they did remarkably well.

The Verse Speaking Choir proper continued its activities throughout the Winter and Spring Terms, and presented a programme of lyric and ballad items at the Christmas Concerts, though the limited time at our disposal rather cramped our style.

The Choirs all entered for the Enfield Festival, the Second Forms doing very well again, and the "Squeakers" carrying off

the cup. This coveted prize we have tried for years to win, and it is our job to see that we bring it back again next March, if we can.

Several drama groups were formed, five in all; one consisting of 36 boys, presented scenes from the Midsummer Night's Dream and the Merchant of Venice, and all did well in the drama contest at Enfield. However, we willingly ceded first place to the Dramatic Society, whose spirited rendering of the marriage from the Taming of the Shrew deservedly won the cup.

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THE CRUISE.

About 11 o'clock on the night of August 2nd, some twelve of us left Palmers Green Station for King's Cross. The rest of the party joined us *en route*, and we arrived at King's Cross expectant and still cheerful. This cheerfulness lasted about an hour, after which it was found almost impossible to sleep, even on the rack. We were left on a siding at Immingham for an hour, and finally embarked about 8 o'clock on the "Neuralia."

There was naturally some confusion at first, with 900 people on a strange ship, all seeking to discover mess-tables, sleeping-quarters, emergency stations, cooks' galley, wash-house, and half-a-dozen other places at the same time. Eventually some of us contrived to eat some breakfast, though we felt in need of sleep more than food, and the rest of the day was spent on deck.

That night we had our first (in most cases) experience of sleeping in hammocks, and also (in most cases) found it not unpleasant. Our sleep was rudely disturbed, however, about four o'clock by what seemed to be an endless procession of early risers, on their way to the wash place. Most of us were on deck in time to see the most easterly Frisian Islands and the sands mentioned in the "Riddle of the Sands," and we passed Cuxhaven to enter Brunsbuttelkoog about breakfast time. The trip through the Kiel Canal was quite interesting, and the sight of land cheered us greatly.

Holtenau was reached about five o'clock, and after being swindled by chocolate and cigarette vendors on the quay, we steamed into Kiel Fjord, where some German warships were at target practice. The danger of our position (about two miles behind the target) gave us a pleasant thrill, and later the largest warship was seen to be signalling to us. The night was cold and the cocoa was extremely welcome for supper, but the ship's biscuit proved too much for the majority of us.

A breakfast of sausages and mash, kippers and eggs and bacon put us into a good humour the next day, and the first rounds of some of the deck games were played off, in all of which we were utterly victorious. All this day was spent at sea, the only sight of land being the islands of Gotland and Oland. The weather was wonderful; cloudless skies and a pleasant breeze to counteract the heat, a calm sea (although this did not deter some people from feeling, if not actually being, ill), and the wet and

dry canteens both did a record trade. It was estimated that a dozen gross of bottles of lemonade and ginger beer were sold daily.

The next morning we woke early and found ourselves well in Stockholm Fjord. Cameras were immediately brought out and were in constant use for the rest of the day. We were received at the magnificent Town Hall, and after that we split up into parties, and roamed about the town. During a violent rain storm our party took shelter in a café where we had what seemed to us the best meal we had had for years. After this we went round the vegetable market, met an Englishman, ate enormous quantities of "Eskimo Pie," and the uninitiated among us scattered the paper impartially all over Stockholm. We learnt afterwards that this was an offence almost as terrible as walking on the grass, and by doing it we had let the British Nation down. Stockholm is undoubtedly a wonderfully clean city, and its public gardens, lakes and innumerable bridges give it a very pleasant aspect.

Our departure was triumphal. Eskimo Pie vendors once more did a roaring trade, and while we waited nearly two hours for two or three people who had lost themselves, we treated the inhabitants to some community singing, while they intoned responses in no uncertain manner. We left about 7.30, and all the way down the Fjord we whistled and sang and shouted to the hundreds of rowing and motor-boats which passed us. There are cafés on several of the islands in the Fjord, and the many coloured lights in these and on the small boats produced a delightfully fairy-like effect. We went to bed that night feeling that life was not so bad really.

After this day we all began to take a new interest in affairs; deck sports, a concert, and talented nocturnal entertainments by one of our party all combining to blot out the memory of those first days, so that when we reached Copenhagen, with the eyes of Denmark upon us, we thoroughly enjoyed a three-hour trip round the town in charr-a-banc. This occupied all the morning, and after dinner on the boat we marched in fours along the main streets to the Town Hall, where we were officially welcomed and supplied with light refreshments. There were more speeches, and then we were let loose in the Tivoli Gardens, where we rode on switchbacks and made ourselves merry generally. We then marched back to the boat, singing occasionally, and accompanied by thousands of the inhabitants, most of whom had bicycles. Arrived on the boat we once more sang to about five or six thousand people on the quay who, however, did not reply. And so we left Copenhagen at nightfall.

Gothenburg was our next port of call, and we were in the Fjord by the time we woke up. Gothenburg is Sweden's second town, and its shipbuilding activity is plainly seen (and heard) from the yards, which abound for miles along the Fjord. The town did not impress us greatly; it had no splendid buildings like those of Stockholm, and the only attraction was the pleasure park,

where we created a new record of remaining on the "Human Roulette Wheel."

Our departure was not so well attended as the two previous ones had been. That night we experienced the only approach to a rough sea throughout the voyage, and the extent of the damage done was the damping of a hammock by a wave which came through a porthole. The next morning Oslo was reached, and after eating horse in a restaurant inappropriately named "Old Heidelberg," we all travelled by electric railway to Frogner-seteren, 1,536 feet above sea level, where another free tea was given us, and where cameras were busy for a considerable time, for the scenery was splendid, and we had a view over the entire city and its fjord.

On our return to the city we embarked without delay on a shopping expedition, and, aided by Anglo-German and the brilliantly executed if not very successful dumb show of one of our party (who fortunately had not got left behind that time) we managed to obtain what we wanted. We then decided to spend what remained of our money on ice-cream sodas, and this we did, but the subsequent hurry to the ship nearly finished one of us, while another was unable to take part in any of the sports next day.

In retrospect, a pleasant voyage, with Oslo as the bright spot. The things which will remain longest in the memory are Eskimo Pie, the refreshments at Copenhagen, the scenery at Oslo, the cry, "Where's George?" and the last night on board, which was marked by a brilliant exhibition of knife-throwing and juggling by our Sixth Form, and the anticipation of a raid, which did not come off.

We left Oslo the next morning, and on waking found that we were still in the Fjord. All this day and the next we spent at sea, during which time we were treated to exhibitions of agility and seamanship by the Lascar crew, and the finals of the deck games were played off. Nothing eventful happened until we ran into rain off the Dogger Bank. The next morning we landed at Immingham, and the trepidations of those who had brought dutiable articles were allayed by the inefficient examination of the authorities. A rush for the train ensued, during which most of us were separated. The journey did not take so long as the outward one, and we arrived at King's Cross at 2 p.m.

Altogether a very enjoyable holiday.

R. JONES, 6b Commercial.

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THE SCHOOL ORCHESTRA.

During the past year the School Orchestra had made a distinct advance, and may now be said to have regained the standard it had reached three or four years ago when a more than usually large number of the better players had to leave. All school institutions are liable to suffer in this way, but we are hoping to guard against future set-backs by trying to get younger members of the School to take up an orchestral instrument. In this con-

nection we would remind parents that, thanks to the generosity of the Parents' and Staff Association, the orchestra possesses a number of instruments which will be lent to any pupil whose parent undertakes to see that instruction is provided. At the moment volunteers are wanted to learn the flute, the cornet and the double bass. The progress made by the boys who have taken up the clarinet and the cornet is most encouraging.

Since the last School Concert the Orchestra has provided music at the Parents' and Staff Association meeting in February, and part of the Orchestra helped with the music in the "Gondoliers" in March. This season promises to be a busy one. At the moment we are preparing the music to be played at the Dramatic Society's performance of "Arms and the Man," and are at the same time rehearsing for the annual School Concert at the end of the term.

Once again we have to thank the Parents' and Staff Association for a grant which this time has enabled us to buy some much-needed metal music-stands, and to have our tubular bells—out of action for some years owing to the alteration in standard pitch—returned.

The following have played in the Orchestra during the past year :

Violins.—Joan Bassett, B. Stutter, E. Goddard, Doreen Tucker, Barbara Medhurst, E. Harris, Winnie Hamer, G. Tucker, Mary Duck, K. Allen, Hilda Schroder, D. Tipple, P. Clayton.

Viola.—D. Ward, H. Tait.

Cello.—D. Morpeth, Mr. Auger, Mrs. Everard.

Flute.—L. Sterne.

Clarinet.—J. M. Naish.

Cornet.—F. Raffaelli.

Piano.—W. Slate, S. Godman.

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SOUTHGATE COUNTY OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION.

President—T. Everard, Esq.

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Hon. Treasurer—J. Jeffrey, Jr., 125 Fox Lane, Palmers Green, N.13.

In the 1931 issue of this Magazine it was hinted that all was not well in the affairs of the Old Boys' Association, and after Christmas last year matters went from bad to worse, so much so that at the end of the financial year in March last the Committee were faced with the largest deficit on the year's workings in the history of the Association, and a position about as bad, financially and otherwise, as it possibly could be.

The matter was discussed, in and out of committee, until it seemed that there could be no other subject of conversation. It was suggested that the apathy of the members was ample proof that the Association was not wanted and that the only thing to do was to disband.

The Committee were strongly opposed to this, and it was decided, after a very helpful consultation with Mr. Everard, to let the notice convening the Annual General Meeting take the form of a strongly worded appeal to all Old Boys, whether members of the Association or not. The future of the Association rested entirely on the response to that appeal.

The meeting was held on 27th April, and the Committee were rewarded with a record attendance of between seventy and eighty. The many suggestions put forward by the retiring Committee secured unanimous support, and this meeting definitely marks the beginning of a new era in the history of the Association.

The Committee have now a definite object for which to work, and that is the purchase of a fully-equipped Sports Ground to house all the activities of Southgate County Old Boys and Old Girls. We realise that the age of miracles is now past and that these things are not obtained in a day, but in two or three years we hope to be in a position seriously to contemplate such a purchase.

The Committee realise that a large and steady annual income is essential, and increased membership becomes a necessity. In this connection we have done wonderfully well this year. Sixty new members have been secured, chiefly through the efforts of Mr. Everard, Mr. Paull and the Treasurer, Mr. Jeffrey, jun. In addition to this, several members who had allowed their subscriptions to lapse have returned to the fold, and we now have an active membership of 250. We have started a Life Membership scheme, and already have five Life Members.

The Old Boys' Cricket Club, hitherto a separate entity, has agreed to join forces with the Association and to work for the common good of all Old Boys. The Football Club has been reformed after a lapse of five or six years and has made a very encouraging start this season. In conjunction with the Old Girls' Association, the Southgate Old Scholars' Dramatic Society has been founded and is looking forward to a successful debut early in the New Year.

Our activities since April last have been attended by highly gratifying results. On June 18th of this year the School and the Old Boys were in opposition on the cricket field, and on the same afternoon a Tennis Tournament on the School courts, open to scholars, staff and old pupils, was carried through. An interesting match and an equally interesting and successful tournament were followed in the evening by an informal dance in the School Hall, the result of which, both socially and financially, was very gratifying to the organisers.

At the School Sports the Old Boys, for the first time for some years, did not let the School down. The Old Boys' Cup was again won by J. G. Stubbs, and a relay race between the various School Houses and the Old Boys provided a really excellent event.

This winter we have resumed Club Nights without the attraction of Badminton, to the playing of which the School Hall is entirely unfitted (or should it be over-fitted?). However, the Hall is now used as our Club Room, and the purchase of two

table tennis tables and one or two other attractive games has proved so successful that the attendance figures bid fair to set up new records this winter.

The Association is now in a very sound position. We, the Committee, feel that we are on the crest of a wave and we want to maintain this satisfactory state of affairs. Therefore we appeal to fellows still at school to join us when they leave, to maintain and strengthen the pleasant associations formed in their school days, to make new friendships amongst men whose lives were moulded in the same workshop as theirs, and, last but not least, to do their bit to make the Southgate County Old Boys' Association really worthy of the School whose name it bears.

TREASURER'S APPEAL!

I have been very heartened by the way in which members have this year paid their subscriptions to me. I have been stopped in the street and been offered the money; fellows have called round to pay off their liability, and others have sent me a remittance as soon as their subscriptions fell due.

But others have not been so thoughtful. I have managed to extract the money from most of those fellows I have come across since April last, but there still remain several members who have not responded to the call and who have ignored several notices sent to them.

Is this playing the game? It is not fair either to the Association or to me. It should not be a Treasurer's job to have to see personally each individual in order to get subscriptions. He occupies his position at the wish of, and on behalf of, the members, whose duty it is to aid him by sending their subscriptions to him when they fall due.

The Association badly needs money this year. We are expanding rapidly, and though things will right themselves by the end of the year, we on the Committee are prevented from doing our best for the Association and its members by the lack of support from roughly one-third of those who enjoy the privileges of membership.

Therefore, fellows, "What about it?" I earnestly appeal to all defaulters to do their bit, and I shall be glad to receive all subscriptions before the end of this year. It's up to you!

EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS FROM ABROAD.

FROM D. C. BEAN IN MONTREAL.

"So far as tennis is concerned the season here is almost ended, and even the hard courts close on 10th October, as there are heavy frosts at night and generally pretty poor weather. Some of Canada's Davis Cup Team play at my Club from time to time. The inter-club competitions are very hotly contested and a lot of artificial light tournaments played.

"So far as business is concerned, I am at a loss to decide whether it is better or worse than last year. Enquiries and 'prospects' are several times more numerous this year, but actual tonnage is less to date compared with the figure this time last year, and I cannot see last year's total even approached. There is practically no private enterprise, very little city work, and not much Government construction. The Federal Government, who would normally do a lot of dock work, etc., are spending small sums in various localities in order to produce the maximum effect (politically) with a minimum of expenditure.

"I believe things are definitely on the up-grade—though everyone said that a year ago—at least so far as trade of a general nature between Canada and Britain is concerned. So far this country has been very fortunate in many ways, for it experienced times of prosperity while at home we were in a continuous state of 'depression' after the War, and the crash was not felt here to nearly the same extent as in the States. On the other hand, any upward movement at this time of the year in Canada is completely offset by a winter of seven long and hard months."

OLD BOYS' CRICKET REPORT.

SEASON 1932.

Although weather was generally more favourable, it is a curious fact that of 33 matches arranged, five were scratched owing to rain and one was abandoned. Ten matches of this total were won, fifteen lost and two drawn.

These results are disappointing after the promise of the two previous seasons, and are due to unaccountable loss of form by several of the batsmen and unreliable fielding. On occasions, notably the evening game against Hornsey, brilliant fielding won the game; on many others dropped catches lost it.

The teams defeated included Old Glendalians, East London College, Harlesden, Hornsey, Hays Wharf, and Potters Bar. The most enjoyable games were probably those against Southgate played in the evening. On each occasion Southgate turned out strong elevens, and although we came nowhere near beating them as we did in 1930, we put up a decent show in the second game. In the first we ran up against some extraordinary bowling by McIldowie, the Southgate fast bowler, who took 4 wickets in 5 balls. The following Saturday he secured all ten wickets against Barnet, all clean bowled; so we failed in good company!

Most prominent amongst the batsmen were H. G. Boreham, M. Brisbane, F. R. Stubbs, H. Norman and R. P. Laws. S. J. Hill easily headed the bowling averages, and he received useful support from M. Brisbane, S. Smith, H. Boreham and H. Hobbs. F. R. Stubbs, as usual, kept wicket brilliantly and consistently all through the season, and the most useful newcomer was H. Norman, a good batsman, brilliant fieldsman and change bowler. Boreham was easily the most consistent batsman, although the best batting came from M. Brisbane, who was at times brilliant,

especially when he scored a magnificent 80 out of a total of 160 against Hays Wharf. Several members of the School XI., turned out for us in the holiday games and showed good form, especially S. Ingle.

We shall be losing several of our members, who are leaving the district, this year. We hope that anybody who was in either of the School XI.'s will join us, as half-a-dozen new members would not be too many. Please get in touch with the Hon. Secretary, S. Smith, 88 Warwick Road, New Southgate, N.11.

P. W. RUSH, Match Secretary.

OLD BOYS' FOOTBALL CLUB.

The hope expressed in the School Magazine for December, 1928, has had to wait nearly four years for its fulfilment, but it is very gratifying to be able to report that the Football Club has not only been re-formed but has made a very auspicious start. At the time of writing its First Eleven stands at the top of its Division in the Secondary Schools Old Boys' League—by a small margin it is true; but there it is.

A well-attended preliminary meeting held in May under the chairmanship of Mr. J. R. Allen, whose interest in local sport is a by-word, and who has for many years taken an active interest in the Old Boys' Cricket Club, unanimously decided that a football club in connection with the Old Boys' Association should be formed. The meeting elected as Temporary Honorary Secretary E. G. Greenwood (1925-31), who had taken a leading part in the games activities of the School and was therefore well known to all the footballers who had left school in the last few years, and gave him a committee of four to assist him, with Mr. Allen as chairman.

A ground was eventually secured at West Pole Farm, Southgate, and with the assurance of a sufficient membership to run at least two teams, two teams were entered in the Secondary Schools Old Boys' League.

The first General Meeting of the Club was held on the 8th July, when the following officers were elected for the season 1932-3:—President, Mr. T. Everard; Chairman, Mr. J. R. Allen; Honorary Secretary, E. G. Greenwood; Honorary Treasurer, H. M. Norman.

The election of the Committee, Captains and Vice-captains was left to a date nearer the commencement of the season, when the positions were filled thus:—Captain, J. F. Smyth; Vice-captain, G. H. Parkinson; Reserve XI. Captain, P. W. Rush; Reserve XI. Vice-captain, R. R. McLean; Committee, Messrs. McLean, Day and Parkinson, with C. W. Dean to represent the parent body.

Unforeseen circumstances at one time made it appear that we had been too sanguine in our hopes of running two League teams, but an influx of members almost at the last moment averted disaster and greatly relieved the mind of a very worried Secretary. After two trial games a good start was made on 24th

September, when the 1st XI. won their first League match by defeating Latymer Old Boys' Reserves by 7-1, and subsequent matches have proved that this was not a mere flash-in-the-pan. The Reserve team have not been so successful, but we look forward confidently to the time when they will have "got together" and be at the top of their Division of the League.

There are two matters we want to impress upon the School. First, that all boys playing in the School teams should make a point of joining the Old Boys' Club when they leave. Only by this means can the Club hope to obtain the necessary influx of members, and maintain, not to say improve, its status. Secondly, that the Old Boys will welcome your presence in strength at their matches—a fixture list is on the School Notice Board.

Come and shout for the Old Boys on Saturday afternoons! And play for them when you leave!!

Applications for membership will be welcomed by E. G. Greenwood, 96 Maidstone Road, New Southgate, N.11. Telephone: Palmers Green 4161.

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THE SOUTHGATE OLD SCHOLARS' DRAMATIC SOCIETY.

The inaugural meeting of the above Society was held at the School on the 19th September last. Mr. T. Everard took the chair, and the following officials were elected for the ensuing year:—

President: Mr. T. Everard.

Business Manager: Dudley H. Owen.

Producer: May Cawkwell.

Joint Secretary and Treasurer: G. Tippett.

Committee: Mildred Barnes, Elsie Rintoull, R. McLean.

The Society are producing "9.45," a mystery thriller, by Owen Davies and Sewell Collins, at the School, on January 20th and 21st, 1933.

Will anyone interested in the work of the Society please communicate with G. Tippett, Lindon, Cat Hill, East Barnet.

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SWIMMING (GIRLS).

In spite of a few disappointments the School has enjoyed a successful swimming year.

The School Sports, which were held this year in conjunction with the Boys' Section, were keenly contested in spite of the cold and rainy weather. The Blues won the Challenge Cup with 109 points, the Reds obtained 80 points, the Whites 76 and the Greens 60.

The North Middlesex Gala again proved to be most exciting. The Senior Team (Grace Baldwin, Joyce Glasgo, Lorna Ray, Doreen Tucker, Dorothea Motley) won the Senior Shield, obtain-

ing first place in team race and breast stroke, and were placed in the first three for all the other events. In the Combined Gala of the North and South Middlesex Secondary Schools, held at Great Smith Street Baths, Southgate was placed first, special successes being team race second, breast stroke first (Lorna Ray) and diving first (Dorothea Motley tie with Minchenden). The Junior Team (Margaret Smith, Lavinia Collison, Hilda Palfreman, Daphne Heslop) were not so highly placed. However, considering their ages, they did very well, and with practice and experience should bring success to the School next year.

We were fortunate in having the services of Mr. Brickett as coach, although the attendances were somewhat disappointing. If we are to win the Howard Button Trophy and Junior Shield next year, we must take full advantage of the tuition given and work hard.

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SWIMMING (BOYS)

The arctic weather that usually characterises the beginning of the English Summer was well in evidence at the beginning of this season, and consequently interest in swimming did not become at all general till long after the beginning of the Summer Term. There were, of course, the few hardy enthusiasts who swim in the open baths throughout the winter; they turned up as usual at the beginning of the term; but beginners this year were noticeably reluctant to come forward and be taught to swim even when the weather conditions became kinder. Comment was made under this heading last year that more non-swimmers ought to try to learn to swim; and during the past year the response from non-swimmers was most disappointing. Many members of the Second Forms, whilst frankly admitting that they could not swim, made no effort to come and learn. It is to be hoped that now they are in the Third Forms they will realise that everybody should be able to swim. It is also to be hoped that the new Second Forms will show somewhat more enterprise than their immediate predecessors.

During the summer, for the first time, swimming matches were arranged with another school. Tollington were the victims, and both the matches, the first at Wood Green Baths, and the second at Barrowell Green, were won by a comfortable margin.

The Swimming Gala this year was completely different from previous galas, for the boys held their events on the same afternoon as the girls, events taking place as far as possible alternately. No particularly outstanding performances were recorded, but the main features were the success of the Whites, who won easily by 46½ points to the 21 of their nearest rivals, and the relay race held against the girls; swimming five lengths to the girls' four, the boys only just failed to catch up. The School Championship race for the quarter-mile Cup was won by J. Sweeney and seven other competitors finished in standard time.

At the North Middlesex Secondary Schools' Swimming Association Gala on September 27th, the senior boys were out-classed by stronger and, in some cases, older teams, but the junior boys were most unlucky not to win the Junior Shield. The result was in doubt until the last race, the breast-stroke race, when our nearest opponents, getting their competitors into third place, secured a two-point lead over Southgate—29-27.

The Junior Relay Team and various individual competitors, notably Ney, who swam very well all through the season, qualified at Wood Green to take part in the combined gala of all the Secondary Schools in Middlesex. This was held at Great Smith Street Baths, Westminster, on October 7th, and at this we were less successful, the longer bath apparently suiting our rivals more than us. Nevertheless, considering that 26 schools were concerned in this and the two eliminating galas, it is a distinctly creditable effort to gain third place in the Junior Dive (P. Ney), second in the Junior One-length Race (P. Ney), and fourth in the Junior Relay. This promises well for next year's senior swimming.

The following teams, all of whom swam with the greatest keenness during the year, represented the School in the various matches and galas:—

Senior.—M. Ryan (captain), R. Shearer, N. R. Wright, J. Sweeney, F. M. Elkington.

Junior.—P. Ney, G. A. Renvoize, M. V. Grant, J. McAlonan, E. Sentance.

Of these, special mention should be made of Ryan, who worked very hard both at matches and at galas, and was most unfortunate not to secure a place in any representative race.

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TENNIS, 1932.

First Couple—Grace Baldwin (Vice-Captain), Eileen Flowers (Captain).

Second Couple.—Doreen Tucker, Lorna Ray.

Third Couple—Chosen from Joan de Bary, Mollie Simpson, Violet Stockton.

During the early weeks of the Summer Term, bad weather interfered with all grass court tennis, just at a time when hard practice is so essential for all teams. As Southgate is one of the very few County Schools in the district without a hard court at school, the team started the season at a great disadvantage, and felt this especially so when playing outside matches against schools more fortunately placed. However, in spite of this handicap, the school managed to have a very enjoyable season. The team played several matches, and although they did not win the final honours, at least they can claim that their opponents had to fight hard for the few winning games as the majority of the matches were lost by a very narrow margin.

This year, for the second time, the Fairfield Challenge Bowl was won by Minchenden Secondary School, who beat Southgate

by two matches to one. The School was very disappointed that the Rose Bowl was not retrieved, but it is to be hoped that next year's team will bring it back to Southgate County School, when it will be even better appreciated for its absence of two years.

House Match results.—Whites, 1st; Blues, 2nd; Reds, 3rd; Greens, 4th.

Results of Tournaments played during term:—Singles: Lower V., Olive Stone. Doubles: Forms 4, Vera Leech and Violet Stockton. Doubles: Forms 3, Joan Holding and Vera Lawson.

The School Championship and tennis racquet, presented by the parent of a former student, were won by Violet Stockton. The runner-up, Eileen Flowers, received half-a-dozen tennis balls.

This year a party of nine girls accompanied by Miss Simmonds, went to Wimbledon. They were fortunate in securing a very good position overlooking Court 1, and saw among other players, E. Vines, Helen Wills Moody, Betty Nuthall, P. D. B. Spence and Kathleen Stammers. It is to be hoped that such a visit to Wimbledon will become a yearly event, and that the example set by these players will inspire the School to better efforts in the future.

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NOTES AND QUOTES. "THE HARVEST OF A QUIET EYE"

APROPOS "THE GONDOLIERS," MARCH, 1932.

The Verdict.—This is our masterpiece; we cannot think to go beyond this. (Ben Jonson. "Volpone.")

The Duchess of Plaza-Toro.—Hath not my gait in it the measure of the court? ("Winter's Tale.")

The Duke of Plaza-Toro.—Beshrew me; he clowns it properly indeed. (B. Jonson. "Everyman in his Humour.")

Don Alhambra.—I call him Crichton for he seemed all perfect, finished to the finger nails. (Tennyson. "Edwin Morris.")

Audience.—Their faces wore a rapt expression, as if sweet music were in the air around them. (Hawthorne. "Hall of Fantasy.")

Gondolieri.—Song men all and very good ones. ("Winter's Tale.")

Casilda.—I am sublimed: gross earth, support me not: I walk on air. (Massinger. "City Madam.")

The Producer (Mr. Knowl-s).—The difficulties of his task had been almost insuperable, and his performance seemed to me a real feat of magic. (Henry James. "Transatlantic Sketches.")

Verse Speaking Choir.—Few in millions can speak like us. (Tempest.)

Kr-g-r. 6 a.—The complete amateur astronomer.

Twinkle, twinkle, little star
I don't wonder what you are,
What you are I know quite well,
And your component parts can tell.

General Knowledge.—What passage do these lines parody?
Homework is too much with us, late and soon
Grinding and swotting, we waste the precious hours.

Recruit to School Orchestra.—

Amid the strings his fingers strayed
And an uncertain warbling made.

(Scott, "Lay of L.M.")

H-R.—A safe and well kept goal is the foundation of all good play.
("Tom Brown's School Days.")

D-x 2c.—(He) is spherical, like a globe. (C. of E.)

F-st-r (late 6 Commerce).—Neither do thou lust after that tawny
weed tobacco. (B. Jonson.)

C-nt-ll.—His tallness seemed to threaten the skye. (Spenser, F. Q.)

Advice to Speakers at Prize Distribution.—Pray ye, be short,
good friends; the time is precious. (Fletcher. "Spanish
Curate.")

Scene in either Staff Common Room; time, morning break.—

The bubbling and loud hissing urn
Throws up a steamy column and the cups
That cheer but not inebriate wait on each.

(Cowper. "Task.")

*Scene—The Library. May 12th. Mr. Radcliffe examines Oral
French.*—Gods defend me! what multitudes they are, what
infinities. (Fletcher. "Boadicea.")

Also—Pray, spout some French, son. (Beaumont and
Fletcher. "Coxcomb.")

Debating Society (Chairman, sotto voce).—

Hark at the dead jokes resurging!
Memory greets them with a ghost of a smile.

(Thackeray. "Roundabout Papers.")

Newly-appointed Prefect to quondam boon companion.—

'Tis true I have been a rascal, as you are,
A fellow of no mention, nor no mark,
Just such another piece of dirt,
So fashioned.

(Fletcher. "Prophetess.")

School Time-table.—A mighty maze! but not without a plan.
(Pope. Essay on man.)

Scholarship Memorial Fund (£445 4s. 5d.).—Our hoard is little
but our hearts are great. (Tennyson. "Geraint".)

Homework Allotment.—Set him such a task, to be done in such
a time, as may allow him no opportunity to be idle. (Locke.
"Education.")

General Knowledge.—Give the derivation of the word *Theorem*.—

Candidate's answer: The word theorem is derived from
theos=God, and res=thing, hence a problem needing divine
intelligence. *Examiner's comment:* How perilous it is to
etymologise at random. ("Trench. "Study of Words.")

Mr. Sc-tt's comment: O, I smell false Latin. (L. L. L.)

D. M-ll-r, 6 Arts.—For anything of the acting, spouting, recit-
ing kind, I think he has always a decided taste. (Jane Austen.
"Mansfield Park.")

Promotees from L.5 to 5D.—Thus far our ascent was easy, but now it begins to grow more steep and difficult.

It is Rumoured that So-and-So Paints.—

O fie! I'll swear her colour is natural
I have seen it come and go.

(Sheridan. "School for Scandal.")

Singing at Morning Assembly.—Let the songs be loud and cheerful, and not chirpings, or pulings. (Bacon.)

Friday Morning Assembly.—They sing praises unto God, which they intermix with instruments of music. (Sir Thos. More. "Utopia.")

P-t-r H-gh-s.—He was a dark, still, slender person, always with a trance-like remoteness, a mystic, dreaminess of manner. (Oliver Wendell Holmes.)

Sl-t.—Does he not hold up his head—and strut in his gait. (M.W. of W.)

B. M-dh-st- and D. M-ll-r.—They never meet but there's a skirmish of wit. ("Much Ado.")

H.M. and Future G.K. Papers.—I have an entrapping question or two more to put unto them. (B. Jonson.)

The Unkindest Cuts of All.—

Some, for renown, on scraps of learning dote,
And think they grow immortal as they quote.

(Young. "Love of Fame.")

He could not ope

His mouth, but out there flew a quote.

(Butler. "Hudibras." adapted.)

Christmas Parties (Physics Lab., 7.30 p.m.)—

The guests are met, the feast is set

May'st hear the merry din.

(Coleridge.)

Examiner.—Give reasons why, etc.

Examinee.—Give reasons on compulsion! If reasons were as common as blackberries I would give no man a reason on compulsion.

Pupil.—What is the use of Geometry, Sir?

Master.—The office of Geometry is to discipline the mind, not to minister to the base wants of the body. (Plato.)

L-th-m, 6 Com.—Specialist in late excuses. Some tale, some new pretext, he daily coined. (Dryden. "Aeneid.")

L-w-s and Miss M-rt-n.—She speaks poinards, and every word stabs. ("Much Ado.")

On Occasion the Chemists oblige with—

The rankest compound of villa'nous smell

That ever offended nostril.

(M.W. of W.)

H-bb-., Jazz Expert at Christmas Parties.—

I have a reasonable good ear in music

Let's have the tongs and bones.

(M.N.D.)

Higher School Candidate, Aug. 17, 7.30 a.m.—What good news hast thou brought me, gentle post." (Beaumont and Fletcher.)

Dec. 21st. *Happy Christmas, Sir!*—I thank you for your wish and am well pleased to wish it back on you. ("Merchant of Venice.")

OBSERVATOR.

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NETBALL 1931 - 32

The Netball Teams had a fairly successful season. The School ran four teams: first and second senior, and first and second junior.

The First Senior Team was not very successful in winning many matches, but the games were usually very enjoyable, and the score did not always represent the difference in play.

The Second Team was more successful, and generally gave their opponents a good game.

The Junior Teams were very enthusiastic, and gave a good account of themselves.

The results of the Inter-House Netball were as follows:—Whites, 11 points; Blues, 9 points; Reds, 4 points; Greens, 0 points.

This year (1932-33) we are having Junior House Teams in addition to the Senior Teams, and much enthusiasm is being shown.

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HOCKEY 1931 - 32.

First Eleven.—Grace Baldwin, Kathleen Gyles, Jean Smith, Marjorie Jackson, Eileen Ayers, Peggy Hall, Eileen Flowers (Vice-Captain), Joan Hunter, Joan Ennals (Captain), Joyce Glasgo, Irene Sellars.

The team had a successful season, and out of the 21 matches played they won 9, lost 8 and drew 4. Unfortunately, at Christmas three members of the first eleven left, and their places were taken by Irene Mills, Lena Chivers, and Mary Wesley. These three girls filled the places very capably and the team retained its standard of play.

This year the first eleven played 7 League matches, of which they won 3, lost 3, and drew 1. At the end of the season Southgate County School occupied fourth position in this League, having gained seven points.

Colours were awarded to Eileen Ayers, Lena Chivers, Kathleen Gyles, Joyce Glasgo, Peggy Hall and Irene Mills.

Second Eleven.—Joyce Piggott, Joan Watts, Irene Butler, Dorothy Smith, Irene Mills, Mary Wesley, Doreen Tucker, Phyllis Wright, Lena Chivers, Maud Huntingdon, Mary Cox (Captain).

After Christmas Pearl Willmott, Joyce Jarratt and Dorothea Motley played in this team.

The Second Eleven played 14 matches, and of these they won 6, lost 5 and drew 3.

RESULTS.

	First Eleven.		Second Eleven.	
	H.	A.	H.	A.
Old Girls	L. 0-5	—	L. 2-9	—
Woodhouse	W. 4-3	L. 3-7	W. 4-2	D. 1-1
Glendale	W.10-1	W. 3-1	—	—
Finchley	L. 1-2	L. 3-4	L. 2-5	—
Winchmore Hill				
Ladies III. ...	L. 2-3	D. 3-3	—	—
Tottenham County	—	W. 2-0	L. 0-2	—
Palmers Gn. High S.	W. 7-0	L. 1-2	W. 7-0	W. 5-1
Enfield	W. 7-0	L. 1-3	L. 1-2	L. 1-4
Latymer	D. 3-3	W. 5-4	W. 7-3	—
Tollington	L. 1-3	—	—	—
Edmonton C. S. ...	—	W. 3-0	D. 0-0	—
Hendon	W. 2-1	—	—	—
Tottenham High S.	—	D. 2-2	—	—
Minchenden	D. 4-4	—	—	W. 4-2
School 3rd XI.	—	—	W.13-0	—
Winchmore Hill				
Ladies IV. ...	—	—	—	D. 1-1

First Eleven League Matches.—Goals for, 67; against, 51.

Second Eleven.—Goals for, 48; against, 33.

House Matches.—Whites, 1; Greens, 2; Reds, 3; Blues, 4.

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THE SECOND ANNUAL INTER-HOUSE MUSICAL COMPETITION.

The second competition for the S. B. Walter Gay Silver Challenge Cup was held one afternoon at the end of the Summer Term. This once again proved most enjoyable both to the audience and to the actual performers. A glance at the programme which is printed below will give some idea of the variety and interest of the fare provided by the various houses. The outstanding performances of the afternoon were the singing of the White House Choir, the recitation of "Sir Brian Botany" by Patricia Hinton and the surprise items of the Blue House and of the combined Black and Green Houses. The first of these, containing as it did some kindly and excellent caricatures of various members of the staff, naturally won the enthusiastic approval of the audience. The second was a brilliant and original idea—a meeting of the Black and Green Houses in Room 14 to decide what the surprise item should be—and it was worked up to an excellent climax—the entry of the cleaners to sweep up.

The Adjudicator, Mr. Eustance St. G. Pett, L.R.A.M., A.R.C.M., proved to be both genial and witty, and gave much good advice to all concerned. He particularly stressed the need for a look of enjoyment on the face of the performer and was commendably severe on that bugbear of all performances—in audibility. This fault seems to run right through the modern genera-

tion, both on the professional stage and platform, and elsewhere.

Once again the order was very close, the Black and Green House winning the cup with a total of 398 points out of a possible 500, the Blues, Whites and Reds being next in order with 394, 379, and 370 points respectively.

The competition thus has once again proved a great success and we hope that it will be possible next year for Mr. Gay to be present himself to witness the keenness of the competition for his cup.

PROGRAMME.

BLUE HOUSE. 2.15 TO 2.45 p.m.

- 1.—“Where'er you walk” (Handel)The Choir
- 2.—Vocal. “The Soldiers' Chorus” (“Faust.”)
G. Baldwin, T. Tagg, C. Davey, W. Blenkinsop.
- 3.—Pianoforte. Dance from Othello Suite (Coleridge-Taylor)
E. Golay
- 4.—Elocution. “Bold Sir Brian Botany” (A. A. Milne)
P. Hinton
- 5.—Surprise Item. “Then and Now—An Educational Episode in
Two Parts.”

WHITE HOUSE. 2.45 TO 3.15 p.m.

- 1.—“Where'er you walk” (Handel)The Choir
- 2.—Piano Solo. “Nocturne in E Flat” (Chopin)H. Nesbitt
- 3.—Song. “The Lass with the Delicate Air” (Arne)
Pearl Willmott
- 4.—Scene from “St. Joan” (Bernard Shaw)
Page, J. Mundie; Dunois (a Knight), T. H. Mobbs;
St. Joan, Lena Chivers.
- 5.—Surprise Item. “The Whites” in Song and Dance.

BLACK AND GREEN HOUSES. 3.15 to 3.45.

- 1.—“Where'er you walk” (Handel)The Choir
- 2.—Pianoforte Solo. Valse (Chopin)Joan Ennals
- 3.—Vocal Solo. “The Arrow and the Song” (Balfe)
Winifred Fletcher
- 4.—Dramatic Item. Excerpt from “Twelfth Night”
- 5.—Surprise Item. “Preparing a Surprise Item.”

RED HOUSE. 3.45 to 4.15.

- 1.—“Where'er you walk” (Handel)The Choir
- 2.—Vocal Item. Duet, “Come Down, Moses”
J. H. Hobbs and E. Flowers.
- 3.—Instrumental Item. Pianoforte SoloW. Slate
- 4.—Elocutionary Item. “Hynd Horn” (Old Ballad)
- 5.—Surprise Item. “The Gay Highway” (Song with costume and
action).

National Anthem.

THE WELLS EXCURSION.

"We met with many things worthy of observation."—(Bacon.)

Between 3 and 3.20 p.m. on Friday, 15th May, twenty-four girls left School to hurry home and collect luggage preparatory to starting off to spend the long Whit week-end at Wells, Somerset. This visit had been called a Botanical Excursion, but it did not seem formidable. At 4.40 p.m. most of us were at Palmers Green Station complete with luggage, Panama hats, blazers—and mackintoshes; many, being of an optimistic turn of mind, carried tennis racquets. Last farewells were said, and then, Miss Slee having made sure that we were correct in number, we hurried into the train. After being a little crushed on the Inner Circle, we arrived at Paddington and began to feel that we were really off. The best part of the journey was still to come, but that may be left to imagination. It was about 10 p.m. when we reached Wells; each party was then taken to the house at which it was to stay. Most of us stayed in a road rejoicing in the curious name of "Portway," and the others were close by. Although it was nearly dark many people were at doors and windows watching our arrival.

On Saturday we went to Burnham-on-Sea for the day. We had previously heard that if we were lucky we *might* catch a glimpse of the sea while walking on the sand, so were rather curious as to the nature of the place. In places, however, it seemed quite near, so presumably it was high tide. In the morning we splashed about in a salt marsh looking at its vegetation and learning of its formation. At dinner time we retired to the sand dunes to eat, but the grass was rather sharp, being covered with silica, and it was too uncomfortable. It was a glorious day and we spent some time lazing about enjoying the sunshine. Then we explored dunes and their interesting flora; when we returned to the town for tea most of us looked uncomfortably red, but we did not mind, for it promised sunburn and brown skins.

At least once on Sunday morning we were mistaken by people evidently not very well acquainted with the town, for pupils of the Wells *Blue* School. We attended a service in the Cathedral on Sunday. The building is magnificent both inside and out, and many fine views of it can be obtained from different aspects. Eight of us were taken by our host to his farm, where we spent the afternoon. Here we saw cheese in the making, and had the process explained to us. Given a piece to taste before it was salted and ground, we found that the cheese was a little like rubber only not quite so tough; then again it was rather like chewing gum. That evening it rained just as we were returning from a beautiful country walk; many of us were without coats, but we did not grumble, for the day had been fine, and after all, it was England.

The weather was not kind the next day, for it was raining even before breakfast. It was still raining at the time arranged for the start of our day's journey, so we betook ourselves to the Blue School, which we found quite a miniature affair after our

own. A little later we started out; it was hardly raining and we hoped for the best. It was fortunate that it was not hot for a very long steep hill had to be negotiated, as we were heading for the top of the Mendips and Rookham. The view from the hill was particularly impressive and a little breath taking; the hills stretched away for miles on either side, and the summits were shrouded in a soft halo of mist. From the top we gazed down on the beautiful Island Vale of Avalon, of King Arthur and of Guinevere. Glastonbury Tor, one of the most prominent landmarks of the district, could be seen in the distance. We walked along the top of the Mendips among the low-growing plants and shrubs of heath formation, among gorse, sheep's fescue grass, tormentil and many others of the same type.

Ebbor Gorge was delightful, though muddy; it is a cleft in the Mendips with high rocky cliffs of limestone on either side. Here we climbed and explored to our hearts' content in a typical ash wood with a prolific undergrowth of orchids, bluebells, anemones, etc. Down one side we scrambled, slipping and sliding, then across a stream and up the other, rockier, side, to stand high above everything on the top. We gained extremely muddy feet as well as large bunches of flowers, but we contrived to clean ourselves up and then proceeded on our way.

Wookey Hole was the next place to be visited. Here, the chief attraction is the caves. It is said that the fearsome "Witch of Wookey" used to inhabit these; and indeed, to substantiate legend, the skeletons of a woman and a goat were discovered during the excavations; an earthenware pitcher and a crystal were also discovered. Coins and tokens of many bygone ages have been found here. There are three large caves; the Witch's Kitchen, her Hall and her Parlour. The stone is quartz and limestone, and there are some exceptionally fine specimens of stalactites and stalagmites of every conceivable shape, as organ pipes, blankets and golden cascades. One cave is 75 feet high. The only light came from moveable electric lights which cast a ghostly light on the water. The underground river Axe rises in the caves; it seems to come out from a rock, but research has proved that there must be an underground spring some distance away. The river flows through the caves and then disappears under the rocks to reappear some way on in the open air, where it forms two or three waterfalls down the cliff side. In the "Parlour" the water seems at first sight to meet a blank wall, but we were told that when the water was low it was possible to go through in a boat to two smaller caves. Nobody could see an opening large enough for this, although a very small archway could be faintly discerned.

In the largest cave there is a formation of rock which is rather human in shape; this, the legend says, is all that remains of the witch since she was turned into stone by the Good Monk of Glastonbury; a smaller rock is said to be the witch's dog. When we left the caves we had tea in the gardens, and then started for home; the sun was shining, and we finished our day in very different weather from that in which we had started.

Tuesday was fine, and also hot; Cheddar Gorge was our goal that morning. This was very different from Ebbor, as the cliffs were steeper and higher, but it was equally enjoyable. The echoes here were rather amusing. That afternoon we paid our last visit to the town of Wells, and at 4 o'clock we were on the station wishing that we had only just arrived, and had not to go home for at least another week. As the train sped on we leaned out to catch last glimpses of Wells, and when it was out of sight we realised that we were once again leaving Somerset. We carried home tokens of our visit in the shape of photos, bluebells, cowslips, orchids and violets, all of which grow in profusion; also Cheddar cream and cheese. So we returned after an eventful week-end of pleasure and surprises. How we had enjoyed it! and what memories remain with us!

FRANCES PURDIE, 6B Commercial.

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CRICKET 1932.

First Eleven.—Played, 9; Won, 5; Lost, 0; Drawn, 4.

Second Eleven.—Played, 7; Won, 2; Lost, 3; Drawn, 2.

The teams were selected from:—

First Eleven.—L. Berry, W. Brisbane, K. Cushen, D. Harper, H. J. Hobbs, J. Hughes, K. Lovell, R. Jones, H. Rance, N. Spoor, M. Taylor, and S. F. Ingle (Captain).

Second Eleven.—R. Edgson, A. Foster, A. Hall, S. Holloway, N. Ingle, K. Hallifax, S. Leach, A. Owers, O. Lawton, B. Penny, P. Parr, N. Spoor and J. M. Naish (Captain).

AVERAGES.

Batting.—*First Eleven:*

	Total.	No. of Innings.	Average.
Rance	123	9	13.7
Ingle	103	9	13.0
Brisbane	77	9	11
Hughes	83	9	10.4

Second Eleven:

Owers	122	5	30.5
Hall	118	6	23.6
Parr	15	2	15.0
Spoor	31	4	10.3
Holloway	58	7	9.7

Bowling.—*First Eleven:*

	Wickets.	No. of Overs.	Runs per wkt.
Berry	24	54	4.5
Jones	7	18	5.1
Hobbs	12	37	6.7
Rance	17	50	7.0
Cushen	8	26	9.1

Second Eleven:

Holloway	8	18	7.9
N. Ingle	7	20	8.4
Naish	21	76	8.9
Parr	7	20	9.0

The record for the past year was very satisfactory. Many matches had to be drawn owing to inclement weather, but a greater proportion reached a definite conclusion than last year. The batting fulfilled expectations, and the bowling and fielding showed marked improvement.

The Second Eleven started the season with a team almost entirely new to Inter-School matches, and are to be congratulated on their steady progress.

The First Eleven did excellently in not losing a match against School Elevens. The only match lost was that against the Old Boys, a more experienced team. Unfortunately, the return fixture had to be cancelled owing to rain.

The Parents and the Staff both lost to the School, but provided games of interest both to the players and to the spectators. We welcomed Mr. Worman in the Staff team.

We would like to thank our coach, Mr. Whitelaw, for his careful and fruitful work for the Elevens, and other boys, who came under his guidance.

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RICHARD BELL PRIZES.

This tablet records the generous gift of £150
bequeathed by the late
Richard Bell, J.P.,

to provide an income, three-fifths of which shall be used
to purchase a first prize, and the remaining two-fifths
to purchase a second prize, to be competed for annually
by the Southgate County and the Minchenden Schools.

A very interesting little ceremony took place in the School Hall following the morning assembly on the 10th October last when a plaque bearing the above inscription was unveiled by one of our School Governors, Mr. W. S. London, O.B.E., J.P. Mr. London explained that he was acting on behalf of the body of Governors when he unveiled the tablet which had been placed on the wall close to the spot where hangs the photo of our late Headmaster, Mr. Warren. It was evident, however, that in making the choice of Mr. London to perform the ceremony the Governors had been influenced by the fact that Mr. London had been closely associated with Mr. Richard Bell in his public work in Southgate, and had enjoyed his close friendship for a considerable period of years. After explaining to us the intense interest which Mr. Bell had taken in education generally and in particular in the work of the Secondary Schools in Southgate, Mr. London gave us a short but very interesting sketch of the life of Mr. Bell. He told us how Mr. Bell had been born of

humble parentage, but rose to the proud position of Secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen and M.P. for Derby. He laid emphasis on the great depth of character which was shown by Mr. Bell, gaining him not only the respect but also the friendship of men of all political parties, and mentioned one particular incident which showed that Mr. Bell and the late Lord Birkenhead, though men of widely differing outlook and utterly opposed in politics, had a genuine admiration for each other.

We understand that the prizes which are purchased from the income arising from the late Mr. Bell's bequest will be awarded annually one to each of the two schools, so providing yet another opportunity for friendly rivalry with our neighbours of Minchenden.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Boys and girls leaving school will be interested to know of the following Employment Bureaux, who will supply details of various vacancies arising for those who have attended Secondary Schools :

For Boys :

Headmasters' Employment Committee,
Queen Anne's Chambers,
41 Tothill Street,
Westminster, S.W.1.

For Girls :

Secondary Schools' Headmistresses' Employment
Committee (address as above).
Also Students' Careers' Association,
54 Russell Square, W.C.1.

The Headmaster will be pleased to supply full details on request.

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SOUTHGATE COUNTY OLD GIRLS' ASSOCIATION.

President—Miss Barham. *Vice-President*—Miss Philipson.

Secretary—Christine Pirrie, 16 Osborne Road, N.13.

Has the Old Girls' Association justified its existence during the past season? The majority of its members would, I think, say that it has. Although, as is to be expected, one or two girls have severed their connection with the Society, others have come along and taken their places. Altogether there has been quite a substantial increase in the membership and the attendances at meetings have been definitely an improvement on last year's.

The Social in February was, in the opinion of many, the most successful one held so far. Well over one hundred girls enjoyed an evening's entertainment given by Association members (including May Cawkwell, Mary Cooper, Edna Weaire, Myfanwy Armon, Audrey Marchant, and Joan Deacock). All the performances were of an excellent standard, and one or two were so much appreciated that one wishes that others could have the pleasure of hearing

them at an Old Boys' and Girls' Concert! Why not? We were very pleased to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Everard and several of the Staff, both Masters and Mistresses, on this occasion. Please book Friday, February 10th, 1933, as the next Old Girls' Re-union.

The usual two open dances were held in December and March at the School, both being very enjoyable. The second one was an informal affair, and seemed to be all the more successful because of this.

In June a Flannel Dance, open to all connected with the School, followed a re-union of Old Boys and Girls on the School Field. The re-union took the form of a tennis tournament, for which entries had been received beforehand. The experiment proved a great success, and will be repeated next year. The date chosen for the event was that on which the Old Boys met the School at cricket. This, of course, was an added attraction. An event which contributed greatly to the success of the afternoon was an unexpected visit from our late headmaster. Mr. Warren had a word for practically every boy and girl on the field, and all were delighted to see him.

The Old Girls met the School twice at tennis during the summer, and this year they were successful on both occasions. The games were well fought out and provided a good deal of excitement and pleasure. Once again we were pleased to have a visit from Mr. Everard and several of the Staff.

The Old Girls' Relay Race, run at the School Sports, again proved an enjoyable event. The cup remains for a year with the Green House, who succeeded in winning it after an exciting struggle with last year's winners, the Reds.

As most Old Girls probably know by now, we have at last got an Old Boys' and Girls' Dramatic Society going. Not much need be written here about this venture, as it probably figures in the Old Boys' section of the Magazine, but I would like to ask all Old Girls to give it their keen support. The first presentation, "9.45" (Collins and Davies) will be given in the School Hall on Friday and Saturday, January 20th and 21st, 1933.

LIST OF MEMBERS.

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| K. Ayres, 2 Windsor Rd., N.13. | M. Bickmore, 109 Old Park Ridings, N.21. |
| M. Armon, "Sarnia," 121 New Bedford Rd., Luton, Beds. | J. Burdge, 10 Hardwicke Rd., N.13. |
| M. Adams, 167 Albert Rd., N.22. | D. Berwick, 42 Windsor Rd., N.13. |
| V. Amor, 10 Bourne Hill, N.13. | L. Bowmaker, "Alfriston," The Walk, Potters Bar. |
| E. Blackborow, 8 Birley Rd., N.20. | H. Brown, 42 The Grove, N.13. |
| M. and H. Bradley, 22 The Crest, N.13. | D. Bentley, 33 Riverway, N.13. |
| G. Batten, 57 Natal Road, N.11. | R. Broad, 36 The Fairway, N.14. |
| H. Boreham, 22 Broomfield Lane, N.13. | R. Boxall, 39 Drayton Rd., N.17. |
| D. Britton, 3 Caversham Av., N.13. | E. Bartlett, 43 Drayton Gdns., N.21. |
| M. and M. Bourdon, 67 Cranley Gardens, N.13. | C. and P. Boadella, 10 Chimes Av., N.13. |
| P. Brown, "Cresta," Chase Side, N.14. | M. Barnes, 52 Hamilton Cres., N.13. |
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SOUTHGATE COUNTY OLD GIRLS' BADMINTON CLUB.

As Secretary, I should like to draw the attention of all Old Girls to this club.

We meet on Friday evenings from 7 p.m. until 10 o'clock in the School Hall. We have a membership of 16, but new members will be heartily welcomed, and application should be made to me as soon as possible.

Never mind if you have never played Badminton before—come along and we will teach you, and if you are a very good player—come along and teach us.

Don't delay, join now!

MARJORY MALLINSON,

89 Old Park Ridings,
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SOUTHGATE COUNTY OLD GIRLS' NETBALL CLUB.

The Old Girls Netball Club ran three teams last season. The first and second teams entered the London Old Girls' Netball League, the first team finishing fourth out of seven and the

second team third. Although our membership has dropped we are managing to run three teams again this year.

The home matches are played on the School pitch on Saturday afternoons, and new members will be welcome. The Secretary—Dulcie Moore, 34 Carpenter Gardens, N.21—will be pleased to give further particulars to anyone interested.

The Club is running a dance at Cedars Hall, N.21, on Saturday, January 28th, 1933. Tickets can be obtained from the Secretary or any member of the Club, and it is hoped that this effort will be quite as successful as the two previous dances.

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THE END.

The flambeaux flicker on their faces,
And grim and stern they seem,
And here and there in places,
The glint of steel a-gleam
On shouldered pike No sound; no breath;
No mercy in their gaze.
Tears brim her eyes; she thinks on Death;
The men are lost in haze.

But stay! No weakness now.
They must not see her weeping—
The churls—and see her bow
Her head and watch her heaping
More pain, with fear. She is prepared.
Her outstretched wrists are bound:
They bare her neck and she has dared
Once more to look around.

She blenches not and meets their glances,
All eyes are fixed on her.
Implacable as threatening lances
They look and look and ne'er a stir
Amid the ranks. Eternity
In vastness gapes ahead. . . .
Her brow meets block. How long wil't be
E'er silver steel is red?

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PARENTS AND STAFF ASSOCIATION.

This Association held its usual meetings in the Spring and Autumn terms.

On January 27th there was a whist drive. On February 18th a demonstration of drill and Scottish country dances was given by some of the girls, and music was supplied by the School Orchestra.

On the evening of October 18th the school buildings were open for inspection by parents, and holiday work was exhibited. The Annual General Meeting was held on the same evening, and was attended by about 200 parents.

A sum of £12 was voted to the School for the purchase of music-stands, crockery, etc. For this gift we are very grateful.

November 17th saw the hall well filled for a whist drive.

Next Term, a whist drive is arranged to be held on February 15th, and a social and musical evening on January 26th. Offers of items of entertainment on the latter occasion are invited.

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BRIDGES.

In our nursery days we chanted "London Bridge is falling down" blithely enough, if unmusically. But what a catastrophe it would be if London Bridge did fall down! The whole traffic system would be plunged into confusion. Crowds would flock to gape at the ruins. The papers would scream about it in huge headlines. It would make bridge-history.

Recently, Waterloo Bridge has been sagging dangerously. Notices warn drivers that the speed limit is five miles per hour. It is an adventure spiced with delicious peril to ride across in a heavy, lumbering 'bus. If a daring speed-fiend roared madly over at six miles per hour, would the whole bridge hurtle into the river below?

The opening of a new bridge is a very impressive ceremony. A member of the Royal House makes a patriotic speech, and gravely snips a white tape asunder with a pair of golden scissors. The youngest of the sister-bridges which span the Thames is Lambeth Bridge, a splendid, snow-white structure adorned with golden knobs which glitter brilliantly against the background of

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dinky buildings. The oldest is London Bridge, which was once packed with squalid houses until the Great Fire swept them away. One of Wordsworth's loveliest sonnets was written on "Westminster Bridge."

We read of many bridges in literature. In Tennyson's "The Brook" he mentions "half a hundred" of them. In Macaulay's vivid poem the gallant defence of the bridge over the Tiber is quickened to life. Classical literature fancies very prettily that the rainbow is the bridge by which Iris, the messenger of the gods, travels. The Bible tells us the wonderful story of the parting of the waters, a miracle which Moses performed as the Israelites fled from the Egyptians. With all the skill of modern engineers, we cannot cross the water thus.

A bridge is immortalised in crockery, in the fantastic Willow Pattern device. An irate father, armed with a kind of bladder, is scuttling after his erring daughter and her lover, who will be safe when they have reached the other bank.

That reminds me of the story of a massive stone bridge in Yorkshire which stands amid such abundant, delicate foliage that its hard contours seem softened. Once a young man determined to set out from there to seek his fortune. The night before his departure, he went to bid farewell to his sweetheart, who lived on the opposite side of the river. But he found the river in flood, and swirling so high that it was impossible to cross by the plank which served as a bridge. He went away without saying good-bye, made his fortune, and returned years later to build the "Beggars' Bridge," which even a beggar can cross without discomfort.

Floods did not deter the Romans, who stationed their beasts of burden in the water, forming a bridge. They also used ships drawn up in a line, by which to cross the water. When they fled from the enemy they burnt their boats behind them, whence sprang the saying "to burn one's boats."

In Utah there is a bridge carved out of the rock by nature, with a span of two hundred and fifty feet. A different type of natural bridge is formed by monkeys who cross rivers with great ingenuity. The first monkey grasps a branch of a tree growing by the river. Another grasps its tail, another his, and so on, until a chain of sinewy brown bodies dangles from the bough. The chain begins to swing like a pendulum, gently at first, but with gathering force, until the lowest monkey is able to seize with its tail a branch on the other side of the river. The first monkey releases his hold and the whole string swings over on to the opposite bank. The spider is forever building bridges with his slender thread, as every house-keeper knows.

The famous Bridge of Sighs at Venice owes its name to the sighs of the prisoners who crossed it to their doom. A wag christened the queenly bridge of St. John's College, Cambridge, after the Venetian bridge because candidates crossed it to sit for their examinations. The study of the Cambridge bridges which link the colleges with the grounds is most interesting.

There is a tale told about Clare College Bridge, which is decorated with ten stone balls. Once a young undergraduate made

a bet that the number of balls was less than ten. In the night he went to verify his wager and found himself in the wrong. With great resourcefulness he hacked at one of them with his knife, disfiguring it, and reducing the number of complete, undamaged balls to nine. The most incredible part of the story is that he won his bet!

The early bridges in London were very low. We read in "Pickwick Papers" of the unfortunate person whose head was knocked off by a low bridge. When cab drivers approached such bridges they used to shout "Low bridge!" and the passengers would duck their heads. Sometimes the horse was obliged to do the same, and it became habitual. A cab-horse was once sold to be trained for racing. In a very important race it was neck-to-neck with another favourite. Just before reaching the winning-post, the jockey leaned forward and whispered into his ear, "Low bridge!"—and he won by a neck!

Nowadays bridges are very much more imposing, and they are fitted with various marvellous devices. But to me it is most awe-inspiring to watch the majestic Tower Bridge graciously raise its lofty arms to let the fussy steamers puff through. Some bridges are too haughty to condescend to this, and the ships must bow their funnels meekly.

When soldiers cross a suspension bridge they break step and walk in the usual way, lest the bridge collapse under the mighty tramp of marching feet.

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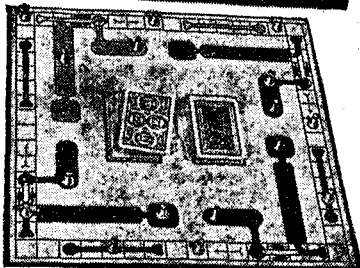
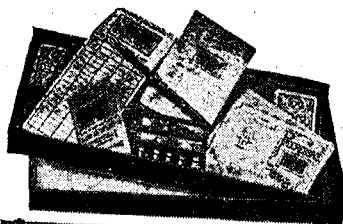
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Bridges are so familiar to us that we call the space between our eyes after them. The verb "to bridge" has entered the language and is often used metaphorically.

Many splendid bridges have been constructed, but I have not heard of plans for one to span the Channel. Imagine seizing a tooth-brush and pyjamas, and casually "hiking" over to France—without getting our feet wet, without seasickness, yet with the stimulating effect of the sea-air, and none of the stuffiness of a tunnel!

JOAN CARLTON, 6 Arts.

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"T----"

We, the School (we mean only the male part, but it comes to the same thing) see him every morning, when at a quarter-past nine, the flood-gates are opened and the floods pour forth, flowing in all directions, whirlpool fashion, to the utmost recesses of the building.

Every morning he is there, and has been as long as we can remember, with the single exception of one week. In a corner by the door, isolated from the "madding crowd," holding converse with a chosen few only, he stands receiving tenpences and writing down names. Perhaps to that chosen few, he is better known handing round plates of mince and broad beans, or other such delicacies, but to the rest of us, it is in this corner that he is in his element. It is his natural setting; out of it he seems misplaced—a fish out of water.

He is a quiet man and unobtrusive. Of normal height he is remarkable in no especial way. His face is ordinary, without outstanding features. Stay! One feature, or rather two—his ears—are outstanding, and that in both senses of the word.

His face wears one permanent expression which seems to blot out all other emotions, even a smile (for we ourselves have never seen him smile) from his visage, leaving only a look of enquiry engraved on his face by long and endless asking of names in his own little corner. (At least, this is what we attribute it to.)

Altogether he is a useful, quiet and handy man, doing all sorts of jobs about the School, but all the time making us feel that it is not what he should be doing; he should be back in his corner, for ever taking tenpences and writing names—tenpences—names—

He must have written a lot of names in his time; perhaps he will write as many more; indeed, he seems to be part of the School now.

Although Gray certainly was not thinking of him or his type when he wrote them, we feel that these lines of his in some way apply to "T----":

"Let not ambition mock their useful toil
Their homely joys and destiny obscure;"

The words are certainly not quite applicable in "T----'s" case—they need modernising—but the spirit is there, and it is in this spirit that we offer our appreciation of one who quietly, civilly



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and efficiently does his bit while we are hardly conscious of his presence, and when we pass on, and others take our place, then "T——" will still be there in his corner, taking new names and new tenpences, until he, too, shall pass on.

L. HULLS, 4A.

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A PIRATE BOLD.

Behold, behold, a pirate bold
Upon the deck he stands,
His crew, obedient to his word,
Sit waiting his commands.

His turban red tells of his might
He looks so fierce and grim,
His muscled arms are folded tight,
As he stretches every limb.

Around his waist, his leather belt,
Holds sword and pistol, too.
If you don't do just what he wants
He'll shoot you through and through.

ENA RANSOM, 2C.

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SECRETS.

Down in the reeds there's a rustling;
Perhaps it's the water-god Pan—
Perhaps it's the queen of the rush-sprites
Making her water-weed fan.

It may be the wind on the river
Rippling the waves up and down;
Or perhaps it's the imp of the oak tree
Weaving his new winter gown.

Softly the rustling continues,
The weeds slowly wave to and fro.
To their neighbour they're whisp'ring their secrets
Telling them all that they know.

Till soon they will reach the old willow,
Who is dropping his branches down low.
And they'll tell him the news from the river
And that's how all secrets will go.

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OUR VISIT TO WHIPSNADE.

As the rest of the School were still working at the summer examinations it was suggested that we should pay a visit to that glorious place, Whipsnade. We jumped at the idea, and about ninety of us agreed to go, and we waited for the day.

At last, Friday arrived, and we were all at school early with our various packages of lunch. I think all the rest of the school envied us.

The clerk of the weather was kind to us. The sun shone brightly and the sky was a cloudless blue. After what seemed an endless age of waiting, we were packed into the charabancs. Most of the boys sat at the back and three of us on a seat made for two. I was next to the window, and the scenery was very pretty.

At last, we reached Whipsnade. At the main gates we went off in parties, each taking different directions. Our party first went along the Main Avenue, where we saw the Yellow Dog Dingoes.

We then passed on to the wolves and foxes, who were in little woods of fir trees, and one bayed beautifully.

Brightly coloured parrots then came into view, whistling and calling, making such a noise. One parrot, blue and yellow, we dubbed "Sharp's Creamy Toffee."

Down in a den lying majestically were the lions. Two were asleep, but one was eating a hat, which he seemed to enjoy.

We sauntered on, on the way to the downs, where we were to have lunch. Close by were the bison. Massive animals were they, shaking their shaggy heads and blinking as though they were sleepy. The sun was streaming down, and Molly, my friend, and I, sought shade in the shelter of a small bush. Just as dinner was over we heard the tinkle of a bell, and there was a rush towards the ice-cream man. We then resumed our journey.

In a field all by itself, stood the most bad-tempered of animals—the camel. He looked very sulky, but did not mind us patting him.

The tigers were in a den, similar to that of the lions. They were all sleeping, and we, therefore, did not disturb them.

The polar bears seemed very happy despite the heat. One bear was swimming in his pool and playing with half a yo-yo. He knocked it under with his paw and dived for it and brought it up on his head. The other one acted curiously, moving two steps back, two forward, and then nodding his head seven times. He did this for a quarter of an hour without stopping, and when we left he was still continuing his perambulation.

We then entered Kangaroo and Wallaby Wood. Wallabies are just like big woolly mice. They are very timid, but one of us took a photograph of them. The kangaroos were lying in the sun thumping their thick tails on the ground. Several people were admiring them.

Miss Slee now reminded us that it was time to join the others in the Main Avenue. The journey homeward passed all too quickly. When we reached the school the Headmaster and Miss Barham came out to meet us. Then we regretfully dispersed.

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 Of the best wood in the forest,
 Thou who art the very tallest.
 It shall be the very best one
 That Hiawatha shall rely on !

Thus aloud cried Hiawatha
 To the tall one of the forest.
 With his axe the tree he struck it
 Just above the roots he cut it.
 Then he shaped it with his chisels
 With his plane and saws and gauges
 Put it under tests and oiled it.

Then upon the very next day
 Forth he went to ask the bamboo
 Forth he went into the forest.
 Give me of thy boughs O bamboo
 Of thy strong and springy branches.
 Thus he made his light, strong handle
 Stuck them firmly blade to handle.

After final preparations
 Forth he went to try its value ;
 Found it strong and light to handle
 Thought he'd use it in his next match
 When he used it, hit up hundreds.
 Kept it till he was an old man
 Then he gave it to his grandson
 Who in turn did hit more hundreds.

K. PHARAOH, 3B.

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THE SOUTHGATE HOUSE.

(With Apologies to Charles Lamb.)

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cunningly concealed behind the lockers, reader; watch the detention book fill up—likewise the detention room at four o'clock! The good ones have gone home now, but you must stay here with me.

Everything is quiet; the staff have gone home, and the cleaners, too, have finished their job; and there is no sound but the ticking of the hall clock, like unto the B.B.C.'s interval signal.

But we are not alone; for on the metal shoe-scraper echoes the sound of hundreds of phantom feet—a one-time master flits by, visionary cane under arm, robe floating behind him in the breeze.

Shh! Who is this gliding silently towards us? Is not this our friend A. T. W., whose booming voice echoes up and down the staircases and corridors when he cried "Ring the bell!" Here comes another, Dr. —d-d. Follow him to the stairs; watch him grab the banisters and swing himself noiselessly to the landing below, and so on to the bottom!

Whom next shall we summon from the dusty dead? Who that has known thee can forget thee, fine, rattling, rattleheaded B? Whether thou wast any relation to Stanley B., I know not; but this I do know, that thy geometry lessons were most entertaining and instructive! Thy puns were without parallel, and moreover, thou could'st strum on the piano to perfection!

Here comes Miss --pp--. We reared thee out of our own bosom, but the call of Holy Matrimony drew thee away from us.

Many more fantastic shapes pass us with measured tread, and I hear the 8.52 leaving Winchmore Hill, and if you run you will just catch it. So back to the world of realities, having spent a pleasant half-hour with those whose importance is in the past.

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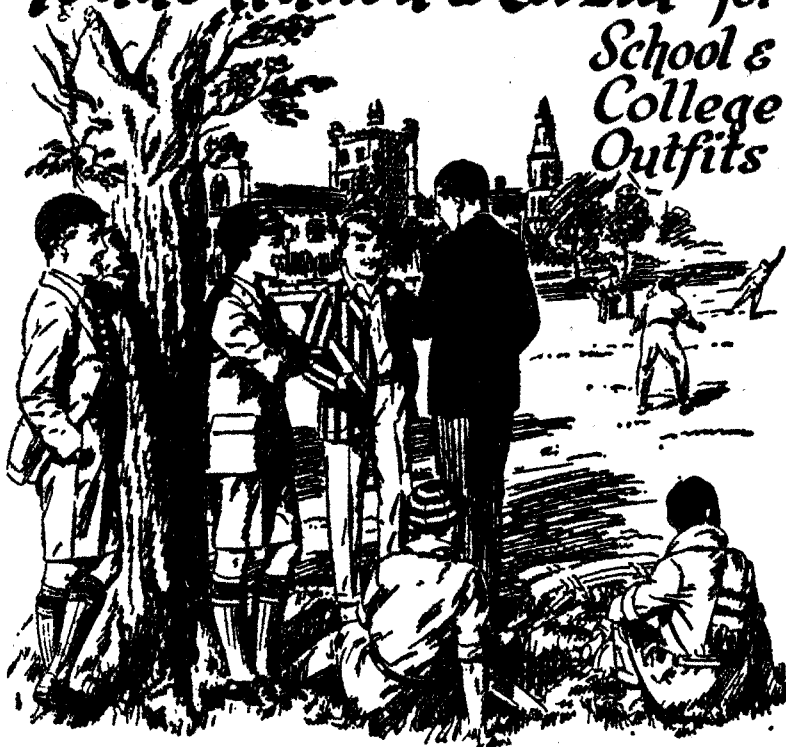
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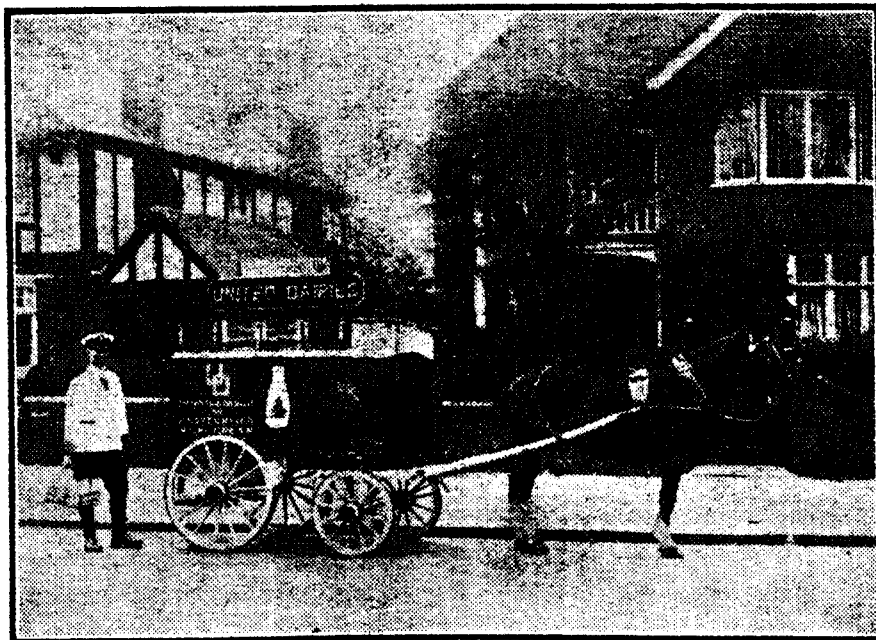
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