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This purpose is served mainly through Honorary Membership, which carries with it the right to wear Old Edwardians' colours and to receive twice a year the *Old Edwardians' Gazette*, with news of the School and of Old Edwardians.

The Association exists in the second place—a function whose importance has increased now the School is no longer in New Street—to provide a centre for Old Edwardians. The aim of the Association is that Old Boys living in Birmingham or passing through Birmingham may be able to meet friends in the Club Rooms—which provide all the amenities of the Ordinary Social Club.

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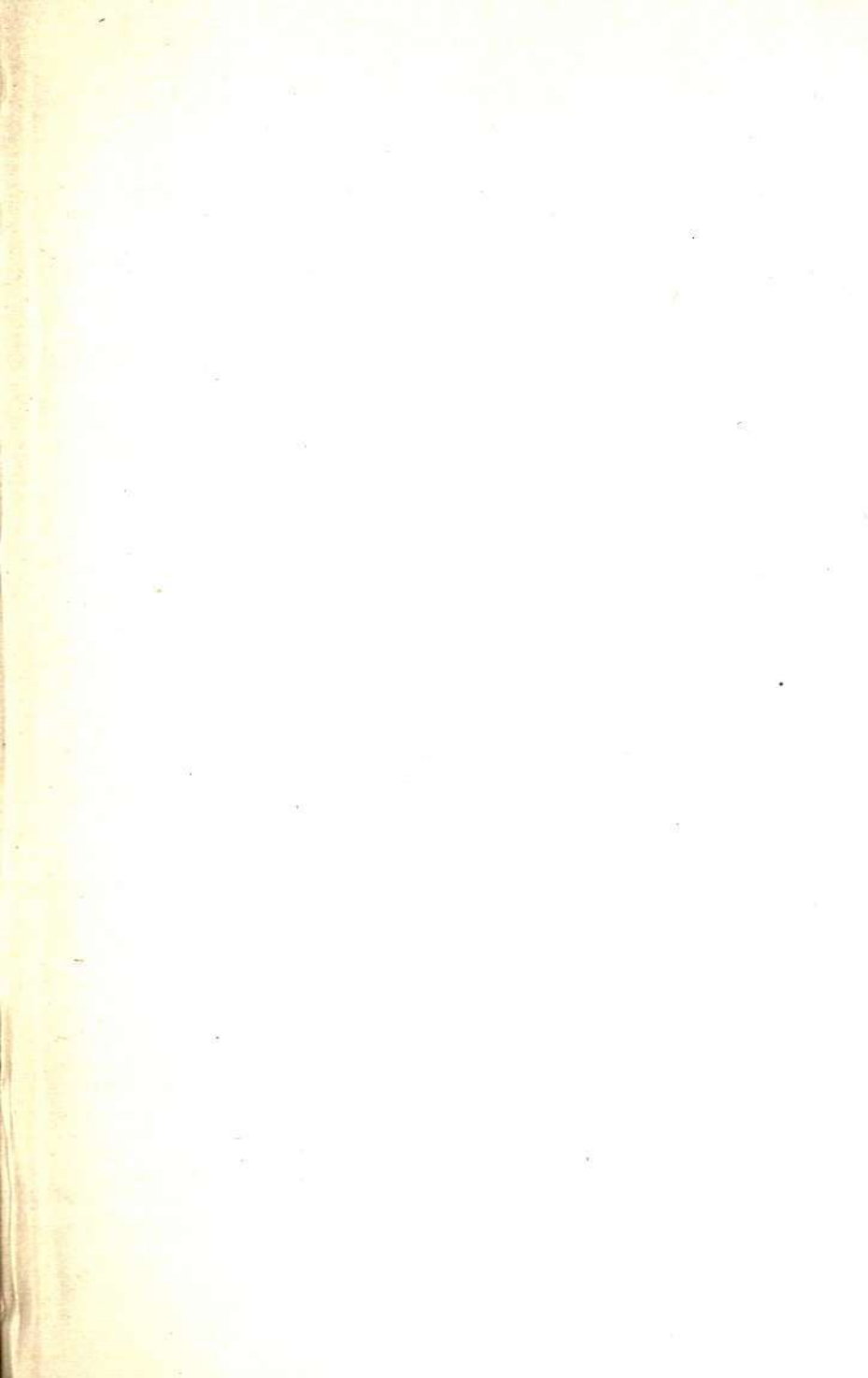
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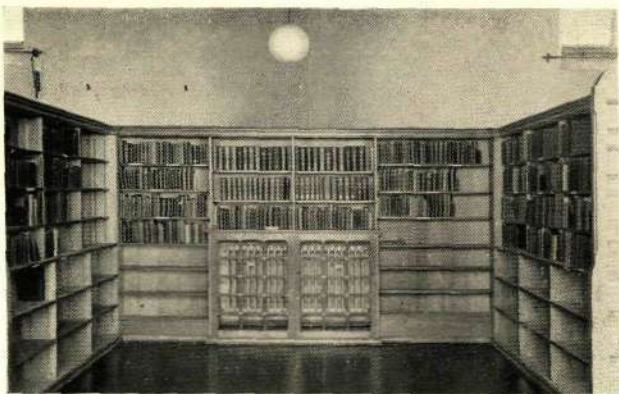
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EDITORIAL

SACRILEGE has been committed. Profanity has been done. The shrine built by the self-styled intellectual élite of the School to their god, Mumbo-Jumbo, has been desecrated. For this issue, it is hoped, marks the end of the long-established, rigid partnership between the CHRONICLE and the "small band." In planning it, one aim was kept in mind: to make the CHRONICLE the organ of the whole school, not merely of certain sections of the Upper Sixth. Even if this had involved a certain loss of quality—though the reader must decide for himself on this point—it would have been worth while. At all events, the literary contributions now assume once more their rightful importance as a large and independent section of the magazine, and are no longer a niggling supplement.

Here, a word to the many. Again, there have been far too few articles received from all forms outside the Upper Sixth. If readers from such a large part of the School find that the CHRONICLE makes little appeal to them, they have only themselves to blame.

Here, a word to The Few. Another attempt is being made to print a Literary Society Magazine. If your genius is neglected by most of the school, because it tends to move in mysterious ways, here is your lotus-land. Make the most of it.

Turning reluctantly to the rash promises of the previous Editor, we point with some pride to the new cover, which replaces the baleful fogs of last term. But about the American Letter we are less at ease. We have no American Letter. We could have forged one. But that would have been deceit, and we would not deceive you. For that we ask your mercy. And we will close before we make a rod with which to scourge future Editors—or, perhaps, ourselves.

NOTES AND NEWS

We congratulate:

J. W. Allen, J. Callomon and P. Berwick on being awarded City of Birmingham Major Scholarships.

J. A. Bagley, M. O. Jackson and P. R. Ward on being awarded Entrance Scholarships to Birmingham University.

J. H. Newman on being awarded a Mining Scholarship.

P. Berwick on being awarded a State Scholarship.

R. Heron on being awarded the Bache Memorial Cup.

B. O. Bailey on being awarded the Dale Memorial Medal.

J. G. Dawson on being awarded the Hammond Debating Trophy.

We extend our welcome to the following new members of the staff:

Mr. W. R. Buttle, Mr. P. Cranmer, Mr. R. E. F. Green, Mr. C. C. Kuper, Mr. O. M. Mathews and Mr. W. Traynor.

Another well-known figure has disappeared from the Porter's Lodge. Mr. Edge, the assistant porter, has retired after thirty-three years service with the School. His manner was always helpful and friendly, even when he presided over the dreaded Late Book.

We congratulate Mr. J. F. Gregg on his recommendation by the General Purposes Committee to the Deputy Town Clerkship of Birmingham.

Professor C. W. Valentine, for many years a Governor of the Foundation, has retired from the position of Professor of Education at Birmingham University, which he has held since 1919.

We congratulate Mr. E. T. Sykes on his appointment as Executive Officer to the Cambridgeshire War Agricultural Executive Committee.

We congratulate Major G. F. Bride, who has been appointed Housemaster-in-chief of the new Borstal Camp at Gringley.

We congratulate:

P. R. Hardwick, A. J. Jacombs, M. Laister and J. T. Murley on being re-awarded 1st XV Colours; and T. B. Anderson, J. R. Lambourn and A. J. Lippitt on being re-awarded 2nd XV Colours; and G. A. Allcott, B. M. Cooper, R. W. Heath, P. B. Jackson, A. L. Smith and W. D. Treadwell on being awarded 2nd XV Colours.

Also J. T. Murley, P. T. Richardson and M. G. H. Spencer on being awarded School Cricket Colours; and D. J. G. Sells on being awarded his School Cricket Blazer; and A. J. Lippitt on being re-awarded his School Cricket Colours.

Also B. O. Bailey, N. A. Bates and S. J. Blood on being re-awarded School Swimming

Colours; and C. K. Symes and D. B. Dickinson on being awarded School Swimming Colours.

Also J. K. Jones on being awarded School Shooting Colours.

As, at the time of going to press, we know of no Prefects who will be leaving us this term, we pass on to the new features which have entered the life of the School this term.

The list of Junior Societies is becoming quite imposing. A new addition is the Junior Scientific Society, formed this term. We also have a new Senior Society, the elusive, exclusive Closed Circle. We await the formation of a Junior Closed Circle with some trepidation.

Gossips (and students) all over the School will welcome the re-opening of the Library for general use. During its hibernation, Sixth-formers have been compelled to wander aimlessly, and sometimes lawlessly, about the School, looking for something to replace this most delectable of social institutions, now even more delectable with its neat shelves and new paint. It deserves gentle and loving treatment.

Whoever accompanies the School Song at the next Speech Day will be armed with something rather more substantial than a Bechstein Grand Piano. For the organ is at last in use. It will be of great value to the musical and quasi-musical activities of the School.

We take this opportunity to thank Mr. Crowther for his great service in designing the new cover of the CHRONICLE. Such work demands a great deal of time and trouble, all of which is amply justified by the result.

We nearly overlooked one thing. Happily, it did not slip our memory entirely. Henceforth, members of the Upper Sixth will be allowed to get their milk separately from the rest of the School. On that solemn note we close.

OBITUARY

W./O. R. N. Blackmore

WE announce with regret the death, in an air accident at Hong-Kong, of Warrant Officer Rex Neville Blackmore, of the R.A.F. He was twenty-five.

C. B. Burrows

MANY Old Edwardians will have heard with deep regret of the death of C. B. Burrows, the news of which reached us too late for publication in our last issue.

He was killed in an accident while coming home on leave from his O.C.T.U. on November 25th, 1945. He will be remembered by all as a most cheerful and likeable fellow, and we extend our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Burrows in their great loss.

Mr. W. BAINES

WE regret to record that Mr. W. Baines left us at the end of the Summer term after twenty-five years service here. On leaving Cambridge, he became a master at Dean Close School; he was at Bromsgrove, 1912-1919, and retained painful memories of his service at Ypres; 1919-1921 he was senior chemistry master at Epsom College, and joined us in September, 1921. He came to us with a considerable reputation as a cricketer, and quickly established that the reputation was fully justified, both as performer and instructor; for many years he continued to tour with the Old Bromsgrovians, played regularly for Moseley, and gave stimulating attention to School cricket. He gave particular attention to the "under fifteens," with the result that in a few years the First Eleven was the best the School has had. Many O.E.'s will think of him with gratitude as Form Master of the Lower Science VI, but probably his most valuable work was with the Upper Middles—it was cheering to watch these boys clustered eagerly round him as he officiated at the Demonstration Bench or permitted a member of the group to perform part of an experiment. Here for many boys were sown the seeds that eventually fruited into a real love of Chemistry. In 1940, when the School was evacuated to Repton, he developed a very severe attack of influenza, from which he never completely recovered and which has now caused him to retire sooner than he had intended. His large, comfortable figure and occasional booming voice will be missed from the Science corridor, but we greatly hope that his leisure will restore him to his former robust health, and that he may long enjoy a quiet game of golf or the growing of the largest lettuce ever.

A.S.L.

SPEECH DAY, 1946

THE annual Speech Day was held on October 11th in Big School. The Head Master paid special tribute to the work of Mr. V. F. Yates, M.P., the Bailiff of the Foundation, who with never failing industry had found time to attend both the sittings of Parliament at Westminster and those of the Governing Body in Birmingham.

In presenting his report, Mr. Morris stressed the fact that the future of the Universities was a matter of great importance to everyone. It was becoming clearer that the nation needed more men and women with a University training. Yet it was also clear that not every boy (or girl) nor even his parents, was in favour of such an education. It was not so much the problem of the opportunity being open to capable students as that of the boys themselves being willing to take.

It was, therefore, the duty of the schools, supported by outside public opinion and especially by employers, to strive, as it were, by "missionary work" to effect a solution of this difficult problem, so that all who possessed the necessary ability might receive a University education.

After the Bailiff had presented the prizes and congratulated the School on having borne so well the losses which the educational system, as well as the nation as a whole, had suffered during the war, the Bishop of Birmingham, Deputy-Bailiff, addressed the School. There were, he urged, finer and nobler things in life than the mere satisfaction of momentary desires. Escapism must be directed towards truer understanding of and interest in Art. The prizes in life were given to those who possessed courage, insight, and good sense.

The Lord Mayor, referring to the great traditions of the School, expressed the hope that the Honours' Board might be set in a place for all to see. The Head Master assured him that this would be done as soon as possible.

The ceremony was concluded with exceptionally lusty cheers in honour of all present, and with "Jerusalem," followed by the National Anthem. C.W.G.

THEN AND NOW

Some New Street Memories

EXPERIMENTS with Time are popular—at any rate in fiction. What would the present generation of Edwardians think of their schooldays if they were transported back some forty years—to an era when Barry's noble building gave the one touch of dignity to a New Street already becoming vulgarized, when buses were still drawn by horses, when suburban train services were plentiful, and, contemporary jokes notwithstanding, efficient; and when nearly everybody in Birmingham went home to lunch?

The School's central position and the ease with which it could be reached from almost any direction made this mid-day exodus and return a simple matter—time-wasting, no doubt, but not without compensations of which the boys and the staff, including the Head Master, were glad to take advantage. On the other hand, convenience of access was one reason, though not the chief, why the School drew its numbers from a much wider area than it does to-day. Boys came from Leamington, Kenilworth, Walsall, Kidderminster, Wolverhampton, and many places in the Black Country, and there were large contingents from Sutton Coldfield and Solihull. Oddly enough, those who lived furthest away were generally the keenest on games.

Morning School started with Prayers at 9.5, and the order of prayers was invariable: there was neither hymn nor lesson. Boys late or excused prayers were summoned into Big School before the reading of notices, and at the end of these the Head Master sat at his desk under *Sapientia* and dealt with all who wished to see him. Sometimes the queue was a long one, and anybody who could not reach his classroom by 9.15 was given a "clock," a slip of paper stamped with the exact hour at which he left the Head Master's desk. There were three morning periods, each lasting an hour, with "break" from 11.15 to 11.30. Afternoon school on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays began at 2.30, afterwards changed to 2.45 to avoid an excessive number of "late excuses" for boys whose trains did not enable them to reach New Street by 2.30. The afternoon was divided into two periods, and at 4.50 came Evening Prayers—followed by an exit which regularly but unsuccessfully threatened to overwhelm the Prefects stationed at the doors of Big School.

Big School was furnished with forms and with huge double-sided desks. Several classrooms, too, had forms and long desks, scarcely less horrifying to the modern educationist's mind than a teaching technique which they made possible. The boys in some classes sat in the order in which they had found themselves at the end of their last period with the master concerned, and they moved up or down on their forms according to their success in answering the questions fired at them—in due course to be awarded marks corresponding to their new positions. A lucky fluke might send the bottom boy up to the top just before the bell rang; but over a term the results worked out fairly enough. In the right hands—hands such as those of Acatos, a Greek whose amazing skill as a linguist and a teacher is unforgettable by his old pupils—this method was highly effective, especially with youngsters.

Many other aspects of the School and School life would seem strange, if not improper, to the standardized and regimented eye of to-day. One further instance must suffice. New Street contained an odd assortment of rooms—some (besides, of course, Big School itself) finely proportioned, others whose shape and size was as inconvenient as the staircases leading to them. A few had originally been attic bedrooms. Every room, however, had an individuality of its own and was the jealously guarded domain of its master, who kept its key and rarely allowed anyone in it unless he himself was present. There was, indeed, a rich idiosyncrasy in the old School, and a grace and spaciousness in its traditional ways, the passing of which one may regret without being uncompromisingly *laudator temporis acti*.

G.A.S.

FRAGMENT FROM A CORNISH EPIC

Daniel sat on the foreshore. His fishing is done :
Ranged on the shells around him squat his successors,
Bare boys, and brown, that will drag the round net on the bottom
In turn, when their armour has hardened, and minds behind wrinkles
Retreated ; remotely disturbing the gloom-drowned hold
Of the world—the tomb for them struck of the sweeping plague,
The storm, but home for a million plunging mites
And mooning monsters. These are the shapes that drift
Before the mind's eye of fishermen here, every land,
Every age ; drift like desires to be seized in dreams
By the shoal, with a groping, flimsy hand : the net,
An uncertain member remote-controlled with the long
Black nerve of rope, taut with the tug of the brain :
The boat, the load of impulsive mariners, one With the sock of the rocking swell ; which lifts their shell,
Proceeds across the plain, potential as An emperor ; expands, divides ; the new Squadrons salute, reform, begin to trot,
Break to a canter, and gallop upon their ancient
Enemy, Land, in line on line of thundering Futile bubble of clattering pebble. One more foot—
And they die with a sigh on the shore.

(Anon., Freely paraphrased from the 5th Cent. Celtic.)

OXFORD LETTER

To the Editor, K.E.S. CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR,

Our native wit being unable to rise to or cope with the facetiae customary in these letters, we offer you a scabrous and wholly uninformed bag of verses :

Balliol :

G. R. SIMS
Frequently sings hymns ;
But without his surplice
He's chirpless.

It would be untrue
To say that more than a few
Could answer the question " Who is
L. LEWIS ? "

I. M. ROITT

Loikes to floy his koite ;
His love of aeronautics
Has rather gone to his cerebral cortex.

Ho !

Said J. N. ROWE ;
I have no weak-kneed fears
Of pseudo-neo-Platonic ideas.

Hertford :

No lumber jack, to quote H. A. J. GREEN,
Puts his trust in a machine ;
He just abhors
Circular saws.

As it comes to all men, death'll
Come to B. D. ETHELL ;
And, for better or for worse,
With a brewer's dray for hearse.

Jesus :

Seated one day at the organ
W. B. MORGAN
Was weary and ill at ease ;
His mind was full of deciduous trees.

Magdalen :

There's no overcoming
A passion for engineering and plumbing :
These things are mill-grist
To A. GILCHRIST.

As a party-line hawker,
Take E. O. WILLIAMS-WALKER :
Of his genius as a tout
There's little doubt.

If R. M. ACHESON

So much as catches an
Inkling of these verses,
He'll start to behave like Thyrsis.

In any other land

They'd dismiss N. S. SUTHERLAND
And his tendency to be doggy
As the result of bourgeois pedagogy.

New College :

If you offer A. J. GOSSAGE
A friendly sausage,
He at once consults his lawyer
About international cartels in soya.

(Quite incidentally

The style of E. C. Bentley
Has nearly driven from his senses
yours sincerely, OXONIENSIS.)

CAMBRIDGE LETTER

To the Editor, K.E.S. CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR,

It is with great pleasure that we send you once again our greetings, and offer you some account of our activities in this ancient seat of learning. There are so many Edwardians





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SWIMMING TEAM: 1946.

Standing (left to right): C. K. SYMES, G. W. ROWLEY, J. R. HARRISON, D. B. DICKINSON.

Seated: N. A. BATES, B. O. BAILEY, S. J. BLOOD.

in Cambridge now, that we are sure to forget some, so we beg forgiveness in advance for our errors and omissions.

Of the older men, J. H. SWINGLER (Ridley Hall), C. R. STAGG (Caius), and H. G. A. HERWARD (St. John's) are so old that they can be considered as almost above suspicion. K. G. DAVIES (Pembroke), a married man, appears to carry the burdens of the whole world upon his shoulders, but H. C. HART (Caius) is now a geographer and already treats the World with a contempt bred of familiarity. Although B. E. SWINGLER (Peterhouse) is not often seen and presumably works, R. F. GLYN-JONES of the same College, having repeatedly failed to catch the President's eye at Union debates, has started his own debating society to give himself scope.

M. N. MOLESWORTH (Sidney Sussex) has, we hear, been reproved for using a nautical turn of phrase in a Greek Unseen; D. J. REESE (St. Catharine's), as another former matelot, would probably sympathize with him. B. C. KENTISH (Christ's), B. H. MCGOWAN (Jesus) and J. C. SHARMAN (St. John's) are known to play Rugger, with varying effectiveness, and may possibly have other interests as well.

P. F. TYLER (Jesus) and J. B. CHAPMAN (St. John's) freely admit that they are addicted to Country Dancing, but claim that they are less reprehensible than G. B. ANSELL (St. John's) who apparently worships Orson Welles. K. J. HARRIES (Trinity Hall) is believed to recite Spanish poetry to himself on moonlight nights; like G. B. BRITT (Caius), however, he is rarely seen in public. D. ROSE (Emmanuel) has a serenely bucolic look, doubtless the result of his studies, but we gravely fear that B. McNEIL WATSON (Sidney Sussex) may become "hearty" now that he has joined his College Boat Club.

J. F. P. HOPKINS (Trinity Hall) and his brother, P. H. P. (Sidney Sussex) seem fairly normal, which is, perhaps, the best we can say for them; and, in a mood of generosity, we might even include J. B. BIRD (St. Catharine's) in the same category. In contrast, A. J. GRACIE (Christ's), maintains that he doesn't mind the rigours of training, and C. A. MAYOU (St. John's) is now believed to own the biggest and best collection of tram tickets in the British Empire.

Having exhausted our intelligence (in every respect) it only remains for us to tell you that the Tudor Club floret, and to offer the School our best wishes for its athletic and academic endeavours in 1947.

We remain, Sir, yours obediently,

CANTABRIGIENSIS.

BIRMINGHAM LETTER

To the Editor, K.E.S. CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR,

We write this letter with the stale smell of yet another shattering Carnival in our nostrils. Each year this function piles up in intensity and for a brief but terrible week, engulfs Old Edwardians and all who are possessed with a minute amount of Carnival spirit.

W. J. BEVAN and R. DILLOW, doubtless applying some of Mr. HALL'S Physics lore arranged a complex electrical circuit to illuminate a mobile mermaid, which was rather effective. It earned several tins of coppers more than other less startling lorries.

K. H. THOMAS was so effectively made up that he acquired a following of not so young schoolboys and five "dates" for that evening.

Recently we were conversing with a group of haggard O.E.'s, who were considering testing their splitting heads with yet another "noggin," when along came a stalwart young fresher and announced that he was going swimming (C. E. HERWARD fainted). Who was this weird being?

None other than our own BRUCE BAILEY who quietly took a shuddering J. NEWMAN by the hand and led him gently, but firmly, away to an undeserved fate.

So much for Carnival. In the swimming world A. T. CHURCHMAN captains the Varsity team and A. K. DOWLE is treasurer, with BAILEY giving capable support. Only Medicals appear to play Rugger. K. T. C. MCKENZIE skippers the side, while F. B. BUCKLEY and M. G. FITZGERALD are the fixture and general secretaries. Among the junior sides, K. G. DICKINSON and J. M. FOSTER are playing well.

Foremost among hordes of freshmen is the ex-service contingent. Most of them will not be remembered, but A. C. WILLIAMS, a former School and rugger captain deserves honourable mention. They appear to be taking prominent positions in University life and settling down well to a novel and rather trying existence. Amongst junior freshers, J. I. LISHMAN studies law whilst conducting the Guild Orchestra (or so it sounds). J. M. BOTTERILL has been elected to the Committee of P.P.S. C. S. DALE tells us that he is overwhelmed with work, but we notice that he is still able to while away several hours a night at Guild Club amongst the fair sex. M. B. BIDDLE has forsaken feminine rôles for the time being, and is busy proving his innate masculinity.

A few names. R. M. TAUNTON contrived in some subtle manner to obtain the first spot prize at a Hop—a pack of cards!

What glee in the Taunton circle ! (MORGAN, MORLEY, HEReward, etc.) At last they could learn to play bridge. Since then few lecturers have seen them, but the Union is richer for their company.

P. J. WADDOP might be a creation of our own fantastic imaginings, but it is rumoured that somewhere in the bowels of the old school temporary buildings his pen squeaks out ultra-modern music, eight to the bar.

J. E. A. RIPLEY spends many a long hour in the Union in silent meditation. K. A. COWAN has deserted Medicine for Physiotherapy, and D. W. DAVIS claims that D. F. COLE still has an infantile sense of humour. COLE was awarded a gold medal for Physiology last year.

We close, having mentioned but a tenth of our members here. But we must extend a welcome to A. J. LIPPITT, who spends more time in the Union than most of us put together.

I am, Sir, Your Obedient Servant,
BIRMINGHAMIANENSIS.

HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP, 1945-46

Dunt's	465.9 pts.
Leeds'	322.6 pts.
Copland's	311.5 pts.
Cooper's	289.3 pts.

Mr. Dunt's House Report

THE House shows no inclination to recline on the masses of green laurel wreaths which its prowess has accumulated in recent years, and all signs point to yet greater success.

So far this term the Rugger teams have done very well indeed, only losing one match out of the nine which have been played: when the teams are finally settled their play should even improve. If the junior players inherit the tremendous keenness of their predecessors, the fourth team should meet with like success. The Fives team has won one out of two matches played this term, and hopes to do quite well, while the Chess team, having already beaten one formidable opponent, expects to adhere to its traditional success.

Cricket prospects are vague and distant at the moment, but there is no reason to fear a relapse in this field, nor indeed in Athletics or P.T. The Swimming teams should reap the benefit of their past training, while hopes of improved Shooting run high.

Thus the picture is a rosy one and there is every cause for optimism. Yet the old fear still lurks, that by slackness in small matters, such as ticking-off, or by a false conceit, the House may not gain its rightful position in the

new contest. Setting aside this danger, however, the spirit and energy which Mr. Dunt embodies should leave our supremacy assured.

M. J. APPS,
House Secretary.

Mr. Copland's House Report

THE House prospects this year are not too bright, principally owing to the lack of senior members of the School. Last year, however, a renewed interest was taken in house activities, resulting in a joint effort which brought the House out of its hibernation of the previous year.

In Rugger the lack of senior talent must inevitably count against us, particularly in the 1st and 2nd XV's. The 3rd XV has so far won one of its matches. The junior teams have not yet played, so the ability and keenness of the new members of the House are as yet unknown.

Chess, for so long a miserable failure, as far as the House was concerned, is having a revival, for this year there are more players than are required for the teams, though the success of these teams still depends on their keenness in practising.

Fives is still hampered by the shortage of equipment, but it is hoped that the First team will do well under the coaching of Mr. Burgess. The possibilities of Cricket, P.T., Shooting, Athletics, and Swimming are unknown, and will probably remain so until the respective seasons begin, although the Swimming teams are but little depleted.

If the communal effort begun last year is maintained, the House should, under the guidance of Mr. Copland and Mr. Burgess, continue the slow improvement in its position in the House Competition.

J. K. JONES,
House Secretary.

Mr. Leeds' House Report

THE final results last term came as a mild surprise to us. The House finished second in the Championship. This was attributed to all-round steadiness rather than to individual brilliance. Cricket was a hopeless failure, often due to incomplete teams; but swimming gave the House a more hopeful prospect, for we finished a good second.

So far, little has been revealed of prospects for this year. From most officials there are bright reports, always, of course, with the proviso that "everybody shows real keenness, especially with regard to ticking-off and turning up." To date, the First XV have won two out of three matches, a result not even approached by the Second or Third teams; the Fourth team has hopes of bettering the results of the First team.

We welcome Mr. Sacret as assistant House Master; he has given great help in many activities of the School, and under his guidance, and above all that of Mr. Leeds, we should face the future with a bold front, bringing in some very good results at the end of the year.

S. J. BLOOD,
House Secretary.

Mr. Cooper's House Report

THE House awakens. Our nadir was reached last term, and now we reassert ourselves. The first fifteen have won a match (we have witnesses); the Chess teams are triumphant; the Fives team remains unconquered, and, J. R. Harrison tells us, unconquerable.

The most heartening outward sign of this inward resuscitation is the success of the junior rugby teams. It is largely by virtue of their efforts that we now run a close second to Dunt's, and their keenness is a good omen for future years.

But despite these weighty successes, our feelings are not as yet of unmitigated joy, for last July we lost the services of Mr. Roberts, who resigned after five years as Acting House Master. He led the House through a lean period, in which his own quiet confidence and refusal to be worried atoned in some degree for the dearth of talent in the teams. It was in no small way due to Mr. Roberts himself that under his stewardship Yellow House won the House Championship the first time in twelve years. Reluctantly then, we say good-bye to a great House Master.

But looking forward, we welcome Mr. Cooper back to his old position. He has already infused the teams with some of his fighting spirit, and his Browningsque enthusiasm bodes ill for three of his colleagues.

If the House only follows its new leader it should once more win the Championship. We are at last in a position to do so, and next year will tell.

P. R. HARDWICK,
House Secretary.

RUGBY FOOTBALL—GENERAL REPORT

ALTHOUGH only six of last year's team were available for this season, the results so far have been quite pleasing. Of the games already played, the 1st XV have won eight and lost one. Despite the loss of three of last year's back division, the three-quarters have settled down and are now an extremely formidable unit of attack. They are individually fast, and show sound combination, especially A. J. JACOMBS and COOPER at centre, but are inclined to be nonplussed by unorthodox or bustling opponents. J. T. MURLEY and LAMBOURN were still available for the scrum-half and fly-half positions, and their almost faultless service of the ball to the three-quarters has been an important factor in the team's success.

The pack had to be entirely reformed, and it seemed at first that weakness forward would negate the efforts of the three-quarters; however, despite their lack of weight and speed, the forwards have so far managed to out-hook their opponents in the tight, and have generally held their own in the loose. Line-out work has been poor, and the practice of knocking back, besides being inaccurate and uncertain, places an unwarranted strain on the scrum-half. The pack as a whole is more cohesive than last year, but an initially keen interest in some of those basic qualities of Rugby hitherto ignored, e.g., internal combination and backing-up of the three-quarters, has apparently waned; the pack is on the verge of sinking back into the old slogging, die-with-the-ball methods. Defensive play by the backs is sound, tackling is good, but touch-finding could be improved in many cases. With a few outstanding exceptions, falling-on is uncertain, and often creates dangerous situations. The general standard of the team is promising. Practice in handling and tactics by the three-quarters has borne good fruit, and the forwards have, on occasion, shown that they are capable of more than bald-headed mudlarking.

The Second XV has started quite well, and should have a successful season. The Colts teams seem to possess their usual instability, and correspondingly erratic results may be expected.

I should like to thank the many members of the Staff who have given time to coaching and refereeing; Mr. Copland for his guidance and constructive criticism; Mr. Cooper and Mr. Sacret for their work with the Junior teams; Mr. Burgess, Mr. Stag and Mr. Nicolson for their coaching of beginners; and Mr. Leeds, Mr. Buttle and Captain Russell for their refereeing.

D. J. G. SELLS,
Captain of XV.

RESULTS OF MATCHES.

FIRST XV.

SCHOOL v. OLD EDWARDIAN "EXILES" XV.

Played on Saturday, September 21st. Home. Won 16-3.

The School won a decisive victory over an uneven O.E. side, which obviously lacked practice together. The School three-quarters were the deciding factor; the forwards were superior in the set scrums, held their own in the loose, but were usually beaten in the line-outs. Scorers for the School were: Cooper (2), Jackson and Jacombs, who converted two.

SCHOOL v. J. C. DARK'S XV.

Played on Saturday, September 28th. Home. Won 17-6.

This was a hard-fought game against a strong scratch team, which included several of the University players. J. C. Dark himself opened the scoring with a good try in the corner. The School replied through Lippitt, Heath, Tomlinson, Murley and Jacombs, who converted one. Near the end, C. Armour scored a fine try for Dark's team. The School pack played well against heavier opponents, who were, however, mostly out of practice. The backs, although closely marked, were distinctly superior.

SCHOOL v. CHELTENHAM G.S.

Played on Saturday, October 5th. Home. Won 25-3.

The School, although winning handsomely, played a poor game. The play was scrappy, and there was a epidemic of wild fly-kicking among the forwards. Sporadic bursts by the home backs accounted for this by no means flattering score, which, with better handling, would have been substantially increased. Scorers for the School were: Cooper (4), Treadwell, Jackson, and Jacombs, who converted twice.

SCHOOL v. K.E.G.S., FIVE WAYS.

Played on Saturday, October 8th. Home. Won 23-3.

SCHOOL v. SOLIHULL SCHOOL.

Played on Saturday, October 12th. Away. Won 48-3.

The School backs gave an admirable display against inferior opposition. Solihull were outrun and outmanoeuvred. The forwards were more evenly matched, but the School secured a plentiful supply of the ball for the three-quarters, whose superiority was overwhelming.

SCHOOL v. KING HENRY VIII SCHOOL, COVENTRY.

Played on Saturday, October 19th. Home. Won 34-5.

The School atoned for its unexpected defeat of the previous year by gaining this decisive victory. The score could have been increased, for the School backs had an obvious superiority in speed and cohesion. The forwards played a good, hard game, their handling showing marked improvement. Scorers were: Cooper (3), Jacombs (2), Jackson, Treadwell and Lippitt. A. J. Jacombs dropped one goal and converted three tries.

SCHOOL v. BEDFORD MODERN SCHOOL.

Played on Wednesday, October 23rd. Home. Won 19-3.

Bedford Modern provided the stiffest opposition that the School had so far encountered. The score was 6/3 at half-time, and it was only in the last ten minutes that Bedford cracked. The School backs produced some sparkling movements, in the face of very sound tackling. A. J. Jacombs, consistently cutting through the centre, was a major factor in a hard fought and enjoyable game. The School forwards surpassed themselves against a much bigger and heavier pack, and it was largely due to their stout efforts that Bedford lapsed at the end. Scorers for K.E.S. were: Jackson (2), Cooper (2) and Treadwell. A. J. Jacombs converted twice.

SCHOOL v. OAKHAM SCHOOL.

Played on Saturday, October 26th. Away. Won 17-6.

Wet conditions made handling difficult, but the School three-quarters did well in adverse conditions. On a dry day the wind would have been considerably more marked. The Oakham forwards were good in loose and line-out, although the School pack won the majority of the set scrums. Bad dropping-on often endangered the School line, which was, however, not crossed, Oakham's score being two penalty goals. Scorers for the School were: Jackson (2) and Treadwell (2).

SCHOOL v. COTTON COLLEGE.

Played on Saturday, November 2nd. Away. Lost 5-22.

The School suffered its first defeat of the season. A tiring coach journey and a glut of minor injuries did not help matters. The School were soundly beaten by lively, thrustful, and extremely fit opponents. At half-time the score was 5/8, Cooper having scored in the corner, followed by a conversion from Richardson with a magnificent kick, and the School appeared to have a good chance of winning. After the interval, however, Cotton conducted an almost continual offensive, and although the forwards heeled well from the tight, all the

K.E.S. attacks were checked by deadly tackling. Lippitt relieved pressure with some good dribbles, but he was unsupported. Cotton won through being continually on the attack their thrustful backs and lively forwards rushed the School off its feet.

SCHOOL v. R.G.S., WORCESTER.

Played on Saturday, November 9th. Home. Won 26-0.

SCHOOL v. WARWICK SCHOOL.

Played on Saturday, November 16th. Home. Won 55-0.

SCHOOL v. BLOXHAM SCHOOL.

Played on Tuesday, November 19th. Away. Won 12-0.

SCHOOL v. WYGGESTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Played on Saturday, November 23rd. Away. Won 14-3

SCHOOL v. BROMSGROVE SCHOOL.

Played on Saturday, November 30th. Away. Won 6-0

SCHOOL v. DENSTONE COLLEGE.

Played on Saturday, December 7th, Home.

SCHOOL v. K.E.S., STOURBRIDGE.

Played on Saturday, December 14th. Home.

SECOND XV.

September	21-v. George Dixon I	Away	Lost	3-6
"	28-v. Tettenhall College I	Away	Won	38-0
October	5-v. Cheltenham G.S. II	Away	Won	19-6
"	12-v. Solihull School II	Home	Won	18-0
"	19-v. Central G.S. I	Away	Lost	11-15
"	26-v. K.E.S., Stratford I	Home	Won	13-0
November	2-v. Bromsgrove School II	Home	Won	16-11
"	9-v. Sebright School I	Away	Drew	3-3
"	16-v. Warwick School II	Away	Won	56-0
"	19-v. Bloxham School II	Home	Cancelled	
"	23-v. Leamington College I	Home	Drew	6-6
"	30-v. R.G.S., Worcester II	Home	Won	33-3
December	14-v. K.E.G.S., Aston II	Away		

" UNDER 15 " XV.

October	5-v. Cheltenham G.S.	Home	Lost	5-22
"	12-v. Solihull School	Away	Lost	6-21
"	19-v. King Henry's VIII, Coventry	Home	Won	13-11
November	2-v. Bromsgrove School	Home	Won	3-0
"	16-v. Warwick School	Away	Won	3-0
"	19-v. Bloxham School	Away	Drew	0-0
"	25-v. Wyggeston G.S.	Away	Lost	8-23
"	30-v. R.G.S., Worcester	Away	Lost	0-17
December	7-v. Moseley G.S.	Away		
"	14-v. K.E.S., Stourbridge	Home		

" UNDER 14 " XV.

September	21-v. George Dixon	Away	Lost	6-12
October	5-v. Cheltenham G.S.	Away	Lost	3-12
"	12-v. K.E.G.S., Five Ways	Home	Drew	3-3
"	19-v. Saltley G.S.	Away	Lost	3-17
"	23-v. Central G.S.	Away	Cancelled	
November	6-v. Q.M.G.S., Walsall	Away	Cancelled	
"	30-v. K.E.G.S., Aston	Home		
December	7-v. Moseley G.S.	Away		
"	14-v. K.E.G.S., Aston	Away		

CHARACTERS OF THE XV.

D. J. G. SELLS (*Captain*) (1945-46-47) : An excellent full back, possessing a safe pair of hands, an accurate kick and a deadly tackle. He is always safe in defence and is at times instrumental in attack, though his passes are occasionally inaccurate. His wide knowledge of the game, together with his own sterling example, make him a very good captain. The successes of the team this season are in no small way due to his enthusiasm both on and off the field. (*Dunt's*).

A.J.J.

A. J. JACOMBS (*Vice-Captain*) (1945-46-47) : A well-built centre three-quarter who is the mainspring of the School's attack. He has combined admirably with Cooper, and his eye for an opening coupled with his ability to cut through, have paved the way for much of the scoring. His handling and passing are sound, and his tackling sure. He possesses a strong punt and a useful drop-kick; his place-kicking has improved considerably in both length and accuracy. His main fault is a tendency to overdo the cutting-in, and thus he is sometimes swamped by opposing forwards. (*Captain of Dunt's*).

P. R. HARDWICK (*Secretary*) (1945-46-47) : A large, solidly-built forward who plays hard. Has played middle of the back with but moderate success; his best position is, undoubtedly, in the front row. He pushes strongly in the tight and is a sturdy, though somewhat slow and myopic, player in the loose. He is the most successful of the knockers-back in the line-out, but is generally reluctant to jump. His handling and catching have improved considerably. A helpful and conscientious secretary. (*Cooper's*).

M. LAISTER (1945-46-47) : A blind-side wing-forward whose brilliant falling-on has stopped many forward rushes. He is slow for this position, but usually manages to be where he is needed. He tackles well, but his kicking, passing and catching still leave much to be desired. An eminently hard worker. (*Captain of Copland's*).

J. T. MURLEY (1945-46-47) : A fine scrum-half, whose immaculate handling and accurate passing never fail to keep the back division well supplied. He knows when to slip through on his own, and he continually deceives the opposing wing forwards. He works hard in defence, and picks up well from opposing rushes. A useful touch-kick could be improved in length and direction. (*Dunt's*).

J. R. LAMBOURN* A small, mobile stand-off half who combines well with Murley. His handling and passing are good, and he possesses a very useful touch-kick with either foot. He supplies the three-quarters well,

but is prone to running across and passing after he has made himself an opening. His defence is very weak; he lacks a tackle, and he must learn to drop on. He lacks confidence and is easily flustered. (*Cooper's*).

A. J. LIPPITT† : The fastest member of the pack and an energetic wing forward, who is always up on the ball. He dribbles powerfully, but needs greater control—and support. He works hard and is one of the few forwards who can catch and kick with safety. His tackling has improved. (*Dunt's*).

T. B. ANDERSON† : A slight but wiry second row forward, who has been rather disappointing. In common with most of the pack, he is at a complete loss with the ball in his hands. He can tackle, but his catching is uncertain and his kicking non-existent. At his best in the loose. (*Leeds*).

B. M. COOPER‡ : The fastest member of the team. His speed and backing-up have made him a formidable partner to Jacombs, and when in possession he runs very hard. Although ideally a wing three-quarter, he has played centre of necessity, and he must learn to make an opening for his wing. He tackles well from behind, but his kicking needs improvement. (*Leeds*).

G. A. ALLCOTT† : A newcomer to the team, who plays hard despite his small stature. His size prevents his success in the line-out and tight scrums, but he batters away in the loose. He tackles well, but his kicking and catching ability is negligible. (*Copland's*).

P. B. JACKSON† : A fast and extremely elusive wing three-quarter, who would be all the more valuable if he combined better. He often holds on too long, and thus wastes chances. His tackling is very good, but his kicking is sometimes uncertain. (*Leeds*).

W. D. TREADWELL† : A wing three-quarter who runs hard for the line and is never daunted by weight of numbers. When hemmed in he should pass inside sooner or cross-kick. His passing and handling could be improved. His tackling is excellent. He occasionally starts an attack from his own twenty-five—a useful device if done sparingly. (*Captain of Leeds*).

A. L. SMITH† : A stockily-built hooker, who has had great success so far. He plays hard in the loose, but should try to make up for his lack of inches in the line-out. A negligible kick. He falls on well. (*Dunt's*).

R. W. HEATH† : A medium-sized front row forward who keeps well up with the ball. He is quite successful in the line-out and is an intelligent player in the loose. His tackling is passable, and his catching and kicking have improved considerably. (*Cooper's*).

P. I. McKELLEN: A hefty front row forward who pushes well in the tight. He should use his height to better advantage in the line-out, and despite his slowness should be more forceful in the loose. (*Leeds*).

*signifies Second XV Colours (1944-45-46-47).

†signifies Second XV Colours (1945-46-47).

‡signifies Second XV Colours (1946-47).

The 1st XV has been: D. J. G. Sells; Jackson, Cooper, A. J. Jacombs, Treadwell;

Lambourn, J. T. Murley; McKellen, Smith, Heath, Allcott, Anderson, M. Laister, P. R. Hardwick, Lippitt.

The following have also played: W. G. Tomlinson (1945-46), Richardson and Dolphin.

The 2nd XV has been: Tabberer; Newby, Hutchings, Harrison, Reese; Morgan, Spencer; Smith, Morrison, Dickinson, Lobb, Dolphin, Grant, Richardson (*Captain*), Thomas.

CRICKET RETROSPECT

The First Eleven's disappointing record of two victories and eight defeats in thirteen games was due to an uncanny inconsistency in the batting. Although most of the team produced creditable performances during the season, there were few occasions on which more than one batsman succeeded. The bowling provided a different story, for there lay the main strength of the team. The attack was a well varied one that always commanded respect, and might easily have compensated for the batting weaknesses, had a number of important chances been taken. True, most of the catches in question could hardly be termed easy, but they were the sort which must be taken if matches are to be won. The most improved member of the team was undoubtedly P. T. RICHARDSON, who, with the adoption of a new action, developed into a fine attacking fast-medium bowler, with a steady length and a disturbing in-swing. Although little was seen of A. J. LIPPITT and J. T. MURLEY as bowlers after the beginning of the season, D. J. G. SELLS maintained his ability to keep the runs down, even if bad luck did prevent him from gaining more victims. The opponents' rate of scoring was also slowed down by sound ground fielding and, apart from the lapses already mentioned, the fielding generally was good.

RESULTS.

SCHOOL v. OLD EDWARDIANS.

Played at Eastern Road on June 29th. Old Edwardians won by three wickets.

School, 106 (Spencer, M. G. H., 47; G. A. Pell, 14; Sells, 14; K. G. Kent, 5 for 44).
Old Edwardians, 137 (B. C. C. Tipper, not out 89; G. A. Pell, 4 for 55; Sells, 3 for 14).

SCHOOL v. WARWICK SCHOOL.

Played at Eastern Road on July 6th. Match Drawn.

School, 107 for 5 wickets (G. A. Pell, 32; Mercer, 25).
Warwick School, 38 for 5 wickets (G. A. Pell, 2 for 7).

SCHOOL v. ASHFIELD CRICKET CLUB.

Played at Eastern Road on July 13th. Ashfield won by three wickets.

School, 134 for 9 wickets (J. G. Harrison, 22; T. L. Robinson, 3 for 24).
Ashfield, 138 for 7 (J. B. W. Brownsdon, 24; T. L. Robinson, 25; G. A. Pell, 4 for 51).

SCHOOL v. WYGGESTON G.S.

Played at Eastern Road on July 17th. Wyggeston won by forty-two runs.

Wyggeston G.S., 112 (J. K. Shepherd, 58 not out; P. T. Richardson, 4 for 23; G. A. Pell, 4 for 43).
School, 70 (G. A. Pell, 36).

SCHOOL v. SOLIHULL SCHOOL.

Played at Solihull on July 20th. School won by six wickets.

Solihull, 66 (Bailey, 14; P. R. Richardson, 5 for 25; G. A. Pell, 5 for 30).
School, 164 for 4 (J. T. Murley, not out 56; G. A. Pell, 47; Pardoe, 22).

SCHOOL v. R.G.S., WORCESTER.

Played at Worcester on July 24th. Worcester won by five wickets.

School, 47 (J. G. Harrison, 21; B. Powlson, 3 for 12; P. W. Amery, 3 for 14).
R.G.S., Worcester, 95 (N. M. Woodcock, 29; P. J. Whitcombe, 19; P. T. Richardson, 4 for 30; G. A. Pell, 3 for 23).

SCHOOL v. COMBINED KING EDWARD GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

Played at Eastern Road on July 27th. Match Drawn.

*Combined K.E.G.S., 126 for 9 (Dickenson, 34; Hampson, 21; G. A. Pell, 6 for 49).
School, 49 for 7 (J. Bannister, 3 for 12).*

AVERAGES FOR SEASON.

	BATTING.			Highest Score.	Average.
	Innings.	Not out.	Total.		
M. G. H. Spencer	13	1	198	47	16·5
G. A. Pell	11	0	165	47	15·0
J. T. Murley	12	1	130	56*	11·73
J. G. Harrison	13	1	138	26	11·50
*Not out.					
	BOWLING.			Wickets.	Average.
	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.		
G. A. Pell	152	42	358	40	8·95
P. T. Richardson	107·2	36	242	22	11·00
J. T. Murley	25	3	92	7	13·14
A. J. Lippitt	85·2	23	188	14	13·43
D. J. G. Sells	51	10	149	9	14·33

G. A. PELL,

Captain of Cricket, 1946.

SWIMMING PROSPECTS

AFTER yet another year of complete victory it seems that a lull in our term of good fortune may occur. Three colours will have left by next season, but there is no reason why the team should not maintain the high standard of swimming so far attained. Another distance swimmer will be needed to support L. J. Lawson in the 200 yards, but our chief need will be for divers, of which the School has been very short during recent years. This want may be filled from the Junior School, whose enthusiasm is very great, and amongst whom we see many potential champions. Though the School may find it hard to win all its matches next year, there is no doubt that in future years the team should carry all before it.

S. J. BLOOD,

Captain of Swimming.

School Swimming

SCHOOL v. SHREWSBURY SCHOOL.

June 29th. Away. Won.

Once again, the system of swimming the strings separately, and then comparing the times, prevented the School from obtaining the best results. N. A. Bates was beaten in the back stroke for the first time in an inter-school match.

RESULTS.

2×70 ft. Free Style : 1, S. J. Blood ; 2, Wieler (Shrewsbury) ; 3, C. K. Symes. 28 secs.
4×70 ft. Free Style : 1, N. A. Bates ; 2, D. B. Dickinson ; 3, Wright (Shrewsbury) : 67·2 secs.
8×70 ft. Free Style : 1, S. J. Blood ; 2, Bevir (Shrewsbury) ; 3, Lawson : 2 mins. 27 secs.
2×70 ft. Back Stroke : 1, Wieler (Shrewsbury) ; 2, N. A. Bates ; 3, Wright (Shrewsbury) : 34 secs.
4×70 ft. Breast Stroke : 1, B. O. Bailey ; 2, Williams (Shrewsbury) ; 3, Janney : 87·1 secs.
Dive : 1 and 2 : B. O. Bailey and Wieler (Shrewsbury) ; 3, Fitzroy (Shrewsbury).
Relay : 6×(2×70) : K.E.S.

Result : K.E.S., 32 points : Shrewsbury School, 16 points.

SCHOOL v. SOLIHULL SCHOOL.

July 12th. Away. Won.

Leaving several of the team at home, the School defeated Solihull, winning the Relay by an easy margin.

RESULTS.

50 metres Free Style : 1, Solihull ; 2, C. K. Symes ; 3, Ireland : 35 secs.
100 metres Free Style : 1, D. B. Dickinson ; 2, Lawson ; 3, Solihull : 83·8 secs.
50 metres Back Stroke : 1, S. J. Blood ; 2, Rowley ; 3, Solihull : 40 secs.
50 metres Breast Stroke : 1, Solihull ; 2, Harrison ; 3, Solihull : 40·4 secs.
Plunge : 1, Solihull ; 2, Ireland ; 3, Solihull.
Dive : 1, Solihull ; 2, Solihull ; 3, C. K. Symes.
Relay : K.E.S.

Result : K.E.S., 25½ points ; Solihull School, 22½ points.

50 metres Free Style : 1, S. J. Blood ; 2, Rugby ; 3, C. K. Symes : 32 secs.
 100 metres Free Style : 1, Rugby ; 2, N. A. Bates ; 3, Dickinson : 77.8 secs.
 200 metres Free Style : 1, S. J. Blood ; 2, Rugby ; 3, Lawson : 2 mins. 58.4 secs.
 100 metres Breast Stroke : 1, B. Bailey ; 2, Rugby ; 3, Rugby : 93.6 secs.
 50 metres Back Stroke : 1, N. A. Bates ; 2, Rowley ; 3, Rugby : 49.2 secs.
 Dive : 1, B. O. Bailey ; 2, Rugby ; 3, Rugby.
 Medley Relay (Back, Breast and Free Style) : K.E.S.
 Relay : (6×50 metres) : K.E.S.

Result : K.E.S., 37 points ; Rugby, 15 points.

School Swimming Sports

The Annual Swimming Sports were held at Woodcock Street Baths on Saturday, July 27th, 1946.

The results were as follows :

50 yards Free Style (Open) : 1, S. J. Blood ; 2, N. A. Bates ; 3, D. B. Dickinson : 28½ secs.
 100 yards Free Style (Open) : 1, S. J. Blood ; 2, N. A. Bates ; 3, L. J. Lawson : 66½ secs.
 (Record equalled).
 200 yards Free Style (Open) : 1, S. J. Blood ; 2, N. A. Bates ; 3, L. J. Lawson : 2 mins. 41½ secs.
 100 yards Breast Stroke (Open) : 1, B. O. Bailey ; 2, J. R. Harrison ; 3, R. J. Pine : 87½ secs.
 50 yards Back Stroke (Open) : 1, N. A. Bates ; 2, G. W. Rowley ; 3, J. Callomon : 36½ secs.
 Plunge (Open) : 1, A. J. Ireland ; 2, S. J. Blood ; 3, D. B. Bennett : Distance, 46-ft. 4-ins.
 Dive (Open) : 1, B. O. Bailey ; 2, C. K. Symes ; 3, J. K. Jones.
 50 yards Free Style (Under 16½) : 1, D. B. Dickinson ; 2, A. J. Ireland ; 3, L. J. Lawson : 31½ secs.
 100 yards Free Style (Under 16½) : 1, D. B. Dickinson ; 2, A. J. Ireland ; 3, L. J. Lawson : 77½ secs.
 50 yards Free Style (Under 15) : 1, J. R. Luckett ; 2, C. H. Luckett ; 3, G. R. Green, Time : 37½ secs.
 100 yards Free Style (Under 15) : 1, J. R. Luckett ; 2, O. Wheatley ; 3, R. L. Wishlade ; Time : 92½ secs.
 50 yards Back Stroke (Under 15) : 1, J. R. Luckett ; 2, C. H. Luckett ; 3, R. L. Wishlade ; Time : 46½ secs.
 50 yards Breast Stroke (Under 15) : 1, M. D. Stirling ; 2, H. J. Rogers ; 3, J. A. Harvey ; Time : 50½ secs.
 Dive (Under 15) : 1, O. Wheatley ; 2=3, J. A. Harvey and C. H. Luckett.
 Plunge (Under 15) : 1, P. J. Turner ; 2, J. A. Harvey ; 3, O. Wheatley ; Distance : 44-ft. 8½-ins.
 1 length (100-ft.) (Under 14) : 1, J. R. Luckett ; 2, C. H. Luckett ; 3, G. R. Green ; Time : 22½ secs.
 1 length (100-ft.) (Under 13½) : 1, G. R. Green ; 2, C. H. Luckett ; 3, D. C. Soutter ; Time : 24½ secs.
 1 length (100-ft.) (Under 12½) : 1, M. Swale ; 2, P. J. Turner ; 3, P. G. Foulds ; Time : 32½ secs.
 House Relays : 1st Team : 1, Leeds ; 2, Robert's ; 3, Dunt's ; 4, Copland's.
 2nd Team : 1, Dunt's ; 2, Copland's ; 3, Robert's ; 4, Leed's.
 3rd Team : 1, Copland's ; 2, Leed's ; 3, Robert's ; 4, ———.

Senior Championship : S. J. Blood.

Junior Championship : J. R. Luckett.

Allday Shield (Terminal Competition). Dunt's.

Jacat Cup (Sports). Dunt's.

Solomon Cup (General Swimming). Dunt's.

Relay—School v. Old Edwardians : 1, School ; 2, O.E.

This was, undoubtedly, the most thrilling part of the evening. Each swimmer swam one length, and right on until after the fifth men from each team hit the water in the same splash, the teams were dead level. N. A. Bates gained a lead of about two yards, and S. J. Blood retained it for the School to finish first. Of the rest of the team, especial mention must be made of B. O. Bailey, who throughout the year has captained the team, and whose versatility undoubtedly saved the School in several matches.

Our thanks are due to Mrs. Clive Powell, who presented the prizes at the swimming sports ; to Messrs. F. L. Kay, J. Ounsted and G. C. Sacret for all their work and guidance in bringing school swimming up to its present high standard, and to the Corporation Baths Department who put establishments at our disposal when needed.

S.J.B.

SHOOTING REPORT

At the time of writing the School VIII has shot two matches, winning, one and losing one. On the whole, shooting has gradually improved, and, given hard and consistent practice, this will continue. The S.M.R.C. Competition yielded a much better result than last year, but as yet the placings are unknown.

There have been two open-range shoots this term, during which the remaining members of last year's VIII showed good form, while one or two others also shot well. The prospects for open range matches are therefore good.

Under the guidance of Mr. Cooke, a number of younger boys are being trained, with the idea of forming a 2nd VIII for the *Country Life* Competition next term. Both Mr. Cooke and R. S. M. Moore have spent much of their spare time at the range this term, and it is largely due to their experience and sound advice that the team has made such great progress.

A. J. JACOMBS,
Captain of Shooting.

ATHLETICS PROSPECTS

ALTHOUGH none of last year's colours is still at school, the prospects for the coming season are quite promising. The sprints and jumps will still be our strongest events, but there are doubts about the middle distances and the mile. The field events and hurdles could be good if they were sufficiently practised before matches begin. We hope to hold fixtures during the season with Denstone, Bloxham, Bromsgrove and Trent, all of which should provide stiff opposition. The Athletic Sports will be held on Thursday and Saturday, March 27th and 29th. For all these occasions we hope for large attendances of parents and friends to give the school support.

A. J. JACOMBS,
Captain of Athletics.

CHESS REPORT

THE condition of the Chess room this term has proved that the attractions of the game are undiminished, and indeed produce an excitement unheard of before. We hope that a Chess Tournament later in the term will succeed in heightening the interest already demonstrated in so unmistakable a manner. One round of House Chess is in progress, but as yet no one has any idea of the probable results. The School team now consists of A. H. Allsop, J. Alexander, P. R. Hardwick, R. J. Billington, S. Rosenthal and G. T. Newnham. Though L. Lewis can no longer adjudicate our games for us, the team has

won its first match of the season, against Erdington C.C.; the Second team has drawn with Five Ways I. It will play other matches during the term.

We wish to thank Mr. Crowther for his help, and especially for allowing us to use the Chess Room after school.

G. T. NEWNHAM,
Captain of Chess.

LIBRARY REPORT

AMIDST the magnificent new fittings and the delightful smell of new wood, the Library staff have worked hard to lay out the books on the new shelves. It was a big job, and only through the industry of the librarians and the unceasing energy of Mr. Copland was it completed by half-term.

Several important new books have been added this term, such as *Europe* by C. A. Alington, *Social Biology* by Alan Dale, *Aeschylus and Athens* by George Thompson, Collingwood's *The Idea of History*, Rowse's *The Use of History*, and the first volume of *Recording Britain*; but these compensate, in very small measure only, for the withdrawal of a very large number of books for rebinding. In a Library planned to hold 12,000 books, there is obviously a great deal of room for further additions. It may well be that some boys will wish to increase the variety and scope of their library by the presentation of books. Such additions would be very welcome, and in this way the School would be directly responsible for the growth of its Library.

The tremendous demand for the issue of tickets, and the speed with which books were borrowed testify to the enthusiasm of the School for the new library, and it is hoped that this will manifest itself in a respect and care for those exquisite oak shelves, which make our Library one of the finest in the country.

M. J. APPS,
Librarian.

LITERARY SOCIETY

THE War, and its negative end of the removal of evil, has brought in this school a certain lack of constructive and positive spirit outside the hard and fast circle of school work. The tendency is for the intellectual societies to become the restricted playground of the *elite* and of those who, ever original, go there because no one else does.

In recent years the Society has tended to become slick and clever, with its literary centre of gravity at 1900, the new outweighing the tried and substantial. So far, so bad.

One meeting has been held this term, the Anthology meeting of tradition. Poems by D. H. Lawrence, Shakespeare, unknown members of Darlington Grammar

School and D. A. Collis were read, and prose by Greek, Chinese, and English writers. England was represented by Priestley and Beerbohm.

But there is little use in running societies of this kind if there is no broad body of opinion in the school ready to come and interest itself in literature as a whole.

A. I. CROSBEE,
Hon. Secretary.

DEBATING SOCIETY REPORT

THE Society has, as yet, achieved a maximum of effect with a minimum expenditure of its own talent.

An Old Edwardian debate, which was very good, has been followed by a joint debate which was not too bad, and not until the end of term will the society's native wit be brought to test.

There is, however, no cause for pessimism. S. Myers bodes well to follow in the footsteps (and sometimes the phraseology) of his more colourful predecessors, whilst we have an enthusiastic if fluid committee in C. Macfarlane, K. Pearce, B. W. Tanner and occasionally S. Myers himself.

The Old Boys' debate gave the Society a flying start, K. P. Tynan, wearing socks which proclaimed aloud his argument, proposed that "This House believes in the value of insincerity." He was seconded by B. E. Swingler and opposed by Mr. Harry James and Mr. V. J. Biggs. At A. Sutherland's request, the motion was rejected.

The attendance was then a record of some years' standing, but an even greater number of people gathered together a month later to hear S. Myers propose that "This House considers the Victorian Age to have been the Golden Age." Miss Hazel Young quietly and effectively seconded the proposition, which was opposed by Miss Sylvia Landau and a rather incoherent secretary. The motion was lost.

In addition to the committee as a whole, G. W. Gardiner, R. J. Billington and M. J. Apps give promise of becoming first-class speakers whilst, if the society is in any degree in a healthier state than it was last year, that is due entirely to the stimulating chairmanship, overpowering enthusiasm and organizing ability of Mr. Blount.

P. R. HARDWICK,
Hon. Secretary.

DRAMATIC SOCIETY

OUR last production seems to have given the Society much of its pre-war status, and again we are working hard to make the Play one of the outstanding events of the School year—as, of course, it ought to be.

Once more Tragedy is our theme. This time the Prince of Denmark is our hero. If the Play's the thing, this choice bodes well for success, and we hope that it will arouse pleasure and interest rather than pity and terror. May praise reward our ambition.

This year's cast appears to be one of exceptional keenness and good humour. Many former members are with us again—C. W. Golby (Hamlet), J. J. Pearce (Claudius), M. Van Ments (Polonius), G. F. B. Laughland (Ophelia). More prominent among the newcomers are D. J. G. Sells, P. R. Hardwick and J. L. Gardner, who will play Horatio, Laertes, and Gertrude, respectively. We regret that lack of space forbids a full cast list. Three public performances will be presented in the last week of this Autumn term.

In conclusion, we would express our gratitude to Mr. Greenway for his never-failing wit and understanding, and to Mr. Leeds for his invaluable co-operation. We are convinced that, under guidance such as this, success will be our due reward.

C. W. GOLBY,
Hon. Secretary.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

WITH the completion of the Darkroom, the Society has been able to pursue a much more active policy. The one meeting so far held this term was devoted to a discussion of rules for use of the Darkroom, and to the formation of a committee. An enlarger is now under construction for the Society's own use. In general, there seems to be a revival of interest in Photography, especially among the junior members of the School, which is most encouraging. Sincere thanks are due to Mr. Hall for his services as chairman and to the Arts and Crafts Society for their poster.

J. E. K. CROYDON,
Hon. Secretary.

SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY

THE Society has continued to enjoy good support this term. So far, one meeting has been held, when a lecturer from the International Wool Publicity Secretariat gave a talk on "Science and the Wool Industry." Although, unfortunately, the expected supporting film did not materialize, the lecture was illustrated with some very good photographs. A second meeting is planned for late November, when it is hoped that Mr. Gibson Martin will speak on "Steel as a career," and a sound film will be shown.

To meet the scientific interests of the lower school, the Junior Scientific Society was founded at the beginning of the term

Details are reported elsewhere, and we wish this new venture every success.

Finally, we thank Mr. Ballance for his continued work as Chairman, the Arts and Crafts Society for their excellent posters, and Mr. Armitage and his assistants for the extra work they do on our behalf.

R. D. POYSER,
Hon. Secretary.

CIVICS SOCIETY

As two of the Society's meetings come late in the term, this report will be more in the nature of a forecast.

On October 14th a full meeting of the Society was entertained by a brisk tussle between Mr. Kuper and Mr. Green on "Labour's First Year in Power."

For our other meetings this term, Sir Peter Bennett, M.P. will speak on "The Present Parliament compared with its Predecessor," while on December 13th a sound film, "The Face of Britain," will be followed by a discussion led by various speakers.

One visit is fixed for this term so far, to Ariel Motors on 28th November. Next term Alderman Tiptaft and Mr. Justice Finnemore are to visit the Society; also, we hope, a speaker of importance in current affairs.

On behalf of the Society, I wish to thank Mr. Blount and the members of the committee for their valuable work, and the Arts and Crafts Society for their posters.

D. I. HAYNES,
Hon. Secretary.

MUSICAL SOCIETY

This year we welcome as Chairman of the Society, Mr. Cranmer, who has joined the Staff as Music Master. Already he has shown his keenness and enthusiasm in every branch of the Society's activities, and under his leadership we can look forward to the future with high hopes.

Lunch-hour recitals, the Society's main activity, are being held on alternate Wednesdays. The standard of these is high, and one could reasonably wish for a better attendance. So far this term A. I. Crosbee, C. MacFarlane and J. J. Pearce have presented gramophone recitals, while our future programme includes piano recitals by members of the Society. We aim at fair representation of all types of music in the coming months.

This term the Choir is hampered by a shortage of music. This should be corrected shortly. In the meantime the Choir is rehearsing part-songs. Numbers were rather diminished at the end of last term, and recruits are still wanted, particularly for the broken voices.

The Orchestra, conducted by Mr. Cranmer, continues to flourish. Rehearsals are held on Thursday lunch-hours, and here, again, recruits are wanted, for all instruments.

Finally, we would like to thank Mr. Cranmer for the time and energy he puts into the Society's activities, and Mr. F. L. Kay, the retiring chairman, for all the support he gave us throughout the difficult years of the War.

J. B. LUDLOW,
Hon. Secretary.

GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

THE term has been one of moderate activity. At our first meeting Mr. Cooper gave an account of his stay in Gambia. His talk on the various aspects of that region, illustrated by lantern slides and exhibits, was most interesting.

Mr. Biggs, recently returned from the Middle East, gave us an equally interesting description of his many and varied experiences in the Sudan.

Visits to several factories in and around Birmingham have been made; parties of senior boys have been taken round the Austin works at Longbridge, and the G.E.C. works at Witton.

Attendances have on the whole been good, but a larger number of seniors at meetings would be much appreciated. Our thanks are due to Mr. Greenway for his continued interest and guidance.

B. H. DAVIES,
Hon. Secretary.

ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY

THE Society has begun the year with a well-attended meeting, addressed by Mr. Stagg, on Archaeology and Aerial Photography. It is hoped that a later meeting will hear a lecture on Oriental or Chinese Art. The Society would wish to attract larger and older audiences by subjects of more general interest.

We welcome the return of our pre-war chairman, Mr. Burgess, and we are grateful for his services. And our sincerest thanks go to Mr. Dunt for his untiring help and assistance throughout the war.

R. J. ROBERTS,
Hon. Secretary.

PHILATELIC SOCIETY

No meetings have been held so far; the first will be of a social nature, to which members may bring their stamps for exchange. The second of the term's meetings will consist of short, illustrated lectures by members of the

Society. Mr. Dunt has retired from the chair after many years of faithful service, and to him we extend our gratitude. We also wish to thank Mr. Cooper for filling his place so admirably.

R. J. ROBERTS,
Hon. Secretary.

RAILWAY AND MODEL ENGINEERING SOCIETY

As it approaches the first anniversary of its inception, the Society is beginning to embark upon a more ambitious programme than it has followed so far. There is at least some hope of a workshop for our model engineers, whose inventive genius has up to the present performance been suppressed for lack of a suitable building. When this ability is released, however, it will perhaps materialize in the form of steam trains racing through the corridors of the school.

The Railway enthusiasts should have more to occupy their minds this term, as we hope to organize a series of weekly visits to locomotive depots or other places of equal interest. The shortening days render more ambitious outings impracticable for the winter term, but some outstanding events are planned for next term.

The year began with a meeting addressed by Captain Russell on the Railways of South Africa. Of the two further meetings in the term, one has been allotted to the Model Engineers.

The prospects for this Society are very bright, and the Committee looks forward to a most successful year. Once again thanks are due to Mr. Gess for invaluable assistance in his capacity as chairman, and to R. J. Pine for his attractive and ingenious posters.

R. T. POPPLE,
Hon. Secretary.

JUNIOR DEBATING SOCIETY

Two very successful meetings have been held this term, both of them very well attended, and it has become quite clear that a large number of relatively inexperienced speakers can offset a shortage of orators or future cabinet ministers.

The motion: "That this House approves of the nationalization of Road Transport" was carried only by the casting vote of the chairman, but one "that this House prefers rugger to soccer" was decisively defeated. Two further meetings are to be held this term, when the Society will consider Corporal Punishment, and the effects of a return to power of the Conservative Party.

Our thanks are due to Mr. Dunt for taking the chair and to the Arts and Crafts Society for posters.

We extend a hearty welcome to any boys interested, particularly those new to the School, and hope to see them at future debates.

G. W. PETERS,
Hon. Secretary.

JUNIOR SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY

THIS newly-formed Society held its first meeting on October 16th, when a large attendance from the junior school quickly carried through the business of selecting a Secretary and Committee.

There followed an interesting lecture by Mr. Hall, on "Dry Ice," illustrated with several experiments. This remarkably successful meeting closed with a decision to hold a further meeting towards the end of the term. Our sincere thanks go to Mr. Hall and Mr. Lambert for their invaluable help in founding the Society, and to the Arts and Crafts Society for their fine poster.

W. G. G. LINDLEY,
Hon. Secretary.

CHRISTIAN UNION

THE Christian Union has continued this term in its own, steady, yet determined way. The meetings held each Friday lunch-hour have been quite well attended, as have the weekly prayer meetings, considering that they were held before school.

The main feature of the term has been the series of three studies on the Epistle to the Romans by the Rev. George Banks, which has been well appreciated. Obviously, "the most profound work ever written" could be little more than introduced in three short talks, but the value of this introduction lay in its undoubted stimulus to further study. The visits later in the term of the well-known Christian Youth leaders, Mr. David Tryon and Mr. John Inchley, should prove high spots, and so, too, the talk on Missionary Life in Africa.

Our thanks are due to the Arts and Crafts Society for their willing provision of posters, and to Mr. Ballance for allowing us to use the natural surroundings of his Museum.

M. J. APPS,
Hon. Secretary.

THE CLOSED CIRCLE

This new Society, which was begotten amidst the enthusiasm of selected members of the Upper Sixth, through the vision and energy of Mr. Blount, is based upon the spirit of privilege rather than of patronage. By a strictly limited membership, based on election from within and an automatic method of dropping uninterested members, the Circle

hopes to maintain its initial enthusiasm. Its purpose is to consider and discuss papers given by its own members or by distinguished visitors on subjects of mutual interest. The three papers to be given this term by Mr. C. C. Harries on "The Foundation," by the School Captain on "The Oxford Movement" and by the Secretary on "Education," should all provoke thought and discussion and thus be well worth while.

We feel sure that this new venture has the good wishes of the venerable and long-established Societies, and we hope that its youthful enthusiasm will permeate the other branches of the School's intellectual life.

M. J. APPS,
Hon. Secretary.

J.T.C. REPORT

TRAINING this term has continued, with renewed zeal, under the competent direction of the Commanding Officer and the Company Commanders, and it looks as though the contingent will maintain its high prestige with another good year.

For general training, the Unit is divided into four companies; the senior two are taking Cert. A Section Leading in March, C Coy. Cert. A Individual at the same time, while the recruit company is being initiated into the elements of drill, map-reading, and weapon training. All companies are doing well, and if the recruits maintain their initial enthusiasm there need be no fear for the future.

The specialized training sections remain popular and instructive. Signals, under Cpl. Booth, are having a good term, having attracted a number of recruits, while the technical branch is running two courses. The Senior course is progressing well with motor-cycling and maintenance, and the Junior course with the internal combustion engine; Sgts. Smith and McKellen have worked well with these courses. The band, though it has all too few "old-hands," has recruited successfully, and has made good progress under L/Cpl. Bennett; thanks are also due to Lt. Barlow and Mr. Russell. The activities of these special branches indicate the continued interest in the Corps.

Much of the responsibility for good training rests with the Junior N.C.O's, and they are tackling their responsibilities capably. Their knowledge and confidence has visibly increased since the beginning of term, and their enthusiasm adequately compensates for this lack of experience. The N.C.O's have always been the backbone of the contingent, and this shows no sign of weakening this year.

Classification shooting is being carried on at every available time, though this term it is confined to the senior companies. Many cadets have done well, though there are some

who have shown much slackness in this sphere. The N.C.O's in charge of Shooting have done a good job, and thanks are due to Lt. Barlow, Mr. Buttle, R.S.M. Moore, Sgt. Lowing, and above all to Lt. Cooke, for the time and energy they have spent in improving the standard of shooting.

We welcome Sgt. C. G. Lowing, late of the Royal Welch Fusiliers, as P.S.I. to replace R.S.M. Simpson, who left last term. He has already shown his efficiency in administration and competence in training; his zeal should benefit the contingent considerably.

Thus, although the war has now receded into the past, the Corps continues, well supported and keen, and is playing an important part in the life of the School.

M. J. APPS,
Senior C.S.M

REPORT OF J.T.C. CAMP

To most of us the memory of the contingent camp, held from July 30th to August 9th at No. 22 I.T. Centre at Budbrooke, is a blurred one, yet it is a memory which has pleasant associations for us all.

The training programme was a strenuous one, but its value was tremendous. In addition to the usual routine of drill, weapon-training, tactics and map-reading, which was presented in an enthusiastic way, numerous demonstrations, followed by instruction on such subjects as bivouacs, landing craft and night operations were given by the camp staff. The ample facilities for all kinds of shooting were used with zeal, and the assault course, which appeared a little forbidding, was the main topic of conversation for cadets who successfully completed it, for days afterwards. The all-day exercise, held at Mickleton in the Cotswolds, was also popular in spite of the weather. This ambitious training, though it was exhausting at the time, especially for the junior cadets, was carried out vigorously, and its value will become even more obvious to the senior cadets as they join the services, and to the junior cadets as they become the N.C.O's of the contingent. Without the energy of our Officers and R.S.M.s, working in conjunction with the camp staff, this programme could never have been carried out so satisfactorily, and could never have gained such a favourable report as that received from the camp Liaison Officer after the camp was ended.

In leisure time the cadets found plenty with which to amuse themselves. Voluntary games and shooting were constantly available, while the camp N.A.A.F.I. satisfied the less energetic needs. Warwick and Leamington attracted the interest of large numbers, while some even roved to Stratford. The two visits to the Memorial Theatre, arranged by the camp, were very popular and much

appreciated. There was never any fear of boredom.

Part of the training was carried out in conjunction with Solihull School contingent, who were also stationed at the barracks, and this unit joined us at the Church parade, held at St. Mary's Church, Warwick, on the Sunday. Canon Littler took the service, and one C.S.M. from each School read the lessons.

Though some cadets wished that the contingent had been quartered on its own, and some regretted being billeted in an Infantry Training Centre, there can be no doubt that the regular army environment was extremely valuable to the unit and our thanks are due to 22 I.T.C. Anyway, after the tiredness had worn off and the camp was viewed in retrospect, there could scarcely have been a cadet who felt that it had not been both worth while and good fun.

M. J. APPS,
Senior C.S.M.

A.T.C. REPORT

DURING the summer vacation, the A.T.C. as a whole underwent extensive reorganization. It is now a part of the R.A.F. Reserve Command, which means that that service will co-operate with the Corps even more than before.

As a result of the change, the examinations taken by cadets have been carefully revised, and a wider range of subjects has been included in the Proficiency Certificate, the additions being "engines," meteorology, arms drill and shooting. It is expected that cadets will require about two years training to pass the new Proficiency Examination.

There were sufficient recruits at the beginning of the term to maintain the strength of the Flight at approximately sixty. As usual, Section B, the recruits, are training for the Proficiency Certificate, whilst the remainder of the Flight, Section A, are endeavouring to learn those fresh subjects which have been included in the new Proficiency syllabus.

At the end of last term the Flight lost most of its senior N.C.O.'s, so that the new N.C.O.'s are somewhat inexperienced in their duties, but they are doing their best in the circumstances. However, since there is a wide field of subjects to be taught to the cadets, certain N.C.O.s have volunteered to instruct cadets in such subjects as engines and Aircraft Recognition; this should give them valuable experience. The flight is thus fully occupied, with the various technical subjects appropriate to R.A.F. training.

A successful camp was held in August, in which about thirty cadets participated. This is dealt with more fully elsewhere. Throughout the year there has been a cadet present at each of the sessions of No. 34 Gliding School, Castle Bromwich.

B. A. Phillips, last year's flight-sergeant, is to be congratulated on being awarded the Knight Memorial Medal for 1945-6, and also on being accepted for R.A.F. Training College, Cranwell.

In conclusion, we should like to thank F/Lt. Hall, F/O. Greenway and P/O. Smith for their invaluable instruction and guidance.

J. R. LAMBOURN,
Flight-Sergeant.

A.T.C. CAMP

FROM August 12th to 19th, thirty cadets experienced the interests and rigours of R.A.F. life at the annual camp, held once again at Swinderby, near Lincoln.

With its war duties relaxed, this tremendous R.A.F. station welcomes A.T.C. parties, and everything was "laid on" to ensure our comfort, entertainment and instruction. Numerous and competent instructors satisfied our proverbial curiosity with personal and stimulating lectures on engines, air-gunnery, navigation, etc.; excursions into the mysteries of radar equipment and R.A.F. administrative methods, sheet and range shooting evoked great interest.

On the lighter side, perilous voyages in the airborne lifeboat, icy dips in Newark baths, a curious baseball game, trips to Lincoln, and a day outing to Skegness will remain lasting memories. We owe an immense debt to the energy of F/Lt. Smith of the R.A.F.

This remarkably successful camp culminated in the exhilaration of Lancaster flights; despite occasionally oppressive weather, all cadets enjoyed a substantial number of flying-hours. Highlights included a "hedge hopping" sequence, and a "fix" by a Radar enthusiast over Butlin's Camp, Skegness.

We extend grateful thanks to F/Lt. Hall and F/O. Greenway, whose enthusiasm and constant effort made this enjoyable week possible.

J.T.M.

FARM CAMP, 1946

FOR the sixth and probably the last time, the School Farm Camp was held at Newnham Bridge, for three weeks. This year attendance was smaller than in the past, but this made for exclusiveness and high-living. Our food was, if anything, better than last year, and the sleeping accommodation much less cramped.

Since the camp was held earlier than usual, the hop-picking had not begun until after the campers had returned home. The work was thus a little different from previous years, for the inclement weather had made everything in the country very late. For this

reason, work consisted mainly of salvaging damaged crops and helping Mr. Nott with the over-late apple juice bottling.

Much help was received from the "War Ag." in the shape of blankets and some magnificent cooking stoves. The masters in charge were Mr. Porter for the first week, Mr. Roberts for the second, and Mr. Ounsted for the third. Other masters put in time as assistants, "gangers" or just plain workers. Many thanks are due to Mr. Porter for organizing the camp and taking on the onerous task of dividing a probably non-existent profit. We are very grateful also to Mr. Nott for his invaluable assistance and co-operation. In general, it was a successful camp, and much regret was caused by the announcement that it would probably be the last, thus bringing to an end a great venture and a fine tradition.

J.E.K.C.

SCOUT REPORT

THE Summer Camp, held at New Milton, near the New Forest, was very successful, and we were lucky in having good weather throughout.

We feel many regrets at losing Mr. Porter, who retired from his position as Group Scoutmaster at the beginning of the term, and Mr. Jack, Mr. Jackson, and Mr. Blyth, all of whom left us at the same time, after much valuable service with the Group. We congratulate Mr. Bennett on his appointment as Group Scoutmaster, and welcome Mr. Scret as an Assistant Scoutmaster.

At the beginning of the term we reformed into a Senior Troop of twelve scouts over fifteen, and two Junior Troops, Mitre and Park Vale, each of fifty scouts. Good progress has been made with First and Second Class tests. The group now has four First Class scouts, with several very near that standard.

The group participated in the divisional rally in Harborne on September 24th, contributing to the programme. A team entered for the fire drill competition finished second. By the end of this term Mitre and Park Vale troops will each have held a Wide Game at the Lickeys during a Thursday parade. On Field Day this term it is hoped to send patrols out on competitive hikes instead of holding the usual indoor competitions.

The twelve recruits admitted this term are all making good progress with their elementary training; more will be admitted towards the end of term.

Several scouts will again assist at play centres during the Christmas holidays.

Our thanks are due to our scoutmasters for their unfailing goodwill and support.

J. N. BRAND,
Troop Leader.

THE HAGUE, HOLLAND, 1946

It seemed too good to be true. A free trip to Holland, with 10s. pocket money to spend there. Surely there was a snag? No! Once we had made sure of our position on the teams, there seemed to be no doubt about it. Six boys from K.E.H.S. had been among those chosen to represent the schools of Birmingham against those of The Hague: R. Heron, D. J. G. Sells and W. D. Treadwell for Athletics; N. A. Bates, D. B. Dickinson and S. J. Blood for Swimming, while A. J. Lippitt managed to include himself in the Cricket team.

Five weeks later we assembled at the Council House, and the Lord Mayor said "good-bye" to us. At 10-30 p.m. on Friday, August 9th we left Harwich. There were seventy-two of us in the party, fourteen boys, fifteen girls, a cricket team captained by "Rusty" Scorer, who was in charge of the whole party, and the Arden Singers. Arriving at the Hook of Holland at 7-0 a.m. next morning, we were met by part of the Hague committee. An electric train took us to The Hague, where we met our hosts. Some spoke English fluently, but many were hard put to it to make themselves understood. We were billeted with Dutch families, and thus learnt much about Dutch life in the course of our stay.

Some of their customs seemed very queer to us. One member of the party asked another in a horrified whisper: "Do you have to eat toast with a knife and fork?" "Yes," came the reassuring reply.

The Hague is a residential city, and most of the people live in flats. We found there were still some sparks of ill feeling against the British, because of damage done by our bombs. This had almost died out, however, and we found the hospitality of the Dutch unsurpassable; indeed, Birmingham will be hard put to it to return such hospitality by private subscription when the Hague teams visit us next year. Dances, music, and variety concerts, a fire-work display, a *soiree* at the Palace Hotel at Scheveningen and displays of Hand-ball and Korf-ball filled the evenings. After a dance lasting until 4-0 a.m., we visited the splendid "Peace Palace," containing the most wonderful treasures, from a 2-ton marble cup given by the Tzar of Russia, to the most beautiful of Japanese tapestries. We also visited the "Panorama Mesdag," a cylindrical canvas viewed from a central platform, representing the country around Scheveningen about a century ago. The detail and perspective were perfect, and, with a mound of sand round the platform, we felt we could walk straight down into the sea. We were again entranced by the exhibition of one of the few of the world's Planetaria. This wonderful instrument projected on to a domed roof above our heads every star and

planet, with the correct movements controlled automatically, and capable of being operated at any required speed. The whole show took over one-and-a-half hours. Having no morning engagement next day, we made up a bit of sleep, the one comfort lacking in our stay.

This visit to Holland certainly banished any illusions about "Starving Europe." Meat and fats were very short, but the Dutch made up on other things. Even our boldest appetites looked small beside those of our hosts.

As the Hague was near Scheveningen, the centre of the herring industry, fish was fairly plentiful; we often saw fish barrows in the streets, with people standing round dropping strips of raw herring into their mouths. At meals, just when we were feeling that another mouthful would make us ill, our hosts would say that this would certainly happen if we didn't eat enough. Fruit was plentiful. Peaches, melons and grapes all appeared after meals. Flowers, too, were plentiful and cheap, though most cultivated ground was being used to provide food for the winter. Only two years ago the population had lived on swedes for four or five of the colder months of the year.

What were the sporting achievements of the British party? They were really only a minor part of the visit, the main purpose of which was to establish a link of goodwill and friendship between our two countries. In athletics we won nearly everything, thanks to the efforts of R. Heron of this School and R. Turton of K.E.G.S., Aston. In tennis, the girls lost all except one game—a singles. The swimmers also met their match. In a superb bath, the Dutch, with the help of their countrymen from the East Indies, won every race. However, we divided honours at cricket, winning one match, drawing one, and losing one. One of Birmingham's triumphs was "The Arden Singers," who were encored at every concert and broadcast several times. Their singing of several Dutch folk songs was most unexpected and, therefore, all the more welcome.

The link of friendship has been forged, and will be strengthened by the alternate visits of teams from one city to the other. This is but one small part in the network of friendship and goodwill which will unite the world in years to come.

S.J.B.

IN THE LOCKER ROOM

THE last boy put on his cap and passed through the door. The Head Porter closed it behind him, and, turning the key in the lock, walked away up the corridor. His steps echoed in the still school until they too died away, and all was quiet.

The Locker sighed a sigh of contentment. No more shouting, pushing boys, scamping about at the end of a school day; no more squabbling books in his inside; peace, and a holiday.

"Yes, it is sad, isn't it?" It was his friend beneath him that spoke. They were in a set of four tin lockers, and felt very aloof from the mere wooden boxes around them.

"What's sad?" asked the first locker.

"Everything being shut up like this. I see it after every term, yet I still can't help feeling gloomy."

"Gloomy be blowed," replied One, "I was just thinking how pleasant it was to get rid of them all."

Two: "Oh no, not really. Where would you be without Brown coming to collect his books every day and your conversations with his key? You wouldn't know what was going on."

One: "But it's nice to be left alone for a bit. Look at Number Four down there..."

Four: "What about me?"

One: "Sorry; I didn't know you were awake. I was just telling Two. It's nice to have the books taken out of your inside, to have no openings and shuttings as you haven't had since Howard was made a Prefect and started using the P.R."

Two: "P.R.?"

One: "Prefects' Room! You don't keep up with the times."

Four: "Ah, yes; but I've been a bit lonely since he went. He'd been with me since he was in the Shells—little snippet of a boy he was then. He had to reach up to me to put his books in, and when he went for the last time he had to stoop to take them out."

Two: "Aye, they do grow in six years, though they don't notice it themselves. Before it is half realized they are here, they're gone."

Three pipes in: "This one I've got'll be going before his time if he's not careful, young scamp."

One: "Why, what's the matter?"

Three: "He's gone and left his books inside me, that's what's the matter. I hope Kelly gives 'im a good spanking for his pains."

The others laugh.

"You've certainly got a bit of a lad on your hands," chuckles One.

Three: "A bit of a lad! I'll say. D'you remember the time he..."

Two: "But you must admit that it was funny."

Three: "Funny? Maybe; still, what about the night of the Joint Hop?"

Two: "I never could understand the point of all that; but it takes all sorts to make a world."

One: "And to make a School."

The four lockers talk of all the boys that they have seen, and of the many more that

they haven't; of all the books of all the boys who have passed through them; of all the many terms behind and ahead. Finally, First Locker interrupts: "Let's get some rest while we can. Next term will be here soon enough." So they all heave deep sighs, turn over, and fall sound asleep.

Yet next term, when you line up for your keys, give your number, hand over your shilling and turn towards the Locker Room, then...

But that is next term, and quite another story. S.R.

OF MASTODON AND MEGALOSAURUS

It is sad—but there it is. I suppose it was inevitable; and yet it fills me with a gentle melancholy. The hansom cab, the top-hat and frock-coat, grown dusty in the service of Time, have been consigned to that vast, cobwebbed museum, the Past. They are unmourned and forgotten: in that limbo they lie, under glass cases, with the mouldering bones of the Mastodon and the Megalosaurus. And now the epigram has joined them.

Of course, sooner or later the epigram was bound to be outmoded—even vilified. It was a relic of a cultivated, leisured society, which exists no longer—a society in which everyone was equipped with his quiverful of tried and tested epigrams. No socialite was without a store of them. They gave a semblance of wit, or, at the least, culture, even to the most somniferous of bores. And I, for one, regret their passing.

True, the epigram, like most social attainments, was both tedious and frivolous. Nevertheless, it had its advantages, not the least of which was that it could suffer moderate repetition without any noticeable depreciation. Thus, it enhanced the unremarkable conversation of unremarkable people.

Do but think, Reader, of the pleasure that must have been some worthy's, when he repeated, in his own golden tones, the epigram he had learnt the night before from the lips of the great Mr. X. Perhaps he had scribbled it on his shirt-cuff. See!—there he sits, anticipating the moment when he will stammer it out. Listen!—you hear him? What a wit he thinks himself. Can you not see in his mind's eye the figure he is cutting before the bejewelled and bejezebelled assembly? Social success is his. He expands with pride, and with a nonchalant gesture, carefully copied from Mr. Y, the great dandy, he flicks a speck of dust from his trousers.

Indeed, if only to encourage such poor fish as ourselves, the epigram should be revived and made a national institution.

But how sad it is that we can approach no nearer to the polished speech of wit than that modern profanation, the "wise-crack." Alas, it is a bastard growth. Gone are those charming comments on human relationships; gone the delicate antitheses, the subtleties of the spoken word. For the wisecrack relies for its effect upon a rude and barbarous delivery, upon the grotesqueries of slang. It is but a platitude in outlandish garb, a charwoman in a sarong. One day it too will pass into oblivion.

What, you will ask, of the future? What new fashions in the art of conversation will arise?

I view the future with undisguised horror. Occasionally, as I potter about, I catch sight of a bleak vista presaging, I feel sure, something even bleaker—and I look the other way. There will be no art of conversation in The New World. There will be no epigrams. Conversation will be conducted in the machine-gun prose of Miss Gertrude Stein, but we will be too weary to attend.

The Past, however, promises much. When we, too, are discarded and find ourselves beneath glass cases, it is comforting to think that we shall be able to express our extreme displeasure at Fate in the wittiest epigrams; while Igranadons and Ichthyolites gambol in our midst. D.R.M.F.

MODEL RAILWAYS AS AN ART

It has been said that "Art is that by which Man shows that he is something more than an animate being." Art is characterized by the display of that ingenuity and skill which is alone common to mankind. The fields to which this skill may apply, however, are by no means limited, and provided that the use of Man's highest faculty is involved, the term "art" may be used. The greatness of the art depends on the degree of skill used and upon the effect on the individual, on the community, and on civilization as a whole.

The exercise of one's individuality is essential as a relaxation from the fixed routine which characterizes our civilization. This can often be achieved by the pursuit of some hobby; the majority, however, yield only relaxation, albeit they provide a necessary escape. The ideal hobby should be of value in broadening the mind and in increasing one's general outlook.

One of the few such hobbies is that of modelling railways. No other form of modelling offers such a wide scope and such practical value. Modelling has been defined as the "reproduction of accurate scale replicas of full-size prototypes," and is an art in itself. It requires great care, sound craftsmanship, patience and intelligence. Its quality obviously varies, but first-class work involves precision and dexterity in construction of a

high order. The successful completion of some modelling feat gives great personal satisfaction, and is an absorbing occupation during which all other cares may be banished.

The desire to create something, though it be not original, is latent in most people. Here it can find an outlet. There is very large scope. Either definite prototypes may be modelled, or use may be made of entirely new ideas, such as the development of scenic effects. The railway can be the foreground or the background of a system, but it must remain the real basis and purpose of it, though it can be developed in many diverse branches.

It is these branches, which should satisfy most interests, and may become highly specialized, that place railway modelling above many other hobbies. The most important is that of scenery—the creation of a new land in miniature—which gives the fullest play to the imagination. Though this is primarily a job for the pure artist, a large measure of success can be obtained by anyone sufficiently interested and patient. It can be the aim to model a system in such a way that photographs of it are indistinguishable from those of the original. This involves much research and attention to detail, while the photography of models is a fascinating study in itself. The main interest may lie in the methods of control: these can be made so detailed that the system is completely automatic. To quote one enthusiast: "The model railway will do everything except speak." Again, the scenic effects may take second place to the modelling itself. There is much satisfaction to be found in the creation of mechanical works of art, worked to the very finest limits.

The full possibilities of railway modelling cannot, however, be fully appreciated without further investigation into the subject. But a general indication has been given of the great value and scope of model railways, both as a pastime and as a serious hobby. A fully developed model railway represents the employment of great skill, manual and mental, and such modelling is rightly classified as an art. It is for this reason that the body of 35,000 keen enthusiasts, in this country and in America, is rapidly increasing in size.

J.N.H.S.

THE RAIN

As though it were a permanent climatic feature, the rain came down without life or spirit: always it had been raining thus, never had the saturated bricks been dry, never had the slippery pavements been warmed by mellow sunlight. Sunlight; the very word was rotted by the damp, no colour could exist in the grey, killing uniformity of the rain.

"The Rain! O God! the Rain!" was the only thought in the street, made by the only man out in the rain. Soaked, he was, as the dripping slates, though he had come only two hundred yards across the wet roadways, from one swollen wooden door to another. He was pale, and drops of moisture ran down his face like tears. Climbing two white-scrubbed steps, he lifted the cold iron knocker, black and wet, and knocked once. Without waiting, he opened the door and walked in, with more resolution than he had shown previously. But although it was dry inside, the stench of bad cooking and a stale meal greeted him. He winced, and his spirit was damped as effectively as it had been under the rain. He looked up and saw his wife and his meal, did not speak, and sat down to eat the unappetizing food which he did not taste at all, but only felt move down his throat, appeasing the hunger in his stomach.

When, and only when, he had finished, he looked up and spoke dully, his mind half paralysed by a well of despair.

"They've found the car. Have a look." Slowly he brought a crumpled evening paper, mottled by spreading drops of rain, out of his pocket, and handed it to his wife. There was a silence while he pointed out the paragraph with his forefinger and she pondered over it.

"Oh, I warned you what was going to happen, didn't I?" she said, with more than a little triumph in her voice.

"What are you going to do now? What are we going to do now? That's what I'd like to know?"

He did not bother to reply, but saw her as a figure without significance against the grim and terrifying background of the police courts and all that lay beyond them. Suddenly he jumped up, and, with a mighty crash he banged his fist on the flimsy table, knocking over a tomato sauce bottle. He cursed the police, he cursed his friends at the garage. Most of all he cursed her; her pacifying answers he demolished with cynical sneering and bitter sarcasm. All the time the thick, red tomato sauce flowed slowly on to the tablecloth, smugly and complacently. He noticed this and stopped speaking in the middle of a word, though his voice continued horribly, without guidance, for one long fraction of a second. It was no use. His violent anger, his ravings, his fine, strong muscular activity, they were absolutely no use at all. His wife was sitting in the battered arm chair, not crying but staring into the fireless grate; and he crossed over to the window. His body sagged against the sill, and his face pressed, white, against the cold glass. He looked outside and saw nothing but the rain. He imagined his life in a flash, as a drowning man is said to do, past and future, and there was the rain

through it all. He saw his house and the millions like it in their endless, drab streets. Over them stretched a vast grey ceiling of cloud, from which, on to the slate and black asphalt, poured relentlessly, the rain. There was no problem and no solution, no truth and no beauty; there was nothing on the slag-heaps under the grey cloud, only the falling rain. A.G.

ADVICE TO SMALL BOYS

FROM the first moment you enter the School as a member of the Shell you realize that you are up against it; you are in the lowest form and there are at least 550 boys thirsting for the chance to beat and insult you. You are in for a sticky time, unless . . .

The best thing to do is to lash out a bit, throw your weight about, bite people's ears, tear their clothing. This will make you popular. Leap out upon Sixth Formers and bark in their faces. They will soon begin to avoid you. Gain the respect of the prefects by giving them a friendly butt in the stomach as you pass them; soon they will ask you home to tea. An unfailing way of winning the friendship of the Upper Middles is to give their ties a jovial tug as they scorch down the corridors. They will take it all in fun, and will soon begin to share their comics with you.

Thus, having become the Most Popular Boy in the School, perhaps, in the days of your glory, you will spare a thought for the donor of this advice, and toss an occasional penny into his empty rice bowl.

RECENT CULTURAL DEVELOPMENTS AT K.E.S.

THE passing year has seen a great efflorescence of culture among all ranks of the School. A new renaissance is upon us; universal geniuses sprout everywhere; great works of art are flung off carelessly on School pad paper; the upper corridors are one seething foam of artistic activity.

In the literary circles of the Lower Sixth, a new movement has sprung up: "Wallopism," which attempts to express world problems in the form of algebraic equations; various members of the Removes are reputed to recite nursery rhymes when in a creative mood; strange noises have been heard coming from the Upper Middle form rooms, where all are believed to be in the throes of an Elizabethan Madrigal revival.

And so it is everywhere. The poems of D. H. Lawrence are recited in the inner sanctums of the Upper Sixth; hardened scientists exhibit hand-woven egg-cosies with fatherly pride, and enthusiastic multitudes

gather in the ever-popular art gallery, discussing their loud-mouthed opinions of the pictures. Another encouraging sign, this time in literature, is the break-away from the old, conventional type essay, a fashion begun by certain members of the Sixth. A description of the Elizabethan Church Settlement is now written in a free, racy style reminiscent of Damon Runyan, interspersed with fragments of brutal, hard-hitting dialogue that grips you by the throat.

Yes, it certainly has been a memorable year in the cultural history of K.E.S.

D.A.C.

WHAT IS THIS THING CALLED JAZZ?

DON'T get me wrong—I'm not going to talk about James and Herman. This is about Jazz. How many people know what Jazz really is? Not many. You would be surprised at the number of intelligent people who criticize and condemn Jazz without knowing what it is. Of course, you can't really blame them. The welter of commercial propaganda has led them to believe that the hideous noises heard on the wireless nowadays are in fact Jazz. This is far from true. Jazz is as much estranged from commercialized swing as Beethoven's symphonies. Jazz is almost pure folk music. That is a statement which always arouses controversy, but I will try to justify it.

This form of music first appeared at the beginning of this century, with the background of the city of New Orleans. Jazz is primarily the music of the American Negro; hence its gradual development from the many forms of Negro music already active—spirituals, primitive work-songs, folk-songs, and marches (the southern Negro lived for his street parades). It took as its basic form of expression that emotional musical style peculiar to the Negro—the Blues. Owing to the popularity of the street parade in the south, the instrumentation of the Jazz band stems directly from that of the brass band. As the bands moved around a good deal, the piano was not included in the group of trumpet, clarinet, trombone, tuba, drums and banjo; while the saxophone was conspicuous by its absence. The saxophone just wasn't needed, and did not appear until the "big-band" era of the 1920's.

The Jazz band is necessarily small, because its essential feature is complete improvisation. The trumpet states a theme; the clarinet plays the treble counterpoint, and the trombone fills in the bass harmonies; while the other instruments (including as a later addition, the piano) provide the rhythmic impetus. As the tune proceeds and the players become more inspired, the rhythmic and melodic variations become more complex

and interwoven, until they form an integral mass of harmony, or, rather, counterpoint.

The early players were crude theoretically, but their lack of technical knowledge gave them freedom from convention; such freedom was a good thing, because their playing, technically, left nothing to be desired.

In 1918, however, (the year of the great southern famine), Jazz left the back streets and dance-halls of New Orleans, moving north with the migrating population. It spread from Chicago throughout America, and even as far as Europe. It lost its individuality, it lost its freedom; it became distorted, commercialized—it was no longer the music of the humble folk. It paid big money, and the sharper profiteers saw their opportunity.

I have not time or space to trace the degradation of Jazz into the degenerate swing music of to-day. But need I do so? Although real Jazz has lain dormant for a long time, it is gradually coming into its own again, pushing its way through the heavy weight of financial trickery which has vainly tried to stifle it.

Jazz won't die; it's real music!

R.G.F.

PETER WARLOCK

WARLOCK was a misfit; the incongruity with his contemporaries and his public was real. People can forgive the man born before his time; they can even indulge him. But for Warlock, whose true context was the Fitzwilliam Virginal Book, they had no time at all. The 20's, though they had turned to the other extreme of artistic taste, still had not worked the Victorian love of artistic personality out of their system. Though their bards sang of cement mixers and not poppies, the public still wanted a posturing personality upon which to fix admiration.

For the romantic, wondering Philip Heseltine, they had no use. So out of harmony was he with his times, that one night in June he put out a saucer of milk for his tortoiseshell cat, pulled down the blinds, turned on the gas, and lay on the couch, his face turned towards the wall. The Coroner at the inquest was genuinely shocked that a person of such promise should have taken his life whilst the balance of his mind was disturbed...

Peter Warlock was born Philip Heseltine. This odd fact becomes odder when we realize that they represent two persons in one life, strangely linked together.

Phil Heseltine first felt the need to be a creative musician when he heard the music of Delius, who was the dominating influence of his first period. He was born a romantic, a dreamer who loved to saturate himself in

the dying falls and luxurious harmonies of this music. He was a selfless idealist, working and living to high, self-conceived standards in art and life. His asceticism might be likened to a Scholar, walled up in a cell, finding pleasure in the detail of fine things. The world had no use for him; his songs, built on the wandering, unsubstantial Delius pattern, were rejected. His journal, "The Sackbut," fizzled out to nothing.

Quite suddenly, he changed, to become Warlock of the legend, the tall, the pale, with full, fixing eyes and thick hair swept carelessly over, wearing the never-absent smile. He became a cynic and a ranter. He drank the coarsest of beer where before he was fastidious in the choice of the finest of wines. He ate steaks, where before, as the darling Philip Heseltine, he was almost vegetarian. He took up with the women who had previously rejected him as a hopeless musical waster.

He reigned over a mad harlequinade of trulls, ratcatchers and artists, at a country house. He danced the provocative "Pieds en l'air" before open-mouthed porters on Charing Cross station. He grew his "fungus" beard, to evince his virility to all. He acted a flamboyant, hopeless part, which his heart was never in.

His music suffered a change. It was no longer turgid, over-complex, but bounded with a simple rhythm. The dark setting of "The Curlew" of Yeats was replaced by songs such as "Captain Stratton's Fancy," "Peter Warlock's Fancy" and "Good Ale." His real self made darker and darker incursions into such things as the bloody twilight of "The Fox" and the gentler melancholy of John Fletcher's "Sleep."

His mad bout of licence collapsed. In 1930 both Heseltine and Warlock were dead.

In the words of Cecil Gray: "His sense of human dignity was such that he preferred to leave the tavern of life at his own leisure, instead of like most of us, hanging on desperately until he heard the raucous snort of 'Time please, gentlemen; hurry up, please, long past Time,' or until he was forcibly ejected, indignantly protesting, into the street of eternity by that most inexorable of potmen and chuckers-out, Death."

A.I.C.

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