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CALENDAR.

December 17th	Autumn Term ends.
January 12th	Spring Term begins.
January 15th	Old Roan Dance.
February 25th—28th	Half Term Holiday.
April 9th	Hobbies' Exhibition.
April 13th	Spring Term ends.
May 4th	Summer Term begins.
June 3rd—10th	Half Term Camping Holiday.
July 9th	Athletic Sports.
July 23rd	Old Boys' and Parents' Day.
July 27th	Summer Term ends.
September 7th	Autumn Term begins.

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OCCASIONAL NOTES.

Fifty years ago this September, a new master—a Mr. Parker—came from Yorkshire to the Roan School. He became the most distinguished (and feared) member of our staff, and remained with us until 1945. Recently he wrote from his retirement at Folkestone to send his best wishes for the new school year; we feel sure that the present school, and all Old Roans, will wish us to open this issue with affectionate greetings to him.

We are glad to publish a reproduction of a pen-and-ink drawing of St. Alfege's Church, contributed by M. C. Prince, who left V A in July, and is now at Goldsmiths' College. We hope that this will be the first of many artistic contributions.

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In response to our appeal in the last issue, the set of copies of the Magazine needed for the School Library has been completed by a generous gift by Mr. Owen Humphreys (12-17). Mr. Humphreys is a son of Mr. John Humphreys, who, on his death in 1946, bequeathed to the School the annual prize which bears his name, and also left us a number of fine pictures and prints of Greenwich.

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A number of donors have sent in photographs for the School collection. Mr. P. B. Dannatt, the School Surveyor, sends several groups of interest; C. E. English, writing from Minehead, sends a group of forms V A and VI of 1897, including Mr. Ridger and Mr. Baron.

John Berry, one of the senior members of the O.R.A., has sent two groups of scholars of 1890.

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We congratulate two of our Governors, Alderman Mrs. F. Carter and Councillor W. F. Mills, J.P., on their nomination as Honorary Freemen of Greenwich, in appreciation of their eminent services to the Borough.

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To encourage interest in current affairs, notice boards have been installed along the top corridor, on which are posted weekly accounts of events in various spheres of interest. The posters are prepared by members of the Sixth Forms and the subjects covered include international affairs, reports on the United Nations Organization and Modern Culture and Science. This experiment has so far been highly successful, as witness the large number of boys who attempt to read the notices in a few minutes between periods and during break. On the same lines are the "Map Reviews" published fortnightly by the Bureau of Current Affairs.

It has long been a subject for criticism that the Sixth Forms are too much wrapped up in their own subjects, the Modern Sixth having only the most rudimentary knowledge of scientific developments, and the Science Sixth being only vaguely aware of modern culture. The provision of two General Study periods each week has proved an effective

remedy. During these periods the Science Sixth are initiated in a wide variety of subjects of general and cultural interest, from the vagaries of van Gogh to the doctrine of Lenin, whilst the Modern Sixth discuss the exploits of Prof. Picard and the possibility of interplanetary travel.

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We are pleased to report that the repairs and redecorations to the school are now almost completed. Form rooms have been distempered with a pleasing variety of colours; the exterior has been repainted and the colonnade in the south quadrangle rebuilt.

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Great credit is due to Mr. Hammond for his work in restoring the flower-beds along the front of the school to their pre-war glory, and we are very grateful to the Superintendent of Greenwich Park for the gift of plants and shrubs.

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The Roan Exhibition has been awarded this year to R. H. Williamson, who is now reading for the B.Sc. in Chemistry at Queen Mary College, London.

It is greatly to the credit of A. K. Brookman, who won the Exhibition last year, that he was awarded for the second time the highest marks in the examination,

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This term marks the beginning of the first life-saving class since the war. We have a membership of twenty boys and have hopes of more members in the near future. With the aid of two instructors from Greenwich Baths, we have obtained our first successes. On 5th November four boys entered for their Bronze Medallion Examination and one, J. R. Ayers, for the Instructor's Certificate. All were successful. Before the end of this term we hope to enter four more boys for the Bronze Medallion and one more for the Instructor's Certificate.

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Reference has been made in the past to our Morning Assembly at which opportunity is now taken to introduce the School to the history of music. A further small change has recently taken place. The Sixth Forms, numbering nearly sixty, have forsaken their traditional but undignified places at the sides of the hall and now share the gallery with V A and V. Thus the Upper School is able to make a fine contribution to the singing of the hymn.

A "Stag" list of boys now in the School, incorporating a list of principal fixtures, is being published this term. This is the first issue since 1939.

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The collection on "Poppy Day" amounted to some £7, an improvement on last year's figure.

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The School Savings Group has invested about £50 in the six months ending in September.

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We have received interesting letters from two former members of the Staff, Mr. F. W. Harris, who is now on the C.C.G. at Cologne, and Mr. F. White, now in New Zealand. Both send good wishes which we reciprocate.

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C'est avec une joie immense que nous accueillons, ce trimestre, M. Robert Saint-Père, notre nouvel assistant français, le quatrième qui nous est venu depuis la guerre. Né à Nîmes, dans le midi, il a fait ses études à l'université de La Sorbonne à Paris, où il a gagné les diplômes de Licence ès Lettres, et d'Études Supérieures. Il va rester en Angleterre, où nous espérons qu'il a conjuré la crise du logement et la question du ravitaillement, pour étudier l'anglais avec l'intention d'enseigner la langue dans son propre pays à l'avenir. Nous remercions M. Saint-Père des services qu'il nous a déjà rendus et nous espérons qu'il restera longtemps à Roan School.

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HOBBIES' EXHIBITION.

We are holding the Hobbies' Exhibition next term on Saturday, April 9th, in the afternoon and evening. This popular event, which always attracts large crowds, will be still more comprehensive this year. In addition to the display of hobbies of all kinds there will be a number of special contests, including the following:—vocal and instrumental music, spoken English, junior and senior; inter-house debates; table tennis finals. There will also be demonstrations and experiments in the Chemical, Physical and Biological laboratories and a display of films. Tickets, price 1/6 (adults) and 9d. (children) will be on sale early next term. All the proceeds will again be given to the Old Roan Memorial Fund.

Obituary

It is with the deepest regret that we record the recent deaths of two boys, both members of the Junior School. We offer the sincere sympathy of all the School to the parents and families. The following notes are contributed by form-mates:



Graham Copping, late of Shell Alpha and Nelson House, joined the School in September, 1946. He was very keen on running and sport in general; he was also a good recorder player. He died at St. John's Hospital, Lewisham, on August 21st, from heart failure following an operation for acute appendicitis.



Philip Edward Park broke his arm while playing for the Third Form in a football match on Saturday, 2nd October, and died under anæsthetic at St. Alfege's Hospital following the accident.

He came from Sherington Road School, Charlton. At the Roan School he was a member of Wolfe House, and played football for the house team.

SCHOOL OFFICIALS, AUTUMN, 1948.**CAPTAIN OF THE SCHOOL:** P. V. Donnison.**VICE-CAPTAINS:** J. R. Rawstron; M. C. Franks.**SCHOOL PREFECTS:** A. K. Brookman, D. F. Brookland, J. W. Cody, J. F. Bruce, G. F. Budd, D. T. Cogger, B. J. Feasey, R. A. Red, R. J. Ettling, A. Humphrey, C. Imber, E. W. Parnell, A. J. Showler, K. A. Reggler, R. E. Pischinger, J. Read, R. H. Mercer, J. Wheeler, A. J. Trew, K. Loveday, T. V. Moss, P. G. Lawrence, D. Inman, T. A. Russell.**CAPTAIN OF FOOTBALL:** A. J. Trew.**Vice-Captain:** M. C. Franks.**CAPTAIN OF ATHLETICS:** A. J. Trew.**Secretary:** R. A. Red.**CAPTAIN OF CROSS-COUNTRY:** K. Loveday.**Secretary:** J. Owen.**HOUSE CAPTAINS:****Rodney:** A. J. Trew. **Nelson:** P. V. Donnison.**Wolfe:** K. Loveday. **Drake:** J. W. Cody.**ARISTOTELIAN SOCIETY:****President:** J. R. Rawstron.**Hon. Treasurer:** J. Cody.**Hon. Secretary:** D. F. Brookland.**SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY:****Chairman:** Mr. Davies.**Hon. Secretary:** P. V. Donnison.**PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY:****Chairman:** Mr. Hawkins.**Hon. Secretary:** A. K. Brookman.**CHESS CLUB:****Chairman:** Mr. Beale.**SCOUT TROOP:****Leader:** P. G. Lawrence.**MODEL PARLIAMENT:****Speaker:** Mr. Binnie.**LIBRARY COMMITTEE:****President:** Mr. Peddie.**Secretary:** J. W. Cody.**EDITORS OF THE ROAN MAGAZINE:** A. K. Brookman & J. W. Cody.

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VALETE.**SCIENCE SIXTH.**

J. D. Laing: School Captain, Prefect, 1st XI Football, 1st XI Cricket, Cricket and Football Colours, Nelson House Captain.

P. H. Cook: School Vice-Captain, Prefect, 2nd XI Football, Grenville House Captain, School Chess Team.

R. H. Williamson: Prefect, 2nd XI Cricket, Secretary of Scientific Society.

D. W. Willshire: Prefect, 2nd XI Football, 1st XI Cricket, Raleigh House Captain.

G. A. Lodge: Prefect, 1st XI Cricket.

A. P. Tatt: Prefect.

B. C. Hounsell: Prefect.

H. Holloway: School Chess Team.

B. H. Livett: Prefect.

M. K. Yeomans: Prefect, Vice-Captain of Drake.

I. M. Ottley: Prefect, School Chess Team.

MODERN SIXTH.

I. N. Saunders: Prefect, 1st XI Cricket, Vice-Capt. Drake.

C. D. Hutchinson: Prefect, 1st XI Football.

R. L. Levy.

P. S. Stass: Prefect.

V A.—Baxter, D. A.; Football and Cricket Colours; Bowles, F. A.; Crampton, R. A.; Downs, J. W.; Holliday, B. W.; King, A. W.; McInnes, L. J.; Prince, M. C.; Quinn, A. A.; Searjeant, B. L.; Wagstaff, M. A.; Williams, A.

V.—Baker, G. W.; Athletic Colours; Brittan, D. L.; Burton, J.; Coupe, W. H.; Cripps, J. A.; Coffee, G. W.; Copus, P. J.; Football Colours; Easter, G. C.; Athletic Colours; Eves, A.; Flynn, G. J.; Lumb, B. J.; Newman, P.; Athletic Colours; Pain, P. W.; Paris, K. E.; Parsons, P. J.; Scammell, H.

V ALPHA.—Ashley, A. M.; Binderman, T. J.; Harber, J. S.; Norton, J. W.; Startup, G.; Trafford, B. D.

REMOVE—Carr, D.; Plummer, A.; Spinks, J.

REMOVE ALPHA.—Dorey, A.; Madden, B. J.; Newbold, D.; Rouse, M.; Stubbersfield, J.

IV A.—Buckland, A.; Harber, R. J.

IV ALPHA.—Broomfield, J. L.

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THE PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.**October 22nd, 1948.**

Prize Day this year was held at an earlier date than usual, at half-term instead of the end of term. The change was generally approved, and will be welcomed by our readers, since it enables us to give a report in this issue, rather than next July.

At this, the seventy-first gathering of the series, the prizes and certificates were presented by Alderman Joseph Reeves, the M.P. for Greenwich. The Chairman was Councillor H. W. H. Icough (Chairman of the Governors of the Roan School), and he was supported by the Headmaster, and by the following Governors: Councillor Mrs. J. Gollogly, Mayor of Greenwich, Miss M. Gollogly, Mayoress, Alderman Mrs. F. Carter, Councillor W. F. Mills, J.P., Mrs. A. M. Godfree, Mrs. C. F. Greenwood, Mrs. L. M. Jones, Rev. L. M. Wollen, Rev. H. C. Green, and Mr. G. F. Drakley. Others on the platform included Rear-Admiral G. N. Oliver, President of the R.N. College, Mr. J. H. Burdon, L.C.C. Inspector, Miss M. E. Barnsdale, Headmistress of the Roan Girls' School, Mr. P. B. Dannatt, Surveyor to the Governing Body, Mr. M. M. Jennings, Clerk to the Governors, Rev. S. H. Heaton Renshaw, Mrs. H. W. Icough, Mrs. H. W. Gilbert and Mrs. T. Holt.

The Chairman's Address spoke of the laudable way in which the School continued to maintain its traditions. He expressed the pleasure which he and all the Governors had in serving the School.

Alderman Reeves and the Chairman both spoke of the double aim of education, to keep abreast of developments in this atomic age and to remember the claims of the Humanities.

The Head Master, in his Report, said that the past year had been a critical one. For the first time since 1939 boys taking the School Certificate Examination had spent all their five years' course in one building. The examination results in the General and Higher School Examinations were excellent both in quality and quantity and showed that the better and more stable conditions were having an effect. The five years just passed were far from being normal: for example, there had been 25 changes in the staff of the school during these years. He warmly congratulated both Staff and boys on obtaining such excellent examination results, in spite of staff changes, war conditions, and shortages of books, apparatus and materials. The Grammar Schools of this country had always declined to be judged on the criterion of examination results. They aimed at training the whole personality and character of the boy, developing his health and physique and encouraging him to live in a community in a tolerant manner and to play his part as an active member of the community. The Head Master gave a list of twenty societies and clubs functioning in the school, and selected the Dramatic Society's production of "Captain Flint's

Treasure" for special mention. Training in community life was fostered by camps and journeys abroad, where boys have to manage their own affairs, and he gave details of the camps at Trunch, Ickham, Braithwaite and Lamberhurst, and the cycle journeys to Holland.

The close co-operation between the School and the Old Roan Association had been shown by the provision of memorials to the sixty-nine Old Boys who lost their lives in the war. As already described, the memorial tablet had been erected and the memorial trees planted. A further sum of £1,500 was required to provide for the enlargement and extension of the School pavilion, including the provision of a Memorial Room. He appealed to Old Roans, parents and friends of the School for donations which are urgently required so as to enable the extension to take place when the pavilion is rebuilt.

The Head Master concluded by paying a sincere tribute to the Staff of the School and to the Chairman, Mr. H. W. H. Icough, and the Governors. He hoped that the tendency towards more normal conditions shown in the report would persist and so enable the School to continue its efforts to give full education to Roan School boys.

The pleasure of the evening was much enhanced by the programme contributed by the School Choir and Orchestra.

The Choir opened the meeting by singing two three-part songs, German's "Orpheus with his Lute" and Granville Bantock's arrangement of the old Scottish Lullaby, "O Can Ye Sew Cushions?" These were well rendered, especially when one considers the difficulty boys' voices must have in adequately singing a low alto part. Later the choir sang two madrigals, "When Lo, by Break of Morning" (Thomas Morley) and "Tell Me, What Master Hand" (Palestrina). These were quite delightful; all the Elizabethan freshness of the madrigal was apparent, and the unique charm of the "a capella" singing was enjoyed.

The Orchestra contributed two Symphonic Movements, both by Haydn, the Andante from the "Surprise Symphony" and the Allegro from Symphony No. 2 in D. This was a first attempt at symphonic music, and was very successful, credit being due especially to the strings. The brass, increased to five part by the inclusion of the E Flat Bombardon, was, however, inclined at times to overpower the strings.

The crowning musical achievement of the evening was the ambitious performance by the Choir and Orchestra of Bach's Chorale "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"—one of the loveliest of all works of art, but very difficult to carry off. The oboe part was beautifully played on the violin by Mr.

Winter. The pianissimo playing of the four-part vocal harmony of the chorale by the brass was unorthodox, but successful in lending "body" to the choral singing.

At the conclusion of the programme the customary votes of thanks were proposed and seconded, P. Donnison and J. Rawstron speaking particularly well on behalf of the School.

LIST OF PRIZE AND CERTIFICATE WINNERS.

- THIRD ALPHA**—Prizes: Baker, J. B.; Sullivan, E.
Certificates: 1. Miller, E. L.; 2. Davies, G. J.; 3. Roberts, L. R.
- THIRD**—Prizes: Hales, B. V.; Fryers, A. J.
Certificates: 1. Roche, C.; 2. Mackay, B. C.; 3. Foster, R. A.
- THIRD A**—Prizes: Hunter, J. A.; Tomley, B. J.
Certificates: 1. Aldrich, R. E.; 2. Procter, B. J.; 3. Knight, F. W.
- SHELL ALPHA**—Prizes: Buck, J. A.; Pinkstone, B.
Certificates: 1. Dress, R.; 2. Champion, D. Y.; 3. Reed, J. V.
- SHELL**—Prizes: Wybourne, L. J.; Brading, E.
Certificates: 1. Parkhouse, R. M.; 2. Stockwell, B.; 3. Mussett, A. E.
- SHELL A**—Prizes: Meekums, G. G.; Boon, P. C.
Certificates: 1. Denyer, R. G.; 2. Pink, M.; 3. Jacobsen, J. E.
- FOURTH ALPHA**—Prizes: McConnell, J. I.; Clare, B. W.
Certificates: 1. Babb, M. A.; 2. Smith, R. H.; 3. Luck, M. J.
- FOURTH**—Prizes: Burgess, A. D.; Hyndman, M. H.
Certificates: 1. Hamblen, D.; 2. Chamberlain, K.; 3. Edwards, L. E.
- FOURTH A**—Prizes: Pead, P. J.; Bowden, C.
Certificates: 1. Lodge, R. A.; 2. Bowkett, J. A.; 3. Green, R. C.; 4. Taylor, M.
- REMOVE ALPHA**—Prizes: Dress, W.; Terry, J.
Certificates: 1. Standen, B. E.; 2. Mackay, A. M.; 3. Harris, R.
- REMOVE**—Prizes: Courtney, R. J.; Masson, J. R.
Certificates: 1. Jacobs, R. V.; 2. Brady, D. L.; 3. Smith, D. P.
- REMOVE A**—Prizes: Priest, D.; Mitchell, R. J.
Certificates: 1. Walker, P.; 2. Huntley, A. E.; 3. Trew, C. E.
- FIFTH FORMS**—Crampton, R. A. (Baron Memorial Prize); Moss, T. V. (Baron Memorial Prize); Chandler, A. (Ridger Memorial Prize); Kelly, N. F. (Hope Memorial Prize); Inman, D. (Durling Memorial Prize); Cripps, J. A. (Examination Prize); Breach, G. E. (Examination Prize); Cramp, W. A. (Examination Prize); Lawrence, P. G. (Tony Tugwell Memorial Prize).
- SIXTH FORMS**—Williamson, R. H. (Roan Exhibition of £50 for 3 years and Prize, Jennings Memorial Prize); Cook, P. H. (Potter Memorial Prize for Chemistry); Brookman, A. K. (Rowcliffe Prize); Rawstron, J. R. (Andrews Memorial Prize for Biology).
- THOMPSON MEMORIAL PRIZES**—
Cricket: Wheeler, J. A. Football: Basing, J. W.
- SPOKEN ENGLISH PRIZES**—
Senior: Donnison, P. V. Junior: Carter, D. H.
- Dr. ROSSANO'S PRIZE FOR FRENCH**—Stocking, B. G.

HUMPHREYS MEMORIAL PRIZES—

Senior: 1. Russell, T. A.; 2. Pound, K. S.

Junior: 1. Dubbey, J. M.; 2. Curnick, P.

THE ASHWORTH CUP—Trew, A. J.

THE MILLS CUP—Rodney House.

EXAMINATION SUCCESSES, 1948.

LONDON UNIVERSITY: HIGHER SCHOOL EXAMINATION—

Brookman, A. K. (Distinction in Physics and Inter B.Sc. exemp.); Cook, P. H. (with Inter B.Sc. exemption); Donnison, P. V. (with Inter B.Sc. exemption); Holloway, H.; Jones, S. (with 1st M.B. exemption); Laing, J. D. (with Inter B.Sc. exemption); Livett, B. H.; Lodge, G. A. (with Inter B.Sc. exemption); Rawstron, J. R. (with 1st M.B. exemption); Tatt, A. P. (with Inter B.Sc. exemption); Williamson, R. H. (Distinction in Physics and Inter B.Sc. exemption); Willshire, D. W. (with Inter B.Sc. exemption).

GENERAL SCHOOL EXAMINATION WITH MATRICULATION

EXEMPTION—Barrett, J. A.; Breach, G. E.; Brown, A. L.; Crampton, R. A.; Dawes, D. R.; Endersbee, B. J.; Fry, D. E.; Hills, W. G.; Holliday, B. W.; Inman, D.; Kay, P. R.; King, A. R.; King, A. W.; Lawrence, G. D.; Lawrence, P. G.; Mercer, R. H.; Moss, T. V.; Pocock, R. F.; Smart, J. G.; Stocking, B. G.; Wagstaff, M. A.; Wheeler, J. A.; Williams, A.; Chandler, A.; Cramp, W. A.; Cripps, J. A.; Coffee, G. W.; Collins, A. P.; Denham, J.; Emery, S. K.; Jeffkins, R. P.; Kelly, N. F.; Lumb, B. J.; Major, R. V.; Newman, P.; Pound, K. S.; Pound, R. C.; Rice, R. E.; Russell, T. A.; Westlake, T. J.; Ashley, A. M.; Hodges, P. K.

GENERAL SCHOOL EXAMINATION—Baxter, D. A.; Bowles, F. A.;

McInnes, L. J.; Mussett, F. W.; Prince, M. C.; Quinn, A. A.; Baker, G. W.; Bruce, J. F.; Coupe, W. B.; Copus, P. J.; Easter, G. C.; Eves, A.; Flynn, G. J.; Lovelock, J. L.; Pain, P. W.; Paris, K. E.; Corderoy, I.; Parker, B. A.; Phillips, B. M.; Budd, G. F.

L.C.C. MAJOR UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS—Cook, P. H. (King's College, London); Tatt, A. P. (Woolwich); Williamson, R. H. (Queen Mary College).

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THE ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The fact that no fewer than nine records were broken at our 37th Athletic Sports meeting on July 3rd is proof that the increasingly high standard of athletics in the School has been maintained throughout the season.

In fine weather a large number of spectators watched some excellent sport, reflecting the intensive practice put in by most boys, and the good condition of the track indicated hard work by the groundsmen. The results are briefly summarized below.

In the senior section, credit is due to G. Budd, who bettered the existing records in both shot (37ft. 6in.) and discus (125ft. $\frac{1}{2}$ in.); K. Loveday set up a new half-mile figure of 2 min. 8.8 secs., and the Blake-Rodney senior relay team, mainly because of a brilliant last leg by A. Trew, covered the distance in record time. Blake-Rodney also set up new figures for the intermediate inter-house relay; other intermediate record-breakers were I. Smith, who won the U/15 220 yards in 26.3 secs., and C. Trew, who equalled the U/16 100 yards record of 11.1 secs. Both junior 220 yards records were broken by two promising young athletes, B. Davis winning the U/14 220 yards in 26.4 secs. and E. Sampson the U/13 220 yards in 28.5 secs. Beckenham County Grammar School, with a well-balanced team, lowered the invitation medley-relay to 3 mins. 49.8 secs., with Colfe's Grammar School a good second. It was undoubtedly the most thrilling Invitation Race our ground has seen.

In winning the junior, intermediate and senior championship shields Blake-Rodney House became the winners of the Combined Championship, while Collingwood-Wolfe were runners-up. An entertaining spectacle was the Old Boys' race, the usual "short dash," which was won by F. Lunn from an unexpectedly large and robust field. We are grateful to Mrs. H. W. Gilbert, who graciously presented the awards at the close of the meeting, and to the many members of the staff who devoted some of their valuable time to the organization of the sports. Thanks are also due to Messrs. Siemens Bros. and Co., Ltd, who provided the loud-speaker van which contributed towards the afternoon's success.

The Cross-country races were held on November 24th and 26th, instead of in the Spring Term, to allow longer time for selecting and training school teams.

The Junior race was won by E. Sampson (Rodney) in 12 mins. 42 secs. Rodney won the team race with a lead of ten points over Nelson, Drake being third. Rodney and Nelson both fielded "B" teams, of which Rodney proved much the stronger. Rodney, for the second year, had many more "standard" points than the other houses.

The Intermediate race provided a thrilling finish, G. S. Mathews (Wolfe) beating F. Bullen (Nelson) who had led most of the way, and setting up a new record of 18 mins. 4 secs. Nelson had a very clear victory, scoring 81½ points against Wolfe's 131; Rodney were third.

The Senior was a close contest between Wolfe and Nelson, Wolfe winning the shield with 62½ points against 64. Rodney were third, with 71. The individual winner was

J. E. Owen, in the very good time of 21 mins. 35 secs. It will be remembered that Owen beat the Intermediate record last year; we expect to hear more of him.

A full programme of Cross-country fixtures has been arranged for next term.

RESULTS.

Long Jump (Open):

1st. Loveday (C-W), 2nd. Trew, A. (B-R), 3rd. Newman, P. (C-W). 20ft. 1½in.

Putting the Shot (Under 16):

1st. Yeulett (D-R), 2nd. Andrews (B-R), 3rd. Trew, C. (B-R). 38ft. 6½ins.

100 Yards (Under 12):

1st. Clarke, B. (B-R), 2nd. Phillips, B. (B-R), 3rd. Foster (C-W). 13.9 secs.

100 Yards (Under 13):

1st. Sampson (B-R), 2nd. Searles (N-G), 3rd. Francis (B-R). 12.7 secs.

100 Yards (Under 14):

1st. Davis (C-W), 2nd. Burgess (C-W), 3rd. Coker (B-R). 11.6 secs.

100 Yards (Under 15):

1st. Smith, I. (D-R), 2nd. Breach (C-W), 3rd. Gurr (C-W). 11.7 s.

100 Yards (Under 16):

1st. Trew, C. (B-R), 2nd. Andrews (B-R), 3rd. Smith, D. (C-W). 11.1 secs.

100 Yards (Open):

1st. Trew, A. (B-R), 2nd. Newman (C-W), 3rd. Baker (B-R). 10.6 secs.

High Jump (Under 14):

1st. Davis (C-W), 2nd. Masson (C-W), 3rd. Matthews (D-R). 4ft. 3½ins.

Hurdles (Under 16):

1st. Trew, C. (B-R), 2nd. Dress (D-R), 3rd. Gurr (C-W). 17.9 secs.

Hurdles (Open):

1st. Trew, A. (B-R), 2nd. Willshire (D-R), 3rd. Budd (C-W). 16.4 secs.

880 Yards (Under 16):

1st. Owen (N-G), 2nd. Kelly (B-R), 3rd. Platten (D-R). 2 m. 22.3 s.

880 Yards (Open):

1st. Loveday (C-W), 2nd. Brittan (B-R), 3rd. Russell (B-R). 2 min. 8.8 secs.

Hurdles (Under 14):

1st. Davis (C-W), 2nd. Tomley (B-R), 3rd. Sampson (B-R). 12 secs.

Long Jump (Under 16):

1st. Breach (C-W), 2nd. Andrews (B-R), 3rd. Trew, C. (B-R). 17ft. 8½ins.

Invitation Relay:

1st. Beckenham, 2nd. Colfe's, 3rd. Selhurst. 3mins. 49. 8secs.

High Jump (Open):

1st. Laing (N-G), 2nd. Willshire (D-R), 3rd. Budd (C-W). 5ft. 1½in.

220 Yards (Under 13):

1st. Sampson (B-R), 2nd. Searles (N-G), 3rd. Woods (B-R). 28.5 s.

220 Yards (Under 14):

1st. Davis (C-W), 2nd. Coker (B-R), 3rd. Burgess (C-W). 26.4 secs.

220 Yards (Under 15):

1st. Smith, I. (D-R), 2nd. Gurr (C-W), 3rd. Platten (D-R). 26.3 s.

220 Yards (Under 16):

1st. Andrews (B-R), 2nd. Trew, C. (B-R), 3rd. Bartholomew (B-R). 25.7 secs.

220 Yards (Open):

1st. Trew, A. (B-R), 2nd. Newman (C-W), 3rd. Baker (B-R). 24.1 s.

High Jump (Under 16):

1st. Trew, C. (B-R), 2nd. Breach (C-W), 3rd. Andrews (B-R), 4ft. 8½ins.

Discus (Open):

1st. Budd (C-W), 2nd. Towells (D-R), 3rd. Trew, A. (B-R). 125ft. ½in.

One Mile (Open):

1st. Easter (N-G), 2nd. Russell (B-R), 3rd. Smart (C-W). 5 min. 17.9 secs.

440 Yards (Under 16):

1st. Smith I. (D-R), 2nd. Smith, D. (C-W), 3rd. Brady (D-R). 61 s.

440 Yards (Open):

Loveday (C-W), 2nd. Towells (D-R), 3rd. Baxter & Parsons (B-R). 54.4 secs.

Long Jump (Under 14):

1st. Searles (N-G), 2nd. Sampson (B-R), 3rd. Masson (C-W). 15ft. ½in.

Discus (Under 16):

1st. Andrews (B-R), 2nd. Smith, J. P. (B-R), 3rd. Crane (N-G). 100ft. 4ins.

Old Boys' Race:

1st. Lunn, F.N.

Putting the Shot (Open):

1st. Budd (C-W), 2nd. Saunders (D-R), 3rd. Towells (D-R). 37ft. 6ins.

Inter-House Relay (Junior):

1st. Collingwood-Wolfe, 2nd. Blake-Rodney, 3rd. Drake-Raleigh.

Inter-House Relay (Intermediate):

1st. Blake-Rodney, 2nd. Drake-Raleigh, 3rd. Collingwood-Wolfe. 1 min. 45.3 secs.

Inter-House Relay (Senior):

1st. Blake-Rodney, 2nd. Collingwood-Wolfe, 3rd. Drake-Raleigh. 1 min. 42.7 secs.

VICTORES LUDORUM:

Senior: A. Trew. Intermediate: C. Trew. Junior: B. Davis.

The promising performances on sports day were followed by two matches against Sidcup and Beckenham Grammar Schools. Sidcup were defeated by 54 points to 33 easily, but in the Beckenham match the result was in doubt

until the final event, the senior relay, when superior baton-changing technique earned us the victory. It was an un-fitting end to a season of achievements when we suffered a heavy defeat against Hackney Downs at the end of the summer term. Our numbers, however, were somewhat depleted by boys at camp and others on a cycling tour of Holland. We were also unfortunate when Loveday spiked a finger early in the match and was taken to hospital, whilst Towells' running shoe broke in the relay.

Many of us attended the Olympic Games at Wembley; the members of the team still at school saw the L.C.C. showing of the film of the Games on October 6th.

Three of our team, Budd, Loveday and Trew, A., are active members of amateur athletic clubs. A. Trew reached the semi-finals of the 220 yards in the A.A.A. Junior Championships of Great Britain for the second year in succession. We can look forward to considerable successes in next season's county championships.

A.J.T. K.L.

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THE HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP.

The houses have now simplified their names. Experience has fully justified the reduction of their number to four, and the double names used last year were found very cumbersome. It was decided that four of the traditional names and colours should be retained, and a committee, charged with the task of making an arbitrary choice, decided in favour of Drake (green), Nelson (red), Rodney (light blue) and Wolfe (yellow). The old double names have been used in the results of the Athletic and Swimming Sports in this issue, but the new names were adopted in the award of

The Mills Cup.

It will be recalled that this very handsome cup, presented by Councillor W. F. Mills, J.P., O.R. (02-07). is to be awarded annually to the Champion House.

The Championship Competition takes into account cricket, football, athletics and other games, and will in future take account also of dramatics, spoken English, chess and "P.T." The winners for the season 1947-48 are Rodney, the runners-up being Wolfe.

We thank Mr. Mills for his gift, and for the lively interest in the well-being of the school which he has always taken. We feel sure that future competition for the possession of this trophy will be very keen.

SWIMMING SPORTS, 1948.

The first swimming contest held since the war took place on July 20th, at the Greenwich Baths. Seniors were not well represented, since many were away at the Trunch Camp, but the entry in the junior events was very encouraging. The times returned were good, but not spectacular; they are not shown on the results which follow:

HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP.

1st.	Blake-Rodney	134½ points—Winners of Carpenter Cup.
2nd.	Collingwood-Wolfe	131½ points
3rd.	Nelson-Grenville	103 points
4th.	Drake-Rodney	57 points.

INDIVIDUALS.

Novices' Width—1. Garland (R-D), 2. Cadman (R-D), 3. Penney (B-R).
U/13 Br. Str.—1. McKay (B-R), 2. A'Court (N-G), 3. Shrives (C-W).
U/14 Fr. St.—1. Arthur (B-R), 2. Avery (R-D), 3. Watson (R-D).
U/15 Bk. Str.—1. Bonney (B-R), 2. Robson (N-G), 3. Wright (N-G).
U/16 Bk. Str.—1. Smith, D. (C-W), 2. Standen (B-R), 3. Crayk (C-W).
Open Fr. St.—1. McSoley (N-G), 2. Cogger (N-G), 3. Budd (C-W).
U/15 Diving.—1. Carter, D. (C-W), 2. Bonney (B-R), 3. Wallis (N-G).
U/13 Fr. St.—1. Davidson (C-W), 2. Hilton (B-R), 3. Christer (C-W).
U/14 Br. Str.—1. Ashley (B-R), 2. Bowkett (R-D), 3. West (N-G).
U/15 Fr. St.—1. Bonney (B-R), 2. Carter (C-W), 3. Chamberlain (C-W).
U/16 Bk. Str.—1. Pizzey (C-W), 2. Tobin (B-R), 3. Jones (B-R).
U/14 Bk. Str.—1. Whittaker (B-R), 2. Carter, D. (C-W), 3. Ashley (B-R).
U/15 Bk. Str.—1. Clare (N-G), 2. Mathews (C-W), 3. Cleeveley (D-R).
U/16 Fr. St.—1. Pizzey (C-W), 2. Yeulett (R-D), 3. Newbold (C-W).
Open Diving.—1. Carter, D. (C-W), 2. Tobin (B-R), 3. Smith, D. (C-W).
U/15 Fr. St.—1. Bonney (B-R), 2. Carter (C-W), 3. Chamberlain (C-W).
U/16 Fr. St. (2 L.)—1. Pizzey (C-W), 2. Yeulett (R-D), 3. Ayers (C-W).
Open 100 yds.—1. Cogger (N-G), 2. Ayers (C-W), 3. Carter, D. (C-W).

RELAYS.

U/14.—1. Blake-Rodney, 2. Nelson-Grenville, 3. Collingwood-Wolfe. (Winners of Junior Relay Cup—Blake-Rodney).
U/15.—1. Collingwood-Wolfe, 2. Blake-Rodney, 3. Nelson-Grenville.
U/16.—1. Collingwood-Wolfe, 2. Blake-Rodney, 3. Nelson-Grenville. (Winners of Senior Relay Cup—Collingwood-Wolfe)
 Winner of Parker Cup—D. H. Carter.

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FOOTBALL, 1948-49.

Up to the present, the School football XI's have not done so well as was expected. This is partly due to the considerably stronger opposition now encountered, and to the temporarily unsettled condition of the teams.

We have again been fortunate in having the assistance of Mr. Webster, the F.A. Coach, and we would like to express our thanks for the technical and practical instruction given to us. The elevens have also benefited by the good work of members of the Staff, who have given up much time to improve our play.

The 1st XI in playing order is:—Fincham, Red, Moss, Trew, A., Wheeler, Pizzey, Ellis, Trew, C., McSoley, Franks, Gurr, Emery, Russell, Denham, Crane and Collins also played.

The 1st XI, with a nucleus of six members of last year's team, started the season unsuccessfully, as the results show. With the strengthening of the defence, however, encouraging results have been obtained in the latest games. The team showed some of its latent capabilities when narrowly losing to strong opponents in Dulwich Hamlet Colts, and should now try to maintain the high standard of previous years. Of special note so far are Trew, A., a hardworking and enthusiastic captain; Pizzey, an attacking half-back, and Franks, inside-left.

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Results:	v. Woolwich Polytechnic 1st XI	A	Lost 4—5
	v. Strand 1st XI	H	Won 2—1
	v. Sidcup County 1st XI	A	Lost 3—8
	v. Dulwich Hamlet Colts	H	Lost 4—5
	v. Old Addeyans	H	Won 5—4
	v. King's College 2nd XI	A	Won 2—1

The 2nd XI in playing order is:—Barrett, Russell, Ettling (captain), Reggler, Chamberlain, Bailes, Humphrey, Beadle, Dawes, Phillips, Huntley, Andrews, Emery. Also played, 19 others.

The 2nd XI has not yet played well, winning only one game in seven. Frequent changes have unsettled the team, and Ettling's task has not been easy. The outstanding players have been Russell and Dawes.

Results:	v. Woolwich Polytechnic 2nd XI	H	Lost 2—3
	v. Strand 2nd XI	A	Lost 4—5
	v. Sidcup County 2nd XI	H	Lost 3—8
	v. Alleyn's 2nd XI	A	Drew 2—2
	v. George Green's	A	Drew 3—3
	v. Addey and Stanhope 1st XI	A	Lost 0—1
	v. King's College 3rd XI		Won 2—1

The U/15 XI have only played twice, but have several more games later in the season.

Results:	v. Alleyn's U/15 XI	Won 3—1
	v. Addey and Stanhope	Drew 1—1

Under the solid captaincy of Donnison, the 2nd XI did well; much better, in fact, than the results show, for the biggest defeat was by eleven runs, and one wicket.

In the batting, flashes of brilliance were shown by George Green's School) and Huntley, Stringer (56 against came from Brown and Lodge, who was the wicket-keeper.

At the bowling end Saunders excelled, taking 47 wickets for 224 runs—a wonderful effort.

3rd XI Results.

Played: 8; Won: 5; Lost: 3.

The XI was greatly changed during the course of the season, yet good results were obtained. The team was Willshire (captain), Frankel, Matthews, Startup, Collins, Cramp, Cavey, McSoley, Budd, Copus, Parnell, Easter.

Junior XI.

The U/14 XI was drawn from: Wright (capt.), Fletcher, Davis, Gillard, Andrews C., Andrews A., Belben, Gillam, Coker, Colnet, Brown, Spence, Topps, Masson.

Although not doing quite so well as the other XI's, much talent is found here, Fletcher and Andrews proving to be the most successful batsmen. In the attack Wright performed the remarkable feat of taking 51 wickets, and Davis bowled the ball to the batsmen's dismay.

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OLD BOYS' AND PARENTS' DAY, 1948.

After a cheerless morning the sun came through in time to make the afternoon of July 24th as bright as any last summer, and Old Boys' and Parents' Day was in 1948 as successful as its predecessor of 1947. The unsettled weather of the morning undoubtedly affected the attendance slightly, but even so there were some 900 spectators present and the Memorial Fund benefited by over £107.

A large squad of boys had erected a number of side shows along the east side of the field. These, with their colourful flags, added a splash of gaiety to its natural beauty; in addition they proved a great attraction, and their enthusiastic proprietors—volunteers from the Middle and Upper School—did a roaring trade.

The chief feature of the afternoon was the cricket match between the School and the Old Boys. The School, unfortunately without its captain, Wheeler, batted first on a slow

pitch and soon lost the wicket of Franks. Mr. Hopwood square cut his way to 22 out of a total of 24 before being L.B.W. to Sid Dalton. Baxter then joined Barrett and these two, after an uncomfortable beginning, batted attractively, with Barrett using his feet beautifully to get to the pitch of the slow bowlers and Baxter his favourite pull shot very effectively. Barrett was first to go with his score at 21 and Mr. Thorp came to the wicket with everybody remembering his big hitting in last year's match. He had perforce to return at once, his wicket shattered, and was shortly after observed drowning his, and our, sorrows at the side-shows. Laing, acting captain, was soon out for 6 and was quickly followed to the pavilion by Baxter, with a very creditable 35 to his name. Mr. Westmarland had meanwhile been batting steadily, and he and Brittan stayed together until tea, when the School declared with a total of 144 for 6. Of these Mr. Westmarland had made 41 and Brittan 11.

During the tea interval a very capable and interesting demonstration of apparatus work was given by the advanced P.T. Class.

After tea, the Old Boys started in a great hurry with Dalton hitting hard. Pizzey, who bowled extremely well with very little luck, soon beat and bowled the redoubtable George Carter with a beauty, and the School XI surveyed his retiring back with great relief. However, Bill Gosling and Dalton then proceeded to delight the crowd with an exhibition of big hitting, Dalton making one towering hook to mid-wicket for six. Gosling was first to go, caught and bowled by Mr. Westmarland. Shortly afterwards the same bowler dismissed Dalton for 55. By this time, the Old Boys were well in front of the clock, and against the steady bowling of Baxter and Mr. Westmarland, Dawtry and Townsend could score only slowly. Townsend was eventually out for 20, caught by Baxter, who, no doubt elated by this success, bowled Kinsey for two almost immediately. Dawtry and Evenden then batted quietly on until the School total was passed, stumps being drawn with the total at 153 for 5, of which Dawtry had made 32.

Much hard work had been done to make the day a success by an Old Boys' Committee headed by H.J. Townsend and Mr. Thorp, and by the wives and friends of Old Boys who organized and served teas. No praise is too high for all of them, and the many other willing helpers, who contributed to making this day an unqualified success.

A.H.H.

SCORES.

SCHOOL XI:

Mr. A. Hopwood, l.b.w., b. Dalton	...	...	22
M. Franks, c. Hazell, b. Groves	...	...	0
J. Barrett, st. Dawtry, b. Dalton	...	...	21
D. Baxter, l.b.w., b. Gosling	...	...	35
Mr. J. Thorp, b. Dalton	...	...	0
D. Laing, b. Dalton	...	...	6
Mr. B. Westmarland, not out	...	...	41
D. Brittan, not out	...	...	11
Extras	...	...	8

Total (for 6 wks. declared) 144

C. Trew, J. Stringer and T. Pizzey did not bat.

OLD BOYS' XI:

G. Carter, b. Pizzey	...	...	2
S. Dalton, b. Mr. Westmarland	...	...	55
W. Gosling, c. & b. Mr. Westmarland	...	...	21
D. Dawtry, not out	...	...	32
H. Townsend, c. Baxter, b. Mr. Westmarland	20
A. Kinsey, b. Baxter	2
R. Evenden, not out	6
Extras	15

Total (for 5 wks.) 153

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HARVEST CAMPS.

Two harvest camps were held this year, one at Trunch, in N.E. Norfolk, and the other at Ickham, in E. Kent.

In response to an appeal made by the Ministers of Agriculture and Education the Norfolk camp was held during the last two weeks of the summer term. It was attended by members of the Fifth Forms immediately after the General School Examination.

In spite of adverse weather conditions, the camp was most enjoyable. After the hard grind of examinations the boys revelled in the free open-air life.

The Norfolk County Agricultural Executive Committee, who were responsible for the erection of our camp, gave us magnificent facilities. We arrived to find erected a fully weather-proof kitchen with a coal-burning oven, three large marquees for dining and storage purposes, and bell tents for sleeping.

The catering arrangements were in the capable hands of Mrs. Davy and Mrs. Gouldson, who were kindly lent to us by the School's meals service.

The whole fortnight was occupied with black-currant picking, which though financially rewarding tended to become somewhat tedious. However, we were within a few minutes' cycling distance of the coast, and the long, light evenings were spent in and by the sea.

We were glad to welcome the Headmaster when he came down to spend a week-end in camp.

Mr. Allen ("Tubby" to his older colleagues) was a frequent and always welcome visitor to the camp. He put himself and his car at our disposal and was a great help both before and during the camp. Mr. Allen is a Norfolk man by birth, and we were happy to learn from so enthusiastic a guide something of the county he knows and loves so well.

The boys enjoyed two whole-day trips on the Broads, hiring an 18ft. yacht at Potter Heigham, and sailing to Horsey Mere, where the crew received some instruction from their skipper, Scammell, an experienced yachtsman. In the afternoon they proceeded to Hickling Broad, where they tacked to and fro in waves which washed the gunwales.

Next day the party sailed downstream to the Bure and up to Barton Broad, passing the ruins of St. Bene't's Abbey en route. After much rowing and towing "under the curse of no wind," they reached the Broad, unaware that they had placed nine miles between themselves and Potter. On the return journey they were towed by a motor-boat, finally arriving at camp at a late hour, convinced that they could handle any yacht on the Broads.

The Ickham Camp was the fifth held on the site in consecutive years.

The accommodation included, as before, tents and a marquee, with the Village Hall as kitchen and dining-hall.

There was plenty of work throughout the month of camp, although the weather, after the first week, was poor. The work done was mainly corn-stooking and carrying, lifting potatoes and picking fruit.

Credit for the undoubted success of these two camps is due not only to the boys but to the masters who sacrificed part of their holiday to make it possible.

A.L.B., D.T.C.

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SECOND DUTCH TOUR.

A second cycling tour in Holland was carried out in July by ten boys. The itinerary of the first tour was followed, with some modifications due to seasonal causes. Altogether 26

boys took part in both tours. The innovation, which these Continental cycling tours represent, has proved a complete success. It is hoped to arrange similar tours next summer, and already Switzerland is being spoken of as a possible objective.

H.N.W.

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THE SCOUT CAMP.

We started off after much jovial celebration at the end of the School year. Four of us were foolish enough to try to get to Lamberhurst by cycle! The remaining seventeen travelled by lorry. Although an enjoyable experience the latter method of conveyance proved to be somewhat uncomfortable.

Camp life was far from boring. Patrol gadgets were really ingenious and well made. We were well situated for wood, water and other supplies.

Many unofficial games were played, often successfully, always with zest. Reid's previous angling experience aided him in discovering that the farmer's pond contained many decent-sized rudd; whereupon, for the rest of the week, many were the fishing exploits with stick, thread, bent pin, feather and bread. There were also Scouting games, tests and competitions. The Eagles won the ambulance competition and the Seals and Stags fought a grim battle for the patrol shield, which eventually culminated in a narrow win for the Seals.

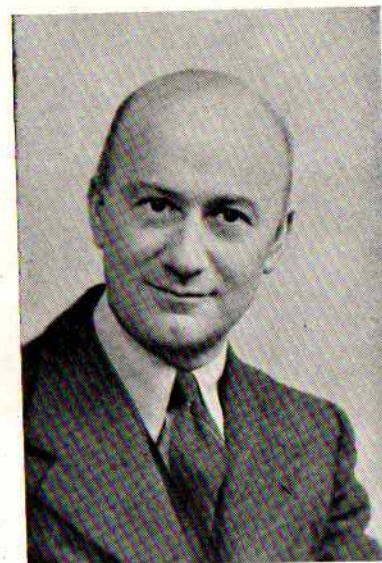
First Class Journeys were successfully carried out. The participants called themselves "victims" and the test "atrocious," but this jaundiced view was, perhaps, the result of the great heat prevailing at the time.

We had a few visitors during the camp and were particularly pleased to see Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert one afternoon.

A good camp fire was held on the last night at which we were pleased to welcome the family of our farmer-host, Mr. Forbes. Many favourite songs were sung, and the fire was so fierce that it was said to have threatened the entire Sandhurst forest and farm.

The cycles and the cyclists were overcome by the thought of the return journey and were all crowded on to the lorry. Fond farewells were said to Sandhurst Farm. A most enjoyable camp had ended.

G.H.R., J.F.W.



MR. L. W. LORYMAN.
President of the O.R.A.

THE SCOUT TROOP.

Troop Leader—P. G. Lawrence.

Patrol Leaders—B. E. Perry, J. E. Terry, D. Carter,
R. Williams.

The first Troop camp since 1939 showed that we had got into our stride and had resumed all the major activities of our pre-war existence. The fact that four First Class Journeys were successfully undertaken is a sign that we are displaying some good Scout qualities. The reports on these journeys have been accepted by the Local Association as reaching required standard. This is usually the last test taken for the First Class Badge, and, by the time this account appears in print, I hope the District Scoutmaster will have given some of the boys a general test and confirmed my opinion that they are worthy of the award of the badge. All the rest, except recruits and a few laggards, are Second Class.

We have been too modest to invite the parents to come and see us this term. If we do not put on the programme we have prepared till the spring let them thank us for summoning them to our H.Q. on a lovely spring evening instead of a cold winter afternoon.

One of the most praiseworthy efforts is "The Pioneer," a news-sheet which appears fortnightly. Editor, printer and publisher—G. Reid. This big task is now shared with J. Watson.

Our sing-songs and Boxing Competition are also under able leadership.

K.S.B.

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ARISTOTELIAN SOCIETY.

"I take all knowledge to be my province."—BACON.

"Homo sum: humani nihil a me alienum puto."—TERENCE.

The society welcomes Messrs. Fenton and Hawkins representing the Staff in place of Mr. White, who left us last term. The number admitted to the society at the beginning of the term showed a gratifying balance between members from the Science and Modern Sixths.

The first meeting on the 28th September took the form of an internal debate. The motion, "That the present growth of holiday camps is a sign of the decay of individual initiative," was proposed by Mr. Ottley and seconded by Mr. Pound. Messrs. Bruce and Parnell opposed the motion and it was defeated by a substantial majority.

On the 12th October, four short papers were given by Messrs. Cody, K. Pound, Inman, and Witten. The accent of the meeting was upon literature and politics, and all four papers received warm appreciation.

The innovation of a "Scrap Book," which met with considerable success last term, was repeated on the 26th October, and the variety and interest of members' contributions made for an equally enjoyable evening.

The Society's annual debate with Brockley County School—invariably one of the most interesting features of our programme—took place at Hilly Fields on the 9th November. Messrs. Pound and Brown proposed the motion that "The government of the country should be placed in the hands of a panel of our most eminent scientists." After some competent debating on both sides the motion was defeated by a considerable majority.

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THE SCIENTIFIC AND ENGINEERING SOCIETY.

Our society has always been a vigorous one, but this session we seem to have taken on a new lease of life. We can now muster over forty members, the average attendance at the fortnightly meetings is over thirty, and Modern Sixth is now well represented in our community.

It has been suggested that the increase in numbers is due to the light refreshments served at the commencement of meetings, but we sincerely hope that this is not the main reason.

At the end of the summer term the society paid three visits:

The first was to the King George V Dock, Woolwich, where we had the privilege of looking over the refrigerator ship, "Port Hobart." She is one of the latest vessels of her type, and we inspected most of her modern installations, including the radar navigation aids, the refrigerating equipment, and the engine room, which proved to be the greatest attraction.

We also visited the Kolster-Brandes factory at Footscray. Here we witnessed the manufacture of the commercial radio receiving sets, including the assembly of valves and other intricate components.

Our third visit was to the E.M.I. factories at Hayes, Middlesex, where we saw the mass production of radio and television receivers, gramophones and radiograms. However, the most interesting part of the tour was the mass pro-

duction of the gramophone record, and its testing. The latter was carried out in small "sound proof" cubicles, and we had the rare experience of hearing about twenty records played simultaneously!

So far this term we have held five meetings.

The first was a general business meeting, the election of new members being the main business, and this was followed by an amusing and very interesting paper given by Mr. Cogger, entitled "Louis Pasteur and Bacteriology." He gave us a general survey of Pasteur's work, and a brief insight into the realms of bacteriology.

At the second meeting, Mr. Brookman provided us with a very technical, but most entertaining, introduction to "Alternating Currents." This was a polished paper in all respects, and was well illustrated with demonstrations.

The Headmaster was a welcome visitor to our next meeting, at which a talk on "Engineering" was given by a visiting speaker—Mr. J. H. Suckling, M.I.E.E., who is an Old Boy of the School, and well qualified to speak on this subject. He dealt in particular with that branch of industry known as engineering insurance. This paper not only provided much useful information for our potential engineers, but also opened the eyes of many members who had not previously considered engineering as a possible career.

At the last meeting, Mr. Read gave us a very instructive paper entitled "Weather Forecasting for the Individual." The speaker used the epidiascope to considerable advantage, and other speakers are reminded that this is an excellent method of illustrating their papers.

The rest of the term's programme includes papers by Mr. Hawkins on "Some Applications of Photography," and by Mr. Lock about "Geology."

The Society Library will soon be opening under the supervision of Mr. A. J. Trew, and, besides the scientific and background films which are shown every Thursday, there will be a special film show at the end of term.

P.V.D.

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PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY.

At an inaugural meeting held on October 20th, it was decided that a Photographic Society should be formed, as a sub-section of the Scientific Society. Officers, comprising a President, Secretary and three committee members, were elected.

The first ordinary meeting was held on November 2nd, when lectures on the principles of photography were given by Mr. Brookman and Mr. Inman, and were illustrated by an instructive demonstration given by Mr. Hawkins. At the next meeting, on November 10th, Mr. Hawkins gave a paper on the use of the dark-room in developing.

The Society proposes to organize a photographic competition later in the term, and other activities, both practical and theoretical, are being arranged. The balance-room has been converted for use as a dark-room; chemicals are supplied free, but a charge of a half-penny per print is made.

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CHESS.

The School Chess Club continues its very active existence. At the Friday meeting the chief centres of interest this term are the two Knock-out Tournaments, open and junior, which have already produced some surprising results. The Ladder Competition has been replaced by a League, run in four divisions of ten players each, which is proving a useful guide to the Committee in the selection of School teams. Members who do not rank in the first forty continue to play ladder games.

Experienced regular members number about sixty, but there are many other casual or lunch-hour players, and we have a large group of learners from the lower forms.

In the London Secondary Schools' Chess League we have a very full fixture list, with a number of matches also for second and under-14 teams. We won three of our first four matches, and, thus encouraged, expect to do quite well in the remainder. Competition for a place in the 1st VI is keen. We provided our usual contingent for the mammoth match between Greenwich and Woolwich, and our five representatives all won their games.

The house-matches will be played next term, and we look forward to the annual match against the staff. Mr. Beale and Mr. Sefton have continued to help us with sound advice and practical demonstrations; the other members of the Committee are P. V. Donnison (general secretary), A. K. Brookman (Chess magazine), I. M. Ottley (whose leaving we much regret), B. J. Feasey (Open Tournament), C. W. Parnell (Junior Tournament), and J. E. Read (League and Ladder). A. L. Brown and J. M. Dubbey have been playing the top two boards for the School.

SCRIPTURE UNION.

The past few months have seen considerable increase in the attendance at our weekly Scripture Union Meeting. As a result of this, we have launched out and invited several visiting speakers, including the Revds. T. Pownall, K. Ward, T. Pearce, C. Kerr-Dineen, L. Wallen, D. Russell-Jones, and Mr. A. Milton. An outside speaker comes to us each fortnight, while the alternate Thursdays are given to group discussion. G.D.L.

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THE URBAN TRANSPORT CLUB.

This Club, established to further interest in all forms of urban passenger transport, already has a membership of 67, with representatives from all but three forms. Papers have been read on transport systems in towns and cities from Edinburgh to Maidstone, and the Club hopes to enter a Club exhibit in the forthcoming Hobbies' Exhibition. F.M.

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GOWER—A MEMORABLE HOLIDAY.

(This account, while of interest to all, will revive memories for our "Old Ammanfordian" readers. It is by one of the few "survivors" of that era.)

The Gower peninsula is a stretch of coastline extending about fifteen miles west from Swansea Bay, terminating at the estuary of the Loughor. Into this small space is packed all one could wish for in the way of holiday scenery—long stretches of golden sand, jagged cliffs and caves, secluded coves and inlets, while, for those who like excitement, there is always Mumbles Pier!

The approach is by rail to Swansea, passing through the industrial part of South Wales; the first views of Swansea are depressing in the extreme, consisting of abandoned slag-heaps, ruined factory buildings, and relics of the Luftwaffe's activities. From there, 'buses serve all parts of Gower.

Swansea Bay is about 15 miles in circumference, and is pleasant enough at high tide; but the ebb-tide uncovers vast expanses of grey shingle, the water receding about three miles in some places. At the southern tip of the bay is Mumbles Pier, and, on a rocky headland, the lighthouse. Here the diminutive Bracelet Bay attracts large crowds on fine Sundays. Two miles' walk along a cliff path, with the sea boiling over the rocks below, is Langland Bay. This is typical of Gower bays—a long expanse of golden sand, terminated by rocky bluffs at each end, with another in the middle. The two bays thus formed unite at low tide. A

further four miles of cliff path lead to Caswell Bay—larger than Llandudno, but not so accessible. Here the cliff path ends.

The next features are Pwll Du Head and Three Cliffs Bay; the latter is divided into three parts by small headlands, in the middle one of which is a superb natural arch of about thirty-feet span. Next comes Brandy Cove—a name of obvious derivation—which is a bay about one hundred feet wide, sheltered on both sides by high cliffs. Oxwich Bay is a large sandy inlet, not much frequented, as it is some distance from the 'bus route. Inland from Oxwich Bay is the district of Parkmill, with its beautiful woods, and the Happy Valley. West of Oxwich is a large stretch of rugged coastline, embracing Port Eynon and ending at Rhossili.

Rhossili consists of two parts—the Worm and the Bay. The 'bus stops in the village, where tea can (sometimes) be obtained. The Worm is the seaward continuation of Worm's Head, extending about eight miles from the bay, and separated from the Head by a rocky causeway, submerged at high tide, passage being possible within three hours of low tide. The Worm divides into three parts (popularly known as the "head," "body" and "tail") which are connected by outcrops of basalt, in one of which (the "neck") is a fine natural arch, through which the sea seethes and boils even on the calmest of days, providing a magnificent spectacle in rough weather. The vast expanse of Rhossili Bay (about eight miles long and one mile wide at low tide) must be seen to be believed.

As to weather—Wales has a reputation for rain, but the Gower climate is much better than one might expect, and it is not too much to hope for at least one fine day in seven.

A.K.B.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL.

When Christmas draws near, all people on earth
Are full of good cheer for their Lord's Holy Birth;
He was born in a stable so lowly and poor,
His cradle a manger, His pillow the straw.

While shepherds were watching their flocks on a hill,
The babe was asleep, and the night warm and still,
An Angel from Heaven appeared to them there:
"Be not afraid, for great tidings I bear."

A star in the sky shone to gladden their sight,
And to banish the clouds and the darkness of night;
For Jesus, our King, gives His love to each one,
And each person on earth is known as His son.

B.J.A.

BLOW, WINDS, BLOW.

Blow, winds, blow,
Tear at the trees,
Scatter their leaves
With burnished gold aglow;
Whirl them on high,
Now they must die,
In summer's overthrow.

Yet have no fear;
Though they fall amain,
Like the winter rain,
Upon an earth austere,
They will spread their sheen,
Like a mantle green,
To clothe the new-born year.

Leaves and flowers to earth must go,
Blow, winds, blow.

G.B.

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HOUSE NOTES.

The order of precedence shows the position of the Houses in the Mills Cup Competition.

RODNEY.

We welcome this term Mr. Fenton as a new House Master.

Rodney House has had the distinction of being the first house to win the Mills Cup. This result was chiefly due to our prowess in outdoor activities and to the fact that many "standard points" were gained.

In the Athletic Sports we were first in the senior, intermediate, and junior sections, thus winning the Combined Shield. Trew, A., Andrews, C., Trew, C., and Sampson deserve special mention. We won the Junior Cross-country, with Sampson as individual winner.

Two other events in which we did very well were the Junior Cricket Competition and the Swimming Gala, in both of which we were placed first.

Our junior footballers have so far been quite successful, and the seniors have won their first match 9—0. Fincham, Red, Trew, A., and Trew, C., play in the School 1st XI, while Barrett, Ettling, Huntley, and Russell are in the 2nd XI.

A house photograph taken early this term proved to be successful and the innovation will probably be repeated.

R.R.

WOLFE.

Our record since the last house notes, both in school and on the playing fields, has been very encouraging.

Last term we had cricket and the Athletic Sports. In the former, special praise must be given to Wheeler, who captained the School 1st XI, our other representatives being Pizzey and Franks. By leading the batting averages and having the best bowling analysis, Wheeler thoroughly deserved the cricket prize, while we were also represented in played for the 2nd XI, while we were also represented in the Junior XI's.

In the Athletic Sports, the house did well to be second in the Combined Championship. Our outstanding victories were achieved by Budd, who broke both the Open Shot and Discus records, by Loveday who lowered the record figures in the half-mile and also won the 440 yards and Open Long Jump, by Breach, who broke the U/16 Long Jump record and by Davis who, in setting up new figures in the U/14 220 yds. and winning the Junior Hurdles, High Jump and 100 yards, became Junior Victor Ludorum. The house also won the Intermediate Relay Race. Throughout the season Loveday and Newman ran in the successful School Relay team.

We were placed a very close second to Rodney in the Swimming Gala, mainly due to some fine performances by Ayers, Carter D., and Pizzey.

Our senior football team, containing four School 1st XI players in Wheeler, Franks, Pizzey and Gurr, started the season well by winning their first game 8-2. Apart from being represented in the 2nd XI by Humphrey and Emery, the fact that we have seven members in the School U/16 XI augurs well for the future of our house football teams. These seven players are Breach, Bryant, Chamberlain, Davis, Gainey, Mathews and Newman.

In the indoor activities the house also did well. We won the senior house debates, our team consisting of Brookland, Franks, Loveday, Cttley, Rawstron and Read. We also won the Junior Spoken English Competition, the individual winner being D. A. Carter. In the senior competition Brookland came second, and the house held the same position.

Dubbey, Feasey, Franks and Read give the house very strong representation in the School chess team, which has been doing well lately.

K.L.

DRAKE.

In the Athletic Sports, the house was placed third. I. Smith must be mentioned for his outstanding performance in winning the U/15 100 and 220 yards and the U/16 440

yards, beating the record in the second event. Towells succeeded in coming second in the Discus and 440 yards and third in the Shot, while Willshire was second in the High Jump and Hurdles. Smith was also a member of the team which competed in the White City Sports.

The cricket results for the season were not as good as expected, but the house was ably represented in the School teams by Towells, who was vice-captain of the 1st XI and by Dawes who played for the 2nd XI. We are also represented in the School Football team by Moss, and in the 2nd XI by Dawes and Collins.

The Spoken English teams were not placed as high as last year, but a very good team was entered in the Senior Competition, consisting of K. Pound, Brown, and Mercer. The junior team proved its worth and was placed first for the second year in succession. The senior team did not win a place.

The Hobbies' Competition next term should see a record number of entries from Drake House. It should be borne in mind that the results of this and all other activities determine the result of the inter-house championships for which the Mills Cup is presented.

R.P.J.

NELSON.

We are well represented in the School football teams: Denham, McSoley, Crane and Ellis play for the 1st XI; Reggler, Phillips, Bailes, Beadle and Frankel play for the 2nd XI.

In last season's cricket teams we were represented by: Laing (1st XI); Donnison (captain of 2nd XI); McSoley, Easter, Copus (3rd XI). Wright (Junior XI captain) did some really fine bowling, taking over fifty wickets. Lodge (R.A.) also played.

Donnison and Brookman play for the School chess team, and we hope to retain the chess championship which we won last year.

In the Senior House Debates K.O. Competition, we reached the final by defeating Drake; but were beaten there by Wolfe. We also provided the winner of the Spoken-English Contest—P. V. Donnison. In the junior section Lodge reached the final and came second; in the team result we were third.

We can claim the best record in the Cross-country races, having won the Intermediate and been second in the others. J. Owen won the Senior race.

We are making a great effort to win the Dramatic Competition, with a one-act play, "Allison's Lad," by M. Dix. The cast is being well supported by our energetic producer, Mr. Beale.

Given sufficient enthusiasm, we should win the Hobbies' petition, with a one-act play. The cast is being well supported by our energetic producer, Mr. Beale.

Finally, our football position is bottom of the league; we hope to rectify this in the near future.

P.K.N.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT.

I am venturing to devote the space available to me in this issue of the Magazine to an appeal for further subscriptions to the War Memorial Fund.

Bearing in mind that our membership is approaching 1,000, the number supporting the Fund so far is disappointing, and there must be many members who would still like to help in increasing the Fund to the amount necessary to carry out its objects.

I have recently been in negotiation with the Inland Revenue Department on the question as to whether the War Memorial Fund is established for charitable purposes only, and this position has now been admitted.

Accordingly, to members and friends who pay the standard rate of Income Tax on any part of their incomes, an earnest appeal is made for them to consider whether they will enter into a Deed of Covenant to pay an annual subscription to the Fund for a period of seven years. A form for

the purpose may be found at the end of this magazine. If this is done, the fund would be able to obtain a substantial refund of tax on each covenanted subscription. This is perhaps shown simply in the following instance:

A subscriber of one guinea per annum under Deed becomes, in effect, a subscriber of £1 18s. 2d. Whilst the individual still pays only the basic amount of one guinea, the remaining 17s. 2d. would be reclaimed by the Memorial Fund from the Inland Revenue Authorities. It will thus be seen that the annual subscription will be increased by approximately 82% without extra cost to the subscriber.

I appeal most sincerely for the help of all who read this appeal, and if any further information is desired I shall be happy to furnish it.

Meanwhile we gratefully acknowledge the generous assistance given in the past by many Old Roans.

OLD ROAN PERSONALITIES.—VI.

Mr. L. W. Loryman, President of the Association.

We are glad to publish a photograph of our President. It is intended to publish photographs of all future Old Boy Presidents, together with a personal sketch such as we give below:

The choice of Mr. Loryman as President is a particularly happy one, for it can be said that his ties with his old school, throughout his life, have been closer than those of most people.

In the realm of sport, he has done much for Old Roans. He was Secretary of the O.R. Football Club from 1923-4 until 1929-30, during which time the foundations of the Club as we know it were laid. The 1921-2 home games were played on Harrow Meadow, leased from the Woolwich Council, and in 1922-3 we were a wandering side, getting what games we could on opponents' grounds. In 1923 Mr. Thompson—father of Albert and George—bought the Weigall Road ground on which we played for about ten years. The start of Loryman's term of office (during which Albert Thompson was Treasurer) thus coincided with the tenure of Weigall Road. It is impossible to imagine a better Secretary: all arrangements were made with the minimum of fuss and with the utmost efficiency. It can truly be said that the establishment of the F.C. on its present basis is more the result of his efforts than of any other.

He played for the Cricket Club from 1922 until about 1934—not with any outstanding ability, but with great keenness.

When he left school Loryman went to the National Income Tax Recovery Association, one of the partners of which was Mr. E. N. Greenwood, father of an O.R., Dr. Eric Greenwood—who was, and still is, we believe, practising in Kent. Loryman's closest associate in his early business life was Albert Thompson, who was taken into partnership in 1924; when Albert died, Loryman took his place. He has remained there ever since, the firm now being Greenwood and Loryman, of King William Street. He has made a practice of recruiting his staff from our school; there are, and have been, a number of O.R.'s in his offices.

Our President is married and has two children. He is a Freemason, and a member of the John Roan Lodge.

L.W.

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VII—W. S. (Bill) Gosling (17-22).

Bill Gosling must be known to hundreds of O.R.'s as a result of his activities in connection with cricket and football. At full-back he was not only active but was literally a bulwark. Many opposing forwards became aware that he was solidly built and on occasion he has been known to encroach into the opponents' half of the field, leaving behind him a trail of bodies usually in a prone position. He could take and give knocks while still preserving that smiling countenance so characteristic of him. At cricket he was outstanding—and still is. Here was honest endeavour allied to no mean skill. The object was always to knock down the opponent's wicket. His smooth run-up to the wicket was a joy to watch and when the ominous rattle followed Bill's face became wreathed in smiles, the perspiration rolled down and he prepared purposefully for the next victim. His bat always seemed to hang from his arms like a toy one, but many have been the occasions when it has been wielded to such effect that the unfortunate bowlers have been reduced to impotency. One such occasion well remembered was against P.L.A. when he scored 68 in 20 minutes—literally winning the match "off his own bat." In his heyday he had with him such stalwarts as "Len" Watts, "Gus" Gillam, George Thompson, Keith Ratcliffe and "Smithy."

It is good to see him still carrying on—an example to some who consider themselves "veterans" at thirty. Rumour has it that he is the only person who knows all the twists and turns in that rabbit-warren known as County Hall. I imagine "Bill" in his office there occasionally sitting back and musing about the old days. For example: O.R.'s v. Springfield

Mental Hospital. Roans 109, Springfield 70 for 3 wks. Then fury unleashed and Springfield All Out 70. What a rattle of stumps and what a look of satisfaction on the face of "Gossie." A great sportsman and a most charming companion.

T.H.

NEWS OF OLD ROANS.

Most of the news has been embodied in other sections of this issue, but other items have been received from various sources.

D. L. Crane (35-42) has accepted a call to become Student Pastor at South Lee Baptist Church.

Alan Baker (24-30) writes of O.R.'s known to him whose names appear on the War Memorial. A most prized possession of his is a panorama taken in 1924 of the Staff and boys in the Park.

E. H. Quick (17-20) writes from Rio de Janeiro, where he is employed by Shell-Mex Brazil, Ltd., in appreciation of the plans for the Pavilion and of the Potter Memorial Fund. He will be delighted to give any assistance he can to O.R.'s who may find themselves in Latin America.

D. W. Peddie (30-39) is now doing his Final B.Sc. General, in Botany, Zoology and Geography, at Birkbeck; he has been promoted to Higher-Grade Clerk in the Ministry of Agriculture.

Lieut. (A) M. W. Henley, D.S.C., R.N. (31-39) sends a very newsy letter from the Australian Naval Depot near Melbourne. He is feeling a little earthbound in his capacity as lecturer, after his hectic war. Bill is one of three O.R.'s at Flinders—the others are **E. A. Trist** (27-34), a senior Instructor, and **P. R. D'Abbs** (32-39), who is an Instructor Sub-Lieutenant R.A.N., after a very varied career. Both the latter are married, with families.

N. R. Challenor (23-26), now living in Truro, Cornwall, met the **Rev. R. H. W. Roberts** at a cricket match at Camborne.

E. R. Elliott (33-39), writing from his Bristol home, mentions a recent meeting with **G. K. Hooper** (33-40), who is flying with Butlin's.

W. H. Benjamin (34-40) is a 2nd Officer in the Prince Line, at present running between New York and Newfoundland.

L. H. T. Walker (23-28) is with the Bahrein Petroleum Company in the Persian Gulf and hopes to be on leave next summer. Meanwhile, he would be very glad to meet any O.R.'s who find themselves near Bahrein Island—just ring Awali 168-W and he will do the rest.

R. R. Watson (41-46) is in the R.A.E.C., and by now should be in Mombasa, East Africa.

Edward Cox (21-27) in a letter from Aintree, Liverpool, says he hopes to establish his own firm making musical instruments—some of his instruments are used by the leading bands. He also does a spot of broadcasting and script-writing for the B.B.C., and he is correspondent for a Hollywood musical paper.

R. Wilcox (32-40) has gone to Malaya as an Inspector of Mines.

We hope to have seen something of **Major P. A. Trafford**, R.A.M.C. (28-38) by the time this is published. He is due for a long leave from Germany. Pete says he has been granted a Short-Service Commission and hopes to continue his medical career in the Army.

W. R. Dalzell (Staff, 37-46) is a regular Broadcaster, and his Old Roan friends listen with pleasure to his talks. He is understood to have won the Old Boys' Race at Bedford School Sports.

I. T. James (Staff, 33-41) is now Secretary to the Institute of Education at the University College of Hull.

A. J. G. Knott (43-47) is now commissioned in the R.A., and expecting to proceed to the Middle East.

We have had further very interesting letters from **J. B. A. Hill** (37-43), Captain, R.C.S., at Kuala Lumpur, and **N. B. Coe** (40-44), Sergeant, Intelligence, at Trieste. Both were mentioned in our last issue, and we hope to hear more from them.

D. J. Angell (44-46) is at Durham University, reading for a General Degree in English, French and History.

F. P. Barnes (33-37) appeared as Nicholas in the Blackheath A.D.S. production of "The Dover Road" on 2nd October—which was attended by a party from the Sixth Forms.

H. F. W. Brooks (33-42) is now on the Staff of the Cooper's Company's School, Mile End.

R. G. S. Hanreck (29-37) is shortly going out to Nigeria to organize tin-mining.

F. E. Holland (33-39) is doing managerial work for Odeon Cinemas in S.E. London.

G. F. Jones (37-41) is Senior Geography Master at Paston Grammar School, Norfolk (Nelson's school).

We are glad to publish the following additions to the Service List:

Pool, E. G. (28-31), Sgt., Rifle Brigade, M.E.F., C.M.F. Mentioned in Dispatches.

Ross, D. J. (18-27), Lt., R.A.S.C., from London Scottish. England, 39-41; Burma, 41-45—Western Chin Levies, 17 Divn.

Feehally, W. J. (-26), Lt.-Col., holding a staff appointment with the B.A.O.R.

BIRTHS.

Harris—On 24th March, 1948, to Lily, wife of B. F. Harris (39-46), a daughter—Anne Frances.

Hazlewood—On 3rd June, 1948, to Alice, wife of Kenneth Hazlewood (32-37) a son—Geoffrey David.

Jones—On 27th September, 1948, at Bridgwater, to Elizabeth, wife of G. F. Jones (37-41), a son—Derek Anthony.

Lyne—On 27th August, 1948, at Gwyn Mor, Cardiff, to Nornice, wife of Lieut. (E) M. G. Lyne, R.N. (34-39), a son.

Walker—On 11th January, 1948, at Bahrein, to Ethel Lorraine, wife of L. H. T. Walker (23-28), a son—Richard John.

Hall—On 22nd October, 1948, to Mr. and Mrs. G. Hall (Staff), a son—Geoffrey Alan.

Wheeler—On 5th December, 1948, at Beckenham, to Constance, wife of K. H. Wheeler (32-40), a son—Christopher.

MARRIAGES.

Elliott, E. R. (33-39) to Pauline Esme Butler, on 13th September, 1947, at St. Ann's, Greenbank, Bristol.

Walter, C. A. (30-35) to Barbara Elizabeth Buckingham, on 26th June, 1948, at St. James', Cowley, Oxford.

DEATHS.

We record with regret the following additions to the Roan Roll of Honour.

The names will be added to the Memorial plaque, and additional trees planted to their memory.

Feehally, J. T. (24-26), Lt.-Col., R.A.S.C. Entered Sandhurst from school; commissioned, 1928, and became A.M.I.M.E. In 1941 became Officer Commanding, R.A.S.C., Singapore Fortress. Ordered, despite an appeal, to leave the island when technical personnel were evacuated, his ship was sunk by the Japanese fleet, February, 1942.

Prentice, M. A. (35-36), Sgt., R.A.F. Killed in action, 9th August, 1940. His body, found by villagers at Katwijk, Holland, was buried by the local police, his grave being cared for during the period of occupation.

Baker-Beale, A. R. (1880-83), in April, 1947

Stanley, William George (04-07), was killed in a road accident on 23rd June last, while driving his own car on a holiday tour, near Beaune, France.

Mr. Stanley served in the 1914-18 war, and was in the Occupation Force at Brussels. Since 1920 he had been on the staff of the East Kent Road Car Company, as Claims Officer, and later also as Publicity Officer. In connection with the latter duty he founded and edited the Company's house magazine, "The East Kent Omnibus," a copy of which has reached us, containing an obituary which pays tribute to his "unbounding enthusiasm, which was a tonic to those who worked with him."

His brother, **B. D. Stanley** (02-04) is Secretary and Accountant of the East Kent Company.

ANNUAL REUNION, 15th OCTOBER, 1948.

Over a hundred O.R.'s met in the School hall for this yearly "Welcome" meeting for those who have just left the School. It was entirely informal. Prominent in the company were the President, the Head Master and the Vice-Master. Your correspondent was granted interviews with a number of those present and elicited the following information:

Firstly, it was apparent that Roan has been a launching place for a large number of scholastic careers, if one judges from the number of University men who turned up—indeed, "The Plodder," who is our London University letter writer, seemed to be gathering the bulk of his material during the evening. Accordingly, mention of those up at London will be left in Ken Wheeler's hands.

Several recently "demobbed" members came along—**S. W. Arundell** (42-45), **Alan Hazlewood** (38-44) (studying radio at Regent Street Polytechnic), **J. G. Moore** (37-45), who left the service in Athens and is now studying at Chelsea Polytechnic, among others.

D. A. G. Gerhold (34-43) is a planning engineer with W. J. Bush & Co., at Hackney. **P. W. Pain** (43-48) is a G.P.O. apprentice—quoting the mysterious letters Y2YC by way of amplification. **J. H. Hill** (35-40) has now passed Part 1

of the Final of the examination of the Chartered Auctioneers and Estate Agents. **D. W. Hazell** (36-41) said that he is still playing soccer. He was with **C. V. Fry** (37-42), who is studying for Gas Engineering. **D. L. Putwain** (35-39) is now a development draughtsman with British Railways. **E. A. Howse** (35-42) has transferred from the Radar Research Development Establishment of the Ministry of Supply to the Armament Research Establishment.

We were delighted to see **Mr. W. E. Llewellyn** ("Froggy"), who was a Master at the School until 1921. His visit was a very pleasant surprise, particularly for those who were his former charges, and many memories were recalled. **G. F. Franklin** (09-16), who is Head Master of Lincoln School, had left Lincoln at 6 a.m. to be present and faced the prospect of arriving back at 5 a.m. the next morning.

Mr. K. S. Binnie was talking to **R. M. Dalladay** (12-17) and **W. Murray** (12-17). The latter had seen **C. F. Tumber** (12-17) recently, and **L. N. R. Percy** (who is secretary of the Licensed Victuallers' Association) a few months ago. **E. H. Hounsell** (05-08) was deep in conversation with **W. J. Bullers** (05-08), whose sons, **H. Bullers** (36-43) (with Siemens') and **R. Bullers** (with an engineering firm at Dartford) also attended.

A. H. Baker (24-30) came from West Kensington to pay his first visit to the School for 18 years. He bemoaned the fact that so few representatives of his vintage (which he assures us was an excellent one) were present. Let us hope that this will be rectified next time!

J. H. Collins (38-45) walked up from R.N. College, where he is an Instructor Lieutenant, having left Chelsea Polytechnic with a special maths. degree.

The "regulars" were there in force. By virtue of their regularity, they rarely feature in our news columns, but we might mention a few in passing—**R. Lemmy**, **D. J. Ross** (18-27), **J. W. Berry**, **J. N. Spence**, **D. J. B. White** always attend O.R. functions if they possibly can, and **Mr. J. W. Kirby** is seldom absent. We should like to express appreciation of their loyalty and that of those not mentioned.

And next, the Dinner and the Dance; we look forward to meeting even more O.R.'s, and if **you** see a chap with pencil and paper, please "make your number."

OLD BOYS' DAY—REUNION CORNER.

As we had hoped, we were able to run a Reunion Point at the Old Boys' Match on 24th July. About eighty O.R.'s called during the afternoon and we were able to find a school contemporary for every one. Among the first arrivals was that staunch O.R., **John Main** (78-82), who spent most of the afternoon with his fellow stalwart **J. W. Berry** (79-85). **Mr. Main** shewed us some very interesting photographs of his brother, the late **Hugh Main** (77-81), which, we understand, will be included in the O.R. Portrait Gallery at the School.

The Magazine Correspondent found it very difficult to winkle out much news for this issue, but the Secretary was able to obtain addresses of several previously out-of-touch members.

Among those at school in the first decade of the century were **W. J. R. Bullers**, **Stuart B. Martin**, **H. Pattison**, **H. G. Chamberlain** and **R. A. Burgess**, while the next ten years or so were well represented by **G. S. Hisee**, **S. A. Matthews**, **R. A. Jones**, **G. S. Jones**, **A. D. Marshall**, **J. Taylor**, **R. M. Dalladay**, **Don Thomson**, **A. D. Reid**, and of course our President, **L. W. Loryman**.

From the post-war era we welcomed **S. G. Davies**, **J. N. Spence**, **J. R. Cooper**, **C. J. Saunders**, **R. McKenzie**, **J. McEwan**, and, a little later, **A. G. Robinson**, **E. R. Murphy**, **Gordon C. Smith**, **C. J. Hewson**, **R. A. Emler**, **E. G. Pool**, **W. J. McHale**, **C. E. Clay**, **L. J. Bruce**, **V. B. Emes** (who told us that he is an R.A.C. Instructor) and **R. A. Clifton**, who hopes to emigrate to the U.S.A. shortly.

Of the dozens from the late thirties and after, we might mention **E. S. Gibson**, now with the Government Communications Research Dept., **D. A. Bruce**, who told us that **P. A. Hatcher** (35-40) is now running a hotel in Great Yarmouth, **D. J. Jenner** (with a stockbroker), **C. A. Walter**, who is an engineer, **N. C. Bradgate**, in hospital administration, **J. A. Long** (now with Dunlop), who said that **G. Winter** (31-38) is in the Civil Service, **H. V. Wells**, structural designing with British Railways and **L. P. Flowerday**, who is in the Ministry of Education.

Lack of space precludes mention of the many others, all of whom we were very glad to see. We felt that this presented an ideal opportunity for reunions, and we look forward to even larger numbers of O.R.'s turning up at their annual Day in the future.

UNIVERSITY NOTES.

DEGREE RESULTS OBTAINED BY OLD ROANS.

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON.

- R. E. D. Bishop**—B.Sc. (Eng.), First Class Honours; awarded the Archibald P. Head Medal for the most distinguished student in Engineering.
P. G. Parrott—B.Sc. (Eng.), Second Class Honours.
H. E. Eagles—B.Sc. (Eng.).
J. H. Collins—B.Sc., Mathematics, Second Class Honours.
D. W. Wright—B.Sc., Mathematics, Second Class Honours.
K. H. Wheeler—B.A., German, Third Class Honours.
D. N. Keating—B.A., History, Second Class Honours.

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE.

- R. C. Turner**—B.A., History Tripos Part I, Class II(i).

LONDON NOTES.

Some progress has been made in contacting O.R.'s at London, both Freshers and others, but some gaps remain.

W. E. Moss (38-45), "demobbed" in May, is now coping with Inter. Latin and Roman History on four lectures a week, Subsid. French in one year, with Hons. German in 1951. **J. G. Moore** (37-45), late Royal Signals, is now taking B.Sc. Special Maths. at Chelsea Polytechnic, while **A. Weir** (36-43) is training to be a Teacher, under the Emergency Training Scheme, at Winchester College.

E. J. Hooke (34-41) did not take Finals as reported in June, but will do so next year. **A. E. Jobbins** (35-42) at King's, continues to slog on to "Finals" and **R. G. Hoare** (40-42), late R.N., now at King's, took Inter. B.A. in June, and is taking Hons. French in 1951, meanwhile supporting the L.I.F. Christian Union and playing Rugger. **A. C. W. Pemberton** (32-40) still studies Chemical Engineering at U.C., while "**Pies**" **Kempton** (34-40) is reading Chemistry at I.C.; more information on these two would be welcomed.

D. N. Keating (32-40) is now reading for the Bar, under the auspices of the Council of Legal Education; the obvious remark is avoided lest it be too near the truth! **K. H. Wheeler** (32-40), is now engaged on Teaching Practice at St. Dunstan's College; he is taking the Teachers' Diploma in 1949 and has resumed rowing for King's.

J. H. Collins (43-44) and **D. W. Wright** (36-44), when seen at the October Reunion, both had a decidedly lean and hungry look after their successful post-graduate year's slog,

each having converted a General B.Sc. into a B.Sc. Special in Mathematics with Second Class Honours at Chelsea—a very creditable achievement.

Others active under the protecting wings of Learning in London include: **A. G. Hazlewood** (Higher National Certificate in Radio Engineering at Regent Street Polytechnic); **D. Hazell** (36-41), late Royal Navy (National Certificate in Telecommunication of the S.E. London Polytechnic); **O. C. Fry** (37-42) (A.M.I.G.E. in Gas Engineering at Westminster Technical School), while **H. Beeny** (39-44), late R.N., is understood to be studying architecture—somewhere!—any further information would be welcomed.

At **Manchester** our sole representative is **A. M. McGregor** (36-43), reading English. He spent part of his vacation helping at the Olympic Games Competitors' Camp at Richmond.

RANDOM THOUGHTS FROM CAMBRIDGE.

The march of democracy, and the effects of two world wars, have brought many changes to Cambridge.

Contrasts are numerous in this university town, where short-sighted dons peer at musty manuscripts while jet aircraft whine overhead from local airfields, and the atomic research department of the Cavendish Laboratory is just round the corner from mediæval cloisters. Traditions die hard amongst scholars, and generations of departed pedants were heard to turn in their graves when the Senate recently admitted women to full academic equality with men. They now wear gowns—an epoch-making innovation. Social, political and religious societies flourish in an atmosphere where your neighbour is probably either a long-haired anarchist or a short-haired existentialist, and every freshman is badgered with invitations to join the Union, the Conservative, Socialist or Communist society, or what not. Between club dances, talks by celebrities, and informal debating groups, some undergraduates have been known to read a subject and obtain a degree. Colleges and university buildings vary in age and style, but readers who are interested in such things should consult any good guide book.

Undergraduate writers produce a weekly newspaper, "Varsity," featuring aspects of Cambridge life. A magazine, "The Granta," appears about once a term. Collections of poems, short stories and articles are published spasmodically, and occasionally pay their way; each college has its own magazine. It is while at college that most students begin their first novel. Few finish it.

All colleges are crowded as a result of the present conditions, a fact which is but a small part of the change in Cambridge life since the war. Evening dress is no longer worn in Hall at dinner, nor is there the wide choice of dishes. College servants, called "gymps," nostalgically recall the days when champagne parties, extravagant supper rags and river balls were familiar events. May Week, however, is still a colourful jovial occasion, when most colleges hold a lavish ball and the lawns and gardens are decorated with fairy lights and bunting. For many undergraduates it is the last carnival of student society before they enter the cold world outside. Study is largely a matter for the individual student, who is advised upon lectures and books by his Director of Studies, and usually spends an hour a week with his supervisor. Lectures are held during the morning, and attendance fluctuates, being dependent upon such factors as racing at Newmarket, proximity of the Tripos examinations and so on.

Visitors to Cambridge are shown the Backs, where college lawns slope gently down to the Cam, and the atmosphere is generally favourable for such delicate family matters as asking one's parent for a sub. King's College Chapel, the great court of Trinity and the Round Church are also popular with sightseers.

Only a few aspects of life at Cambridge are mentioned here. Your solitary representative sincerely hopes that others will come from the Roan to taste for themselves the delights of this ancient seat of learning.

R.C.T.

OLD ROAN DRAMATIC SOCIETY.

It is proposed to make another attempt to revive the Old Roan Dramatic Society. When this revival was last mooted, there was no response, but perhaps, now the upheavals of the war are a little more remote, there will be those who feel they have time for dramatics. Before the war, the O.R.D.S. was one of the most vigorous of O.R. activities, and provided some of the most notable social occasions of the year, and there are many who would like to see it re-started.

Will any one interested please get in touch with Mr. Berry, at the School, stating which branch, or branches, of dramatics he is interested in, and what experience he has had? We should also be glad to hear of any ladies who would be willing to help.

OLD ROAN TENNIS CLUB.

During the summer months the first steps were taken to re-form the Tennis Section of the Old Roan Sports Club. Notwithstanding the shortage of equipment, the poor facilities and the unsettled weather, there was a very pleasing interest. Unfortunately, many of the pre-war members were unable to re-join, but the number of Old Roans and their friends, new to the Club, who are taking a very active interest was most gratifying. The Committee are using every effort to place the Club on its pre-war footing but some little time must elapse before this will be accomplished. The new Hon. Secretary, Mr. P. A. White, of 185 Rochester Way, S.E.3, will be pleased to hear from all who are interested.

ANNUAL DANCE.

The Association's Annual Dance will be held in the Greenwich Town Hall on Saturday, 15th January, 1949, from 7.30 until 11.30 p.m. Mr. W. Hayward's Dance Band has been engaged and promises of attendance are most encouraging. Applications for tickets (6/- each) should be sent to the Entertainments Secretary: Mr. G. H. Lee, 5 Dallinger Road, Lee, S.E.12.

JOHN ROAN SCHOOL LODGE, No. 5085.

The Eighteenth Installation Meeting was held at the Freemasons' Hall, W.C.2, on Tuesday, 26th October, when a large number of members and guests were present to see Bro. David John Ross installed as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

W.Bro. Ross, who is well known to a large number of Old Roans, was at the Roan School from 1918 to 1927. On leaving school he intended to be a Chartered Surveyor and studied at the Regent Street Polytechnic but, changing his mind, he joined Lloyds in 1930.

He was initiated in the John Roan School Lodge in 1931. He joined the 2nd Batt. London Scottish in April, 1939: in December, 1941, he was posted overseas and served in India and Burma amongst various other places.

Being "demobbed" in December, 1945, he returned to his old profession with Lloyds, where he is now Deputy Underwriter.

We all wish David a very happy year of office: he has the best wishes of all who know him.

W.J.R.B.

ROAN WAR MEMORIAL FUND

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hereby covenant with the Trustees of the Roan War Memorial Fund that during the year ending 31st March, 19____, and in each of the six succeeding years, or during my lifetime, whichever is the shorter period, I will pay to the Fund such yearly sum as after deduction of Income Tax at the standard rate for the time being in force will leave the net yearly sum of £_____

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of _____

Life Members—Out of Touch.

Any member who can help to trace the following is asked to write to the Hon. Secretary:

Adam, B. W. (1898-00)	Clare, F. (08-12)	Byrnes, J. H. C. (12-17)
Allison, J. R. (12-14)	Cole, G. B. (16-20)	Byron, B. (-)
Allison, T. L. (08-12)	Collins, L. W. (21-26)	Cable, A. E. H. (-)
Amess, N. S. (05-11)	Cook, W. H. (07-12)	Caddy, W. E. H. (11-13)
Andrews, G. F. (24-32)	Cooper, W. J. (10-15)	Candlin, A. G. (-)
Ashby, J. F. (91-95)	Crisford, H. G. (-)	Carlton, S. E. (12-20)
Banks, W. H. (03-08)	Cutbush, R. F. (17-22)	Catt, G. N. (08-14)
Beck, D. R. (09-11)	Davies, G. G. (87-90)	Chanter, R. H. (-)
Beech, P. (19-29)	Dean, S. W. (05-07)	Dinwoodie, E. M. (-)
Beesley, H. J. (15-18)	Defrates, D. C. (16-20)	Field, T. H. J. (17-25)
Bint, G. H. (24-28)	Bowles, M. (17-23)	Forbes, E. F. (-)
Bishop, N. S. (19-27)	Boyd, J. O. (19-28)	Forgan, A. G. (15-20)
Bonney, G. (13-15)	Boyten, H. J. (08-12)	Forgan, C. B. (16-26)
Bowles, J. S. (17-21)	Brooks, H. (09-10)	Francis, S. (16-20)
Chapman, D. C. (20-25)	Bryan, F. C. (08-11)	Gardner, K. A. (19-23)